**Slippery Rock Student Government Association, Inc.
Minutes for the Meeting of September 18th, 2017
Robert M. Smith Student Center Theater**

1. **Call to Order –** President Lawler **at 8:49 pm**
2. **Roll Call** VP Foster

Senator Sarver

Senator Vickers

Senator Vinroe

Senator Walker

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| Members:**Rachel Lawler**, President**Scott Vogelgesang,** VP of Student and Academic Affairs**Riley Keffer,** VP of Financial Affairs**Dallas Kline**, VP of Campus Outreach**Lexi Foster,** VP of Internal Affairs**Josh Jenkins**, Speaker of the Senate**Brennan Smith**, Parliamentarian**Wendy Leitera,** Executive Director**Lauren Moran**, Advisor**Dr. David Kershaw,** Faculty AdvisorAPSCUF Representatives**Ms. Bishop** | Senator BurdickSenator CampbellSenator DawoduSenator DuntonSenator GentzelSenator GloverSenator HartmannSenator HazelettSenator HimichSenator KostelnikSenator MarvinSenator O'Hora Senator Ramirez Excused: Senator Hartmann Late: Unexcused:  |

1. **Guest Speakers**

**Potters Guild-** Representative Lindsey presented on the group’s attendance at the NCECA Conference. She explained the conference was extremely successful and was a great networking event. Some of the things the group experienced included:

* demos on molds
* screen-printing on clay
* “small favors”- artists were confined to small 4x4 box to design a sculpture
* exposed art majors to different techniques
1. **Officer/Committee Reports**
	1. **President Lawler**
* Welcome. The new seating arrangement this week is to make sure speakers feel more comfortable.
* Met with the interim chancellor for the Pennsylvania State System, Karen Whitney. She is visiting all 14 state system schools to meet the student governments.
* Post your events on CORE and the university calendar to target both students and faculty.
* Tomorrow – SGA and the DEI Committee is cosponsoring actress and disability advocate Maysoon Zayid, at 7pm in the Student Center Ballroom.
* SGA is initiating “Expresso your Comments” as an opportunity for students to have a cup of coffee with SGA and talk about issues or concerns.
* Liter of the Week- Congrats Angie Vickers
	1. **VP Volgelgesang-**
* Finalizing the student life survey. SGA safety week will kick off October 2nd.
* Comment and concern box is circulating around the audience this meeting.
* Student and Academic Affairs committee is held at 5pm in the Student Center room 320 on Wednesdays
	1. **VP Keffer-**
* The conference grant is out and due Oct 20th. The grant allows clubs and organizations to apply for $500 to attend a conference. Applications are on CORE and the SRSGA website.
* SGA scholarship application is out and due Oct. 27th. Applications are available on CORE and at SRSGA.org
* Finance Committee Co-chair for 2017-2018 is Sophia Sarver.
	1. **VP Kline-**
* Committee meets Mondays at 6pm in the Suite. Follow us on @SRSGA .
* Movie Series Update: Showing “The House” this weekend and “Wonder Woman” the following week.
* Currently collecting money for hurricane relief. Anyone can donate at [www.srufoundation.org/snahurricane](http://www.srufoundation.org/snahurricane)
* Outreach Committee Co-chair is Angie Vickers.
	1. **VP Foster**
* Homecoming Applications are now available on CORE and are due the 29th of September at noon. Students can apply as an individual or as a representative of a recognized club or organization. If applying as an individual, students will need to fill out the petition and receive 50 valid signatures in addition to the application. The forms can be found under Student Engagement and Leadership on CORE.
	1. **Speaker Jenkins-**
* All senators received their SGA binders last week and we reviewed CORE.
* The commuter senators plan on having a “grab and go” commuter senator event
* The building senators are working on defining their responsibilities, working alongside Res-Life.
	1. **Parliamentarian Smith-**
* The committee is working on thenew club recognition process.
* Will be revising balloting process for the upcoming election for open Senate positions.
* Rules and Policy meetings will change to Thursdays at 5pm in room 322 SSC. (Starting in October)
	1. **Social Justice Committee –**
* Making connections with organizations and offices across Slippery Rock University. There’s no use in representing people if you can’t hear from them.
* Working on solution to trans-students being “outed” by the current software systems that link student information in Banner to D2L. SRU united on this issue.
* Social Justice Committee is at 5pm in the Suite on Tuesdays. Anyone is welcome. Feedback is needed.
1. **Open Forum –** Any student of SRU is eligible to apply for the SGA scholarship.
2. **Old Business**- none
3. **New Business-**

**Motion #1 -** That SRSGA approves the minutes of September 5, 2017

**Burdick/Marvin**

***Motion Passes***

**Motion #2 -** That SRSGA approves the Flute Choir new initiative request of $462.00 for artist fees.

**Walker/Campbell**

Treasurer Paige Hargrave presents on the new initiative request. VP Riley Keffer discusses the Finance Committee’s review and recommendation.

***Motion passes***

**Motion #3** – That SRSGA approves the Exercise Science Society’s new initiative request of $2,925.00 for transportation to a regional conference.

**Walker/Vinroe**

A representative from the organization provides additional information related to the request. VP Keffer recommends approval, per the Finance Committee.

***Motion passes***

***Senator Burdick, Senator Walker, and Senator O’ Hora Abstain***

**Motion *#* 4 *-*** That SRSGA approves the Inline Hockey Club’s new initiative request of $4,968.00 for the league fees to submit a third team into the NCRHA and WPACRHL***.***

**Hazlett/Walker**

A team representative explains they are requesting the new initiative so they can fund a third team in their league, allowing more members to compete. VP Keffer reviews the Finance Committee’s discussion and recommendation for approval.

***Motion passes***

**Motion #5 *–*** That SRSGA approves the Percussion Club’s new initiative request of $1,589.00 for a new drum and 7 stands.

**Dunton/Sarver**

The President of the Percussion Club explains that they are looking to purchase a drum to be used for traditional Japanese Taiko drumming, as well as more stands to accommodate a growing number of club members. VP Keffer confirms the Finance Committee’s recommendation of approval.

***Motion Passes***

**Motion #6 *–*** That SRSGA approves the Music Therapy Club new initiative request of $3,895.00 to send 5 club members to the national music therapy conference in St. Louis, MO

**Himich/Marvin**

Club President Emma Martin explains the request is to fund flights, hotel, and registration fees to attend the national conference. One club member was accepted to present, and the others attending were chosen because two students sit on the national board and two others are staffing an information booth at the conference. VP Keffer recommends approval, per the Finance Committee.

 ***Motion Passes***

 ***VP Volgegesang Abstains***

 **Motion #7 –** That SRSGA approves the 2 new initiative requests totaling $3325.94 for lodging and travel reimbursement for 6 club members who competed at the 2017 FLW College fishing national championship in Rodgersville, Alabama.

 **Sarver/Vickers**

Club President Kyle Brown presents the results of the teams who competed and requests the funds to reimburse the team members for their out of pocket expenses to travel to the National Championship.Brown informs those in attendance the competition will be televised later this fall on NBC Sports Outdoors. VP Keffer discusses the Finance Committee’s review and recommendation.

 ***Motion Passes***

**Motion #8-** That SRSGA approves a new initiative request of $10,000 to collaborate with the President’s Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee to host speaker Maysoon Zayid on campus.

 **Vickers/Campbell**

VP Keffer recommends approval, per the Finance Committee

 ***Motion Passes***

**VIII. Advisor’s Comments**

**Wendy Leitera-**

* Thanks to everyone who came out for the meeting tonight. Please attend committee meetings, look at events on CORE, and stay engaged.
* Regarding the Movie Series, there have been 3 movies thus far in the semester, so please take advantage of this!
* The reasoning behind trying the different room set up is to make guests and speakers feel comfortable, we welcome feedback.

**Lauren Moran-**

* The card swipers we used tonight to track attendance can be used for a variety of things. Come borrow SGA’s or get your own. They are only $18.00.
* If you would like a student “CORE Street Team” member to orient you to CORE, we are more than welcome to do that for you. Please contact our graduate assistant Samantha Anderson if you are interested.
* Anyone that is interested in participating in this year’s Homecoming events, please attend informational meeting in the SSC theatre at common hour tomorrow.

**Dr. Kershaw-**

* Excited to see collaborative changes being made for the students.To recognize Constitution Day, the political science department is holding a constitution inspired scavenger hunt. (There are prizes) Please participate. Groups up to 4.

**Ms. Bishop-**

**IX. Adjournment**

**Motion #9 –** President Lawler entertains a motion to adjourn this meeting at 9:48 pm.

**Himich/Dawodu**

***Motion Passes***