Present:
Executive Board: S. McCabe (President), A. Bullard (Vice President), R. Silberquit (BAM), M. Hicks (Treasurer), W. McLaughlin (Secretary)
Advisors: C. Ambrosio, M. Delaney
Guests:

Meeting called to order at 3:02 pm.

1. Acceptance of Last Weeks Minutes
   a. Motion #15 (M. Kandemir, W. Malcolm): Motion to accept the minutes from October 22, 2012. (23-0-0) Motion carries.

2. President’s Report:
   a. Voting Shuttle
      i. SGA and the Intercultural Center will be having a shuttle running on Tuesday, November 6 from 8AM-8PM to bring students registered to vote in Willimantic to the voting station at the VFW. The shuttle will be outside of the Student Center next to Niejadlik Hall. Shuttle drivers are still needed to drive the three vans during the 12 hour time frame. The Intercultural will be driving a van for 8 hours.
      ii. A. Bullard said that non-drivers are also needed. She will not be driving but will be at the VFW and shuttle site throughout the day.
      iii. Z. Yeager asked where the VFW is in Willimantic. S. McCabe responded that the VFW is on Valley Street past Stop & Shop and McDonald’s.
   b. Board of Regents
      i. S. McCabe explained to the Senate what the Board of Regents is. He said that the Board of Regents is the major governing body of all public schools in higher education in Connecticut. The Board meets about once a month. A student is needed to serve on the Board
because A. Bullard has stepped down from her position on the Student Advisory Council. President Nunez is also on the board and it is a great way to meet administration from across the state.

ii. A. Bullard explained that her role on the Student Advisory Council was to bring students’ issues to the Board of Regents.

iii. S. McCabe told the Senate that two members on the Board of Regents have recently resigned because they approved raises when the money was supposed to go to students.

iv. M. Hicks told the Senate that President Nunez is working on remediation in the Board of Regents. Currently, not all credits from Connecticut’s community colleges transfer to Connecticut State Universities (CSUs). With President Nunez’s idea, a system would be put in place where community college students would take a test to be entered into CSU schools.

v. Z. Yeager asked what it means when community college students’ credits are ‘lost’. M. Hicks said that not all credits from the community colleges transfer to Eastern so they are ‘lost’.

vi. The next Board of Regents meeting will be on November 30th.

c. President Nunez
   i. President Nunez will be receiving the Willard M. McRae Community Diversity Award on Thursday, November 15 from 5PM-7PM. All Senators are encouraged to attend.

d. VP of Finance and Administration Search
   i. Currently Jim Howarth is serving as the Interim VP of Finance and Administration. The University is currently searching for a permanent VP of Finance and Administration. Students are allowed in the interviews that are taking place on November 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14. S. McCabe strongly encourages those who are available to attend the interviews.

e. President’s Breakfast
   i. The second Presidents Breakfast of the semester will be held on Wednesday, November 14 at 7AM in the President’s Dining Room in Hurley Hall.
   ii. S. McCabe makes the agenda for the breakfast so he asked the Senate if there were any issues that needed to be added to the agenda.
   iii. The issues with the registration process will be added to the agenda.

3. Vice President’s Report:
   a. Registration
      i. A. Bullard reminded the Senate to keep Mondays at 3PM open next semester because SGA will continue to have its General Board meetings at that time.

   b. Internal Retreat
      i. A. Bullard thanked the Internal Committee for holding a nice retreat on October 26 and all those who attended.
c. Committees
   i. BAM
      1. FRPs
         a. FRPs for clubs were due on November 2. The committee will be looking at the FRPs for the next three weeks. There will be an appeals meeting on December 6 for clubs.
      2. Primetime Madness
         a. The event will be held on November 14 at 8PM in Geissler Gymnasium. SGA will be setting up a table and needs volunteers to work at the table. R. Silberquit encouraged all Senators to attend. President Nunez will also be attending.
   ii. Internal
      1. Internal Retreat
         a. M. Hicks thanked everyone who attended the Internal Retreat on October 26. He thought the food was great and there was plenty for everyone.
   iii. Promotions
      1. SGA Day
         a. SGA Day will be held on Wednesday November 14 from 12PM-3PM in the Student Center. Senators are needed to work at the event and a sign-up sheet was passed around.
         b. Committee heads have been asked to make a poster explaining their committee’s role for the event. They are due on November 14.
         c. D. Sailer showed the Senate the ‘Plane Tickets’ they had been working on and the flyer to promote SGA Day. She asked Senators to grab copies of the flyer to hang up across campus.
   iv. Student Issues
      1. Course Repeat Policy
         a. A student has raised an issue with the University’s Course Repeat Policy. Currently, the policy states that a student may repeat a class for a better grade but not receive credit. The student must have a C- or lower to be eligible to repeat the class. The student who raised the issue has a C but would still like to repeat the class for a better grade but cannot due to the current policy.
         b. S. McCabe is glad that students are turning to SGA about their issues.

4. Treasurer’s Report
   a. General Board: $3,900 (including Chartwells PO)
   b. Executive Board: -$183.92
c. Public Relations Committee motioned for $50 but the money was made up because the Internal Committee did not spend as much money as expected on the Internal Retreat.

5. Secretary’s Report:
   i. Nothing to add at this time.

6. Advisor’s Report:
   i. Nothing to add at this time.

7. Old Business:
   i. Nothing to add at this time.

8. New Business:
   a. Cops Open Rec Night
      i. S. McCabe told the Senate that Eastern’s Police Department has contacted SGA about donating to the Annual Cope Open Rec Night. SGA has donated $6000 each year for the past several years to the event.
      ii. The money donated goes to prizes for students during the event. The event itself helps benefit the Special Olympics.
      iii. In donating the money, SGA may request that student workers of the police department may not win prizes. Last year, multiple student employees of the police department won prizes, which raised the concern of the raffles being rigged.
      iv. The Senate will motion next week for the amount to donate.

9. Open Floor:
   a. Democracy of Africa
      i. The African Club’s Democracy of Africa event was postponed due to Hurricane Sandy. The new date is tonight, November 5 at 7PM in the Student Center Theatre.
   b. Nancy Tinker
      i. Nancy Tinker’s visit to SGA was not possible because of Hurricane Sandy last week. She may be coming in the next two weeks.
   c. Wings and Politics
      i. Eastern’s Conservatives and Libertarians Club will be holding a Wings and Politics event in the Student Center Café tomorrow, Tuesday, November 6 at 8PM
   d. Priority Points
      i. W. Malcolm raised the idea of ROTC students getting extra Priority Points.
   e. Dates To Remember
      i. November 14, 2012 – President’s Breakfast
      ii. November 14, 2012 – Primetime Madness, Basketball Season Start, 8pm
      iii. November 15, 2012 – Arts and Lecture: Matthew Bodgano
iv. November 29, 2012 – Town Gown, 6-7:30 pm, Science 301

Meeting was closed at 3:38 pm.