Student Government Association
General Board Meeting
11/9/2015

Present:

Executive Board: J. Ahern (President), E. Drouin (Vice President), T. Mack (Treasurer), C. Gosselin (BAM), N. Vigorita (Secretary)

Advisors: M. Delaney, C. Ambrosio


Guests: A. Dilon, K. Feliciano, Officer Schneider

Meeting called to order at 3:03 PM

1. President’s Report
   a. Acceptance of Minutes from
      i. Motion #40: (Co. Welch, H. Brooks) Motion to accept the minutes from 11/2/15. (24-0-0). Motion Carries.
   b. Officer Schneider- C.O.P.S Open Rec Night
      i. Friday December 4, 9pm-2am
      ii. This is their 20th annual event
      iii. Last year over 750 students swiped in!
      iv. The students consumed about: 500 burgers, 150 pizzas, 60 feet of subs, and more!
      v. There are raffles; you get 5 tickets when you come in, if you bring canned items you get more
      vi. 2,500 canned goods were donated last year!
      vii. There will be a dj
      viii. All the money we donate goes straight to prizes; C.O.P.S will take whatever we give
      ix. Prizes in the past include: a 32 inch TV every hour, iPods, trips, electronics and about 30-40 gift cards
      x. Fusion dance may appear and perform
      xi. Events will include: basketball tournaments, donut eating contests, massages, board games, and arts & crafts
      xii. This is an alternative to alcohol as well as so the students see the cops in a different light
      xiii. The dress code is casual/there isn’t one
      xiv. Non eastern students can attend but cannot win prizes, free for all
      xv. Students can win 1 prize during the event and one during finale event, max of 2 prizes!
      xvi. Must be present to win prizes!
xvii. Student Affairs and Housing also donate to this event, but those funds can’t be used for prizes; they gave about $4,000! Prizes are only from SGA donated funds ($6,000 last year)

c. Senator of the Month- October
   i. Christina Welch!

d. One-on-Ones
   i. Everyone has signed up for one on ones
   ii. These are mandatory!

2. Secretary
   a. Secretary position
      i. N. Vigorita has accepted a part time position where she interned this summer with the hopes of it becoming a full time career upon graduation!
      ii. Therefore, she will be resigning as secretary for the Spring 2016 semester and will take a delegate position
      iii. If you are interested in filling this position next semester, please send an email to all of Eboard and talk to N. Vigorita if you have any questions.
      iv. Our constitution says that if there is a vacancy in the Eboard, the president will appoint someone to take the position. He is taking consideration of who would like to fill this spot and will talk to those interested during one-on-ones this week.
      v. You won’t be assigned to an internal committee while being secretary but of course can still attend the meetings
      vi. Candidates must have been a senator for a full year and/or President or Vice President of another club for a year
   
b. Office Hours
      i. Keep ’em up!

3. Vice President’s Report
   a. Internal Committee Updates
      i. Public Relations
         1. We are well on track for this first Warrior Wednesday!
            a. PR is getting for prizes: 2 donated items from the bookstore, 3 donated athletic shirts from Athletics, an Eastern water bottle, 2 $20 Domino’s, $25 Willibrew, $25 Cafemantic, 3 $10 Dunkin Donuts, 2 $25 Walmart, 2 $10 Subway and 2 $10 Taco Bell gift cards as well as a gift basket.
            b. This is the reveal of the mascot name, so PR went a little over what they had allocated initially. This will average out by the end.
         2. M. McFall Gorman made quarter sheets, take some for a residence hall and sign your name that you took them.
         3. This is important because it’s the third part of us promoting this event
            a. Poster case, emails from Mr. Osborn, and now quarter sheets.
b. When you see promotions for this event on social media, please favorite/re-tweet etc!

4. Wear eastern apparel
   a. 1 Eastern apparel item/ticket.

5. Veteran's Day is also Wednesday; show military ID or military item get another entry!

6. No additional entry for following on social media

ii. Student Issues
   1. The voice box was painted! Looking forward to picking out a spot for its new home!
   2. J. Mazyck has taken on the parking issue,
      a. Met with Chief Garweski,
      b. There was a claim that faculty weren't paying their parking tickets.
         i. Chief Garewski didn't know since the police issue the tickets and the Bursar deals with the money.
      c. Multiple tickets
         i. Chief said that when parking authority goes around and they see someone in a faculty/staff lot they'll usually give you a second shot but next time they come around and you are still there, they will ticket you.
         ii. If you are in a handicapped/fire lane, they will ticket when they see it
         iii. The police are allowed to ticket every 4 hours.
      d. Incidence with emails coming through much, much later.
         i. Chief will look into this
      e. Tickets double after 10 days while at Uconn it is 14 days.
         i. They are fairly lenient on this; you can get a ticket the week before we leave for Thanksgiving and those break days are not counted. Idea is 10 business days
         ii. We could go through Parking Appeals Committee to change this!
      f. If it is a first offense and you are struggling paying it, they sometimes just eradicate it.
      g. PR will help Student Issues get some of these points out to the general student population

3. CAPS
   a. Next step is getting the perspective of the staff of the center. A meeting with the interim director will be scheduled.
   b. Will follow up on getting the director position filled.

iii. BAM-
   1. Next 3 Thursdays will be going over FRPs.
   2. Appeals day is after Thanksgiving break

4. Treasurer's Report:
a. **Accounts Update**, all are up to date!
   i. **General Board** $6,437.21
   ii. **Executive Board** $2,241.44

b. **C.O.P.S Open Rec**
   i. T. Mack feels we should give $6,000 since we gave that last year and we have $6,000 in Gboard still
   ii. J. Reid points out that this is the main event we will be giving to for the rest of this semester
   iii. H. Brooks agrees $6,000 is a good number
   iv. The police department stretch the dollar really well when buying prizes
   v. We normally go over budget in the fall for Gboard, but end up with rollover in the spring
   vi. The officers go out and get fantastic deals, Black Friday shopping, donations, etc
   vii. Last year’s drop in what we gave was because enrollment was down also
   viii. Ch. Welch didn’t hear a lot about this event last year, would like SGA to advertise it more
   ix. Motion #41: (H. Brooks, R. Eragene) Motion to spend no more than $6,000 towards C.O.P.S Open Rec (15,0,0) Motion carries

5. **Advisor Report:**

6. **Old Business**
   a. **Organizational Outreach Responses**
      i. Please do this this week, we will be sending emails at the end of this week to those who haven’t.

7. **New Business**
   a. **Parking Concerns**
      i. There was a document given to us by Chief Garewski with spaces lost and gained for commuters, residents, and staff.
      ii. E. Drouin would like this document posed on the SGA social medias to show the students with a little explanation as to why residents lost the spots.
         1. Whenever we get an answer/solution, it is decided it should go on the social media to show the students what we are working on

8. **Open Floor**
   a. **External Committee Updates**
      i. Judicial Committee will be meeting in the beginning of December.
   b. **Contract negotiating meeting**
      i. Look for E. Drouin’s email about when it is.
   c. **A. Dilon brought up the dining hours**
      i. Hurley closes at 7, if a student doesn’t have money or snacks for food off campus, how can they eat?
      ii. At Majors/Minors fair there were a lot of comments on Hurley.
      iii. We have more budget cuts, meaning less money to give Chartwells, meaning fewer open hours.
      iv. We should post on social media about this, that we actually looked into the problem
      v. We are the only state school in CT that has to go containers!
      vi. Students can use Dining Dollars at the Stu
vii. M. Wysopal mentioned talking to Chartwells about having a couple items in the Stu cafe that you can get with a swipe
   1. Select number of swipes is essentially the same as Dining Dollars
viii. Food focus? Jason mentioned he could come to a Gboard meeting. Eboard will look into this
ix. Jason’s hands are tied because things have to be approved by the University first.
x. May or may not be able to change the contract before it is up.
d. RDT showcase is November 21, 2pm, Shafer

9. Dates to Remember:
   a. Meeting on the Master Plan: General Board Meeting - Monday, November 16th, 3:00 PM
   b. Town Gown: Thursday, November 19th, 6:00 PM, Johnson Room – Library (Room 204)
   c. C.O.P.S Open Rec Night: Friday, December 4th

Meeting adjourned at 4:03 PM