

# SRSGA Formal Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2021

## **Call to order - President Graziani.**

A meeting of the SRSGA was held in the Smith Student Center Ballroom on November 15, 2021 at 5:03 pm.

## **Roll Call – VP Hood**

### **Executive Board**

- a) Mia Graziani - President
- b) Sydney Rezzetano - VP of Finance
- c) Grant Warmbein - VP of Student & Academic Affairs
- d) Aiden Donnelly - VP of Outreach
- e) Liz Hood - VP of Internal Affairs
- f) Alexis Gish - VP of Diversity & Inclusion
- g) Nicholas Condon – Parliamentarian
- h) Hannah D'Egidio – Speaker of the Senate

### **College of Business**

- a) Senator Battles
- b) Senator Brinker
- c) Senator Fleming

### **College of Education**

- a) Senator Froehlich
- b) Senator Stiles

### **College of Health, Science, and Engineering**

- a) Senator Corbett
- b) Senator Jones
- c) Senator Sarver
- d) Senator Shaffer

### **College of Liberal Arts**

- a) Senator Brock
- b) Senator D'Egidio
- c) Senator Shiller
- d) Senator Warren

**Commuter**

- a) Senator Resnick

**Residence Hall**

- a) Senator Sones

**Transfer**

- a) Senator Smith

**Veteran**

- a) Senator Torpey

**Freshman**

- a) Senator Burchell
- b) Senator Dugan
- c) Senator Hayward
- d) Senator Husnick

**Graduate**

- a) Senator Dang
- b) Senator Draksler

**At-Large**

- a) Senator Caruso
- b) Senator Covey
- c) Senator George
- d) Senator Kennedy
- e) Senator Maggi
- f) Senator Moore
- g) Senator Nearhood

h) Senator Roberts

i) Senator Tortorella

j) Senator Austin

### **Advisors**

a.) Dr. Lauren Moran

b.) Wendy Leitera

c.) Dr. David Kershaw

### **Apscuf Representative(s)**

a.) Tricia Bishop

b.) Dr. Eric Bienbick

Absent: Senator Tortorella, Dr. Kershaw, and Dr. Bienbick

Excused: Senator Corbett

### Guest Speakers:

**Dennis Washington** – I started at SRU in January of 2020, so most of my time here was during the pandemic. I'm here to talk to you about university advancement. Over the past 10 years, it's been a 67% increase in support. We have a goal every year in different areas. Giving day is in March 25<sup>th</sup>. It coincides with our Founder's Day.

**Senator Warren** – How much donated goes to students?

**Dennis Washington** - 90% goes to students. The majority of it goes to students.

### Officer/Committee Reports:

#### **President Graziani**

Green Bandana Project Meeting Today! It's about mental health. We want to get that started by next Spring!

Informal Chat is for just for fun. I wanted to throw that out there.

Dr. Behre will be coming to our informal meeting next week!

Please reach out to me!

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Office hours: Tues & Thur 1:30-6pm and by appointment

#### **VP Warmbein**

SAA Committee Meetings: Thursday's @ 3:30 in SSC 325

Office hours: Mon: 2-4, Tu: 2:30-5, Wed:2-5, Thurs: 2-3:30 & 4:30-5, and Friday 12-1 (virtual)  
Email: [gjw1004@sru.edu](mailto:gjw1004@sru.edu)  
Phone Number: 412-722-3448  
Set up meetings with Deans (have at least two scheduled before the end of the semester)  
SLS Presentation: November 29th (next formal)  
Bob's Cupboard Food Drive: November 29th-December 3rd

**Senator Stiles: Ad Hoc Update: Food Service**

We were able to get the Aramark minimum wage raised to \$11 an hour. It is effective immediately. There's a massive shortage in non-Styrofoam products. Premium nights at Boozel have been good.

**VP Rezzetano**

Hello everyone!  
Committee Meetings are Thursdays at 4:15pm in SSC 246  
Office Hours are Tu/Th 3-4pm & by appointment  
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**VP Donnelly**

Committee meetings Tuesday at 5 pm in the Suite  
Office Hours are T/Th 7pm-8pm  
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**VP Hood**

Hi friends!  
Thank you to all who came to bonding on Saturday!  
Committee meeting in the Women's Center on Wednesdays @ 4 pm  
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As always, GO ROCK

**VP Gish**

Committee!!  
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## **Parliamentarian Condon**

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Do not call me. If you call that number, I will block you.

## **Senator Froehlich**

Rules and Policies Report:

Bylaw amendment from the previous Formal is back on the table!

We are officially no longer accepting/processing new student organizations until next semester.

Committee Meets: Tuesdays at 5:30pm in SSC 325

## **Speaker D'Egidio**

Three office units are required per senator per week.

Please read VP Hood's emails!

If you know you won't have enough office units, or if you have to submit late, please let me know ASAP

Diversity event requirements will be submitted with office units!

As Speaker, my biggest duty is to the senators. If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions regarding SGA, please feel free to reach out.

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## Commission Reports:

**Senator Moore** – I attending the commission on Race & Ethnic Diversity. They are sending a report to President Behre. There were different sub committees to cover different topics. There was recommendation to create a centralized office under the Chief Diversity officer.

Rock of the Week: Emma Kennedy!

**President Graziani** – This senator is newer, and she's done a phenomenal job. I was her Fyrst Seminar peer leader. I gave my speech on SGA, and she jumped up and wanted to join.

## Open Forum:

**Senator Brock** – I would like to address the miscommunication. The university is calling this miscommunication after they already put out their statement. I'm sorry to attend a University where you don't feel welcome or that you don't have a voice. You are seen as a price tag to the administration. I don't see that to be true. I stand with 15,000 "random people." You are wanted

and appreciated. We stand beside you, in front of you, behind you, or wherever you want us in this fight. I will hold administration accountable in any way that I can. There should've been a clear message about restructuring from the beginning. I hope you are pleased that 15,000 students were called "random people." The president addressed this at the university football game. My question stands: what will be enough? What will SRU students have to do for him to do something? I have dealt with the administration treating minority students poorly. The amount of miscommunication is a lot. It needs to be addressed immediately. Why was it handled this way? Why would it have been brought to the students this way? Why was okay to call stakeholders "random people?" It spread like wildfire. 3 weeks later we were told that it's being restructured. This seems to be a coverup since there was such backlash.

**Senator Brinker** – We're putting on a Read-a-thon for Honors College. It's November 30<sup>th</sup> 12:30 pm – 8 pm. To get in, you have to do a \$3 donation. If you need community service hours, it will count.

#### Old Business:

Motion #1: I move to take from the table, the adoption of the resolution relating to amending Article VII of the SRSOA Bylaws on Impeachment, Dismissal, and Vacancy as recommended by the Rules and Policies committee.

First – Senator Froehlich

Second – Senator Smith

**Senator Froehlich** – We talked about this at the last formal meeting. We're just bringing it back.

Motion passes!

#### New Business:

Motion #2: I move to approve the minutes from the November 1<sup>st</sup> formal meeting.

First – Senator Moore

Second – Senator Caruso

Motion passes!

Motion #3: I move to approve Finance and Economics Club's New Initiative Request of \$500.

First – Speaker D'Egidio

Second – Senator Husnick

**VP Rezzetano** – As it says in the report, this is their first-time funding, so they can request up to \$500. We decided that we'd like to grant them the full \$500.

**VP Donnelly** – What will they be using the \$500 for?

**VP Rezzetano** – They are planning on doing their events with Rock Solid investment club. \$200 will be used for speakers, and \$300 will be used for transportation.

Motion passes!

Motion #4: I move to confirm Robbi Austin as a College of Education Senator.

First – VP Gish

Second – Senator Shiller

**VP Gish** – Senator Austin is in an at-large position. She wants to go into the college of ed since she is an education major. Liz sent you her application last night.

Motion passes!

#### APSCUF Comments:

a) Dr. Eric Beinbiek:

b) Tricia Bishop: There isn't too much student related updates from APSCUF. With Rock Life, we saw it just being pulled into the know. I have not processed all the paperwork. There was a transition plan. We were also not informed about the situation. By the next meeting, I will know more. They are merging 14 of the 16 universities together. The plan is to get this in place by August of 2022.

#### Advisor Comments:

a.) Dr. Lauren Moran: Come talk to me and Wendy. Our offices are in the Suite. For Giving Day next semester, Liz and her committee will work you all on fundraisers. There's an esports tournament on Saturday. UPB is doing a trip to PPG on Sunday. It's all on CORE. Take a break and relax.

b.) Wendy Leitera: If anyone is interested in the Board of Directors, the application is on CORE under the SGA forms page. I spoke with the athletic director, and they want to have a watch party for the football game on Saturday. They will have it showing on Saturday in the Smith Student Center. There are no buses available, so this is the next best thing.

c.) Dr. David Kershaw:

Adjournment:

Adjourn the meeting at 6:00 pm.

First – Senator Warren

Second – Senator Dugan

Nay – VP Gish

Motion passes!