

SGA Minutes
September 23, 2008

Opening Prayer

- Led by Academic Affairs

Past Business

- ***Guest Speakers:*** Barry Titler, Director of Public Safety and Michael Post, Dean of Students
- Advisory Board Introductions – The last of the open Advisory Board positions have been filled, the newest members of the SGA Advisory Board are: Johnathan Bryan who will serve as the Graduate Student Representative, Phil Atkinson who will serve with Karl as a Commuter Representative, Caitlyn Reuss who is co-chair of the Community Outreach Committee, Jacob Luco who will serve on the Dining Services Committee, and the newly elected class of 2012 officers, Quinitn Gabler – President, Kyle Forsyth – Vice President, Carolyn Higgins – Secretary, and Megan Ritchey – Treasurer. Congratulations!
- 2012 First Year Class Officer Speeches – 7pm in Laughlin Auditorium, online voting begins Wednesday 17th and ends Friday 19th at 4pm

Current Business

- ***Guest Speakers:*** Dr. David Rehm, Vice President for Academic Affairs – Dr. Rehm has fallen ill and was unable to attend the meeting, he will speak at another meeting in the near future.
- Bradley Admissions Office Accessibility Proposal – Jason introduced the proposal and the floor was opened for questions. The proposal asks for a minimum of \$12,500 because that was the total cost of the accessibility project for Patriot Hall. Bradley Hall is the first of four projects set to make the academic buildings accessible by the beginning of the 09-10 academic year. The point was raised that prospective students place calls to admissions asking about accessibility to the building and some are turned off to the Mount because of the lack of accessibility to Bradley. Students who are viewing the campus will be entering the University next year when all of the academic buildings will hopefully be accessible, therefore if Bradley is accessible as they are viewing the campus and meeting with admissions staff, they may see more potential in the Mount. Purcell accessibility is on the books as part of the Terrace renovations. The Library is already handicap accessible from the back corner of the building if a student requires handicap accessibility they must simply ask to use the rear entrance. The proposal was voted on and passed with forty-four votes for, eight against, and one abstention.
- Voting on Budget Allocations – Todd stressed that recreation sports are categorized as anything that requires space on the East Campus and these organizations will be funded by Rec Services from now on. The asterisks that appear on the budget indicate a newly registered club that has been given capital money in order to jump start their organizations. These clubs will not receive this same amount in future semesters. CMSO is an umbrella group for several student organizations and receives a large sum of money to be distributed accordingly among these organizations. The question was raised of transparency on how the clubs are funded. Todd will be tracking the amount of community service that a club participates in and once this process has been finalized clubs can be docked funding if they do not complete events or participate in community service programs and the like. Todd is also aware of the clubs that are receiving funds from other outlets and he allocates to them accordingly. A vote was taken and the budget passed with fifty-one for, two against, and one abstention. Todd will notify all clubs and organizations of their respective allocations this evening.

Reports

- **Academic Affairs** – An election debate will be held Oct 28th 7-8:15 courtesy of the Mount Debate Society, The members will be meeting with Dr. Einolf early next week and will be bringing the Honor Code Task Force together soon for a meeting.

- **Advancement Committee**- the committee will be meeting with Jason following the general SGA meeting.
- **CAB** – There will be a Ghost Hunter on campus October 4th, Christina asked for input on where he should “hunt” for ghosts following his lecture.
- **Campus Ministry** – CMSO Retreat for leadership within CMSO was held a few weekends ago. The group is very excited and eager to begin the year. This Sunday after Mass there will be a Campus Ministry meeting and ice cream social for anyone who is interested in getting involved in CMSO.
- **Intercultural Development**- The members are planning a possible Halloween Afterparty.
- **Community Outreach**- The members will be meeting this week to discuss service ideas for the year. And they are excited to have a new member aboard.
- **Commuters** – The committee is meeting with Brooke this week and there will be a Student Commuter Association meeting on Thursday.
- **Dean of Students** – The committee will have its first meeting with Dean Post on Wednesday
- **Dining Services** – The members are meeting on Wednesday to discuss ideas for the year.
- **Environmental Stewardship and Sustainability Committee** – The members will be meeting with Jason sometime this week.
- **Finance Committee** – The members would like to thank everyone for approving the budget.
- **Graduate Student Representative** – There is more information to come regarding a Networking Social for current graduate students
- **Information Technology** – The kiosk computers were an idea from the end of last year and are solely meant for checking email and opening documents on the way to class. These computers are not intended to use for long periods of time so no paper writing please. Also the computers are not programmed to log off so please do not log off either. The committee is currently working on goals for the semester. A question was raised of what to do if the kiosk computer is off, and simply pressing power will bring the screen back and no log in should be involved.
- **Mount Spirit** – The committee has met with Tom and is working on the Loyola road trip and other events for the semester.
- **Public Safety** – The committee is having a meeting next week with Barry Titler to discuss the parking situation, and is working on a survey to bring to SGA regarding Public Safety related issues. The members also met with Tom this week.
- **Publicity** – The committee had a meeting with Tom on Monday and is meeting with Sean on Friday. The SGA members are reminded to add TheMountBuddy to their AIM Buddy Lists and to join the SGA facebook group SGA Publicity. The committee plans to utilize these outlets more this year.
- **Recreational Services** –The members will be meeting next week to discuss goals for the year. The committee also looked into the pool hours as was requested at last week’s meeting and a schedule of Rec Swim hours will be posted at the ARCC for students to reference.
- **Residence Life** – The members have scheduled a meeting with Jen for Thursday.
- **SAAC** – The committee will be meeting next week to discuss goals for the year.
- **Seminarian Representatives** – The Rector’s Cup is this weekend! Two different television channels will be on campus to get news feed from the game. Between 150 and 170 seminarians from the four regional seminaries will be on campus. This could be the Mount’s 4th straight win! An email will be sent to the University at large within the next few days to gather support and get students to attend the games!
- **Class of 2012** – The officers met with Hannah today to discuss their role in SGA and will be meeting with Crystal soon.
- **Class of 2011** – The officers have officially sent out advisory board letters to their classmates. They are planning a Major Expo for Wednesday Oct 10th. The Family Fest Raffle was a huge success.
- **Class of 2010** – The officers sold 84 tie-dye shirts at Family fest raising \$410 for their treasury. The email to their classmates regarding class advisory board will be sent tomorrow.
- **Class of 2009** - Fells Point and Senior Formal are official, contracts have been signed. The Family Fest brochure of Things to Do Around the Mount went over very well! The officers are still asking for ideas for the class t-shirt.

- **Executive Board** – SGA Retreat Sunday Sept 28th, drivers are needed! The retreat is mandatory and we will be finished in time to return to campus for the Rector's Cup final! Committee members and class officers please note that after this week's meeting, if an agenda report is not submitted from your committee, you will not be permitted to give a committee report!
- **SGA Advisor** – Family Fest evaluation – The members liked the location change, the shuttle was a great addition as well. But most of the activities were for families with younger kids, so anyone else was a loss for activities to do. The possibility of a set playlist which would be reviewed beforehand was brought up in order to avoid inappropriate music being played a family atmosphere. In the future BBQ tickets will be provided for workers so that they are able to eat throughout the day. The plethora of sports games to attend was also very enjoyable. Museum of Oppression –Accessibility into Purcell will be handled accordingly. The event includes general information about different types of oppression, all run by student organizations from 7pm-12am Monday through Thursday this upcoming week. If classes would like to tour the exhibit during the day they can make an appointment with Sean. Chorale will not be practicing in Purcell this week. The rooms will not be set up until Monday morning due to the afterparty and other events in Purcell this weekend. After the meeting next week the SGA plans to go up to Purcell and view the exhibit. The Friday shuttle will start this week and will run on a continuous loop from the movie theater at the outlets, to Wal-mart, to Giant, possibly into downtown Gettysburg if there is a need. Sean will be driving the vehicle this Friday, but a driver has been hired to drive from next week on. The shuttle will be free this semester. Costs may eventually be \$2 a person for the entire night. Gettysburg is the only cost-effective place to go, Fredrick is not an option at this point. It was stressed that if a student is intoxicated they will not be allowed to ride the shuttle.

Open Forum

- What is the status of the fitness course as part of the back loop makeover? This project is still on the table it has been lightly researched but the final product would include making the back loop more runner friendly as well as improving the service road and putting in fitness stations along the loop. It was the wish of friends and family of Dustin Bauer that the remodeled loop become a memorial to him.
- The Relay for Life is scheduled for February 6th-7th, 2009 in the Dillon Fieldhouse. There are still positions available on the planning committee whose next meeting is September 30th. Teams can be signed up for free on the internet until October 31st.
- Junior class vice-president Anne Costigan is studying abroad in Prague this semester and the officers would like to relay her best wishes to everyone on SGA.
- There will be an Ultimate Frisbee tournament at the ARCC Friday at 4. If you want to play just come on over!

Intentions

- Led by Advancement