

Associated Students of MSU-GF COT
Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2013

- Call to Order
 - Charlie called the meeting to order at 4:32pm
- Roll Call
 - Officers: Charlie Brown, Dustin Spivey, Joshua Archey
 - Senators: Jared Anderson, Andrew Gould, Brandon Gould, Brittany Douglas, Jacob Firman, Cody Hocker, Chad Ledbetter, Nadine Lucke-Poupa, Cody Pardue, Kathleen Pipinich, Timothy Reese, James Ryan Jr., Michael Thom, Erin Withrow, Nikole Pierce, Bennington Ward,
 - Excused: Kat O'Brien, Patrick Broadhurst, Jordan Cundiff, Bevin Chippewa, Diana Olson
 - Unexcused: Alex Sonnemaker, Damian Carolan, Devan Resler, Sarah McDaniel, Julia Standley, Ember Hunter,
 - Advisors: Kirsten Bryson, Pat Schoenen
 - Visitors: Dr. Camille Consolvo, Dr. Wolff
- Approval of Last Meeting Minutes
 - James moved to approved to the minutes with the changes of “salve” to “solve” and from “quite using it” to “aren’t using it” in the appropriate sections of the minutes
 - Jared seconded
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Officer Reports
 - Charlie- answered e-mails, attended executive meeting, checked voicemails, and ordered food for the meeting, met with Dr. Wolff, submitted executive journal
 - Kat- Office Hours, Created and updated the agenda, Attended the Executive meeting, Answered emails, Met with the SEAP advisors, Met with senate advisors, Worked on the election and open forum, Met with the people from Health 101
 - Joshua- will report next week
 - Dustin- checked and answered e-mails and phone calls, typed minutes, received and filed paperwork, attended executive meeting, had a meeting with Dr. Consolvo, met with Dr. Wolff and school advisors as to how to improve transferring and interschool advising
- Committee reports
 - W.A.C.-
 - Met and approved executive journals
 - Charlie was approved for \$200 for 3rd pay and \$200 for 4th pay totaling \$400 under the conditions that his activities are more specifically outlined
 - Kat was approved for \$170 for 4th pay of the semester
 - Joshua was approved for \$120 for 4th pay of the semester
 - Dustin was approved for \$120 for 4th pay of the semester
 - Senator Journals need to be in by Wednesday April 10th at 3:00pm
 - Charlie will meet with Senators on Tuesday April 9th at 2:00pm to assist in filling out Senator Journals
 - Decorations-
 - Need senators to meet in Heritage Hall Tuesday April 9th at 5:00pm after the Open Forum to help set up

- Put together all of their decorations for the Spring Picnic
 - Maintenance-
 - They cleaned the smoke shack right after the meeting last week
 - Publications-
 - Made posters for the Spring Picnic
 - Katie made posters with all of the candidates and their information and information on voting day
 - Met with Julie Freshly about the student planners and will report to us next week
 - Andrew asked whether candidate posters could be posted on the student government board
 - The student government board is an appropriate place to post nomination posters just be respectful of other candidates posters
 - S.A.R.C.-
 - They would like to do a raffle during the Spring Picnic
 - Talked with Ryan from the food pantry pertaining to the information he should gather before bringing stuff to the senate.
 - The furniture raffle posters were put up, all entries will be brought to the senate meeting and a winner will be picked at a senate meeting
- Old Business
 - Spring Picnic
 - We need help with decorations on Tuesday
 - Pennies will start serving food around 11:30am until 1:00pm
 - Our meeting next week will be in Heritage Hall and we will clean up from Spring Picnic after the meeting
 - Katie would like to do pie eating contests and will meet with Charlie to purchase tins and whip cream
 - Let decorations know where they would like the tables so that the floor plan can be adjusted
 - Nikole will go shopping this weekend for whatever else is needed
 - Elections
 - Touch base with Wendy Dove as to our election day and whether she can tally votes that night
 - Whoever is elected cannot let anyone know that you have won until the results are posted
 - Brandon urges senators to speak to their classes about elections so they are aware of the fact that elections are going on
 - Relay for Life
 - Charlie e-mailed Julia to see where she is at with Relay for Life and received no response

- James moved to allocate \$100 to the Relay for Life team
 - Brittany seconded
 - Motion passed unanimously
- New Business
 - Dr. Consolvo –
 - We need Student Government to have sustainability and consistency
 - The administration have been discussing a position to staff a Student Government and Activities Coordinator
 - They would help with leadership development
 - They would help with advising and event planning
 - A half-time person for 12 months with benefits would cost \$29,000
 - A three quarter time person for 9 months would cost \$37,500
 - There are multiple other arrangements that would either increase or decrease that salary
 - The question they bring to student government is how much would we or could we contribute toward staffing this position
 - Admin doesn't exactly have money for this but if they see that we are willing to contribute a reasonable amount they might be able to search for the remaining
 - Think this over and when Josh is here we can go over some of our numbers and the feasibility of spending towards hired staff.
 - Brandon worries that a position will be approved then a future senate will decide that they do not want to staff the position
 - Having a paid staff member would be beneficial
 - Brittany asks if they are hired how will this position be enforced
 - Dr. Consolvo would oversee the position and make sure that the job is being done
 - Andrew asks whether the paid position would offer appropriate benefits to the students for the cost
 - Nikole states that the position could be greatly beneficial to have a specific
 - Brandon moved to table this discussion until Joshes return next meeting
 - Brittany seconded
 - Motion passed unanimously
 - We discussed advisor gifts
 - Dennis
 - Would like to know how Maintenance can collaborate with Student Government as to future projects that would be in the students interests

- In the past we presented ideas to Scott and he would come back with the numbers and what would need to be done at the school level to make it happen
 - We have many projects we would like to see added to future building plans and look forward to working with Dennis and the school to get the ball rolling
- Open Discussion
 - Katie Pipinich
 - There are two sign-language interpreters for six students
 - There are reports that some Deaf students have reported being mistreated
 - Dustin recommended checking with Kathy Meier to see if there are any technologies or anything that can be done more to help assist in the absence of an interpreter
 - Katie would like to see more sensitivity training or something of the sort for any teacher who is going to have students with disabilities
 - We got approached by Administration for a couch for free counseling offered to our student from students from UGF
 - We decided to purchase a new couch for that use
 - Considering the results of the Non-Discrimination survey and the support of the Senate, Chad moved that we recommend that we take this up to the Administration and see what they would be able to do about the policy school wide
 - Erin seconded
 - 13 for
 - 1 opposed
 - 3 abstentions
 - Motion passed
 - Andrew presented two quotes
 - Andrew moved to hire Grizz Biz to make 30 plaques for Student Government recognition
 - Nikole Seconded
 - 1 abstention
 - Motion passed unanimously
 - Andrew got quotes for Grills to be raffled off during the Spring Picnic to a Student from the S.A.R.C. committee
 - Charlie asks whether the cost of a propane tank would be covered by Student Government or whether the winner would purchase one
 - That had not been discussed
 - Charlie asks whether it would be more beneficial to allocate an amount to S.A.R.C. to be used for prizes rather than to allocate money to a specific grill

- Josh stated that there is roughly \$150 left in the Spring Picnic budget and that S.A.R.C. has roughly the same amount
 - Charlie stated that since all of that money is in our already approved budget, as long as the prizes are for the Spring Picnic
- Adjournment
 - Dustin moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:48pm
 - Brittany seconded
 - Motion passed unanimously