

## **SGA General Board Meeting**

### **Agenda**

**Monday, March 23rd, 2008**

**President S. Sayed called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm.**

#### **Attendance:**

President: S. Sayed

Vice President: M. Pina

Treasurer: A. Dominguez

Secretary: B. Johnson

BAM Chair: J. Paradis

Advisors: C. Ambrosio, M. Delaney

**Senators:** I. Adebajo, C. Charmelus, W. Dawson, J. Frankel, C. Freycinet, M. Grosjean, C. King, P. Kosciuk, M. Lad, D. McCue, Marci Reisman, Matthew Reisman, L. Tubbs, A. White, A. Wilde, N. Zeni

**Guests:** David Porter – Price, Jose L. Maldonado, Gabriel Gonzalez, Marlana Carroll

**Quorum was established.**

#### President's Report

- MALES members Jose Maldonado and Gabriel Gonzalez presented Sulthana Sayed and Jennifer Paradis with their Women's Appreciation Awards that they received.
- The SGA Executive Board addressed the rumor that one of the CSU schools will be closing. The likelihood of one of the CSU schools or any of the community colleges is very rare. Senators are encouraged to contact their legislators if they want to voice their opinion on this issues.
- S. Sayed reiterated the fact that senators need to email B. Johnson or the Internal Issues Committee if they are unable to attend a retreat. The committee planned on all of the senators being present at the retreat and had a lot of food left over. If a club was to do this, BAM would probably not fund them to hold another similar event.

#### Vice President's Report

- ❖ No report

#### Treasurer's Report

- ❖ General Board: \$46,474.86
- ❖ E-Board: \$16,518.35

### Secretary's Report

- ❖ The Senate will be participating in the Town Wide, Town Pride community service event on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 9:00 – 1:00 pm. Senators are encouraged to attend. Additional details will follow.
- ❖ If you are going to be absent at a general board meeting, senators need to email Brittany Johnson, rather than sending her a text. She needs a concrete way to document your attendance at meetings and events.
- ❖ The Internal Issues Committee is planning a hiking trip on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 in Killingworth, CT. Additional details will follow.
- ❖ Thank you to everyone that attended the retreat last Friday!

### BAM Chair Report

- ❖ There was a Clubs Council Meeting last Wednesday. J. Paradis informed clubs of Club Award and FRP dates. She has a meeting with John Bazin on Wednesday and will have a final schedule of dates after that meeting.

### Advisors

- ❖ No report

### Old Business:

**Motion #84: (M. Grosjean/W. Dawson) Move to accept last week's minutes (19/0/1) Motion carries.**

### New Business:

- Dennis Hannon made a presentation about the budget of the CSU Schools. He emphasized that the CSU system will need to receive \$177,659,157.00 of state funding in order to stay where we are with services provided to the four CSUs. The proposed Governor's budget for the fiscal year of 2010 is \$163,108,416.00. The worst case scenario would be if the state funding for 2010 was \$135,108,416.00. The four universities will need to ultimately reduce personnel at the four universities. They will try to minimize the cuts to student employment, as student employees make important contributions to the university. Student employees also create a good relationship between students, faculty, staff, and administration and add greatly to the schools' culture. It is hard to say that there will not be cuts to many of the departments in each of the universities. Work study amounts to less than 10% of the total workforce at each university and the state spends over \$2.2 million in regular employment for the state schools. Work study has proved to be a positive thing for many students. Eastern is beginning to consolidate printers in many of the campus buildings to reduce the cost of electricity. Mr. Hannon also stated that they will not be adding any new positions to the university, and if a position goes vacant, they are not likely to fill it. Senators are encouraged to contact Dennis

Hannon if they have any additional questions about the budget for the CSU system.

Announcements:

- ❖ The SGA Student Issues Committee is hosting a Commuter Coffee Club event on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 from 9 – 1 pm on the Wood Support Service Lawn. Senators are encouraged to stop by if they are available.
- ❖ A big thank you to the SGA Promotions Committee for their excellent planning and organization of the 1<sup>st</sup> SGA Day. Thank you also to all of the senators that helped out at the event.
- ❖ Corrine King is working to improve the SGA website. If you have any suggestions on how to improve the website, please talk to C. King.
- ❖ Allies will be hosting an event in which Joe Courtney will be coming to speak about GLBT legislation and politics. The event is March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 12 – 3 pm in the BTR. There will be several other nonprofit organizations at the event and there will also be prizes for those students that attend the event.
- ❖ NAS tickets go on sale April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the Student Center Information desk. CAB is also in the process of planning their events for next semester, so if you have any suggestions for events, please email CAB.
- ❖ Senators were reminded that there is an Informational Meeting on Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 in the Theatre for those students that are interested in running for SGA. .

**Motion #85: (I. Adebajo/N. Zeni) Move to close the meeting at 3:41 pm. (20/0/0)**

**Motion carries**

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:  
Brittany M. Johnson, SGA Secretary