

# **Student Senate**

# **Agenda**

September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Mission: As the Bennies comprising the College of St. Benedict Senate, we will develop strong, viable relations between the administration, faculty, and students of the College of St. Benedict community based on our Benedictine traditions. As the College of St. Benedict Senate, we will work to bring strong, ethical, service-based leadership as we represent the students of the College of St. Benedict, in conjunction with St. John's University.

- I. Opening
  - a. Call to Order (president Moonen)
  - b. Roll Call (Hamak)
  - c. Opening Reflection (Hamak)
  - d. Approval of the Minutes (motion & second)
  - e. Approval of the Agenda (motion & second)
- II. Guests
  - a. VP Hamak Land Acknowledgement
  - b. SJU Campus Ministry FYRE Retreat
  - Asking for funding
  - annual first year retreat ran my upperclassman. Focuses on Benedictine values through talk and small groups.
  - Was funded by senates last year.
  - Last weekend of September at Luther Crest Bible Camp
  - Currently 13 signed up, 80-person goal.
  - Cost \$50 last year, asking for free this year.
  - Total cost: \$15.687
    - o Grant total \$4,000
    - Asking Senate to cover first 25 Bennies. (\$4,172)
  - c. Open Forum Guests
  - None

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
- Involvement Fair
  - Sign up on team.
- Retreat
- Blazers
  - Are in
  - Hoping to wear them to inauguration.
- Inauguration (On 22<sup>nd</sup>, events start Monday)
  - More details on CSB Website (also family weekend)
  - Emails are being sent out by the provost.
  - Running bean bags (Thursday at SJU at firepit by new bridge approximately 5-8 p.m.)
    - Poll being sent out.

- In Procession/have speaking roles
- b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)

### Retreat

- o Agenda and Rooming Assignments out on Teams
- Send Crazy facts to Hamak by Friday before leaving.
- No drinking, smoking, or drug use

## Elections

Can't endorse candidates.

### Involvement Fair

- Sign up for 15-minute slots.
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)

# • Inauguration

- Entire senate is in procession, inviting clubs and organizations.
- Wear blazers, white top, slacks/skirts. Dress comfortably yet professionally

## Uniform

- Waiting for large blazers but should be here in time.
  - Only wash on gentle
  - Iron with low heat (steamer in student development if need be)
- Name tags should be here soon.

# Family weekend

- Carnival Friday night
- Saturday afternoon activities also

# • Student Code of Conduct

- There is a new single code of conduct for <u>both</u> campuses.
  - Not a merger, we are still two separate institutions.
  - Still a J-book and a Bennie Book
- Other policies were also made equal on both campuses.
  - No grills on campuses
  - Bikes can only be stored outside.
    - Can try to fund bike pods if interested.
  - Card Access hours have also changed (10 a.m. 8 p.m.)

# Meal Plan Change

- o Instead of a punch daily, it is 60 punches a semester (3.75 per week)
- Changed due to lack of using punches and staffing issues.
- Gorecki = most cost effective.
- Cost of meal plan has gone up due to the cost of the food and supplies prices rising.

### Elections

- Club Auditor this Friday
- FYR next Friday

- SJU Dean of Students
  - Currently is not a replacement as of now.
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
- New founding system
  - Figuring out at retreat
- Auditors
  - Two auditors being elected.
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
- Final Budget
  - Not official
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
- VP Basille
  - One funding request.
  - No official budget
- g. Open Forum
- Aronson
  - Club Auditors election tomorrow
  - Other Reps close at 11:59 Friday.
  - Elections for those are the following Friday.
  - Name plates are being redone.
  - o IWL 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Sept 19<sup>th</sup> Party)
  - Bonita fest is looking for performers (on Instagram)
- Terhaar
  - Murray 170 is currently empty, IWL going in square office, senate is going next to that.
- Fergusson
  - Bennie Day
    - Previously have ordered extra shirts and those can go to alums
    - More Information will be figured out at a later date
- Mental Health Week
  - Looking for Senator Reps
- IV. New Business
  - a. Motion to allocate \$4172 to SJU Campus Ministry (Ferguson)
    - Moved and Seconded
    - Great opportunity for first years
    - Questioning SJU Campus Ministries Budget
      - Would have to ask SJU Campus Ministries
    - First year they are providing for free which likely increased costs.
    - We have traditionally funded but would like more information.
    - Question to ask: Are transfers included in this opportunity?
    - Hamak motion to table until further information is available.
      - Fergusson will contact Campus Ministry and will have more information next week.

- V. Announcements
  - a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, September 13th 2023
  - b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, September 11th 2023
  - c. Joint Meeting Wednesday, September 27th in Upper Gorecki
- VI. Adjournment



# **Student Senate Agenda**

September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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- Opening
  - a. Call to Order (Moonen)
  - b. Roll Call (Weis)
  - c. Opening Reflection (Mullings)
  - d. Approval of the Minutes (Motion Mullings, Second -

Reeves)

e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion – Ferguson, Second –

Mullings)

- II. Guests
  - a. VP Hamak Land Acknowledgement
  - b. SJU Campus Ministry FYRE Retreat
  - Presentation given last week, Representative here to answer questions.
  - Opening Meal: Order pizzas and eat at campus as an attempt to save money
  - Team Formation: 12 Bennies & Johnnies leading the retreat. They meet each Sunday leading the retreat.
    - Last weekend they had their own retreat for leaders to prepare. Stayed on campus to save money.
  - Financial Aspects:
    - \$166 per person
    - Free for students, adding an increase in enrollment (currently 40 bennies and 27 johnnies)

- 2 \$2,000 grants were received, hoping to get these annually.
- Fund 3 retreats through the year, one advisor, and three student workers
- Working with Mary Gellar to make this more sustainable, not needing as much outside funding.
- Other ways we SJU Campus Ministry can/hope to support:
  - Presence at Mass
    - 6 p.m. at CSB, 9 p.m. at SJU
- Transfer students are welcome.
- c. Olivia Thompson Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo
- FNCE: Largest Expo in America in Denver Oct. 7-10
- Present posters from CSB/SJU
  - Builds public speaking skills.
  - Networking
- Benefits for CSB/SJU
  - Showcase our undergraduate research.
  - Represent CSB/SJU on a national level.
- Total Costs: \$1,632 or 1,514
  - Requesting: \$1,058.65
- Update on Return when/if she goes.
- d. Saint John's Senate Johnnie Day Shirts
- Johnnie Day: 21 years long, spirit tradition
- Great marketing event for senates
- \$12,000 asked from SJS (funding 1,000 shirts available only to Johnnies)
  - Reopening Brother Willie's pub
  - o On Campus DJs
  - Golf Carts (for administration and senators)
  - Tundra Cookout
- Requesting a sum (provided options from \$891 \$4,255) to give Johnnie Day shirts to Bennies.
- Tracking shirts given out to Bennies, all shirts will be at SJU
- Open to fund SBS for Bennie Day Shirts
- e. Open Forum Guests

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
- Working on updating funding guidelines
- Joint Meeting next week (upper Gorecki)
- Bean Bag tournament make sure to sign up.
  - SLE for peers to sign up.
  - At the bridge before New Seaton
    - between Flynntown and Sexton, on Flynntown side
    - Between the bridge and Mcquin Center
- Inauguration: In procession
- Goals for the year are being made so it's easier to explain when discussing our new role.

- Elevating instead of adding
- Also, can state Mission Statement
  - From founding of Senate, so does not change.
  - Goals are what change.
- b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
- Goals for the year
  - Build relationships with students.
  - Be involved without programming.
- Retreat
  - Evaluation being sent out.
  - Materials are on Teams.
  - One-on-One meeting sign ups with VP Hamak
- Inauguration
  - Events on Senate calendar
  - Try to participate.
- Meetings
  - Presentations are in Teams.
  - Keep up on Board Reports.
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
- Inauguration
  - o Invite other clubs and organizations to be in procession.
- Blazers
  - More have been bought.
- What are signature programming events for CSB Senate?
- Provide "seed money" or enhancement for new clubs and organizations, especially student led clubs/organizations.
  - Is someone else already doing this? If so, can we help?
  - Ask and invite first.
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
- Welcome Peyton and Olivia
- Met and things are going well.
- Big requests being looked over for next week.
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
- Not official currently
  - Delayed due to 10<sup>th</sup> Day (the day the official college count is done)
  - Funding guidelines are still being updated.
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
- Funded 3 items.
  - Spent over \$21,000.
  - Johnnie Day \$12,000 budget
    - Hoping to spend less.
  - Flu Shot Initiative \$5,000 for Johnnies
  - Funding \$4,172 for FYRE
- Closed for Committees
  - Student Experience: Mullings:
    - Student engagement focus
    - Focus on the holistic look of students.
    - Signature events

- Tree lighting
- Christmas Photo
- Bennie Day
- Revamp facilities/spaces on campus
  - Make sure clubs have a central space to meet.
  - Incentivize club involvement.
- External Engagement: Aronson
  - Senate Visibility
    - Collab with ResLife
      - Connect with individual classes.
    - Collab with Admission to create a Student Leadership panel for admitted students.
    - Engagement events/collabs
- Strategic Resources: Voll
  - Learn more about the board.
  - Highlight our resources.
    - The Study
  - Connect the faces of Admin to students.
  - Bed loft/Bike Pods
- Conduct and Safety: Smith
  - Educate everyone what safety looks like
    - What procedures are already in place?
    - Meet with campus security.
  - Street Safety campaign
  - Seatbelt event with campus security
  - Neon Night to help visibility at night when going out.
- g. Open Forum
- Aronson
  - Elections are this Friday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. for First year rep and Sustainability.
  - Extend DRJ Rep until Sunday night, posting tomorrow.
  - Marketing meeting: do not make changes because they are coming in January.
  - Inauguration post gearing towards student events
     Smith
    - Funding guidelines
      - Registration and conference fees increase to \$350 per person (Motion: Erben, Second), \$3,150 per event (Motion: Smith, Second: Ferguson)
        - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
      - Expected that recipients report back.
        - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
      - We can fund other clubs and organization if their limit is short in the Co-Funding Board
        - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions

- Travel, split into two separate bullet points (split into lodging and trave/transportation)
  - Lodging: 65%, generally not to exceed \$200 per person per night
  - Travel/transportation: 65%
  - Presenters must request two separate numbers following the statements above.
    - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- Tend not to fund student led experiences that have occurred for two consecutive years.
  - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- Student led and organized experiences that have not occurred at CSB/SJU and will seek alternative, sustainable funding in the future.
  - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- Departmentally housed organizations we will tend not to fund.
  - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- Prizes and giveaways increased to \$200.
  - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions

## IV. Old Business

- a. Motion to allocate \$4,172 to SJU Campus Ministry (Ferguson)
  - Great experience for first years
  - They have other events/retreats that are in their budget, and they have reached out to other funding sources.
  - Motion by Smith to fund \$3,204 to SJU Campus Ministry, Second by Aronson
    - Not funding departure meal and leadership formation
    - Funding should be in full because funding guidelines have just changed, and they were presented beforehand. We also have a large budget, so what else would that money go to?
      - Was campus ministry consulted about these new (potential at the time) changes?
    - Food tends to be against funding guidelines.
      - CSB Senate tends to vary this guideline.
    - Motion by Moonen, second by Smith
      - 6 did not pass.
  - Motion by Mullings to return to original amount (\$4,172), second by Ferguson.
    - We tend not to fund food, but that makes it a caseby-case basis. SJU Campus Ministry attempted to lower food costs as is. Leader formation is like training for all the other events that require leaders.
  - Motion (Hamak) to extend meeting, if need be, Second (Ferguson)

- o If veering from guidelines, change them.
- o If the meal was at the retreat, we would be funding it at a higher price.
- SJU Campus Ministry does have their own budget, and the retreat will continue despite our decision. We don't fund other leadership positions. Everything will be paid for one way or another.
- If there is continued disagreement about funding guidelines, they need to be readjusted.
- Motion by Tess to amend the \$4,172 to \$3,434 (including formation but not meals) Second by Erben.
  - Vote motion by Moonen, second by Ferguson
    - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions

### V. New Business

- a. Motion to allocate \$1,023.60 to Olivia Thompson for FNCE (Erben)
  - Great presentation with hopes to bring back to campus.
  - Motion to amend to \$1,058 by Tess seconded by Aronson.
    - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- b. Motion to allocate up to \$4,255.00 (500 shirts) to Saint John's Senate for Johnnie Day Shirts (Ponce-Barban)
  - Bennies do like Johnnie Day shirts; this amount provides hopeful wiggle room.
  - Up to does not mean that is the exact amount we will provide in the long run.
  - Find a common ground where we have enough but not a surplus.
  - Motion by Erben to amend the amount to \$2,607 (300 shirts)
    - First year class is around 500.
    - $_{\odot}\,$   $\,$  This is the first year we are getting this many shirts.
    - CSB Senate bought extra last year when they ran out.
    - If buying the max amount, there will be no extras ordered.
    - Currently 1,385 CSB students, 379 are new first years and 1,452 SJU Students, 365 new first years.
      - Motion Moonen, Second Smith
      - 13 for, 1 against, 0 abstentions

### VI. Announcements

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> 2023 in Upper Gorecki
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> 2023 in Upper Gorecki
- VII. Adjournment I.Motion Aronson, Second Reeves.



# **Joint Student Senate**

# **Minutes**

September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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  - e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion O'Connor, Second Smith)
- II. Guests
  - a. VP Hamak Land Acknowledgement
  - b. Sandra Mitchell DEIJ Update
  - Strategic Updates:
    - o Policies, Practices, Curriculum, Outreach
    - Focuses on awareness and expertise, building a community providing everything students need, cultivating a collaborative ecosystem.
    - DEIJ Meaning:
      - Diversity: the presence of difference
      - Equity: make sure everyone has what they need to be successful
      - Inclusion: make sure everyone is involved and empowered
      - Justice: Environments that support equitable support
    - - Climate survey
      - Student experience

- Employee experience
- Universal design
- o Institutionalization and Transformation
  - Red thread: something that does not stand alone, it touches everything we do.
- Student Recruitment, Retention and Graduation
  - Diversifying student body
    - Be Present
  - Eliminate disparities
  - Student experience
  - Student success
- Access and Success of Historically Underrepresented Employees
  - Eliminating disparities
  - Employee recruitment strategies
  - Employee retention
- Education, Learning, Development as tools for transforming community
  - Center for teaching and learning
  - Staff development
  - Integrations curriculum
- Building and Sustaining Relationships with our local community
  - Partnerships with local communities
  - Serve as a resource hub
  - Native Nations Task Force
  - Supplier diversity
- DEIJ Website available for more information
- c. Mary Geller Strategic Planning Update
- Three Pillars designing the new plan (faculty and staff on each pillar)
  - Student experience
  - o Financial and operational excellence
  - Mission Centered Practice
- 10 items for each pillar (information sent out via email)
  - Students get to vote on focuses for each pillar.
  - Sept 28<sup>th</sup> meet with firm designing this plan.
    - Going to Board Oct 19th, they are agreeing at this time not the final approval.
    - Student Involvement will likely happen after the agreement.
  - Marketing: relying solely on Senate voice and the original email
    - Suggestion to post on social media.
- d. Full Circle Greenhouse Fall Request
- Student ran greenhouses at CSB since 2013, first year running one at SJU.

- Issues with the CSB greenhouse temporarily
- Root team (student leaders) and volunteers run this during the school year.
- Sell produce to Perk, Gorecki, and students.
  - First harvest before winter break, after break harvest are around every other week.
  - Sales go back to general fund for seeds/events.
  - Potentially partnering with SJU Dining
- Asking up to \$1,200 from each Senate, \$2,400 total
- e. Peer Resource Program Fall Break Trip
- Going to Theodore Roosevelt National Park in ND from October  $7^{\text{th}}$  until the  $10^{\text{th}}$
- 12 total going, 2 student leaders, 2 shadow leaders, and 8 students.
- Requesting \$885 per senate, \$1,770 total
  - It would be \$20 per student; 8 student slots are available as first come first serve.
- f. Outdoor Leadership Center Fall Request
- Rental gear for students and weekly events to promote spending time outdoors.
- Does not have other funding
- Funding:
  - Gear: \$2,000Bikes: \$4,000
    - Many bikes are old and broken.
  - Weekly events: \$2,000
  - Professional Development: \$1,500
    - For wilderness and First Aid/CPR training
  - o Adventure Challenge (Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>): \$1,500
  - o BANFF Film Festival: \$3,000
  - Asking \$7,000 from each senate, \$14,000 total
- g. Open Forum Guests

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
- Inauguration: Meet at the Alquin library at 1:25 in blazers
- DRJ election Friday
- b. President's Report (Kirchner)
- Inauguration Friday meet at 1:25
- Sign up for 1 on 1 meetings with Kirchner.
- c. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
- Make sure to sign up for 1 on 1 meetings.
- Voting next week on the previous presentations
- Check teams/GroupMe/text.
- d. Vice President's Report (Belisle)
- SJS fill out goal sheets.

- Sign up for CSS meetings.
- e. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
- Make sure to be involved with the Strategic Plan
- Support peers
- Encourage attendance at inauguration.
- f. Advisor's Report (Ramond)
- Strike
- g. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
- Strike
- h. Co-Funding Board (Popoca)
- Strike
- i. Budget Update (Smith)
- Budget is approximately at \$317,000.
- j. Budget Update (Sanchez Romero)
- Budget is approximately \$243,000.
- k. Open Forum
- Bonita Fest next Wednesday
- Funding guidelines need to be communicated better to presenters.
- JDI first event next Tuesday 7 8:30

### IV. Announcements

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023,
- in Ocon's
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in Sexton 200
- V. Adjournment
  - Motion O'Conner, Second Bills



# **Student Senate**

## **Minutes**

September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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  - d. Approval of the Minutes (Motion Smith, Second Voll)

- e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion Tess, Second Shaw)
- II. Guests
  - a. VP Hamak Land Acknowledgement
  - b. Odalis Ponce-Barban Flu Shots
  - 1st Clinic at CSB 9/28
  - 250 vaccines for \$20, total \$5,000
  - c. Celine Ferguson Bennie Day (October 12th)
  - 24 years running!
  - Funding Request:
    - The most GORGEOUS Bennie day shirts
      - **8**,500
    - Finger foods
      - •
    - Gold carts
      - **200**
    - Gift cards
      - **250**
    - > Flowers
      - **1,500**
  - Requesting an Up to Amount of \$12,000
  - d. Open Forum Guests
- III. Board Reports
  - a. President's Report (Moonen)
  - Strategic Resource survey due 9/26
  - Dinner with COO 9/26 went well.
  - Email Moonen for a time schedule pdf
  - Women empowerment phrases:
    - Stop interrupting me.
    - I just said that.
    - No explanation needed.
  - b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - Retreat Survey
  - Fact Yield; Opinions Speakers List
  - c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - Inauguration went well.
  - Amazon TV Show will be on campus next Tuesday through Saturday.
    - Fired up Friday (School Spirit)
  - Ad in The Record not to sign a lease until approved for off campus living.
  - Bennie Day
    - Bennies forever wall
    - o Talk pics in Bennie Day shirts.
  - d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - Funded:
    - Psych Club for speaker Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>
    - ASA Afro Kickback this Saturday
    - Powder Foam in the Tundra
    - Afro Stem bingo in HAB

- Tabled:
  - Snow and Ski Club
- ELAC Soccer Tournament is tomorrow
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
- \$317,030.36
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
- Hydration Stations
- Adopt A highway.
- Funded green house, PRP, and OLC
- Budget around \$200,000
- Hired Exec Assistant
- g. Open Forum
- Constitutional reviews for clubs
- CSB Sister tea and tea meeting October 22<sup>nd</sup>
- CSB Alum tea and tea event TBD.

### IV. Old Business

- a. Motion to allocate \$1200 to Full Circle Greenhouse for Fall Request (Aronson)
  - 15 for, 0 against, 2 abstained.
- b. Motion to allocate \$885 to PRP for Fall Break Trip (Robinson)
  - 15 for, 0 against, 2 abstained.
- c. Motion to allocate \$7000 to OLC for Fall Request (Hamak)
  - Motion by Erben for \$7,000 funding under the stipulation they reach out to Russ Cline and VP Hamak, Second Voll (Amendment 15 for)
    - o 15 for, 0 against, 2 abstained.

## V. New Business

- a. Motion to allocate \$5000 to CSB Health Services for Flu Shots (Reeves)
  - 16 for, 0 against, 1 abstained
  - b. Motion to allocate up to \$1200 for Bennie Day (Shaw)
  - 16 for, 0 against, 1 abstained

### VI. Announcements

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> 2023 in Ocon's (Smith)
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023 in Sexton 200 (Humes)
- c. The next Joint Meeting will be Monday October 30<sup>th</sup> 2023 at SJU

## VII. Adjournment

Motion Smith, Second Aronson



# **Student Senate**

# **Agenda**

October 4th, 2023

Mission: As the Bennies comprising the College of St. Benedict Senate, we will develop strong, viable relations between the administration, faculty, and students of the College of St. Benedict community based on our Benedictine traditions. As the College of St. Benedict Senate, we will work to bring strong, ethical, service-based leadership as we represent the students of the College of St. Benedict, in conjunction with St. John's University.

# **I.Opening**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call (Weis)
- c. Opening Reflection (Smith)
- d. Approval of the Minutes (Motion Erben, Second Mullings)
- e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion Humes, Second Tess)

### **II.Guests**

- a. Senator Meza Land Acknowledgement
- b. Zach Staver PRP Swayed Pines Variety Show
  - Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> 6 8 p.m. at Bad Habit Brewing
    - All are welcome
  - Student talent showcase
  - Partnership with the Community
    - Bad Habit Brewing
    - Bruno Press
    - Jupiter Moon
    - Minnesota Street marker Food and Art Co-op
  - Asking \$1,000 from CSB
    - \$375 promo material
    - \$400 ice cream truck from Jupiter Moon
    - \$25 signage
    - \$200 T-shirts for volunteers, donors, and performers
  - Hopefully continues as an annual event
- c. Nick Mertens CJC/ACA/McCarthy Center Bahamas Trip
  - Educational trip meant to learn more about the close connection in the Bahamas
    - Meeting with political figures
      - Confirmed meeting, but not an official date/time
    - Visiting historical landmarks
    - Studying climate change
  - Application

- Taking 5 bennies/5 johnnies of large variety
- Open to all students, picked based on application by the McCarthy Center
  - Costs \$100 for the students 75% subsidization option from the McCarthy center Open October 8<sup>th</sup>
  - closing October 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Asking \$5,287.50

Flights: \$2600
 Insurance: \$250
 Housing: \$1137.5
 Transit: \$1300

- Asking for funding from MCC or potentially lowering the amount of student going on the trip
- Give Back
  - Record Article
  - Some sort of experience speech
  - Connect with Bahamian Alumnae and prospective students
  - Mural at SJU, and emphasize CSB mural
- ACA/CJC helping promote the trip and provide background information
- Currently a plan for just this year
- d. Syd Robinson NASPA Racial Equity & Social Change Conference
  - Empowers and educated students to intentionally develop mutually trusting and culturally agile relationships
  - Serve:
    - o 1st Gen
    - o ILESD
    - QPLUS
    - ISS
    - o AIM
  - NASPA Conference:
    - o December 7-9<sup>th</sup> in Washington, DC
    - Importance of mentorship for women of color
    - Attending: Stacey Delgado, Amanda Martines-Port, Sebastian Guzman, and Ryan Imm
  - Asking: \$1,437.22
  - Festival of Cultures November 5<sup>th</sup> November 11<sup>th</sup>
- e. Maggie Utsch CSB Give Day & Institutional Advancement
  - Main Functions:
    - Alum relations
    - Annual Giving
    - Advancement systems
    - Major gifts and planned giving

- Some things are done together such as programming and network and minimal fundraising, others are separate such as data and majority of fundraising.
- Goals for fundraising this year
  - \$17 million in gifts/pledges
  - \$3.8 for scholarships for the annual fund
  - \$2,470 alumnae donor goal
- Give CSB Day October 11th
  - Goal 850 Donors
  - Over \$300,000 in matching grants
- f. Open Forum Guests

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
  - Photos October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Noon
  - October 18<sup>th</sup> hot cocoa and headshots 6-7pm
  - Currently plan on meeting after fall break
  - November 20<sup>th</sup> McCarthy Lecture
    - o Co-hosting a luncheon with the Bahamian Prime Minister w SJS
- b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - CC the senate account when you are doing anything senate related
  - Adding guestion board reports about counterparts
  - Special Election for Club auditor
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - Communicate with the other senate to relieve tension, we are different and that is okay
  - Focus on what you CAN do
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - Funded prizes
  - Reimbursed a club for speaker
  - Funded
  - Eclub headshots
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
  - \$306,345.85
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
  - Funded swayed pines, Bahama trip, first year basketball, and Bennie day shirt
  - Current Budget: \$186,579.62
- g. Open Forum
  - Senator Fergusen: Bennie Day
    - Excel sheet sign-ups will be sent to President Moonen and VP Hamak
    - o Flowers are secured and shirts will be here by Bennie Day
    - Yard games, hot cocoa, and snack from like 3:00 6:00

- PR Rep Aronson:
  - Club Auditor
  - TikTok interview throughout next week for Bennie Day
  - New office is getting cleaned this week and should be able to move in next week
- Senator Erben:
  - JFS and JFA meeting update
    - JFS: pillars
    - JFA: presenter on budget biggest cost = employee salary
      - 20 faculty leaving in the next couple years
      - Forst year enrollment exceed goals

## **IV.Old Business**

### **V.New Business**

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$1,000 to PRP for Swayed Pines Variety Show (Humes)
  - 17 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- b. Motion to allocate up to \$5,287.50 to CJC/ACA/McCarthy Center for Bahamas Trip (Erben)
  - 15 for, 2 against, 0 abstentions
- c. Motion to allocate up to \$1,287.22 to MCC for NASPA Racial Equity & Social Change Conference (Acuna)
  - Motion by Aronson to amend to \$1,437.22, second by Culmer
  - Motion by Fergusen to table, second by Hamak
    - o 17 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions

### VI.Announcements

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, October 11th 2023 in Ocon's (Erben)
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 2023 in Sexton 200 (Acuna)
- c. The next Joint meeting will be Halloween at SJU

## VII.Adjournment

Motion by Smith, Second by Mullings



# **Student Senate**

# **Agenda**

October 11th, 2023

Mission: As the Bennies comprising the College of St. Benedict Senate, we will develop strong, viable relations between the administration, faculty, and students of the College of St. Benedict community based on our Benedictine traditions. As the College of St. Benedict Senate, we will work to bring strong, ethical, service-based leadership as we represent the students of the College of St. Benedict, in conjunction with St. John's University.

# **I.Opening**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call (Weis)
- c. Opening Reflection (Erben)
- d. Approval of the Minutes (Aronson, Mullings)
- e. Approval of the Agenda (Mullings, Smith)

### **II.Guests**

- a. Senator Meza Land Acknowledgement
- b. Attina Notch CMSAC October Event
  - Central Minnesota Sexual Assault Center
  - Looking to present to campus 2 times in October (once at each campus)
    - o October 24th at SJU at 7:00 p.m.
    - Date change in progress for CSB
    - Available for all CSBSJU students at both campuses, geared to first- and second-year students (140-150 spaces available)
  - Providing incentives such as refreshments and tickets to harvest of horror (Sat. Oct.  $27^{\text{th}}$  or  $28^{\text{th}}$ )
  - Asking to fund 50 tickets
- c. President Moonen Flu Shots
  - Ran out of flu shots, and provided 26 extra vaccines in our name
    - o 13 in clinic and 13 walk-ins
  - Asking to cover those 26 extra vaccines
    - o \$520
  - 30 students left after finding out the free shots ran out
- d. Open Forum Guests

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
  - Hispanic heritage month
  - Breast cancer awareness month
  - Mental Health Day was last week

- ADHD/LGBTQIA month
- Bennie day is TOMORROW 10/12/23
  - o 23<sup>rd</sup> anniversary
- Friday is Johnnie Day 10/13/23
- Saturday is homecoming
- Funding guidelines are meant to guide, changes can be made during con review
- Photos are on SUNDAY
- We will meet the Wednesday after the joint meeting 10/22/23
- b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - Fill Bennie day slots
    - Must sign up for fireside or yard games
  - Auditor election coming up
  - Liaison document is up in teams
    - Always cc senate account
  - No surprises
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - Halfway point of the semester
  - Take care of yourself
  - Bennie day is tomorrow
    - Lava cakes in Gorecki
    - o Thank a sister for their work in the Bennie community
  - Board meetings are next week
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - In person training with new auditors have been happening
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
  - Current budget: \$300,058.35
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
  - No update due to fall break
  - Current budget: \$186,579.62
- g. Open Forum
  - Senator Ferguson:
    - Bennie day is tomorrow
    - o Help with setting up at 7:30 a.m.
  - PR Rep Aronson:
    - Elections will be held on Monday, candidate post will be tonight or tomorrow
    - Hispanic heritage month post is in progress
    - Bennie interviews will be happening tomorrow

## **IV.Old Business**

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$1,088.31 to MCC for NASPA Racial Equity & Social Change Conference (Acuna)
  - Culmer motion to amend to \$1,238.31 adding food costs, second Shaw

- o (9 for, 8 no, 0 abstentions for the change in agenda)
- Financial concerns tied with food insecurity
- Bennies will be presenting at this event
- We have not previously funded food so it may come across as unfair
- Funding guidelines will be in review in the next two weeks
- (11 for, 5 against, 1 abstention)

## **V.New Business**

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$1,550.00 to CSB Residential Life for CMSAC October Event (Culmer)
  - All for the training, not fond of the incentive idea
  - Issues may arise with only funding Bennies
    - o 0 for, 16 against, 1 abstention
- b. Motion to allocate \$520 to CSB Health Services for Flu Shots (Ponce-Barban)
  - 16 for, 0 against, 1 abstention

#### **VI.Announcements**

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, October 18th 2023 in Ocon's (Weis)
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, October 16th 2023 in Sexton 200 (Acuna)
- c. The next Joint meeting will be Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at SJU in the Founders Room

## VII.Adjournment

• Motion by Hamak, Second Voll

# **Student Senate Agenda**

October 18th, 2023

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# **I.Opening**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call (Weis)
- c. Opening Reflection (Weis)
- d. Approval of the Minutes (Motion Smith, Second Voll)
- e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion Smith, Second Voll)

### **II.Guests**

- a. Senator Meza Land Acknowledgement
- b. Senator Aronson IWL Bingo
  - October 24th, 5:30-7 in Multicultural Center
  - Breast Cancer Awareness Month Bingo
  - Asking to fund \$200 in prizes:
    - Birdie Alarms
    - Diva Cups
    - Straws
    - Gift Cards
- c. Senator Humes Festival of Cultures Costumes
  - Bahamian Bennies are performing in the festival of cultures
  - Asking \$4739.72 for costumes
- d. Open Forum Guests

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
  - Trustee/Student Experience meeting is tomorrow
  - 5:30 social at Renner House
    - o RSVP to Email
    - Show up in senate gear
  - Possible joint "something or other" about isreal and palestine
  - Pictures on Sunday at great hall
  - Still meeting after joint meeting
- b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - Read the Record
  - Keep up with constitutional duties and initiatives
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - Successful Bennie Day
  - With Halloween, don't be dumb
  - Health Center takes a survey on campus health climate
  - Do not sign a lease of campus until you are ensured that you qualify for off campus living
  - Bus monitors are in place
  - Watch for Senate Survey
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - Walking Club \$136
  - Tabled IA requested
  - Funded some cool stuff
  - Budget \$122, 395.59
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
  - \$298,300.04
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
  - Tabled most of their requests

- Budget: \$186,579.62
- g. Open Forum
  - Senator Robinson
    - Launching Ozzy Boxes reusable boxes
  - Senator Humes
    - 3 new clubs have been approved
  - Senator Farquharson
    - First year event
  - Senator Ferguson
    - Bennie Day
  - Senator Ponce-Barban
    - Results from health center survey are online
    - Potential collabs with health center
  - Senator Acuna
    - o Oct 31 8-9:30 Boos and Woohoos
  - Treasurer Smith
    - o Potential collab with Stop@Buzzed
  - Advisor Terharr
    - Safety Walk
    - Senate Office
  - Senator Erben
    - o Faculty Senate: Family Friendly committee for parenting students
    - Looking for a student representative
  - PR Rep Aronson
    - Post for picture day and fill out the form

## **IV.New Business**

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$200 for IWL Bingo (Ponce-Barban)
  - 14 for, 0 against, 2 abstentions
- b. Motion to allocate up to \$739.72 for Festival of Cultures Costumes (Shaw)
  - 11 for, 0 against, 5 abstentions

#### V.Announcements

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> 2023 in Ocon's (Ferguson)
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023 in Sexton 200 (Boldt)
- c. The next Joint meeting will be Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at SJU in the Founders Room

## VI.Adjournment

• Motion Smith, Second Ferguson



# **Student Senate**

# **Minutes**

October 18th, 2023

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# **I.Opening**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call (Weis)
- c. Opening Reflection (Ferguson)
- d. Approval of the Minutes (Motion Mullings, Second Smith)
- e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion Smith, Second Tess)

### **II.Guests**

- a. Senator Meza Land Acknowledgement
- b. Senator Ponce Barban Flu Shots
  - Hoping to provide as many Bennies with flu shots as possible
  - All 250 flu shots were given out
  - Walk-in at either clinic
  - Asking \$1,620
    - 21 vaccines at \$20 each = \$420
      - Already given to Bennies on 10/6
    - 60 additional vaccines at \$20 each = \$1,200
- c. Sister Michaela Hedican Saint Benedict's Monastery Update
  - New Prioress this year
  - New Social Justice Director, Elizabeth, started on Monday
    - Benedictine closet
      - Provides clothing and furniture for people that need
      - Help with food, electrical
    - End of Year- getting rid of things properly so sisters do not have to dumpster dive
      - Donate rather than trash
      - Really would like senate to help with this
    - There's a huge focus on hospitality this year
    - Ask for Elizabeth if hoping to help out
    - Fundraiser November 16<sup>th</sup> for this new position
- d. Brother Aelred Senna Saint John's Abbey Update
  - Abott election will be happening in January

- Blessed and dedicated new woodworking shop and organ building studio
  - o Regularly scheduled tours Tuesdays and Thursdays
  - Assembly room for building organs
- End of the Year monks dumpster dive too
  - Potential joint senate and joint ministry collab with ongoing programs
    - Donation Spot
  - o Ch. 31 in rule of St. Benedict
    - Person in charge of monasteries goods
- e. External Engagement Committee Boos & Woohoos Event
  - Geared towards being a First-Year event in Mary Commons like the cookies and complaints event from last year.
    - o A casual, mix and mingle get to know the senate event.
    - o Show up in some sort of senate gear
    - Hope to touch base with every grade level at some point
  - October 31st from 8:00 9:30 p.m.
  - Asking \$183.5
    - Cookies/Frosting/Sprinkles: \$112.5
    - Halloween Candy \$35
    - Cranfizz \$18
    - Hot Chocolate \$18
  - Getting feedback from First year students and keeping record in some sort of document
    - Hope to create some new initiatives with their information
- f. Open Forum Guests

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
  - Security Safety walk took place today and was very beneficial to finding issues with campus safety
  - Senate Office is set up and we are working with the IWL President to create an event because we share a common space
  - November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting at 8:00 p.m. because of Thanksgiving Dinner
  - Trustee meeting provided great feedback from presentation and the social afterwards
  - Good Luck notes sent to presenters that we have funded
    - Good initiative for Liasions to start
  - Joint Meeting on Monday at SJU
    - o Richard Ice, Mary Gellar, and Carol Bruess will be presenting
  - We still have a meeting that Wednesday, Nov 1st
  - Blood Drive initiative is underway
  - "I'm never afraid, and rarely surprised" -Nancy Pelosi
  - There will always be critics, but keep your heads high

- b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - Initiatives in Motion document is in teams
    - All the initiatives we are currently working on and hope to improve on
    - Pay attention to the Record and socialize to see what issues the student body has
  - End of the year clean up discussion could go to Laurens committee
  - Coffee meeting with senator
  - A SWOT reflection for the WHOLE senate is in teams
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - Initiatives
    - Look for partners when planning initiatives
  - Monasteries have been around for a long time
    - Our communities are based around these
    - Both the SJU and CSB Monasteries have very different constitutions but still work together
    - Ties into Stronger Integration
      - This is not a merger, and this is not an exercise of symmetry
      - Build on our strengths and embrace our differences
  - CSB Senate has 5 meeting left in the semester and 2 Joint Senate meetings left in the semester
    - Most of the work happens outside of meetings
    - Make sure that whatever you want to get done this semester is getting done
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - Strike
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
  - Current Balance: \$297,194.32
  - Funded Halloween party for ACA, funded a conference for international affairs
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
  - Funded \$ to NASPA event, 420 for hockey bussing, 200 a potential MIAC Soccer tournament,
  - Current budget: \$180,423.73
- g. Open Forum
  - Treasurer Smith
    - Safety walk at the CSB Campus is next Thursday, Nov. 6 at 6
      - Safety committee will be meeting next week
  - Trustee Mullings
    - Constitutional Review is coming up, so be looking through your constitutional duties
    - Phase 1: November 8<sup>th</sup> Primary constitutional review
      - Strictly about tasks

- Phase 2: November 15<sup>th</sup> Second constitutional review
  - Funding guidelines, everything else that needs to be discussed
- We will eventually have a full senate meeting where these will be discussed
- Trustee Mullings will be sending out an email to set up a meeting with her

### Aronson

- o Baby Pictures are due by this Sunday for the senate box
- Sustainability office does already have an event for the end of the year so work on being more of an advocate rather than creating a whole new event

#### Acuna

- Trustee external engagement meeting
  - Emphasis on building a culture of giving back to the school

### Terhaar

- Staffing concerns are being worked on
  - SJU Dean of Students has a pool of candidates
  - Marsha in Student Development is moving to Director of Alum Relations
  - Welcoming new Assistant Residential Director in November
  - Senate could send welcome notes to new staff

#### Robinson

- Ozzy Boxes are started in Gorecki
- Got 4 gallons of honey from Bees on campus

### **IV.New Business**

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$1,620 to the Wellbeing Center for Flu Shots (Bastian)
  - High demand from Bennies
  - Concerns that 60 additional vaccines may not be necessary
    - Suggest funding 30 now, and if necessary 30 later
  - Numbers were comprised based of conversations and recommendations from the health center
  - 21 vaccines that were already given may not be funded because the bennies knew that they would have to pay
  - If we fund more that does not get used, we can be reimbursed
    - o 11 for, 5 against, 1 abstention
- b. Motion to allocate up to \$183.50 to the External Engagement Committee (Shaw)

- Opportunity for first years to get to know senate and who we are and what we do
  - o 12 for, 0 against, 4 abstentions

### **V.Announcements**

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 in Ocon's (Meza)
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> 2023 in Sexton 200 (Ponce Barban)
- c. The next Joint meeting will be Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at SJU in the Founders Room

# VI.Adjournment

• Motion Smith, Second Humes

Joint Senate Meeting Monday, October 30th, 2023 7:30 p.m. Quad 264

## I.Call to Order

- a. Land Acknowledgment Ponce Parra
- b. Blessing Dr. Carol Bruess
- c. SJU Roll Call McIntyre
- d. CSB Roll Call Weis

# II.Approval of the Agenda

a. Approved

# III.Approval of the Minutes

a. Approved

# **IV.Special Orders**

- a. Open Forum
- b. Strategic Plan and Student Success Ice, Geller
  - Pillars:
    - Student experience
      - Residencial
      - Facilities
      - Possible new academic programs/centers
      - Student Mental Health
        - Identifying/knowing where people can get help
        - Need the resources and staffing
    - o Operational and financial excellence
    - Mission centered practice
      - Got over 1200 initiative ideas, used 30 to create the pillars above

- DEIJ is incorporated within the entire plan
- Surveying Students
  - Selecting random students for a Nov 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> in person interview
- Will be coming back for more input on the best way to finalize this plan
- All higher institutions need to be accredited
  - More information can be found IPEDS
  - Preliminary reviews for curriculum also happen every 10 years
- Turnover in staffing
  - o Lost 3/5 counselors
  - Searching for SJU Dean
    - There are 6 semi-finalists
    - Will likely be asking SJU opinion with making this decision
  - Marsha is moving from Assistant Dean to Alum relations
    - Will likely be asking a CSB Senate opinion
  - Food Service/Custodial/Security
    - HR has been looking for ways to help increase employment in these areas
- Bus monitors are going well
- Conduct is not up
- Big topics:
  - Meal Plans
  - Off campus housing
    - 4 year on campus living has been in place for 13+ years
    - How can administration communicate this better
  - o Registration
    - Academic advisors have training and are continuing training
    - Karyl Daughters
  - Study Abroad
  - Senior Thesis
- If there are other issues bring them up, start with Presidents and they will help direct you to the right higher ups.
- c. Military Dine-In ROTC
  - Happens every semester
    - Annual military tradition that recognizes cadets and cadre
  - Have cadets who are ranking in the top 20 nationally
  - Asking for a total of \$1,561.29
    - o Asking 346.95 from CSB Senate
    - o Asking \$1,214.34 from SJU Senate
  - Generally, fund this event themselves but hope to do other events this year
- d. White Earth Dinner Ponce Parra, Meza
  - DRJ Dinner with White Earth Nation

- 6-7 p.m. on November 6<sup>th</sup> in Quad 264
- Required for both DRJ Reps, important for all other senators
- CSB Senators attending:
  - President Moonen
  - o VP Hamak
  - o Trustee Mullings
  - o DRJ Meza
  - o DEIJ Acuna
    - Closed guest list as of right now
- Asking \$209.50 from both senates
- e. Call to Action Revision Sherman, Acuna
  - Made to educate, listen, and act to end injustice.
  - Proposing a new preamble, working on updating the whole document
    - o Adress the 6 groups in the original document, hope to have this done by January
      - Hoping to ask higher up to sign this in agreement
      - Hope to have the whole call to action finalized in February
  - Asking for a space to display this on CSB Senate website
  - Plan a student panel tentatively for November 16<sup>th</sup>, around 6 or 7p.m, that will engage students on the student section
  - Open to all students

## V. Board Reports

- a. President Report Kirchner
  - Take advantage of the time we get with higher ups
  - Encourage more people to come to senate meetings
  - Take care of yourself
  - Had their first adopt a highway clean up
- b. President Report Moonen
  - Coffee Date reports
  - Thursday/Friday night for PJ Movie night
  - Boos and Woohoos tomorrow
  - Take care of yourself
  - "Humans only have one ending. Ideas live forever"
- c. Vice President Report Belisle
  - Support one another
  - One on Ones are still happening
  - Goal Sheets
  - SCI form is temporarily delayed
- d. Vice President Report Hamak
  - Love the connection with counterparts
  - Where can senate help?
  - How can we develop as a senate?
- e. Treasurer's Report Sanchez Romero
  - \$180,623.73

- f. Treasurer's Report Smith
  - \$283,4<del>5</del>5.82
- g. CFB Update Popoca
  - \$119,263.88
    - ASA requests for a fashion show
    - French Club request

#### VI.Announcements

- a. General Announcements
  - Native American heritage month is all November. There is a powwow.
  - SJU Rugby won the conference championship. November 18th they are competing in St. Louis
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Gen College Student is November 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - Tomorrow is Halloween
  - McCarthy Center and Political Science is having an open house in Simmons.
- b. Next SJS Meeting: Monday November 6th at 7:30
- c. Next CSB Senate Meeting, Wednesday November 1st at 7:30
- d. Question Time

## VII.Adjournment

Motion Oconner, Second haubenschield

# **Student Senate Minutes**

### November 1st, 2023

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## **I.Opening**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call (Weis)
- c. Opening Reflection (Aronson)
- d. Approval of the Minutes (Motion Smith, Second Mullings)
- e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion Mullings, Second Voll)

### **II.Guests**

- a. Senator Meza Land Acknowledgement
- b. Open Forum Guests
  - Hispanic Bennies
    - Asking accountability from CSB Dance team because of cultural appropriation and disrespect

- Asking Senates to help create awareness on these issues in general
  - Create a dos and don'ts for costumes/respect for cultures
  - Keep them updated on this specific situation

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
  - Native American Heritage Month
  - Safety Walk tomorrow starting at Gorecki at 6pm
  - Joint meeting went well
  - "If you're not causing commotion, you're not making change"
- b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - First Gen celebration is next Wednesday 4:30 6:30
  - Front facing initiatives are remaining campus specific
  - Build authentic relationships
  - Keep working on Initiatives
    - Senate Study Sundays
  - Incident Report will be posted by President Moonen in GroupMe
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - Thanks to the Guests speaking and those who came in support
    - Bias report is in and being looked at
      - The quantity of reports does not affect the degree of seriousness that the institution uses to look at the report.
    - Talk with people to see how we can help. Students have a large role in changing our campus
      - What is your role in changing our campus?
  - Accountability, Education, and repairing harm
  - Acknowledge and reflect on your personal comfort and comfortability in your place in senate.
  - Change is okay
  - Go spend a day with Jody
  - Housing petition
    - o Still collecting information and learning more about the situation
    - There is not a student that selected local living that is paying for on campus living.
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - Allocate \$300 to French club for a movie and speaker Nov 8<sup>th</sup>
  - Allocate \$950 for ASA for Festival of Cultures
  - Budget is \$119,263.88
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
  - \$272,962.21
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
  - SAB funded 3 different initiatives
  - Budget \$179,914.23

# g. Open Forum

- Aronson
  - Baby Pictures in ASAP
  - Meeting with the Record next week
  - Johnnie Bennie Media is hoping to interview (at least one)
     Senator
  - Create some sort of statement on the issue presented
- Boldt
  - POWOW is Saturday along with the Festival of Cultures
- Ferguson
  - o International Student Week is next week
  - Performance is Nov 11
- Mullings
  - o The document has just been sent to fill out
  - Sign-up sheet is not out yet
  - JB Media is just a feature, about 2 minutes. Can propose more if interested
    - Podcast is possible
  - o Group of presenters invited senate to ELAC event on Friday
- Ponce-Barban
  - Our funding guidelines are guidelines not rules
  - This comes from the student activity fund
  - We should attend ELAC event
- Sherman
  - A mid-summer nights dream is presenting next week, tickets are on sale online or in the BAC
- Erben
  - We had a large group of people who came here about an issue they were passionate, so we should do something to publicly acknowledge this
- Malik
  - Remember when something comes up, it generally isn't this one thing. It has been something that has been piling up.
  - Respond in some way
  - Understand impact and ignorance
- Meza
  - Halloween is over but d.d.m is tomorrow
  - Communicate ELAC event to SJU

### **IV.Old Business**

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$362.50 to Fighting Saint Battalion for Dine In Request (Smith)
  - This is an important event for ROTC
    - o 17 For, 0 against, 1 abstention

- b. Motion to allocate up to \$209.50 to DRJ Reps for DRJ Dinner (Boldt)
  - The closed dinner is upsetting, but some representation is better than none
    - o 17 for, 0 against, 1 abstention

### V.Announcements

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> 2023 in Ocon's (Meza)
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> 2023 in Sexton 200 (Ponce Barban)

# VI.Adjournment

Motion Smith, Second Aronson

## **Student Senate Minutes**

### November 8th, 2023

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# **I.Opening**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call (Weis)
- c. Opening Reflection (Meza)
- d. Approval of the Minutes (Motion Smith, Second Voll)
- e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion Voll, Second Smith)

### **II.Guests**

- a. Senator Meza Land Acknowledgement
- b. Open Forum Guests
  - Competition Dance Captains
    - Apologize and take accountability for misrepresenting and appropriating a culture.
    - Taking bias training in hope to become more aware of diverse cultures within our community
    - Hoping to work with ELAC more in the future, and trying to incorporate the whole student body to work towards positive change
- c. Sarah Gewirtz Study Day Snacks
  - o Asking \$300 for snacks on December 13th for study day before finals
- d. Sophia Anderson PRP Winter Break Trip
  - Lutsen Ski/Snowboarding trip
    - 4 mountains and 96 ski/snowboarding paths

- Staying in the Caribou highlands on the mountain
- 3 days
- Fits 14, 6 Bennies, 6 Johnnies and the 2 leaders
- Safety and Accessibility
  - No prior experience is needed (lessons are planned
  - Full safety plan is in place
- Separate links are sent out to ensure it is 6 bennies and 6 johnnies
- Information sessions are starting next week and hope to have the link out next Friday
- o Timeline
  - Jan 10<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>
- o Asking \$4,046.40
  - 30% for each senate and outdoor ed and the last 10% would be student fee
- e. Tom Hobday PRP Winter Break Trip
  - Superstition Mountains
    - January 6<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>
      - 25 hour drive
      - 19 mile hike hoping to travel about 7 miles a day for three days
    - Foster leadership skills and interpersonal skills
    - Accessibility
      - Trip will be \$70 for students
    - 7 bennies and 7 johnnies and the 5 leaders
    - Gear will be provided by OLC
    - Lauren is an EMT, Tom and Emma are WFA trained and they are creating a safety plan with the local community
  - Asking \$1,697
    - Asking the same from SJS and Outdoor Ed
- f. Senator Farguharson Craft Carnival
  - Collaborating with Heath Advocates and ResLife
  - Mary Commons
  - Asking \$700
    - Glass painting, tote bag painting, brecelting making, polaroid frame
- g. Senator Shaw CSB Volleyball Playoff Tickets
  - o 100 student tickets for tomorrow's game at 7:00 in Claire Lynch Stadium
  - CSB Volleyball is #2 in the MIAC
  - Asking \$200

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
  - Stay healthy
  - National First Gen Day and National STEM Day

- SLF is now open
- Festival of Cultures this week
- Christmas tree lighting ceremony is Nov 28<sup>th</sup>
  - Dress warm
- Con Review is today
  - Constitution is our foundation
- Safety walk last week went well
  - Adding a light pole on each campus
- Leaving in 15 days for 13 days for Dubai
- MIAC Volleyball playoff game is tomorrow
- b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - Festival of cultures is this week
  - First Gen Senators stay for a picture after the meeting
  - Accept Christmas tree lighting ceremony
  - o Our office is open
  - Read the daily bulletin and record
  - Keep showing up
  - Keep working on initiatives
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - o Our leadership is noticeable
    - Flu Shots
    - Helping create other opportunities for students
  - Keep working on making more positive impact in our campus community
  - Use your voice to call out what is wrong and promote what is right
    - Especially on YikYak
  - o Link will be sent out for ideas for a building being put up in St. Joe
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - Funded to Art Club
  - Funded to ELAC
  - Budget \$117,000
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
  - o Current Budget: 272,390.21
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
  - o Funded Military Dine In and PRP Trip w/ Sophia
  - Meet with the monastery and abbey
  - Both Senates are agents of justice for all
  - Budget: 174,653.49
- g. Open Forum
  - o PR Aronson
    - IWL event is next Thursday from 6:45 8:00
  - o Meza
    - If present at the Diner on Monday, please send a summary of your experience to Senator Meza.

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$300.00 to the Libraries for Study Day Snacks (Shaw)
  - Food is fuel and it is great promotion for the library
  - Post a poll asking for snack suggestions to help finalize what snacks are provided
    - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- b. Motion to allocate up to \$4,046.40 to PRP for Winter Break Trip (Mullings)
  - o Amended the agenda to \$4,371.09 by Mullings, second by Hamak
    - The new number is calculated with 65% versus the 60% in the original request
      - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- c. Motion to allocate up to \$1,697.00 to PRP for Winter Break Trip (Mullings)
  - o Amended the agenda to \$1,824.88 by Mulling, second by Aronson
    - The new number is calculated with 65% versus the 60% in the original request
      - 13 for, 0 against, 2 abstentions
- d. Motion to allocate up to \$700.00 to Senator Farquharson for Craft Carnival (Culmer)
  - o 14 for, 0 against, 1 abstention
- e. Motion to allocate up to \$200 to CSB Athletics for Volleyball Playoff Tickets (Erben)
  - o 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- f. Constitutional Review Phase One
  - President
    - Create a new letter I to meet with President, Provosts, and SJU president monthly
    - Move letter N to the VP role
    - APPROVED
  - Vice President
    - Letter F move to President and adjust to say consult with VP as needed
    - Letter M, clarification on St. Cloud Times
    - APPROVED
  - PR Representative
    - Letter E, add including meeting minutes, senate photos, and other updates
    - Letter G keep as is and put in transition notes
    - Letter H create a Bennie day task force (adds a letter to class reps and PR rep)
    - Reword letter I
    - Letter M reword to specify PR items and spending

- Letter P add meeting monthly with the Record
- APPROVED
- Club Auditors
  - Letter B, add time and days they meet (found in the chair position)
  - Letter I JCB CSB rep meets spring semester
  - APPROVED
- Academic Affairs
  - Letter B adding time and date
  - Letter J revie title from Academic Dean to Dean of Student

# **Academic Success**

- APPROVED
- Sustainability Representative
  - Letter E, add if active
  - Letter F, add if active
  - Letter K, remove examples
  - APPROVED
- o Women's Initiative Rep
  - Letter D, change wording
    - Wait for next week
  - Letter F, add add the end of semester as needed
  - Letter G.
    - Wait for next week
  - WAIT FOR NEXT WEEK
- Student Activities Rep
  - Letter C, change to bi-monthly
  - Letter G, add center for student leadership and engagement
  - APPROVED
- DRJ Rep
  - Letter D, reword to updated land acknowledgement
  - Letter F, looking at next week
  - Letter I add if active
  - APPROVED
- DEIJ Rep
  - Letter F, add if active
  - Letter E, reword to serve as liaison
  - APPROVED
- Underclass Rep
  - Remove working with FYR for words of wisdom from constitution
  - Duplicate planning an event with first year rep
  - APPROVED
- First Year Rep
  - Words of Wisdom becomes meeting with PR Rep once a semester to create some form of social media campaign

- APPROVED
- Executive Assistant
  - Strike G
  - APPROVED
- PR Rep
  - Letter I, add VP
  - APPROVED
- Treasurer
  - Add letter for attending CFB meetings
  - APPROVED
- o 5.2.1 Administrative Advisor
  - Adjust letter D to weekly
  - APPROVED

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, November 15th 2023 in Ocon's (Bastian)
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> 2023 in Sexton 200 (Aronson)

# VI.Adjournment

• Motion Humes, Second Tess

# **Student Senate Minutes**

# November 15th, 2023

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Benedict, in conjunction with St. John's University.

# **I.Opening**

- a. Call to Order
- b. Roll Call (Weis)
- c. Opening Reflection (Bastian)
- d. Approval of the Minutes (Motion Smith, Second Mullings)
- e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion Ferguson, Second Shaw)

# **II.Guests**

- a. Senator Meza Land Acknowledgement
- b. Open Forum Guests
  - Senator Haubenschield
    - Feminine products supplied at SJU
      - Should SJS pr SBS fund this
      - Planning on presenting at SJS meeting next Monday
      - · Pushing for future institutional funding

- c. Malik Stewart Thanksgiving Break Activity
  - o Short enough break where lots of students stay on campus
  - o Minnesota Timberwolves game Friday, November 24th
  - Students can go on the court afterwards
  - Cost
    - Transportation 1,045
    - Tickets 3,025
    - Total 4,070
    - Asking senates to split the cost of tickets
      - \$1,512.50 frim each senate
  - o 3 spots left open
  - Hoping to have other opportunities similar in the future
- d. Misconduct & Safety Committee Winter Car Kits
  - Meeting with safety committee on Friday
  - o Dec 5<sup>th</sup> form 10-3pm
  - Tabling event and offer a raffle for 5 winter car safety kits
    - Safety kits will include
      - Socks
      - Hand warmers
      - Foil blankets
      - First aide kit
      - Emergency candles
      - Matches
      - Flashlight
      - Batteries
      - Gloves
      - Snacks
      - Water
      - Windshield scraper
  - Sign up for 30 min/1 hour time slot
  - Asking: \$675
    - Kit: 334.53
    - Food: 340
- e. PR Rep Aronson IWL Christmas Bingo
  - o Bingo with Sisters at St. Scholastica in St. Cloud
  - o Form will be sent out next week
  - o Wednesday November 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:45 − 7:00
  - Asking 186.38 for winter/Christmas prizes for the residents
- f. Student Experience Committee Freezer Meals
  - o Provide freezer meals for upper and underclass dorms over break
  - Individual meals costing from \$1.5 -\$.00
  - o Meals will be in Margretta, Brian, Mary Commons, Regina, Izerda
    - Hoping to evenly distribute between all 5 halls
    - First come, first serve

# Asking \$338.82

# **III.Board Reports**

- a. President's Report (Moonen)
  - Secret Santa
    - Make a homemade card and like a \$5 gift
  - Christmas Social at VP Hamaks
  - Notes to first years Farquharson
  - o Invite people to present
  - Philanthropy outreach to the Wild and Vikings
  - Last showing of Midsummer Night
  - FOC was last week
  - Look at those Black Friday deals
  - Look at CSBSJU Insider for all events
  - o Thank your profs for American Education Week
- b. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - Work on initiatives
  - Transition Notes
  - o Christmas Tree Lighting is on Tuesday, November 28th
  - o Friday Dec 8<sup>th</sup> from 6 − 8 at VP Hamaks
  - Spring Retreat January 26/27<sup>th</sup>
  - o Barbie this Saturday at 5:00 in Oconns
  - Recurring committee times should be established
  - Career Closet Photoshoot on Sunday
  - Joint Senate Social TBD
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - FOC was tremendous
  - Two meetings left after thanksgiving break
  - Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
  - Christmas lighting in downtown St. Joe
  - CSB Holiday Dinner for Christmas
  - Small Shop Saturday
  - o Time is also a gift
  - o December 5<sup>th</sup> Patty Wetterling will be here to read Dear Jacob
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - o Funded 190 to psych club, 215 to marketing club, 447.95 to japense club,

#### 327 to art club

- Current Budget: 115,995.81
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
  - 0 264,994,24
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
  - SJU Give Day
  - o Funded PRP Trip, Thanksgiving Break Activity, Health Initiative Flu Trolly
  - 0 117,110.64

- g. Open Forum
  - IWL uses their office frequently
  - o Menstrual Products are coming soon
  - Spread word on Bus Training
    - Juniors will get better housing selection
    - Facilitator for BEST Party Training
  - BEST Party meeting
    - November 19<sup>th</sup>
  - o Meeting with CERTS to bring awareness to sexual assault month
  - Provide information for international/out of state students cultural food around the area

#### President Moonen

No joint meeting

#### Shaw

- Poll for Study Day Snacks
- Send items ideas in GroupMe

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$1,400 to MCC for Thanksgiving Break Activity (Acuna)
  - Motion to allocate \$1,512.50 by Acuna, Second by Mullings
    - 17 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- b. Motion to allocate up to \$675 to Misconduct & Safety Committee for Winter Car Kits (Robinson)
  - o 14 for, 0 against, 3 abstentions
- c. Motion to allocate up to \$186.38 to IWL for Christmas Bingo (Ponce Barban)
  - o 11 for, 3 against, 3 abstentions
- d. Motion to allocate up to \$338.82 to Student Experience Committee for Freezer Meals (Meza)
  - o 12 for, 0 against, 5 abstentions
- e. Constitutional Review Part Two
  - o Women's Initiaitve Representative
    - Letter D change wording to support and assist
    - Letter F add at the end of each semeter
    - Letter G add stop@buzzed
    - Letter H add at least once a semester and as needed
    - Letter I add at least once a semester and as needed
    - Letter K remove
  - Co-Funding Board
    - C5 increase in food funding
    - D5 rewording

- D10 removed
- G4 outlining
- 11.1.1 quicker process
- 12.1.2 promotional items
- 13 prizes moved
- 2. clarification on damage
- Add rule about abstentions
- o 5.6.3
  - Letter P delete
- o 5.3.5
  - No longer exists so remove

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, November 29th 2023 in Ocon's (Shaw)
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, November 20th 2023 in Sexton 200 (<omem)
- The next joint meeting will be Spring semester

# VI.Adjournment

Motion Culmer, Second Tess

# **Student Senate Agenda**

# November 29th, 2023

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- e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion A. Smith, Second Farquharson)

#### **II.Guests**

- a. Senator Meza Land Acknowledgement
- b. Elizabeth Reum St. Benedict's Monastery Social Justice
  - Creating social justice committee for St. Benedict's Monastery
  - More About Elizabeth:
    - Master's in clinical and children's Trauma Social Work
    - 7 years as therapeutic parole officer
  - Try to help the next generation, give them a hand up
  - Benedictine Closet is available with a variety of resources for students

- Fundraiser in Cold Spring on Sunday
- Hoping to partner for various awareness events
- "We need to do something to change something"
- End of the year stash it, don't trash it
- "Start small and think big"
- Pay attention and ask questions
- Reach out to VP Hamak for Elizabeths' contact information with any ideas
- c. Cindy Gonzalez CSB Campus Ministry
  - Cindy started this fall
  - No service trips planned at this moment, if interested speak up
  - Campus ministry does more than just Sunday Mass
    - Spanish Liturgy team once a month
    - Social Justice team
  - December 12<sup>th</sup> Guadalupe Mass at Sacred Heart
  - Goal of women's empowerment
    - o Focus on women's mental health tied with religion
    - Hoping to collaborate more
    - o Senator that works with other clubs that have this same belief
  - First Give CSB Day went really well
  - Uplifting benedictine tradition
    - Specifically radical hospitality ties into women's empowerment
  - Plan to be back in the spring
  - Idea document will be added to Teams
- d. Senator Tess Snowflake Shuffle 5K
  - Community 5K to get funding for cross country and track and field
  - Hoping to get more student involvement (currently only at 10%)
  - Asking 40 tickets for students to participate at \$25 each
    - o \$1,000 total
  - Separate registration link will be sent out for bennies
- e. Senator Tess Study Day Coffee
  - Free coffee on Study for the first 200 bennies
    - o 100 at the Schu and 100 at the Perk
  - Great incentive for study day
  - 200 bennies for \$6 coffee
    - o \$1,200 total
- f. Strategic Resources Committee Winter Coat Drive
  - Hope to provide warm clothes for bennies and a proper way to clean out your closet
    - This will be given to the career closet for first chance and then can
       go onto the monastery
  - Boxes will be in multiple locations
  - Asking for 6 move in boxes, 8 tubes of wrapping paper
    - o \$30 total
- g. Senator Ponce Barban Feminine Hygiene Products

- Starting Fall 2024 the institution will be funding this
- Located in:
  - Mary commons
  - o Main 1st
  - o HCC
  - Gorecki
  - o HAB
  - Clemens
  - MCC/Murray Hall
- 16 cases of 6 packs (32 ct) tampons, 20 cases of 3 packs (40 ct) of pads
  - Total of \$1,502.48 but asking up to \$1600
- h. Liv Henson, Rachel Eiden, Claire Weingartner, Alicia Peters National Art Education Association Convention
  - April 4<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> at Minneapolis Convention Center
  - People for all over the US meet to share and improve their understanding of art education
  - Bringing 9 Art Education Students
  - Great experience as they prepare to become educators
  - CSB is one of the few schools that still has Art Education
  - Tickets are the cheapest at the moment
    - 1,170 for registration
    - 3,232.75 for lodging
      - 4,402.75 total
- i. Senator Ferguson St. Joe Holiday Lights Competition
  - A competition for off campus bennies and johnnies to show some holiday spirit
  - 6 business gift cards for prizes
    - \$250 for best Bennie and Johnnie
    - Runner Ups get up to \$100 gift card
  - Have to register by December 8<sup>th</sup>
  - Judging by Celine and Canaan and up to 4 other senators from each senate sometime between the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>
  - Winners announced December 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Potential partnership with the walking club
  - 5 gifts \$800
  - 2 gallons of hot Chocolate \$34
    - Asking \$417
- j. Open Forum Guests

# **III.Board Reports**

- a. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - Craft carnival is tomorrow
  - Safety Kit tabling is Dec 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Fill out Secret Santa form

- McCarthy Lecture sign up is on Dec 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00
- Retreat is January 26<sup>th</sup>
- Transition Notes helping the next senator who has your job do the job
- Keep working on initiatives
- BANF Film Festival is next Saturday
- Tree lighting went well
- b. President's Report (Moonen)
  - President Moonen is in Dubai and riding camels
  - Lots of programming these last couple weeks
    - Can be found on Instagram
  - Fiona broke the NCAA DIII record
  - Stacy and Amanda got letters already
- c. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - Tree Lighting
  - JoeTown winter walk on Friday 4-8 p.m.
    - Tree lighting at 7 p.m.
  - Second to last meeting
  - Take care of yourself
  - Holiday Dinner is December 7<sup>th</sup>
  - Everything for events is in Jody's office
- d. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - Full board is back
  - Funded Irish Dance, International Affairs, and Ed Club
  - Budget is at \$109,553.16
- e. Budget Update (Smith)
  - \$262,636.43
- f. Saint John's Senate Update
  - SJS is caroling at the bus stop
  - Updated their funding guidelines
  - Current budget is at \$164,783.68
- g. Open Forum
  - Senator Erben
    - Studying abroad next semester in South Africa
    - Hmong New year in two Saturdays
    - Big Brothers Big Sisters partnership
      - Traditional program
      - Sports Buddies
  - Senator Humes
    - o Funded Lifeline, a women's religious club
    - Looking for Senators to be elves at Jingle Jam December 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Senator Farquharson
    - First year card are done
    - Looking for help to pass them out
  - Senator Meza

- o Gluten Free options on campus
  - Will work with the culinary task force
- Johnnie Bennie Media News from 6:30 9:00 on Monday will interview people about movies they liked
- Senator Ponce-Barban
  - CERTS collab coming up

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$1,000 to Cross Country and Track & Field Teams for the Snowflake Shuffle 5K (Ferguson)
  - We are essentially funding one of our sports teams through the students participating in an event
  - 13 for, 1 against, 1 abstention
- b. Motion to allocate up to \$1,200 to the Perk for Study Day Coffee (Culmer)
  - 14 for, 0 against, 1 abstention
- c. Motion to allocate up to \$30 to Strategic Resources Committee for Winter Coat Drive (C. Smith)
  - 11 for, 0 against, 4 abstentions
- d. Motion to allocate up to \$1,600 to CSB Maintenance for Feminine Hygiene Products (Farquharson)
  - 14 for, 0 against, 1 abstention
- e. Motion to allocate up to \$4,402.75 to Art Education Students for the National Art Education Association Convention (Humes)
  - 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstention
- f. Motion to allocate up to \$417 to Community Relations for St. Joe Holiday Lights Competition (Shaw)
  - Prize guideline debate
  - 9 for, 5 against, 1 abstention
- g. Funding Guidelines Discussion
  - PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION ONLY
  - Bullet 6 under SBS will consider funding
    - Remove excluding meals
      - Potential change to including reasonable meals
    - Change wording to something along the lines of lodging up to \$200 per person or up to 65%
  - Bullet 2 under SBS will tend not to fun
    - Prize money clarification
  - Bullet 6 under SBS will not fund
    - Move to SBS will consider funding
  - Bullet 5 under SBS will not fund
    - Define donations and then decide where it belongs
    - Legally cannot use student activity fee money to do cash donations

- Include a bullet point about funding fundraisers/donation events
- NOTHING IS FINAL
- Look at funding guidelines for next week

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Wednesday, December 6th, 2023, in Ocon's (Robinson)
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, in Sexton 200 (Mullings, Acuña)
- c. The next Joint meeting will be Spring Semester

# VI.Adjournment

• Motion Mullings, Second Smith

# **Student Senate Minutes**

December 6th , 2023

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# **I.Opening**

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- b. Roll Call (Weis)
- c. Opening Reflection (Robinson)
- d. Approval of the Minutes (Motion A. Smith, Second Voll)
- e. Approval of the Agenda (Motion Ferguson, Second Mullings)

# **II.Guests**

- a. Senator Meza Land Acknowledgement
- b. Open Forum Guests
- c. Steven Kimble Club Sports Needs
  - Currently minimal budget, asking \$1500
    - Storage unites
    - Improvements on fields
    - Signage
- d. Executive Assistant Weis Special Education
  - Fighting for a four-credit required class on special education awareness
  - Increasing SpEd population in the US and MN, CSBSJU does not provide enough resources for future teachers
- e. Maeve Miley Extending the Link Project
  - Bringing awareness to social justice issues through documentaries

- 41 students with 19 different majors and minors
- 16 years, 15 documentaries, 1 podcast, 1 film
- Year long process researching, interviewing, and filming
- 2023/2024 plan (diabetes topic)
  - Give week
  - Interview locally
  - Travel to Mexico and interview
  - Final local interviews
  - Finish documentary
  - Spring premiere
- Team of 6 (3 bennies, 3 johnnies) traveling to Mexico
- Requesting \$3,159.72
  - o Flight \$1,213.64 per person
  - Lodging \$190.4
  - Food \$98
- f. Savannah Supan Society for Applied Anthropology Conference
  - March 26 30
  - 5 bennies going
  - El Dorado, NM
  - Some projects:
    - o Casino Closure
    - Indigenous Sovereignty
    - Doulas' role as strategic advocates
    - Extending the link: the power of film
  - Requesting \$1,575
    - Total 1,315 per person
    - Undergraduate research funded \$1,000 each
- g. Student Experience Committee Holiday Dinner
  - Tomorrow 12/7 in Gorecki Fireside
  - CSB Senate hoping to take photos and giving out goody bags
  - Goody bags
    - Hot cocoa packets
    - Water bottle stickers
    - Chocolate
    - Mini candy canes
  - Asking \$207.93
  - Sign up for a slot after meeting
    - Name tags or senate gear
- h. Senator Ferguson Tea with the Sisters
  - Strengthen our relationship with the sisters
  - Wear something that you are comfortable in
  - December 10<sup>th</sup> in the Rosamond A room beginning at 1:00
    - There's always someone at reception
    - We can walk there together too

Asking \$250 for cookies, snacks, and drinks

# **III.Board Reports**

- a. Vice President's Report (Hamak)
  - Attention is great!
  - Stipends are coming
  - Make sure to fill out the spreadsheet with SCI events
  - Watch for these over break:
    - Pre retreat survey
    - Support form
  - Christmas Party on Friday
    - Text Liz with food/drink preferences
  - Accept invites
  - Next week is your senate break
  - Senator Tess and Erben are leaving next semester
- b. Advisor's Report (Terhaar)
  - Last meeting of the semester
  - Take time to reflect
  - Use regret to motivate
  - What do you want to accomplish
  - Strategic plan document from Mary is out
    - Make it reality
    - It is flexible yet
    - o Familiarize yourself with the plan
    - Asking for a joint meeting with Kara and Richard right after break
  - Gifts from Mary Gellar
  - Next week on Study Day visit Jody for a gift
    - Tuesday if not going to be here study day
  - Able to get a drink at the Perk AND Schu
  - Stipends will be here on the next pay period
  - Pay attention to Marketing updates
- c. Co-Funding Board (Voll)
  - Current budget: \$106,613.16
- d. Budget Update (Smith)
  - Reach out about stipends if there are questions
  - Safety event went well yesterday
  - Current budget: \$253,986.68
- e. Saint John's Senate Update
  - Funded ETL trip, Study Day coffee, and holiday lights competition
  - Current Budget: \$159,916.86
- f. Open Forum
  - Smith
    - Stopped@buzzed and health promotions are having an event
       Friday at brother willie's pub after Jingle Jam

- Senator Erben
  - Donation boxes are outside McGlenns and Sexton
- Aronson
  - CSBeats has a concert saturday at 3 p.m at the multicultural center and tomorrow with Johnnie Blend at the La
- Ferguson
  - Wonderful holiday wishes

- a. Motion to allocate up to \$1,500 to Club Sports for General Requests (Tess)
  - 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- b. Motion to allocate up to \$2,928.98 to Extending the Link for Project (Aronson)
  - Amend to \$3,159.62 (Aronson) 0 for, 15 against, 1 abstention
  - Amend to \$3,262.62 (A. Smith) 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
    - o 14 for, 0 against, 2 abstentions
- c. Motion to allocate up to \$1,575.00 to SfAA for Conference (Meza)
  - 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- d. Motion to allocate up to \$207.93 to Student Experience Committee for Holiday Dinner supplies (C. Smith)
  - 11 for, 0 against, 5 abstentions
- e. Motion to allocate up to \$250 to Community Relations for Tea with the Sisters (Bastian)
  - 15 for, 0 against, 1 abstention
- f. Funding Guidelines Review
  - SBS will consider funding
    - Add "reasonable cost of food and drink" as a bullet point (Motion A. Smith, Second Voll)
      - Hamak and Weis are prepping a how to present to senate slide where we can clarify this question
      - 15 for, 0 against, 1 abstention
    - Lodging up to \$400 per person per night, not to exceed 3,600 (previously 200 per person per night)
      - Is 400 too much, even though it is an up to? Would 300 work?
      - Changing to "lodging up to \$300 per room per night. Generally, totals costs should not exceed \$3,600" 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
  - SBS will tend not to fund:
    - Change to More than \$500 for prizes or giveaway per group per semester
      - 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions

- o Change to "Initiative brought to the SBS by a CSBSJU officially recognized club that is eligible for funding by the co-funding board
  - 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstention
- Change to "Student led experiences directly affiliated with a department that have already occurred for two consecutive years. This does not include recognized student led organizations"
  - 16 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions
- Removed food from SBS will not fund

- a. The next SBS meeting will be Spring Semester
- b. The next SJS meeting will be Spring Semester
- c. The next Joint meeting will be Spring Semester

# VI.Adjournment

Motion Culmer, Second A. Smith