**Slippery Rock Student Government Association, Inc.
Minutes for the Meeting of October 28th, 2019
Smith Student Center Theatre**

1. **Call to Order –** President Dunlop **at 7:30 pm**
2. **Roll Call --**VP Graziani

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| Members:**Nicole Dunlop**, President**Khalil Harper,** VP of Student & Academic Affairs**Kaitlyn Hazelett,** VP of Financial Affairs**Kemoni Farmer**, VP of Campus Outreach**Mia Graziani** VP of Internal Affairs**Margaret Calvert**, VP of Diversity & Inclusion**Matt Lerman**, Parliamentarian**Joseph Sciuto**, Speaker of the SenateAdvisors:**Wendy Leitera,** Executive Director**Dr. Lauren Moran**, Advisor**Dr. Kershaw,** Faculty AdvisorAPSCUF Representatives:**Dr. Kim** | Senator Bash Senator Lindgren Senator Burkhouse Senator MennorSenator Condon Senator MomyerSenator Cox Senator NoonanSenator Dovgan Senator OhleSenator Enterline Senator ReillySenator Gish Senator ReitlerSenator Hilzendeger Senator WalkerSenator Jones Senator WeeterSenator Kochis Senator ZoellerExcused: Bash, Kochis, WeeterLate:Unexcused: |

1. **Guest Speakers**
	1. **Chadwick Burdick- Township Report -**Slippery Rock Community Library is trying to outreach to students on campus with job opportunities. Township partnership with borough to make roads safer by lowering speed limits. Contact Chad with any ideas about road safety.
2. **Officer/Committee Reports**
	1. **President Dunlop -** E-board and senate are working to plan the Mental Health Town Hall on November 7th in the SSC theater at 5 pm. Committees and informal are open to all students. Board of Governors update. BOG is in charge of overseeing the PASHEE system through appointment of presidents and setting tuition rates. University Success Committee - Meeting 4 times each year. Last meeting on October 16th and 17th. Approved the new University Financial Sustainability policy, updated bylaws, created IT analysis and governance sharing. Discussed system redesign. Approved state funding request. Liter of the week – Senator Matt Reitler.
	2. **VP Harper** - Working on the analysis of Student Life Survey data. Contacted AVI about a possible collaboration. Addressing the safety on Harmony road. Meeting with Dr. Mohammadi about the issues facing students regarding the heating and cooling in the academic buildings.
	3. **VP Hazelett –** Budgetary reserves $47,307.89; Capital reserves $14,832.97. Finance Committee members will present financial motions and inform senate of Committee’s discussion and recommendation. If a committee member cannot answer a Senator’s question, they will defer to a member of the organization. SGA Leadership scholarship is open until November 8th at 11:45 pm. The scholarship is in the amount of $1,000. Met with Dr. Amanda Yale and gathered information on the structure of the SGA endowed scholarship. Co-chair application is open. Committee will vote and the winner will be announced at the next formal meeting.
	4. **VP Farmer -** Moved committee meetings to Thursday at 6 pm. Provided an update on University counterpart meeting with Rita Abent (PR). Movie this week is *Spiderman Far From Home*, next week is *Space Jam.* Winners for SRSGA blankets is Megan Keefer and Loyal Jasper III - email sent to them following the meeting.
	5. **VP Graziani** - Bonding November 9th - Ice Skating, Tonight we are voting on Building F and Commuter senator spots. Spring retreat is in planning stages. Possible collaboration with UPB for St. Jude Up til 2.
	6. **VP Calvert** - Thanked the committee for balancing everything. Home Insecurity Committee- help to combat the issue of housing insecurity at SRU. First meeting was last week and had over 20 members from campus. Voter Information Table – collaboration with Butler Co. voter registration office regarding the elections in November. Mental Health Community Cafe - using concerns, questions and comments from the Town Hall for November 26th event at 7 pm. Finalizing questions in committee. Accessibility workshops with 2 GAs for club presidents. Menstrual product - Meeting with CFO discussing the finances and funding.
	7. **Parliamentarian Lerman** - Advice for senate - being held accountable for parliamentary procedure. Use handouts as references during the meeting. Please feel free to ask any questions. Explained what it means to be unconstitutional. The motion on the agenda for the 2 new senators is to approve both, if any concerns motion to separate.
		1. Senator Condon’s report (Rules & Policies Co Chair) - continuing to edit bylaws and change the constitution. Starting the process on in Senate to amend on November 11th. Two student organizations are coming tonight for approval from senate. Both are sent with a recommendation from committee.
	8. **Speaker Sciuto** - Last informal was a discussion on parliamentary procedure. New senators please stay and meet after the meeting.
	9. **Corinne Rockefeler (Restructuring committee) -**Looking towards a new structure of the executive board, narrowing down to 1 structure to present to senate. Discussing the set up of committees under the new e-board structure.
	10. **Dr. Kim (APSCUF)** - NONE
3. **Open Forum** -
	1. Hannah Shumsky (The Rocket) and the Treasurer of WSRU TV – On the agenda the requested amount of our new initiative is $6,800. Requesting to change how the money is allotted between airfare and lodging. Changing travel date to Sunday March 8th, 2020. Eight members participating in conference, won 9 awards at last year’s event.

**b.** Senator Lindgren- SRU ASSP food drive until November 15th. Donation boxes in Strain Safety building

**c**.VP Calvert - Day of the Dead 8pm in the SSC Ballroom. Take Back the Night at October 30th.

**d.** President Dunlop - Wednesday there will be time allotted for senate to meet with candidates for the Vice President of University Advancement.

**e.** Karen Perry - Volunteer opportunity for the SteelWheelers Quad Rugby event at the ARC.

1. **Old Business**- Senator Walker -moves to take from the table support for the renovation of the ARC. Second by Senator Cox. There was discussion in committee and a petition with over 450 student signatures support for expansion of the ARC.

 Vote to take from the table - motion passes unanimously.

Discussion - Over 450 signatures in less than a week. Support means that we will push for the initiative with no mandatory financial ties. Survey data from Campus Recreation was shared. Senator Ohle discussed the results of the survey performed by the ARC in fall of 2018. 6,603 students, on average, visit the ARC in 1 week. The biggest issue regarding the ARC is space.

Senator Walker repeated the motion on the floor- The SRSGA supports the renovation and expansion of the ARC.

Parliamentarian Lerman - Spoke with Wendy Leitera about what the actual support of the motion means.

Senator Reitler – Suggests reword to encourage instead of support

Senator Condon - Moves to lay the motion on the table - Second by Senator Mennor

VP Calvert - Should be voting on this tonight

Speaker Sciuto - These conversations should be taking place during formal meetings

Senator Condon- How should we amend the motion?

Parliamentarian Lerman - The discussion should happen in debate and discussion

Senator Condon - Rescinds his motion to table.

VP Calvert - The word encourage sounds better when not asking for initial financial support.

VP Hazelett – Cites the Campus Recreation study - Expansion = utilize from own funds and SGA support

Dr. Lauren Moran – Suggestion: adjust the amendment, supporting the report by Cale Walker

VP Harper - Report sent out last night, written by Senator Ohle

Senator Ohle – Report is a result of discussion in Student and Academic Affairs committee, and committee sends with recommendation of approval

Parliamentarian Lerman - Clarification, merge with the proposal and support what had been voted on during committee.

Speaker Scuito - Moves to amend the motion to support the proposal of the Student and Academic Affairs committee (attached to these minutes).

Second by Senator Hilzendeger

Motion to amend passes unanimously

Vote on amended motion-motion passes unanimously.

1. **New Business-**

President Dunlop entertains approval of the minutes of the October 14th, 2019 meeting.

 VP Farmer - Moves to amend the minutes to reflect “Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated”.

 Minutes are approved as amended.

Senator Reitler moves to approve Sport Management Alliance’s New Initiative Request of $2,890.00.

 Senator Noonan seconds.

 Asking to send 6 members to a conference on November 20th, 2019. Provided a testimony from a previous member. $1,900 for flights, $990 for lodging. Committee sends with recommendation for approval.

Discussion

 Senator Lindgren - The date for registration has since passed

 VP Hazelett - The hotel had to be booked in advance, and the organization understood funding was contingent on Senate approval.

 Motion passes unanimously

Senator Ohle moves to approve Autism Speaks U New Initiative Request of $816.00.

 Senator Jones seconds.

 This request funds their events for the upcoming year. Failed to submit a budget last year. This would go towards supplies needed for the meetings and events.

Discussion

 Senator Enterline - Why would $20 be needed for a PowerPoint?

 VP Hazelett – The PowerPoint is a game and pre-made with SRU and Autism facts

 Motion passes with 3 abstentions (VP Harper, VP Farmer and VP Calvert).

Senator Hilzendeger moves to approve Debate Society’s New Initiative Request of $2,600.00.

 Senator Ohle seconds.

 Funding to attend multiple tournaments. Needs to pay for the teams and travel for their growing club. Committee sends with recommendation for approval

Discussion - none

 Motion passes with one abstention (VP Calvert).

Senator Noonan moves to approve Alpha Psi Omega National Theater Honor Fraternity as a recognized student organization.

 Senator Dovgan seconds.

 This organization’s purpose is to establish a large national honor society at SRU. Rules and Policies sends with a recommendation of approval

 Parliamentarian Lerman - The group meets all requirements

Discussion – none

 Motion passes unanimously

Senator Dovgan moves to approve the Student Occupational Therapy Association SOTA as a recognized student organization.

 Senator Noonan seconds.

 Rules and Policies sends the group with a 5-0 vote of approval

Discussion - none

 Motion passes unanimously

Speaker Sciuto moves to approve WSRU-TV’s New Initiative Request of $6,800.00

 Senator Condon seconds.

Discussion

 VP Hazelett - There is a change in the amounts on the agenda and finance report.

 Parliamentarian Lerman - Possibly move to committee as a whole for discussion, due to the timeline and the need for funding.

Senator Condon moves to continue in committee as a whole, Senator Cox seconds.

 Motion passes with 2 abstentions (Ohle and Walker)

**Committee as a whole:**

2 Representatives speak on behalf from WSRU TV.

 $7,800 is the amount requested. The only change from Thursday’s finance committee to now is the allocation of the funds requested. Requesting to decrease the amount requested for lodging ($800.00) and add to the amount requested for airfare. Changing hotel dates to guarantee discounted rate.

Discussion

 Senator Condon - Is the additional $800 only based on the fluctuation (of airfare)?

 WSRU TV Representative - originally approved for up to $575/ticket

 VP Calvert - Does the break down matter in the vote for the motion?

 VP Hazelett - Yes

 Senator Hilzendeger - The correct number discussed in committee is not $575, it was $546

 WSRU TV Representative - There is a fluctuation due to the date change (flights)

 Parliamentarian Lerman - Money that is not spent on a flight will be returned to SGA

 Senator Walker - Can we not just change the numbers?

 VP Hazelett- A line item transfer is not possible once a new initiative is approved.

 Senator Condon - What is the extra money going towards?

 WSRU TV Representative - The money would go towards baggage fees

 VP Hazelett - Move to amend the motion to read to $5,000 towards flights and $2,400 towards lodging.

 Second by Senator Dovgan

 VP Harper - The numbers do not add up

 VP Hazelett - There is $400 for fluctuation in airfare

 Senator Ohle - Are we cutting lodging to $2,400 and flights to $5,000?

 VP Hazelett - Yes

VP Hazelett repeated the motion to amend.

 Vote to amend the motion passes with one abstention (VP Farmer)

Senator Condon - How do we move out of committee as a whole?

President Dunlop – returns to the normal order of business.

VP Hazelett moves to approve WSRU TV’s motion to read to $5,000 towards flights and $2,400 towards lodging.

 Senator Reitler seconds.

 Voting - Motion passes with one abstention (VP Farmer)

Senator Hilzendeger moves to approve the 2019-2020 AFSCME Commission Agreement.

 Senator Condon seconds.

 Commissions from the vending machines go towards stipends of student organizations. The motion is to approve the agreement to pay a portion of the commission to the AFSCME Union.

Discussion

 Senator Lindgren - What does AFSCME stand for?

 VP Hazelett - I will defer to Wendy

 The American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees

 VP Calvert - Should we (Exec) abstain since we receive the money (stipends)?

 President Dunlop- That is not necessary

 Motion passes with two abstentions (VP Farmer, VP Calvert)

Senator Cox moves that the SRSGA confirm Jacob Osho as Building B’s Senator and Madison V King as a Commuter Senator

 Senator Burkhouse seconds.

 Speaker Sciuto - moves to amend the motion to read as Building F. Senator Cox seconds.

 Motion passes to amend.

Jacob Osho - Having gone to school in the city of Pittsburgh, I feel that I can bring a new perspective

Madison V. King - A member of WSRU TV, best serve all of the commuter senators on senate.

Debate and Discussion - none

Voting - motion passes unanimously. President Dunlop swears in Senators Osho and King

**VIII. Advisor’s Comments**

1. **Wendy Leitera -** Welcome new senators. Encourages all to apply for the SGA scholarship. Public speaking skills of Senators is fantastic.
2. **Dr. Lauren Moran** - The meetings are getting better and better with parliamentary procedure. Provost Search with open sessions, encourage members to attend. Rock the Weekend events are the Gateway Clipper Trip and the Glow Casino. Encourage everyone to go out and vote next week.
3. **Dr. Kershaw -** Strongly recommend to bring several proposals for e-board restructure. Circulate models well in advance. Provide a brief analysis of strengths and weaknesses of each. Vote on Tuesday!

**IX. Adjournment**

**Meeting is adjourned at 9:08 pm.**