

**Slippery Rock Student Government Association, Inc.  
Minutes for the Meeting of October 10, 2016  
Robert M. Smith Student Center Theater**

- I. Call to Order – President Steigerwalt at 8:45 pm**
- II. Roll Call VP Arpino**

<p><u>Members:</u>  <b>Logan Steigerwalt</b>, President  <b>Abby Fugh</b>, VP of Student Affairs  <b>Brian Welsh</b>, VP of Financial Affairs  <b>Sarah Arpino</b>, VP of Internal Affairs  <b>Sammy Hovis</b>, VP of Campus Outreach  <b>Rachel Lawler</b>, Parliamentarian  <b>Elizabeth Hernandez</b>, Speaker of the Senate</p> <p><b>Wendy Leitera</b>, Executive Director  <b>Dr. Pease-Hernandez</b>, Faculty Advisor</p> <p>APSCUF Representatives  <b>Dr. Jordan</b>  <b>Ms. Bishop</b></p>	<p>Senator Fields  Senator Fissore  Senator Foster  Senator Hartmann  Senator Heffelfinger  Senator Kerecman  Senator Kite  Senator Kline</p> <p>Senator Montgomery  Senator O’Connor  Senator OHora  Senator Quan  Senator Richardson  Senator Sedon</p> <p>Excused: Ms. Bishop</p> <p>Late: Dr. Jordan</p> <p>Unexcused:</p>
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**President Steigerwalt announced the Senate met in Executive Session prior to the start of this meeting for the purposes of discussing the upcoming Senator elections.**

**III. Guest Speakers**

**a. Dr. Norton and Dr. Shaevitz**

- i. Potential strike updates
- ii. Negotiations going on for about 15 months
- iii. Sides continuing to meet on the 14<sup>th</sup> through the weekend
- iv. If negotiations aren’t met, strike will occur October 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30am
- v. Agree to not let strike pollute their relationship or tarnish image of Slippery Rock
- vi. Hierarchy of the 240 wants and changes, some are grammatical. They don’t all have the same weight
- vii. If a strike occurs, will substitutes come in to teach and grade students?
  - 1. President Norton hopes that strike won’t last long enough for that to happen
- viii. APSCUF expects all faculty to participate in strike, however those who do continue to work they will not be bullied.
- ix. Alternate providers for counseling center
- x. Commencement will take place, but there is a possibility that students may have to finish work after walking for the graduation ceremony
- xi. Shaevitz- 5:00am Wednesday morning will be final call for strike
- xii. Norton- will be in contact individually with students with more information if strike does ensue
- xiii. Classes will be completed just might not be completed on normal date

#### **IV. Officer/Committee Reports**

##### **a. President Steigerwalt**

- i. BSGP Conference this weekend
- ii. Student Rally Tuesday October 11, 2016 at common hour
- iii. #settle4thestudents
- iv. Press Conference with all SGA Presidents during BSGP Conference- Friday at 5:00pm
- v. Senator Elections tonight
- vi. Liter of the week- Allie Sedon
- vii. Fan buses to IUP for Saturday's Football game
  1. Sign up in bookstore starting Wednesday morning at 8:00am

##### **b. VP Arpino**

- i. Homecoming applications are due TOMORROW Tuesday October 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm to the student secretary in the CSIL. No exceptions.
- ii. Partnering with AVI's event tomorrow in Rocky's selling baby pumpkins for \$1. Cash only.
- iii. Committee meets every Tuesday at 5:00 pm in SSC 325.

##### **c. VP Welsh**

- i. Conference Grant Recipients:
  1. CRU- \$500
  2. Music Therapy Club- \$500
  3. Social Justice Committee- \$200
- ii. Budgetary Reserves \$116,046.40

##### **d. VP Fugh**

- i. Student Safety week Recap
- ii. Campus Crawl
  1. Tuesday November 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:30-8:30pm
  2. Meet outside the CSIL
- iii. Committee Meeting Tuesday 5:00pm- Kevin McCarthy presenting about how to effectively interpret data

##### **e. VP Hovis**

- i. Movies for next half of the semester have been selected
- ii. New Senators will get picture taken after meeting
- iii. Harvest Fest- Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup>, 3-5pm in front of ATS
- iv. Advertise your club at the movie series!

##### **f. Speaker Hernandez**

- i. Paul Novak and Windy Stafford discussed safety procedures for campus
- ii. SGA Homecoming reps- Rachel and Logan
- iii. Building Senators Chair-Senator Hartman
  1. Meeting with GRDs
- iv. Commuter Senators Chair- Senator Sedon
  1. Commuter safe houses project

##### **g. Parliamentarian Lawler**

- i. Committee meets Thursdays at 4pm in the CSIL
- ii. Advocacy project- Project Positivity
- iii. BSGP Conference Hospitality chair
- iv. Suite Thanksgiving dinner in the works

##### **h. Social Justice Committee**

- i. Yonshalae Powell- rep

- ii. Diversity Equity and inclusion leadership team
- iii. October Meet n Greet in Suite October 25<sup>th</sup> during common hour

## V. Open Forum

### a. **Richelle Fuller- VP of programming for ARHS**

- i. Tuesday Homecoming event in ballroom
- ii. Partnering with UPB Haunted House

### b. **Maranda Lee**

- i. Wants to start a new voters club
- ii. Expedited recognition since election is coming soon

### c. **Alan Levy**

- i. Spoke in regard to potential strike
  - 1. Sent letters to Harrisburg
  - 2. State System administration has hired outside negotiators with tax money, faculty has hired outside negotiators with their own money
  - 3. Students have discussed suing admin in Harrisburg
  - 4. 2004 SGA made similar actions
  - 5. now is the time to act

## VI. Old Business- none

## VII. New Business

**Motion #1** -That SRSGA approves the minutes of September 19, 2016

**Richardson/Kerecman**

Motion passes

**Motion #2**- That SRSGA approves the annual vending commission agreement between SRSGA and AFSCME.

**Kite/Kline**

Motion passes

**Motion#3**- That SRSGA approves the new initiative request for \$1,949.50 for the Music Therapy Club for transportation and lodging.

**Heffelfinger/Sedon**

Motion passes

Refer to Finance Committee Report

**Motion#4**- That SRSGA approves the new initiative request for \$500.00 for QUEENS Org for fees and advertising.

**Fissore/Kite**

Motion passes with two abstentions (Senator Richardson and Senator Fields)

Refer to Finance Committee Report

**Motion#5**- That SRSGA approves the new initiative request for \$300.00 for the Arabic Club for performer fees.

**O'Connor/Richardson**

Motion passes

Refer to Finance Committee Report

**Motion #6-** That SRSGA approves the new initiative request for \$300.00 for the Pre-Service Teachers of Mathematics for transportation.

**Montgomery/Hartmann**

Motion passes

Refer to Finance Committee Report

**Motion #7-** That SRSGA recognizes G.E.E.K Life as a new club.

**Kite/O'Connor**

Motion passes

Refer to Finance Committee Report

**Motion #8-** That SRSGA recognizes conference grants recipients in the amounts of: CRU- \$500.00, Music Therapy Club-\$500.00 and the Social Justice Committee-\$200.00

**Kerecman/O'Connor**

Motion passes

**Motion #9-** That SRSGA suspend the majority rules for elections

**Hernandez/Kite**

Parliamentarian Lawler explains that due to the number of individuals running for open Senate positions, we are proposing suspending the majority rule and instead electing based on most # of votes. For each open position, a roll call vote will occur and the individual(s) with the most # of votes will be elected.

Motion passes

**Motion #10-**That SRSGA opens the floor for Commuter Senator Elections.

**Kite/Kline**

Five individuals are present who have applied and met the qualifications for election.

**Senator Fugh moves to friendly amend the motion to vote to approve all 5 applicants as opposed to roll call vote (since there are 5 open Commuter seats).**

**Senator Kerecman seconds.**

**President Steigerwalt entertains motion to elect all 5 applicants as Commuter Senators.**

Motion Passes

Elected: Ian Banks, Tabitha Giacalone, Riley Keffer, Christian Rebmann, Robbie Eberhardt

**Motion #11-** That SRSGA opens the floor for Building A Residence Hall Senator Elections.

**Fugh/Welsh**

Three individuals are present who have applied and met the qualifications.

Roll call vote

**Elected: Cale Walker**

Motion passes

**Motion #12-**That SRSGA opens the floor for Building D Residence Hall Senator Elections.

**Fissore/Heffelfinger**

Joshua Jenkins is present.

**Elected: Joshua Jenkins**

Motion passes

**Motion #13-**That SRSGA opens the floor for Building F Residence Hall Senator Elections.

**Kite/Fissore**

Two individuals are present who have applied and met the qualifications.

Roll call vote

**Elected: Nathan Miller**

Motion passes

**Motion #14** That SRSGA opens the floor for Freshman Senator Elections.

**Montgomery/Fissore**

Individuals who have applied and are eligible for the position proceed to the floor. President Steigerwalt asks for paper ballot and instructs Senators to vote for four individuals.

**Elected: Chad Burdick, Angela Vickers, Parto Bahrieni, Brennan Smith**

Motion passes

#### **IX. Advisor's Comments**

- a. **Dr. Pease-Hernandez – quote by William Foster, quality work, keep talking to constituents**
- b. **Wendy Leitera- attended all lives matter vs black lives matter panel with faculty, staff, police, and students. Very interactive and informative, talk to constituents and encourage future participation on panels.**
- c. **Dr. Jordan- Theodore Roosevelt quotes, wants to get to know students, wants students to reach out to him [david.jordan@sru.edu](mailto:david.jordan@sru.edu)**

#### **X. Adjournment**

**Motion #15 that SRSGA adjourns the meeting at 10:40pm**

**Kite/Jenkins**

Motion Passes