

Agenda of the 79th Senate

Hofstra University Student Government Association

February 26th, 2015

Green House, Student Center

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- I. Quorum Call
- II. Approval of Senate Minutes
- III. Approval of Cabinet Minutes
- IV. Rules E. Casey
- V. New Business
 - A. African Student Association
 - **B.** Amnesty International
 - C. Alpha Phi Omega
 - D. Academic Affairs Chair Election
 - E. Active Club Legislation
 - F. University Club Limitation Legislation
 - G. Debate Resolution
 - H. Swearing in of the Elections Commission
- VI. Executive Board Reports
 - A. President M. Atkinson
 - B. Vice President- N. Olson
 - C. Comptroller A. Guarino
 - D. Secretary- J. Wyatt

VII. Committee Chair Weekly Reports

- A. Academic Affairs
- **B.** Appropriations D. Gallagher
- C. Programming W. Shepherd
- D. Public Relations F. Gitlin
- E. Spirit S. Harris
- F. Student Services M. Manuel
- VIII. For the Good of the Order
- IX. Announcements
- X. Snap Cup

Adjournment

Student Government Association Senate

February 12th, 2015

Meeting of the 79th Senate called to order at 6:06 pm

- I. Quorum Call
- II. Approval of Senate Minutes
 - a. Senator Andrews motions to pass
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 29-0-0
- III. Approval of the Cabinet Minutes
 - a. Senator Marshall motions to pass
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 29-0-0
- IV. Rules Minutes
 - a. Senator Andrews motions to pass
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 29-0-0
- V. New Business
 - a. Interfaith Club
 - i. *Interfaith Club*: This club recently started in December. I started this because I am a Religion minor and I have done a lot. We have an interfaith office, but no club for the different people to come together and (...). I believe we need a place for us to all come together and learn about each other while taking advantage of the diversity on campus.
 - ii. Questioning Period
 - 1. Chair Blain: What does SGA recognition mean to you?
 - a. *Interfaith Club*: Our club is inclusion and it opens up our club to more people. Interfaith is about working together and is open to everyone. Getting SGA funding would help us provide spaces to come together.
 - 2. Senator Esteban: What sort of events do you hope to have?
 - a. *Interfaith Club*: Interfaith dinners where we have students come from various backgrounds, different professors from the Religion department, etc.
 - 3. Chair Harris: How many members do you currently have?
 - a. Interfaith Club: We had 10 people at our first meeting.
 - 4. Chair Gitlin: Would you be working with other departments?
 - a. *Interfaith Club*: Our advisor is the Chair of the Religion department; the Interfaith Center is also on board. I spoke with the Rabbis and the Catholic chaplain.
 - 5. *Chair Gallagher*: How are you different from being a religious club and how will you be a community service?
 - a. Interfaith Club: I think it helps people of all faiths come together.
 - iii. Debate
 - 1. Chair Casey (Speaker For): I really liked the idea of the club, but was surprised that we did not already have one already especially because we have the Interfaith Center. This would be another way to build community. Many of her ideas were interesting as well.

- a. *Yielded to Senator Price*: She mentioned that the Religion department in an academic environment so I think this would also be a safe environment for people to learn about Religion.
- 2. Chair Gitlin (Speaker Against): I think we need to be careful about giving SGA recognition to clubs who have only had one meeting and wait to see how they are going. This is going to continue to exacerbate the problem and we need to make sure clubs are ready for recognition.
- 3. *Chair Blain (Speaker For)*: We should not turn away a perfectly deserving club. We give these clubs a support network and give them the help to get off the floor.
 - a. *Yielded to Senator Braitman*: We are eligible to give them money, but just because a club is SGA recognized, we do not need to give them money.
- iv. By a vote of 23-5-1 the Interfaith Club passes as a SGA recognized club
- b. Senator Price motions to suspend the rules to take a group picture for OSLA
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 25-3-0
- c. Hofstra Running Club
 - i. *Hofstra Running Club*: We formed last semester and we set out to really establish a running club. We think there is a lot of potential for this club because a lot of people like to run, ran track or cross country in high school, etc. Part of the reason why we are here is because we need a coach. We have 15 members on Collegiate Link. We would want to compete in the Northeast Conference of the Running Association. We would also be doing road races for charities or running for fun. This would be a good opportunity for people to get together and be fit.
 - ii. Questioning Period
 - 1. Chair Gitlin: Why are seeking SGA recognition?
 - a. *Hofstra Running Club*: We want to reach out to more students. I work at the Fitness Center and prospective students are always surprised to not see a running club on our campus. We also would need a coach and would need funding for that.
 - 2. Senator Stengel: Is this only cross-country or is it track?
 - a. *Hofstra Running Club*: Both. More cross-country in the fall, but indoor track & field in the winter, and outdoor track & field in the spring. There are various NCRA races.
 - 3. *Senator Mishkin*: How do you choose who will compete? In addition, will your weekly practices be divided by who is competing and who is not?
 - a. *Hofstra Running Club*: It is up to the person if they have experience and they want to do that. It is a wide range and there is really something for everyone. There may be different workouts just to be able to prepare for the meets.
 - 4. *Senator Ho*: Are you looking to collect dues?
 - a. *Hofstra Running Club*: If you are competitive then we would definitely have that. In terms of just running, there is not a ton of expenses.
 - 5. Senator Pollock: How is the Hofstra Cross Country team different?
 - a. *Hofstra Running Club*: They are NCAA sanctioned. They have cut the program back over the past few years because of Title IX and lack of funding. We also have no track team, so the club would provide that opportunity.
 - 6. Senator Braitman: Where do you run?
 - a. *Hofstra Running Club*: We meet up occasionally and run the bike loops around Hofstra or go running in Eisenhower Park. As well as Mitchell Field which is a public field with a track nearby.

iii. Debate

- 1. Senator Tacconelli (Speaker For): I think this is a great idea. I actually asked if there was a running club because I ran a lot in high school. I would have never run Division 1, so I think this is a great way for people to go to the gym and get out there.
- 2. *Chair Engelson (Speaker Against)*: What does it mean to be SGA recognized for them? What makes them a club that we really need to recognize? What can we do for them? This club will be able to thrive with or without us.
- 3. Senator Mishkin (Speaker Against): I do agree that this is a good idea. But one problem I think is that a lot of our clubs are too competitive. I would like this club much better if it was just a running club. If they are going for competition then they should run Cross Country for Hofstra.
- 4. *Senator Braitman (Speaker For)*: I ran in high school and would have continued but I would not. I think our name is the biggest things that will help them get out there.
 - a. *Yielded to Senator Pollock*: Cross-country and track are so different. Everyone would be able to have a chance.
- 5. Senator Beer motions to extend debate by one minute, with one speaker for and one speaker against
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Motion passes 24-1-1
- 6. Senator Stengel (Speaker For): If you are voting against this club because there is a Division 1 team that is completely crazy. That would be the same as saying that there could not be a club lacrosse team because we have a Division 1 team.
 - a. *Yielded to Senator Pollock*: They are different even within themselves. Cross-country and track have different events. He also sees that there is an interest on campus. He has done his research and I think this club could succeed.
- 7. Senator Beer (Speaker Against): He is coming here for SGA recognition so they could become competitive. That costs a lot of money. If you believe that there should be a club for running, then there is and you do not have to pass this because they will function. If you believe, they should be a competitive team then that would be why we would pass them.
- iv. By a vote of 14-11-2 the Hofstra Running Club passes as a SGA recognized club.

d. Creative Genius

- i. Creative Genius: We are a pre-professional art club for anyone who is interested in working in a creative environment. In our fine arts classes, we do not learn about business or PR or hear about internships or job opportunities. Therefore, I wanted to create an environment to work together and connect with each other and the network that we have. We do networking meetings twice a month. I want to bring in a speaker a month to bring the art world here. I think speakers could show their art and tell us about how they became artists. At the end of the month, we can do the critiques and stuff like that. We had a show in the fall and our members had to put out a lot of money out of pocket.
- ii. Questioning Period
 - 1. Chair Engelson: When was the show and how and where was it advertised?
 - a. Creative Genius: It was advertised through posters and Social Media.
 - 2. *Chair Engelson*: How many members do you have on Collegiate Link?
 - a. Creative Genius: I am not sure, but our Facebook group has about 50 people in it.
 - 3. *Senator Mishkin*: Will you or have you utilized the faculty from the Art department on campus?

- a. *Creative Genius*: Yes, but we do not have a great art program and the faculty often do not know what is going on in the art world.
- 4. Senator Mishkin: What is the difference between you and the Form Gallery club?
 - a. *Creative Genius*: We plan to work with Form on events, form is a gallery and there is a room for it. But Form only puts on shows and does not do the networking part, or bring in speakers.
- 5. *Senator Braitman*: Besides funding what else would you want SGA recognition for?
 - a. *Creative Genius*: The community, network, and it would be cool. I would like to do mixers on campus to meet other people.
- 6. *Senator Ho*: Have you had a meeting?
 - a. *Creative Genius*: We met every Friday last fall. It differs each time and it will be from 5 to 10 people each time. We are looking to recruit more people.
- 7. *Senator McKeown*: What guest speakers do you mean? In addition, have you talked with the Career Center about working on resumes or have an event together?
 - a. Creative Genius: Different artist and yes we would like to do that.
- 8. Senator Andrews: Do you have any non-art majors?
 - a. *Creative Genius*: Yes, we have a film major and journalism major. It is all over the place.

iii. Debate

- 1. Senator Beer (Speaker For): One of the big things about the arts is that it comes from the heart. This is incredibly different than what you need to make it in the art world. They need to be able to make connections and market themselves to be successful. Having a club on campus for this would be incredibly helpful. Yes, it is similar to other clubs that we have, but this helps students network specifically in the art world.
- 2. Senator Andrews (Speaker Against): I agree that Hofstra needs a club like this, but I do not think that they need to be SGA recognized. The first few things that she mentioned to us is that she needed us for funding. They need to grow internally first.
 - a. *Yielded to Senator Ramdhani*: They should have their Collegiate Link set up if they have been a club for so long.
- 3. *Chair Manuel (Speaker For)*: This is a good opportunity for us to help them be established, they need our help. This is a great idea. This club needs a little extra help.
 - a. *Yielded to Senator Ahmedin*: It is one thing to do art, but another to publish that art.
- 4. *Chair Engelson (Speaker Against)*: This is a great club and a great resource. However, their entire Executive Board is juniors and seniors; in addition, they have been a club since September, but did not start meeting until November.
 - a. *Yielded to Senator Mishkin*: There are a lot of resources available on campus that they are not utilizing and seem like they are not open to that.
- iv. By a vote of 6-17-1 Creative Genius does not pass as a SGA recognized club.
- e. Society for the Advancement of Management
 - i. Society for the Advancement of Management: We are all Management majors, but there is no club here at Hofstra for Management, but there are for the other majors in the Business department. We have 22 members on Collegiate Link; we have had 50 members at meetings. We have an event with HAMA next week on how to prepare for the Career Fair. We work closely with the Career Center. We also are collaborating with other business clubs; we are working with HITA as well. We are also doing our own events

and for instance, we are networking with a Board of Trustees member to host an event. We are open to anyone. We also have a lot of faculty support. We are trying to create opportunities for all of our students. SGA recognition would increase our accreditation. Being approved from SGA would also help with speaker fees and food costs. We also have a national case competition each year and we would like our members to attend. We are open to all majors. We have the good pride within us.

ii. Questioning Period

- 1. Senator Tacconelli: Have you reached out to the Zarb Business School?
 - a. Society for the Advancement of Management: Yes we are pretty well integrated with them and we are trying to create a whole network. There is a club for every major in the business school except Management.
- 2. *Chair Blain*: Do you really see yourself being that much more successful with SGA recognition?
 - a. Society for the Advancement of Management: Yes. It is the confidence of the student government and student body standing behind me. It would also be easier to co-host events and we would like to request (...).
- 3. *Senator Esteban*: Besides diversity in background, do you have diversity among ages?
 - a. *Society for the Advancement of Management*: Yes, we have people from each class. I think everyone can be useful.
- 4. Senator Tacconelli: Have you asked the Zarb school for any funding?
 - a. Society for the Advancement of Management: Yes I have been speaking with the Chair about how to get additional funding. However, right now a pizza party was kind of their max for supporting us.
- 5. Senator Ramdhani: Do you pay dues?
 - a. *Society for the Advancement of Management*: Yes they are \$30 per year. People understand that they are paying for those memberships.

iii. Debate

- 1. *Chair Gitlin (Speaker For)*: When I think of a club that has just started this year and is succeeding, I think this is it. They have been cosponsoring with other clubs. This is the kind of organization that SGA recognition could push a little further. This could also help us by using them as a model or by being proud of the great club we recognize.
- 2. Senator Tacconelli (Speaker Against): They have their act together. I feel like they are only coming to us for money. I think they that should get sponsorships and then maybe come back.
- 3. Senator Andrews (Speaker For): I think that this club is awesome and we would be doing an injustice by not recognizing them. It does not matter what your major is. Every club is looking for money in some aspect.
 - a. *Yielded to Senator Pollock*: If you do not want to pass a club because it is not doing enough, and then because it is too much, who are we looking to pass then?
- iv. By a vote of 20-1-4, Society for Advancement of Management passes as a SGA recognized club.

f. Alpha Phi Omega

i. *Alpha Phi Omega*: I started this club because it is one of the largest community service organizations in the world. Over the past semester, we have done many service projects. It gives everyone the opportunity to help our community more. We also focus a lot on leadership as well and working with people in chapters all over the world. We also do things as a group to strengthen the bond of the group. We are open for everyone. We are not exactly a fraternity even though we have Greek letters. We currently have 18

members and this upcoming week we are having events on campus to recruit more members.

ii. Questioning Period

- 1. *Chair Blain*: I want to ask a question of your constitution, can you elaborate on what the requirements for membership are?
 - a. *Alpha Phi Omega*: We are still working it through, but it would be coming to our events.
- 2. *Chair Gitlin*: You mentioned that your organization is not really a fraternity, but your purpose states that you are a co-ed fraternity. Can you explain that?
 - a. *Alpha Phi Omega*: We are a national service organization, but we are not considered a social or pre-professional Greek group.
- 3. *Senator Ramdhani*: Your constitution talks about pledge membership. Could you elaborate on that?
 - a. *Alpha Phi Omega*: There is a PowerPoint to learn about the organization, it is maybe 30 minutes. It is just to tell you what we try to do as a group.
- 4. Senator Esteban: What does SGA recognition mean to you?
 - a. *Alpha Phi Omega*: Getting our name out there has been on social media, but we want to make sure people. We would also like additional funding for some of our service events. Funding would be beneficial, but is not our main goal.

iii. Debate

- 1. Senator Ho (Speaker For): Right now, we already have a pre-law fraternity that is SGA recognized and this is on the same level. I do not see why you would not recognize them.
 - a. *Yielded to Chair Gitlin*: With four events last semester, they are clearly up, running, and getting things done. I am happy to see organization that is doing things on campus.
- 2. Senator Mishkin (Speaker Against): Although I think this club is great. I do not believe we could pass with the constitution as is. I do not think it is okay. I do not think recognizing them on a contingency and then unrecognizing them would look good on SGA.
- 3. Senator Beer (Speaker Against): We have so many community service clubs, but none do everything. If you want to do everything then join every club. They have not set their membership requirements. That are a huge red flag for me. I find many pieces of their constitution very alarming.
 - a. Yielded to Chair Blain: The best thing to do is for them to come back.
- 4. *Chair Manuel (Speaker For)*: They used the national constitution; they did not know this was a policy.
 - a. *Yielded to Senator Caputo*: They are unique because they have a national organization. Are we debating on content or semantics?
 - i. *Yielded to Chair Casey*: It was my fault; I messed up by not knowing that "pledge" could not be in there. I am sure they would be willing to change it.
- iv. Point of clarification from Chair Engelson and Advisor Koeppel: Regardless of this passing, when the organization was passed by the Registration Committee the rule about the term pledge (...).
- v. Senator Andrew motions to table the recognition of Alpha Phi Omega until the next meeting of the Senate, with the intention that they can decide to go to Rules first.
 - 1. Seconded
 - 2. Objection
 - 3. Debate
 - a. Senator Andrews (Speaker For): ...

- i. *Yielded to Senator Mishkin*: We cannot approve their constitution with the word "pledge" in it.
 - 1. *Yielded to Senator Beer*: Putting aside to deal with the issue properly is the best option.
- b. *Chair Manuel (Speaker Against)*: Considering that we can motion to do whatever we want, instead of making them wait. Now because of one word, we are going to make them come back. I highly doubt they would have any issue with this.
- c. *Chair Blain (Speaker Against)*: This is fixing a whole constitution not just one word. I think they need to go through the constitution and then come back.
 - i. Yielded to Senator Stengel: We can pass them on a contingency.
 - 1. *Yielded to Senator Braitman*: We still have not asked them so we are debating over nothing.
- 4. By a vote of 14-11-0 the motion to table recognition Alpha Phi Omega until the next meeting of Senate passes.
- VI. Senator Andrews motions for a 5 minute recess
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Motions passes 25-0-0
- VII. Executive Board Reports
 - a. President
 - b. Comptroller
 - i. IRCB Meeting
 - 1. We have contacted clubs to set up meetings
 - 2. IRCB is trying to all attend treasurer trainings this semester
 - 3. We are giving awards to clubs who rolled back 10% or less
 - ii. Senator Marshall motions to pass the IRCB minutes
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
 - c. Secretary
- VIII. Committee Chair Weekly Reports
 - a. Academic Affairs
 - i. Adopt-a-First Year initiative
 - 1. Meeting with Assistant Director of First Year Connections
 - 2. Working on a new name for the initiative
 - a. Senator Pollock suggest "Major Mentor"
 - ii. Compiling information about Biology Department
 - iii. Student Teaching Abroad
 - iv. Honors College INHO
 - v. Working with the Career Center for new initiatives
 - vi. UTP publicity
 - vii. Senator Caputo motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
 - b. Appropriations
 - i. Senator Stengel motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
 - c Club Relations
 - i. Club Leader Game
 - ii. Club Office Allocations
 - iii. Senator Beer motions to pass

- 1. Motion seconded
- 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
- d. Programming
 - i. Programming Applications are open and due on 2/25 in OSLA
 - ii. Valentine Giveaways went well
 - iii. Upcoming events
 - 1. Chinese New Year Celebration
 - 2. Toms Event
 - iv. Senator Caputo motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
- e. Public Relations
 - i. Committee meeting time is 6pm on Tuesdays
 - ii. Senator Stengel motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
- f. Spirit
 - i. Pride Unleashed Week
 - ii. Senator Marshall motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
- g. Student Services
 - i. SGA at the Corner: February 23rd
 - ii. Portfolios
 - iii. Portfolio Advertisement
 - iv. Student Appreciation Week
 - v. Senator Marshall motions to pass
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 26-0-0
- IX. For Good of the Order
- X. Announcements
- XI. Snap Cup
- XII. Senator Marshall motions to adjourn at 9:33pm
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Motion passes 26-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Jenna Wyatt

Secretary

Student Government Association

Wednesday, February 25th, 2015

Student Government Association Cabinet Meeting

Present: President Atkinson, Secretary Wyatt, Comptroller Guarino, Appropriations Chair Gallagher,

Programming Chair Shepherd, Public Relations Chair Gitlin, Rules Chair Casey, Spirit Chair Harris, and

Student Services Chair Manuel

Absent: Vice President Olson, Academic Affairs Chair Hunter Blain, Club Relations Chair Engelson

Meeting called to order by President Atkinson at 8:10pm

- I. Opening Icebreaker Game
- II. Updates
 - a. Appropriations
 - b. Comptroller
 - c. Club Relations
 - i. Club Allocations this weekend
 - d. Public Relations
 - i. SGA stamp
 - ii. Twitterful
 - iii. Senator Diaz and Taconelli are working on UTP
 - iv. Press Releases
 - e. Programming
 - i. Toms Event
 - ii. ROTC Bootcamp
 - f. Rules
 - i. Elections
 - g. Spirit
 - i. CAA Tournament
 - ii. Spirit Rock
 - iii. Dance Marathon
 - h. Student Services
 - i. Student Appreciation Week
- III. University Club Limitation Legislation
 - a. *Comptroller Guarino:* This legislation prohibits the Appropriations Committee from allocating funds to be used for the University Club at Hofstra University. We have consistently not funded this and want it to be clear in our policies.
 - b. Chair Shepherd motions to add this legislation to the Senate agenda
 - i. Motion passes
- IV. Programming Budget Procedure Legislation
 - a. *Comptroller Guarino:* This would be changing how we allocate the funds to Programming Board to be consistent with our practice. This legislation just states that the Programming Board's

budget for the following semester will be decided at the end of the current semester, after roll back is calculated.

- b. Chair Shepherd motions to table this legislation until the next meeting of the Senate
 - i. Motion passes
- V. Active Club Legislation
 - a. Appropriations Chair Gallagher: This would be in regards to organizations applying for money from the 5% fund, who may not be adherent to all of our policies, but are adhering by OSLA's policy. This legislation is dealing with Collegiate Link membership, where a Greek lettered organization may be seen active with only 5 members according to OSLA policies.
 - b. Chair Shepherd motions to add this legislation to the Senate agenda
 - i. Motion passes
- VI. Non-SGA Recognized Update Legislation
 - a. Appropriations Chair Gallagher: We are updating this part of our policy series to be consistent with our practice as the Appropriations Committee. We have not adhered to this policy in practice for the 5% fund. In practice clubs can sign up any week to attend an Appropriations meeting to ask for money from the 5%.
 - b. Chair Shepherd motions to table this legislation until the next meeting of the Senate
 - i. Motion passes
- VII. Resolution to submit a proposal for the 2016 General Election Presidential Debate
 - a. *President Atkinson:* This would be expressing our support of Hofstra University's application for the 2016 Presidential Debate.
 - b. Chair Gallagher motions to add this legislation to the Senate agenda
 - i. Motion passes
- VIII. Senate Overview
- IX. SGA Elections Commission
 - a. Members: Senator Andrews, Chair Manuel, Senator Caputo, Chair Engelson, and Senator Ho
 - b. Info Sessions: Monday, March 16th and Tuesday, March 17th
 - c. Election Packets Due: April 2nd
 - d. Elections: April 22nd and April 23rd
 - e. Turnover Meeting: April 30th
- X. Carpet Time
- XI. Chair Manuel motions to adjourn at 11:20pm
 - a. Seconded
 - b. Motion passes

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenna Wyatt

Student Government Association Secretary

Rules Minutes

February 23, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Erin Casey, So-Van Ho (late – excused), Natalie Mishkin, and Anthony Ramdhani (left

Visiting: Secretary Wyatt

Meeting commenced: 6:35 P.M.

1. Mock Trial Team

8:05 PM)

- a. Current club that wanted to make edits to their constitution
 - i. Added Recruitment Chair position
 - ii. Made meetings bi-weekly rather than bi-monthly
- 2. Hofstra Amnesty International
 - a. New club seeking recognition
 - b. Constitution
 - i. Grammatical changes
- 3. The African Student Association
 - a. New club seeking recognition
 - b. Constitution
 - i. Grammatical changes
 - ii. Added preamble and advisor section
- 4. Resolution "to submit a proposal for the 2106 General Election Presidential Debate"
 - a. Reworded
 - b. Grammatical changes
- 5. "5% Legislation Amendment"
 - a. Reworded
 - b. Passed through Rules with a 2-0 vote
- 6. Active Club Legislation
 - a. Reworded
 - b. Passed through Rules with a 2-0 vote
- 7. Non-SGA recognition Legislation
 - a. Reworded
 - b. Passed through Rules with a 2-0 vote
- 8. Programming Budget Procedure Legislation
 - a. Reworded
 - b. Passed through Rules with a 2-0 vote
- 9. University Club Limitation Legislation
 - a. Grammar capitalization
 - b. Passed through Rules with a 2-0 vote

Meeting adjourned: 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Erin Casey Rules Chairwoman

Hofstra University

Student Government Association

Two Thousand Fifteen

Active Club Legislation

Noted from the Updated Student Government Policy Series, Revised Fall 2013

B. APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE:

1. General Policies:

- h. Student Government Association will not fund any club or organization that is not registered on Collegiate Link. If an organization is deemed inactive for failure to re-register on Collegiate Link or for other reasons, they will no longer have SGA status and will have to reapply through the Registration committee and SGA.
 - a. The Appropriations Committee can only fund any club that is deemed active by the standards set forth in this Policy Series and/or by the definition of the club's category set forth by the Office of Student Leadership and Activities (OSLA).

V. RULES COMMITTEE

A. ACTIVE CLUBS:

- 1. An "active club" is defined as having:
 - a. Been approved by the Registration Committee
 - b. A constitution, containing the Student Government Association's approval by the Rules Committee and the Student Government Association, on file with the Rules Committee Chair.
 - c. No less than ten (10) undergraduate members who regularly attend club meetings.
 - i. Of the active members, no more than forty-nine (49) percent may be members of a currently banned or suspended Hofstra club or organization.
 - d. A club advisor, who is appointed and may serve in a capacity to be determined by the club.
 - e. An updated and approved Collegiate Link profile.

Respectfully submitted,

Damian Gallagher Alyson Guarino Erin Casey
Appropriations Chairman Comptroller Rules Chairwoman

Hofstra University

Student Government Association

Two Thousand Fifteen

University Club Limitation Legislation

Noted from the Updated Student Government Policy Series, Revised Fall 2013

B. APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE:

- 41. The Appropriations Committee will not allocate any funding to be used for the David S. Mack University Club at Hofstra University.
- **42.** Consistency: The criteria that is set for the limits of what the Student Government Association will fund will be held objectively across all clubs on a consistent basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Damian Gallagher Appropriations Chairman

Alyson Guarino Comptroller

Hofstra University

Student Government Association

In the Year Two Thousand and Fifteen

79th Senate

SGA Resolution #3

Resolution to submit a proposal for the 2016 General Election Presidential Debate

Whereas, the second Presidential Debate of 2012 was considered a success by Hofstra University and its students;

Whereas, the second Presidential Debate of 2012 was a transformative event across the campus, where it brought an air of excitement and healthy discussion;

Whereas, the students of Hofstra University want to be involved with historical events that transcend the University;

Whereas, the students appreciated the opportunities and happily received the attention brought to the campus during the second Presidential Debate of 2012;

Whereas, the University's students have a genuine interest in modern political discourse and are politically and socially active through student organizations or independently;

Let it be resolved, that Hofstra University's Student Government Association supports any proposal that Hofstra University submits to host one of the 2016 General Election Presidential Debates.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark AtkinsonNicole OlsonAlyson GuarinoPresidentVice PresidentComptroller

Academic Affairs Minutes

February 24, 2015

Meeting called to order: 2:30 p.m.

Present: Chair Hunter Blain, Pratik Shah, Megan Andrews, Rita Cinquemani, Colleen McKeown

Guest: Steve Babbit (Bookstore Manager)

- Mr. Babbit
 - o Book orders on time
 - o Ongoing initiative
 - o Bad year as far as book orders on time
 - No longer about being on the first day of school but for online customers
 - First-years cannot buy their books because bookstore does not know what they need
 - Higher Education Opportunity Act says that book orders should be ready by registration
 - Not enforced
 - Grant could be pulled,
 - Bookstore and Hofstra are losing money

What we have done:

- Hunter Blain
 - Ordered food for Provost Scholars' Reception
 - o Met with Assistant Dean of First-year programs about Adopt-A-First-year with Pratik Shah
 - o Going to be meeting with Psychology department next
- Colleen McKeown
 - Set up appointment with Study Abroad office for Friday
- Pratik Shah
 - Met with assistant dean of first year programs about adopt-a-first year and bio complaints
- Rita Cinquemani
 - o Met with Karl, meeting with Jim on Thursday about charging station
 - Met with HUHC Dean Donahue about classes and he refused to change INHO policy
 - Will be more meetings with advisement
- Megan Andrews
 - o Ideas, UTP (advertise with tabling in Breslin)
 - o Stand-out student recognition (like perfect attendance, interaction, etc.)
 - Professors might nominate a student
 - Study-abroad for more majors (music)
 - Anonymous concerns about a professor/department based on only the 700#
 - Career center planning more tabling
 - Focus on the business school because they work more closely with the Career Center

What we plan on doing:

- Hunter Blain
 - Set up appointment with psychology department, perhaps economics
- Pratik Shah
 - o Email Cliff Jernigen about meeting about book orders
- Colleen McKeown
 - Attend meeting, email President Atkinson and Advisor Koeppel with presentation data
- Megan Andrews
 - Meet with business school about incorporating Adopt-a-first year

• Rita Cinquemani

o Meeting with Jim

Meeting adjourned at 3:04 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Hunter Blain Academic Affairs Chair

Appropriations Minutes

February 24, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Damian Gallagher, Comptroller Alyson Guarino, Jacquelyn Dent, So-

Van Ho, Tristan Marshall & Gaby Senderowicz

Visiting: Rules Chair Erin Casey

Meeting Commenced: 6:17 PM

1. Hofstra University Start Ups

<u>Requested:</u> \$3,300.00

Start-up Weekend, Shark Tank Hofstra, Entrepreneur Week, BUNEEC Conference Hotels

<u>Allocated</u>: \$715.40

Start-up Weekend: \$555.00 Shark Tank Hofstra: \$160.40

2. Hofstra Mock Trial

Requested: \$1,745.00

AMTA Regional Tournament, AMTA Membership

Allocated: \$575.00

AMTA Regional Tournament: \$125.00

AMTA Membership: \$450.00

3. Rock Climbing Club

Requested: \$21,369.20

Cliffs Gym, Brooklyn Boulders Gym, Shawangunks Outdoor Climbing Trip, Equipment

Allocated: \$1,650.00

Brooklyn Boulders: \$1,650.00

4. Hofstra Billiard Organization

Requested: \$2,400.00 APA Membership

Allocated: \$400.00

APA Membership: \$400.00

Total Requested: \$28,814.20

Total Allocated: \$3.340.40

% Allocated: 12%

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50PM

Respectfully submitted,

Damian Gallagher

Appropriations Chairman

Programming Board Minutes

February 23, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Whitney S., Priya G., Coco S., Alex K., Kelly M., Ashlyn G., Danielle E.,

Danielle K., Nyala S., Cory M., Christian R., Michelle H

Absent: Amber B. (excused)

Meeting commenced: 6:00 PM

- 1) Special Business
 - a. Meeting with ROTC in the upcoming week to discuss boot camp details
 - b. Working with Habitat Humanity on Carnival stress buster prop
 - c. Co-sponsoring with BSU on their skate event
 - d. In process of starting contract with comedy group Harvard Sailing Team
- 2) Upcoming Events
 - a. Toms Event Part 1 March 9th 11th (atrium tables)
 - i. Shoes sales, \$20 a pair
 - b. Toms Event Part 2 Sales April 14th (Multi Purpose Room)
 - i. Toms pick up/decoration

Meeting adjourned: 6:22 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney Shepherd

Programming Board Chairwoman

SGA Public Relations Minutes

February 24th, 2015

Call to order: February 24th - 6:15 PM

In Attendance: Chair Gitlin, Senator Diaz, Senator Tacconelli, and Senator Shafranski

New Business and Initiatives

- SGA Brand Packet
 - o Consistent fonts: Avenir or Regencie
 - No Word Art
 - o SGA logo in the bottom left corner
 - For anything not initially associated with specific colors, follow the Hofstra University color scheme
- Monthly Press Releases
 - o Video press releases featuring a senator from a different committee each month
- Twitterfall for tracking Twitter hash-tags
 - o Chair Gitlin will look into this application.
- University Tutorial Program promotions
 - Senator Tacconelli and Senator Diaz will meet with Advisor Koeppel within the week
- Posting Senate Agenda on Facebook!

Adjourned: 7:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Forrest Gitlin

Public Relations Chairman

Spirit Meeting

February 24, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Harris, Senator Cinquemani, Senator Stengel, Senator Shafranski, Senator

Braitman (Late) Absent: Senator Price

- I. Meeting Called to order at 4:20 pm
- II. CAAs
 - Tabling to promote the trip to Baltimore, MD
 February 25th and 26th
 - Social Media Promotion
 - Facebook Posts
- III. Fundraise for Future Events
 - o Brainstorm creative ideas
- IV. Sub-Committee Initiatives
 - o Spirit (Senator Braitman and Senator Cinquemani)
 - CAA send-off with clubs
 - Will follow up with Christy from Athletics
 - Working with Senator Stengel
 - Athletics (Senator Stengel and Senator Shafranski)
 - Flea market to sell old athletic jerseys, equipment, etc.
 - Possibly a club flea market
 - Sports Calendar
 - All sports events are being added to the SGA calendar
 - Email List
 - Contact all club sports to advertise their games
 - Collaborate with Pink for giveaways at games
- V. Entire Committee Initiatives
 - o Future Spring Games
 - Advertise one or two big spring sports to attract students
 - Lacrosse and Softball
 - o Start a Thon at Hofstra to raise money
 - Mimic the event at Penn State, who raised \$13 Million
 - Research different events that would occur
- VI. Meeting Adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Harris

Spirit Chairwoman

Student Services Committee Hofstra Student Government Association Hofstra University, Long Island, New York

February 24, 2015

Attendance: Senator Stengel, Senator Ahmedin, and Senator Esteban

Absent: Chairperson Manuel (Excused)

- I. Call to Order: 6:25pm
- II. Student Appreciation Week:
 - a. Potential Questions (Rough Draft):
 - 1. Would you utilize a universal remote app in the lounges of the residential halls?
 - 2. Would you utilize a beach shuttle during the warm weather?
 - 3. How satisfied are you with the new dining services provided by Compass?
 - 4. (Something about the Meal Share program)
 - 5. Are you satisfied with the train shuttle to Mineola and Hempstead?
 - 6. Would you utilize off campus dining options if they accepted Hofstra meal swipes?
 - b. Apparel for Student Appreciation Week
- III. Ongoing Initiatives:
 - a. Portfolio Advertisement
 - b. Beach Shuttle
 - c. Universal Remote
 - i. Senator Esteban and Chair Manuel met with Rose Tirotta on Wednesday 2/25/15.
 - d. Meal Share Program
 - e. Bike Share Program
 - f. Mineola Shuttle
 - g. Dutch Debits
 - h. Charging Stations
- IV. Adjournment: 6:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Esteban