Student Government Meeting

November 11, 2015

Weekly Meeting- Marshall Room

**Call to Order:** 6:15 P.M.

**Present:** Duina Hernandez Reies Romero Maddie Davis

 Sheila Meh Mariam Fawzy Elise Hinderliter

 Estephanie Romero-Rodriguez Julian Kritz

 Jesse Cervantes Nazih Safi

 Madison Wedan Kevin Tran Mahamoud Abdi

 Kitana Holland Aisha Barre Nick Stewart-Bloch

 Sammy Gyanfi Tony Morales Keisha Barnard

**Not Present:** Grant Patterson Alexis Vue Alyson Rowe

 Khadra Ibrahim Cuong Nguyen

**Share Puppy:** Khadra Ibrahim

**Adoption of Agenda:** Adopted 6:23 P.M.

**Soapbox:** Kathy M Director of Class office

Center for learning accessibility services- Located in the 2nd level of library in the Gage center – 3 specialists available

10% of students have at least some form of disability at Augsburg, with an estimate of 280 students

Kathy really wanted to stress that Accessibility is more than just a ramp or an elevator

-Four environments to address and think about: 1. Physical 2. Information 3. Policy Program 4. Interpersonal

What Kathy would like to see: Disability awareness, and/or Computer Science Class create IOS app with an interactive map of campus, accessible space, Accessibility of student newspaper

**Approval of Previous Minutes:** Approved 6:51 P.M.

**Announcements:**

**President:**

Hand in Activity –Duina will give individual feedback

Activity Review: Need more cameras on campus, Heaters near smoke beds, surprised people that there was even a student government, human aspects of A’Viands and DPS

We need to allocate the funds set aside for the Service Project, therefore it needs to be done by the end of semester

Keep an eye up for candidates for a first year senator

**Finance Committee:**

AASA grant request- $1,032.31 Asian Celebration $5,617 of their own money being used already

Discussion- 320 students will be there, 80-100 students outside of the AASA group, discussed what their spending amount this year compared to past years is, and when is it too much money too much or if that’s not a problem.

Vote: All Voted Yes/ No abstained/ no opposed **Passed**

SRJ grant Request- $1,600. From travel fund for 17th annual white privilege conference in Philadelphia

Discussion: What this grant covers

Vote: All Voted Yes /No abstained/No opposed **Passed**

Grant approved for Augsburg Wind and Reeds $600

Remaining Chartering fund- $19,842.69

Remaining Traveling fund- $15,479.00

**Student Concerns Committee:**

Our group met today with SAC and we brainstormed ideas to get rid of gap between “us” and “them”

Ideas Concluded from Brainstorming:

“Auggie Cup” points- add point system to get more involved with Augsburg community through engaging in events and meetings

Require attendance of two events per semester ran by some student body organization. One event and one meeting. Write up on it to prove that they went.

Discussion of that Student government should be held accountable as well. Reciprocal engagement – bring students to support sport events, student government intermural team, etc.

**PR Committee:**

LCD Boards will hopefully go up soon!

**Chartering Committee:**

Motion to pass student groups: No Label’s and Augsburg Ultimate Frisbee

Discussion: Dated constitution in the Ultimate Frisbee, but not a huge problem

Vote: “I” all voted/ “Nay” none/ abstained none **passed**

**Community Service Committee:**

We need invested participation so what are you passionate about? Ideas for Volunteering

Campus Kitchen – student government try to bring in as much food as possible

Some form of giving back to the students or helping with food for the holidays

Restorative justice community action for this community

Multicultural Dinner tomorrow night go an hour early to help prepare the dinner

Trinity Lutheran looking for tutors

Speak that Elaine Eschenbacher about opportunities through the Boner Program

Split up into groups or individuals for volunteer work

Faculty and retired faculty can be ran through president’s office –help rake community yards (Kathy’s suggestion)

Soup for you – 10-1 Monday through Friday

Start busing night next week

**Senators:**

Monday 3-5 riverside room expressing opinion about higher education bring your open mind , trying to get students and staff involved- sign-up sheet is going around

Open Mike need 3 Augsburg Students preferably inspiring future artists

1st and 3rd Thursdays common table 8-10PM

“No Labels” Meeting tomorrow night at 5:30-6:30 in top floor of library in one of study rooms (Room 302) talk to Madison W

Huge Concert –Advent Vespers Dec 4th -5th

Accessibility committee-if you want to join talk to Sammy

Tomorrow night Inter Faith Dinner 6:30 common table –Bhai Faith tomorrow night-Free Food open to community

Julian taking the lead intermural student government team

First Year Residence Council – Jesse says they have tried to get more students involved in intermural, but the problem is there aren’t many winter intermural options, therefore they are trying to create some!

**Executive Board:**

Don’t forget about office hours, contribution to committees, and our weekly meetings!

Josh and Madison went around the Cafeteria last Friday during lunch and received a lot of great feedback! Keep an eye out for the changes! Please talk to Madison Davis if you have any input or questions!

**Adjournment:** 7:37 PM