

SRSGA Formal Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2021

Call to order - President Graziani.

A meeting of the SRSGA was held on Zoom on September 13, 2021 at 5:08 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 Brinker
- b) Senator Fleming
- c) Senator Minaya

College of Education

- a) Senator Baird
- b) Senator Froehlich
- c) Senator Kulikowski
- d) 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

Transfer

- a) Senator Smith

Veteran

- a) Senator Torpey

Graduate

- a) Senator Dang
- b) Senator Draksler

At-Large

- a) Senator Caruso
- b) Senator Covey
- c) Senator Moore
- d) Senator Tortorea

Advisors

- a.) Dr. Lauren Moran
- b.) Wendy Leitera
- c.) Dr. David Kershaw

Apscuf Representative(s)

- a.) Tricia Bishop
- b.) Dr. Eric Bieniek

Absent: Dr. Beinbiek

Senator Minaya

Excused: Speaker D'Egidio

Senator Kulikowski

Guest Speakers:

Officer/Committee Reports:

President Graziani:

Welcome Sydney!

Thank You!

Moment of silence for Hunter Whitney.

Email mlg1028@sru.edu

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

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Student Life Survey (SLS) news

SLS: September 27th-October 8th

Discount code for bookstore if you take the SLS. Park anywhere passes and giftcards as well.

Come support the SRSGA SKYKATS AT 8 AND 9 TONIGHT! (IM FIELDS BEHIND BUILDING F)

VP Rezzetano:

Hello Everyone!

Committee Meetings are currently Tuesdays at 4pm in SSC 246

Office Hours are by appointment

Conference Grant Application will be open by tomorrow morning (9/14)

Office hours are by appointment

Email: slr1021@sru.edu

Phone: 717-860-2224

VP Donnelly:

Welcome everyone!

Committee meetings will be held Mondays after meetings in room 325 in the SSC

Office Hours will be Tu/Th 7pm-8pm

Email:Ard1022@sru.edu

Phone: 603-568-5154

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VP Hood:

Hi friends!

First bonding event is this Thursday the 16th at the Building F fire pit at 7:30 pm!

2nd Home Game this Saturday @ 6 pm

Committee meeting in the Suite on Wednesdays @ 4:15 pm

Office Hours: M-F by appointment

Email: erh1010@sru.edu

Phone: (724) 766-3249

As always, GO ROCK

VP Gish:

Committee!!

6:30 Tuesdays Women's Center!

Email: Ang1012@sru.edu

Phone: 724-614-0334

CDO Search Committee

Parliamentarian Condon:

Began meeting with Student Clubs and Organizations to bring them to Senate.

For all the new Senators; consider joining my committee!

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

Office Hours: Mondays from 2-5pm, Thursdays from 11am-2pm

Email: ndc1008@sru.edu

Phone: (724) 409 7364

Speaker D'Egidio:

Themes for informals?

Something you want to learn about?

Club/event suggestions

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.

hmd1009@sru.edu

724-777-6233

QR Code for accessibility

Commission Reports:

President Graziani – Any commission reports?

Senator Froehlich – I went to GISO this past Thursday. There's events in October on CORE. SRU gained info on how 3.5/5 on how LGBTQ+ friendly the campus is. Friends of GISO, get recognition for individuals, group, and organizations.

VP Gish – PCRED is looking for more student representatives. Reach out to me if you'd love to sit on there with me.

Rock of the Week:

President Graziani – ROCK of the Week this week is a senator who's gone above and beyond.

Madison Moore!

Parliamentarian Condon: Madison Moore has gone above and beyond in my committee.

Open Forum:

VP Warmbein – I forgot to include my report that the senators could take the SLS on Core. If there's any mistakes, you can put in the short answer section, so I can make changes before committee.

Old Business:

New Business:

Motion #1: I move to approve the minutes from the August 30th Formal Meeting.

First – Senator Froehlich

Second – Senator Brock

President Graziani – VP Hood was able to send out the previous minutes last night. Any questions for debate in discussion?

Motion passes!

Motion #2: I move to renew the stipends for the 2021-2022 school year.

First – Senator Fleming

Second – Senator Corbett

VP Rezzetano – Proposal is to keep stipends at 100% and give the finance committee more time to go over stipends.

Senator Brock – My concern is that if there are other thoughts about cutting it back for 75% or 80%.

VP Rezzetano - The best things would be to keep it this year, so we can look into it further. Our goal is to restructure. One year won't kill us. We'd like to go with the best possible option.

Senator Warren – On the sheet in front of me, in regards to, our stipends, is the vending expense what we're making up for?

Wendy Leitera – When you're looking at the budget, vending expense is what you pay for the utilities on all of the vending machines. The 3 year reserve is the total of the budget.

Parliamentarian Condon – Outside questions are only for open forum

Senator Stiles – I have a question, can someone from the audience speak on behalf of the question?

Parliamentarian Condon – You cannot refer to someone off of SGA.

Senator Froehlich – I trust Sydney and the finance committee's proposal. While we don't know the vending revenue, I feel like it'll increase a little bit. The 100% will make everyone happy in the long run.

Parliamentarian Condon – If you all wanted to have comments from the crowd, you can return to open forum. The proper motion would be to return to open forum to have others speak on the motion, and suspend the stipend motion until after the open forum. You can amend the motion to fund stipends at \$82,955.

Senator Stiles – I move to postpone this motion until after open forum.

Second – VP Gish

Senator Stiles – I wanted to give anyone from the crowd the opportunity to speak on the motion.

Debate and Discussion

VP Gish – I think that we should move back to open forum to give crowd members an opportunity to speak on the motion.

Motion to postpone motion passes!

VP Gish – I move to return to open forum

Second – VP Donnelly

VP Gish – I'm doing this to talk about the motion.

Motion to return to open forum passes!

Open forum

Amy Meyers (UPB) – I just wanted to say that the previous motion to pass the stipends, on behalf of UPB, we're appreciative of VP Rezzetano's decision and finance committees decision to keep the stipends. The timing of the previous motion in May 2021 was very shocking. We just wanted to say that we're very appreciative of the current motion to pass the motion.

Amanda Reilly (UPB) – I wanted to say thank you to Sydney and SRSGA for reconsidering the motion. Without the stipend, I wouldn't be able to hold my position currently. We were able to have a successful Pirates game on Friday. Thank you for allowing me to have that opportunity.

Motion #3: I move to amend the motion to renew the stipends for the 2021-2022 school year funded at \$82,955.

First – VP Gish

Second – VP Shiller

VP Gish – I think this was a good amendment to have for transparency reasons.

Motion to amend the stipend motion to be funded at \$82,955 passes!

Motion #4: I move to renew the stipends for the 2021-2022 school year funded at \$82,955.

Abstentions – VP Donnelly, VP Warmbein, VP Gish, VP Rezzetano, and VP Hood

Motion passes!

Motion #4: I move suspend the rules and fill senator vacancies through ballot.

First – Senator Brock

Second – Senator Jones

Parliamentarian Condon – We're suspending the rules so the person with the highest amount of votes will get the position.

Motion passes!

VP Hood – Hannah Minor does not want to be a part of the organization anymore, so please cross out her name.

President Graziani – New people you can introduce yourself up at the podium.

Lindsey Dugan – I'm currently a freshman. I am not too familiar with the terms and procedures. My high school did not have a student council. Our communication was very bad. I took on quite a few leadership positions in high school. I wanted to thank everyone for having me.

President Graziani – Madison Fitzgerald was not able to make it tonight, but her speech is in front of you.

Nikole Husnick – Hi I'm Nikole Husnick. I was a part of a lot of clubs in my high school. Our student government was not very formal as this one. I'm a part of the honors college. I really want to be a part of student government so I can make a lot out of my SRU experience. I'm learning how to communicate better with people. I felt like student government was a good way to start.

Rose Resnick – My passion has always been helping people. I want to be a part of student government to help others. I always put a lot of effort into everything that I do. I'm excited to be working with you

Austin Burchell – I'm a member of the honors college, law society, and club tennis. I was a junior and senior class treasurer in high school. I was involved in a bunch of clubs. I want to run for congress, so I think this would be a great experience.

Janessa Hayward – I have a passion for helping people and being a voice for people. I was involved in a lot of clubs in high school. Now I am a part of college dress relief. Even though I have a busy schedule, I'm fully dedicated to being a part of the senate and being the voice for people.

Mercedes Nearhood – I was involved in student government in high school. I have some experience with the voting aspect. I learned a lot in student government. A lot of responsibilities, respect, and how to have a voice. I am a desk attendant in Rhoades.

Easton Sones – I have skills that would be good for student government. I work in the nursing home side of the hospital. It helps with my communication side of things.

Rebecca George – I was in student government from 7th – 9th grade. In my technology school, I was in National Honors Society. I was the secretary for two years. I feel like I'd be good for student government, because I like being a part of the leadership group.

Mikel Battles – I run Vision Attire for 5 years now. I'm self-employed. I make pop, hip hop, and R&B music. I really wanted to get connected with the committee and have a voice.

President Graziani – We are going to have a 5-10 minute recess.

So moved – Senator Baird

Second – Senator Brinker

Motion passes!

Recess

Role Call

Absent: Senator Minaya

Dr. Beinbiek

Excused: Senator Dang

Senator Draksler

Senator Kulikowski

Speaker D'Egidio

Senator Shiller

Senator Caruso

Dr. David Kershaw

Motion #4: I move to confirm the following senators

First – VP Hood

Second – VP Rezzetano

Ballot results –

Freshman Senators:

Lindsey Dugan

Nikole Husnick

Janessa Hayward

Austin Burchell

Residence Hall Senators:

Madison Fitzgerald

Easton Sones

Commuter Senator – Rose Resnick

Business Senator – Mikel Battles

At-Large Senators:

Rebecca George

Mercedes Nearhood

Carly Roberts

APSCUF Comments:

a) Dr. Eric Beinbiek:

b) Tricia Bishop: My name is Tricia Bishop. I am on the SGA board of directors. I did this 4 years ago. I really enjoy seeing what you guys are up to and what's going on. My preferred service activities are with you the students. I look forward to working with you.

Advisor Comments:

a.) Dr. Lauren Moran: Congratulations to our new senators. You did a great job with Parliamentary procedure. The senate can really control the meeting when you know the parliamentary procedure. Really learn those, it helps you make decisions. Student org workshops are this week. They are all on Core. We're about a month away from homecoming. The glow ropes course on Friday and the rock field hockey game is for Rock the weekend.

b.) Wendy Leitera: Welcome the new senators. It was awesome to hear you all speak. Congratulations and welcome. Think about what committee you're interested in. As new senators, our committees are open to all students. Great meeting tonight. You worked through a lot. It was much smoother, and I love the teaching aspect that Mia and Nic brought to the meeting tonight. I work with the senate as an advisor. In our office downstairs, we serve as the business office for your organization.

c.) Dr. David Kershaw:

Adjournment:

Adjourn the meeting at 6:41 pm.

First – VP Gish

Second – Senator Torpey

Motion passes!