#### Slippery Rock Student Government Association, Inc. Minutes for the Meeting of August 31, 2015-AMENDED Robert M. Smith Student Center Theatre

I. Call to Order – President Steigerwalt at 8:45 pm

# II. Roll Call VP Temple

Members: Logan Steigerwalt, President Jessica Johnson, VP of Student Affairs	Senator Arpino Senator BallaSenator Roberts Senator SarverSenator BarrettSenator Sarver
Michael Farah, VP of Financial Affairs	Senator Barrett Senator Beckage Senator Welsh
Jenna Temple, VP of Internal Affairs	Senator Choma
Aimee Albright, VP of Campus Outreach	Senator Foster
, Parliamentarian	Senator Garrow
, Speaker of the Senate	Senator Giacalone
	Senator Hartmann
Brad Kovaleski, Advisor	Senator Hovis
Wendy Leitera, Business Manager , Faculty Advisor	Senator Kramer
APSCUF Representatives	Excused: Dr. Meztli
Dr. Shahidi	
Dr. Meztli	Late:
	Unexcused: Dr. Shahidi,
	Guests: Morgan Popowski, Victoria Pasquale, Ali
	Gemmell, Samantha Hartz, Dallas Kline, Rebecca
	Sheriff, Allison Sedon, Morgan Montgomery, Tyler
	Kochirka, Jordan Heckman, Rebecca Weintraub,
	Sharde Sails, Elizabeth Hernandez, Cali Free,
	Abigail Fugh, Jordan Kapsar, Chris Gordon, Tenaja
	Jennings, Sarah Davis, Riley Reffner, Haley
	Bereiter, Cassia Kaputa, Taylor Schechter, Cassie
	Holub, Abby Waine, David ward, Will Dzuricsko

# III. Guest Speakers

- IV.
- a. Dr. Bradley Wilson-interim Associate Provost for Transformational Experiences
  - i. Oversees various areas on campus including SGA

### b. Dr. Robert Watson

- i. Second meeting of Board of Directors was this evening. Everyone is welcome to all of our meetings and committees
- ii. Human Resources, Public Relations, Operations, Finance committees
- iii. Thank you for commitment to Slippery Rock University

# V. Board of Directors Report – VP Farah

- **a.** Wendy was able to give us a lot of information about different programs and our financial standing in those programs (SGA Bookstore and Childcare)
- **b.** Logan and Mike were confirmed into their positions as Board of Directors

# VI. Officer Reports

# a. President Steigerwalt –

- i. Excited to be here; going to be a good year
- **ii.** Current Goals-Host a leadership conference on campus, student run computer repair center, Student Life survey, meet with administrative contacts

# b. VP Temple

- i. Thank you to all committee members for doing behind the scenes work
- **ii.** Dodgeball tournament and pumpkin sale in the works more information to follow

# c. VP Farah

- i. Reworking finance policies
- ii. Discussed Conference Grant will be awarding grant in the fall for up to \$2,500
- iii. No new initiatives this week
- iv. Working on student leadership conference on campus
- v. Budgetary Reserves: \$163,611.94

# d. VP Johnson

- i. Working on student life survey for campus
- ii. Campus crawl end of October; look for safety issues on campus
- iii. Contacting township and the Grove to build a sidewalk on Harmony Road

# e. VP Albright

- i. Pitch Perfect 2 had great turnout
- ii. Utilizing social media and interactive information
- iii. Welcome Back Event September 4<sup>th</sup> in the quad
- VII. Old Business- none

# VIII. New Business

**Motion # 1** -That SRSGA approves the minutes of 5/4/2015 parts 1 and 2, and the minutes of the 6/27/2015 executive board minutes.

#### Choma/Sarver Motion Passes

**Motion** #2 - That SRSGA approves the appointment of Dr. Christine Pease-Hernandez as SRSGA Faculty Advisor.

### Beckage/Arpino

Dr. Pease Hernandez – wants to push us out of our comfort zones to make change happen **Motion Passes** 

Motion # 3 - That SRSGA swears in the elected representatives from the 2015 election that were not sworn in at the May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. Albright/Barrett Motion Passes Alissa Gemmel is sworn in as Commuter Senator.

**Motion** # 4 - That SRSGA approves the appointment of Rachel Lawler as the SRSGA Parliamentarian. **Sarver/Giacalone**  Senator Choma: What do you plan to do as Parliamentarian? Rachel: Continue what Jess has done and make everything clear and concise. **Motion Passes Rachel Lawler is sworn in as Parliamentarian.** 

Motion #5- That SRSGA opens the floor for Speaker of the Senate elections. Kramer/Albright Mike: Please make sure to vote if you previously abstained. Motion Passes

**Jaclynn Choma**: Business major, junior; have a passion for SGA. Get everyone's opinion on when to do ice breakers and games. Keep everything light but get things accomplished. Positive, Open-Minded, Self-Motivated. Focus on volunteerism and giving back to the community.

**Sarah Arpino**: Communications – Public Relations major, active member of SGA, on Board of Directors, Peer Mentor in the CSIL for FLSP. Productivity is main point while also keeping meetings fun and enjoyable. Passionate, Approachable, Motivating. Do multiple little things throughout year.

Senator Beckage: give consideration to Jaclynn Roll Call Vote

After first roll call vote, Choma received 8 votes, Arpino received 9 votes and there were 3 abstentions. Neither candidate received majority vote (11), roll call vote was cast again.

Second roll call vote: (see attached). President Steigerwalt was required to vote to break tie Senator Choma: 10 votes Senator Arpino: 11 votes Arpino wins with majority vote

Motion #6- That SRSGA elects Sarah Arpino as the SRSGA Speaker of the Senate. Arpino/Johnson Motion Passes

Motion #7- VP Farah motions to move into an Executive Session. Farah/Sarver Motion Passes

Motion #8 – VP Farah motions to increase the SRSGA, Inc. employee salaries as discussed in Executive Session and proposed by Wendy Leitera. Farah/Barrett Motion Passes

Motion #9 – VP Farah motions to add two (2) movie series events to each Senator's Duties.
Farah/Arpino
VP Farah friendly amends to have the motion include Executive Board members' Duties as well.
Senator Arpino agrees.
Senator Beckage friendly amends to add per semester to the end of the motion.
Senator Arpino and VP Farah agrees.
Motion Passes

Motion #10 – VP Farah moves to approve the SRSGA Dismissal Policy as written by Jenna Temple. Farah/Johnson Motion Passes

#### IX. Open Forum

Jaclynn- sign up for new name tag if need; embrace traditions Tabitha- a lot of Senators spots are missing, why are we electing a Speaker? Logan- the Speaker needed to be elected as soon as possible Mike- can adhere to a dismissal for Speaker if necessary Becca- if you want help filling your position, come to ARHS; first event is September 26<sup>th</sup> – life size game day Lainna- GISO member; follow @srugiso on twitter Jenna- thank you all for applying and coming to the meeting; keep an eye on your email Abby- have activities on Saturdays Cassie- How does SGA plan on getting new students involved? Sarah- CSIL has the Volunteer CORPS/Club and Org Fair/FLSP John- uncomfortable with how the Speaker election went; will discuss at Informal

# X. Advisor's Comments

### a. Brad Kovaleski-

- a. Conflict is a positive
- b. Tomorrow Dr. Norton is giving her State of the University Address at common hour
- c. It's going to be a great year

# b. Wendy Leitera-

- a. Thank you to everyone who came tonight
- b. Take positive thoughts with you when you leave
- c. Logan you did a great job tonight

# c. Dr. Pease-Hernandez-

- a. Congratulations on a great meeting
- b. Thank you to audience for coming
- c. Excited for the year because of everyone who spoke out on their feelings/opinions
- d. Reach out to students in a personal way, make an announcement about SGA in class, attend other events, and reach out to an international student and ask what they like about SRU and what SRU can do better

### XI. Adjournment

Motion #11 -That SRSGA adjourns the meeting at 10:32 pm.

Albright/Choma Motion Passes