



Student Government Association Eastern Connecticut State University

Fall 2019 Senate Session • General Board

General Board Agenda Monday, November 4th, 2019 3:00pm, Student Center Room 107

Eboard

Y. Lopez (President)
N. Kalbounh (Vice President)
D. Castillo (BAM Chair)
S. Chea (Treasurer)

Senators

G. Acosta, F. Beccaglia, E. Blake, N. Brink, E. D'Alessandro, M. Driscoll, M. Espino, E. Foss, A. Fegan, E. Fritz, K. Gareneaul, H. Heredia, 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:* 3:00 PM

II. *Roll Call:*

III. *President Report:*

a. **Acceptance of Minutes from 10/28/19**

Motion #36 (E. Fritz & G. Acosta) to accept minutes from 10/28/19.

b. **Vice President Walter Diaz:** Came to visit SGA to connect with us and speak about updates. Administration are always available to speak with SGA and listen to the input that students and the e-board give. Reminded us that he has an open door policy and that he is always available to sit down with students. If you want to meet with him, you can reach out to his assistant Heidi and she will set up a time! He would appreciate a meet and greet as well!

c. **Sargeant Steven P. Schneider:** Discussed open rec night, wanted to request funding from SGA for this event. Open rec night began as an event for students to meet with officers in a different light. There's a DJ, a masseuse, games, food, and giveaways. Use money from SGA to buy prizes for students. Offer students more raffle tickets if they bring in canned goods. R. Migliorino stated that it was a lot of fun! M. Mendolia asked if SGA was the only organization that provides funding for prizes. Last time, SGA donated \$4,500. Hardest issue is getting commuters involved with this event. Event will be on Friday December 6th from 9PM-2AM. SGA senators were eager to volunteer for the event! SGA is collabing with this event.

Motion 37#(F. Beccaglia & M. Kdevar) to contribute \$4500 to Open Rec Night on December 6th, 2019.

Dicussion: F. Beccaglia thinks it's a great idea to promote SGA. Senators state that the funding should be split between eboard and general board.

Motion #38 (M. Mendolia & M. Kdevar) to amend motion #37 to spend \$2,250 for Open Rec Night on December 6th, 2019. Passes Unanimously.

d. **Vice President:**



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Motion #39 (A.Perez & J. Hernandez) to confirm Nour Kalbounch as the Vice- President of SGA. Passes Unanimously.

Y. Lopez stated the vacancy for the Secretary role.

- e. **Vans:** Y. Lopez met with Jim Howarth in regard to the new vans, passed out budget and van information. This does not mean that radius will change. \$35,000 per van. Currently, there are 9 vans. A. Fegan asked why we were looking at 2020 vans rather than older vans that would be cheaper. Repairs on current vans has been really really expensive. M. Mendolia asked if we would pay everything up front, Y. Lopez said yes. SGA would want to replace vans and want to look at if we can sell vans.
- f. **OER Meeting:** E. Ruiz and Y. Lopez were trying to set up a meeting with President Nunez & Provost Salka in regard to OER.

IV. *Vice President Report*

- a. Internal Committees
 - i. **Public Relations:** Had the First Warrior Wednesday and promoted Not Anymore.
 - ii. **Student Issues:** C. DeAngelis forwarded M. Espino information on the gender inclusive bathrooms. Want to change signs that say that family room to gender inclusive. E. Foss met with Chief Gerewski about the parking situation on campus and he would go to his supervisor about SGA concerns. Parking for students in the faculty lots on the weekends might be the first step. M. Driscoll & S. Chea met with Jim Howarth in regard to the card fee – will discuss at President’s breakfast. M. Espino discussed that there was an issue brought up that USCIS Border control was at the fair and wanted an explanation as to why they were invited. Vice-President Diaz said this would be addressed at President’s Breakfast.
 - iii. **Transit Advocacy Committee:** Jh. Hernandez stated that they went over the survey, will be sending out another email. Focus was on commuter and not residents, maybe we should have a specific resident survey that housing could implement. Are looking to get SGA resolutions from central and UCONN. E. Ruiz said that Angelo would be willing to meet with this committee as well.
 - iv. **Budget and Management:** Guidelines are going out to advisors and should be sent to Senators next week.
 - 1. Film Club: Offer academic enrichment to students interested in film club. 3 Committees: Smart phone film festival. 48 hour shoot out, independent film makers to hold Q&A. Do workshops at their meetings. Wanted to emphasize that this club will not promote academic achievement but help students with projects if needed.

Motion#40 (D. Castillo & K. Torres) to approve Film Club’s constitution. Passes Unanimously.

- v. External Committees: E. Ruiz stated that the Connecticut State Legislature passed a free community college initiative. Concern is that there is no threshold on income and that state universities will experience decreased enrollment rate. No active plan to target the income issue.

V. *Treasurer Report:*

- a. **Retreat:** Retreat in two weeks, please let him know if you are coming!
- b. **Current Balance:**
 - i. General Board \$6,408.28
 - ii. E-Board \$12,000.00



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VI. *Secretary Report:*

- a. President's Breakfast: Encourage all senators to attend.

VII. *Advisor Report:*

- a. *C. DeAngelis:* Commended the group for the issues that have been brought up to administration. Reminder to download live-safe app.
- b. *J. Sumrell:* Encourage attendance at club events!

VIII. *Old Business:*

IX. *New Business:*

X. *Open Floor:*

Motion#41 (K. Torres & R. Migliorino) to adjourn meeting at 4:21PM.

XI. *Dates to Remember:*

President's Breakfast Wednesday, November 6th from 7:00am to President's Dining Hall in Hurley
SGA Retreat Sunday, November 17th at 8:30am Meet in the SGA Suite