

# Student Government Association Eastern Connecticut State University

Fall 2019 Senate Session · General Board

Student Government Association General Board Minutes 3:00pm, Student Center Room 107 Eboard

Y. Lopez (President)
N. Kalbouneh (Vice President)
S. Chea (Treasurer)
A. Perez (Secretary)
D. Castillo (BAM Chair)

#### **Senators**

G. Acosta, F. Beccaglia, E. Blake, N. Brink, E. D'Alessandro, M. Driscoll, M. Espino, E. Foss, A. Fegan, E. Fritz, K. Gareneau, H. Heredia, A.. Hernandez, Ja. Hernandez, Jh. Hernandez, M. Kvedar, M. Landeros, N. Mavhaura, A. Martinez Medina, M. Mendolia, R. Migliorino, A. Perez, T. Roberts, S. St. John, L. Serrano Villa, J. Sepulveda, R. Sultana, A. Rooney, K. Torres, J. Vega, J. Vinueza

#### **Advisors**

C. DeAngelis
J. Sumrell

- I. Call to Order:
- II. Roll Call:

#### III. President Report:

- a. Acceptance of Minutes
- b. Van Update: Y. Lopez working with Vice President Walter Diaz on van radius and liability. Plan on drafting a list of parking locations for the vans in big cities.
- c. Career Fair: Y. Lopez met with Vice President Walter Diaz and discussed plan of action following the appearance of border customs at career fair. Government agencies will not be invited to the campus. If on campus, agencies will be flagged and students will be alerted.

#### IV. Vice President Report

- a. Confirm New Senator: Armando Hernandez Ramirez
- b. **Cords**: Eastern SGA is now accredited with the national organization. In the process of obtaining logins and pictures for the national website.
- c. Internal Committees
  - i. Public Relations- M. Mendolia stated Warrior Wednesday is this Wednesday from 1pm-3pm. Theme is "What you're thankful for." Giveaways include pies, snacks and activities.
  - ii. SGA, FEMALES, UROC event is named "Miracle on Eastern Street." SGA will collaborate by buying mugs, and tote bags.

Motion #48 (M. Mendolia & R. Sultana) to spend no more than \$700 from 4Imprint, for mugs with SGA logo and tote bags for Miracle on Eastern Street event.

Discussion: A. Rooney asked if the logo is the official SGA logo. M. Mendolia stated that the official logo will be used. J. Sumrell asked what UROC and FEMALES will be collaborating with. M. Mendolia stated they will be providing food and activities.

- iii. Student Issues: M. Espino stated that all family bathroom signs will be changed to all gender bathroom signs with braille available, by the Spring Semester Parking: More information from Chief Garewski is pending Love Your Neighbor Flag Frame: quote- from E. Foss' dad with different materials C. DeAngelis stated hiring a family member is a conflict of interest, Stissues should get quotes from different places.
  - E. Foss Stated Michaels doesn't frame certain measurements and her father volunteered to make frame free of labor cost.
  - S. Chea & Y. Lopez will help look for custom frames from other vendors. Stissues will finish the flag. Dec 2, and would like snacks for that meeting

# Motion #49 (M. Espino & M. Mendolia) to spend no more than \$60.00 for snacks from Walmart for flag meeting on Dec 2

Discussion: Y. Lopez asked what kind of snacks are going to be bought. M. Espino stated there will most likely be chips, cookies, drinks.

- K. Garneaul: 350 people have signed up for multi-factor identification and the initiative goes live tomorrow, asked eboard and senate to spread the word on social media.
- iv. STAC: M. Kvedar stated that at the last meeting they drafted up questions that Vice President Walter Diaz wanted in the survey regarding Upass. When questions have been Finalized, copies will be given to senate.
  - J. Hernandez will be sending out google doc to senate, advisors, and Vice President Walter Diaz. Survey will be sent out to students in the Spring Semester.
- v. Budget and Management:
  - 1. D. Castillo- Guidelines have been finalized and will be sent out this afternoon. Voting next meeting Dec 2,
  - 2. FRP's are completed and every club will receive them next week
  - 3. Girls Who Code Constitution: national organization that provides resources for women in STEM, encourages girls to join computer science fields. This club has already been approved by national organization and was gifted a stipend. The club is inclusive to all interested. Will host Hackathons, go to conferences, workshops and use club money for computer software. Offer information for internships in computer science.

## Motion #50 (D. Castillo & E. Fritz) to approve Girls Who Code constitution. Abstain (M. Espino, E. Foss)

d. External Committees

Academic Affairs Committee- H. Heredia stated that servers crashed during first-year registration. Committee is working on finding a more effective way for students to register. There was confusion about classes that could be taken and how many credits you need, committee wants to make registration process and rules clear to students. A. Fegan stated students should meet with advisor and ask if certain classes they want to take are locked for other majors. M. Kvedar asked why are classes locked. J. Vinueza stated courses are locked for particular major. Provost Saulka stated there is some political tension between certain departments. K. Garneaul stated website crashed for him. A. Fegan stated the registration process depends on the major and for certain majors there are not enough seats available. Opening up two time slots for registration is up for consideration. AAC has been in contact with the Provost on rephrasing registration rules.

Reminder- University Senate meets 11/19/19

- a. Current Balance
  - i. General Board \$6,413.20
  - ii. E-Board \$11,662.75

### VI. Secretary Report:

- a. SGA Retreat recap
- b. Email SGA if you are interested in volunteering at Open Rec.
- VII. *Advisor Report:* C. DeAngelis thanked everyone who attended retreat and stated that the information desk in the Student Center will be accepting credit cards for trips and events. Working on radius clause
- VIII. *Open Floor:* M. Kvedar asked how many senator seats are open. E-board stated there are no more seats available Y. Lopez stated E-Board has a surprise for the senate and headshots will be taken soon. Next SGA meeting will be held in the SGA Suite, dress down.

Motion #51 (A. Martinez & M. Mendolia) to adjourn meeting at 4:00pm

IX. Meeting Adjourned: 4:00pm Dates to Remember: