HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

General Meeting & Bill Presentation
March 5th, 2015

Location: Phillips 120

Time: 7:01pm

Call to Order by: Vice President Nicole Karlesky

Pledge of Allegiance: Senior Class President Alex Nelson

Postpone reading of the minutes: Approved

Quorum Check

Other clubs in attendance:

Colleges Against Cancer
National Society of Leadership Success
Tabletop Roleplaying Club
Enactus
Film Club
American Institute of Graphic Arts
Interfaith United
Wish Makers
Alpha Lambda Delta
Peer Mentor Program
Black Culture Awareness (BCA)

Executive Council Reports:
1. President - Greyson Whitaker:
- Elections interest meeting after the senate meeting
- General election period begins when we return from spring break
- We will be hosting students from Penn Griffin Middle School of the Arts. If you would like to help with that event during leadership training exercises please let me know at the end of the meeting. It will be on a Friday at the end of the semester.
- 3 forms are provided to you now with a letter from the Office of Student Life for Honors Day. In the packet, you have three-forms. Your organization can represent up to 3 people within the organization to be recognized on stage during honors day. Please fill out the form and return it to either myself or the Office of Student Life. The deadline is Friday, March 20th.
- Please remember to offer your input, let your voice be heard. Discussion is good but let’s remember to keep it respectful.

2. Vice President - Nicole Karlesky:
- Please be respectful during discussion time. We are all entitled to our own opinion and we need to be respectful of that.

3. Steven Edwards
- The last day to submit student justice applications is tomorrow, Friday March 6th. If you have any questions, please come see me after the meeting.

4. Treasurer - David Holmes
   a. Operations – $121,014.26
   b. Contingences - $2,109.64
   c. Discretionary –$12,600.91
- Please respond to my emails regarding receipts for bill money.

Standing Organization Reports

1. Senior Class Representative - Molly Phalen: Kappa Delta Sorority is hosting a 5k Shamrock event. All of the proceeds go to Prevent Child Abuse America and 80% of the proceeds go to the triad and the 20% goes nationally. It is Sunday March 22nd at 2pm. It is a fun run of 1k and you can ask a Kappa Delta or go to
2. Alpha Delta Theta - Mary Kiner: Diversity Club is creating a petition to have a Maya Angelou statue on our campus. If you are interested in signing this position or getting involved please come see me after the Meeting

3. Habitat For Humanity - The service committee for SGA is an ad hoc for SGA and we would like it to be for a central point of contact for those who are interested in service individually and for
4. **Inter Fraternity Council - Dalton Sheppard:** I just wanted to thank you all for passing the bill for the Pi Kappa Phi date auction. It was last night and they raised over $3,000 so it was very successful.

**Old Business**

- S-15-25
  o Volunteer Center
    - Fall Break Trip - Guatemala
    - The timelines of the bill is not okay. Bills should be submitted in the same school year of the event. For international trips, 6 months out is the best time to book the items, so 7 months out is to submit bills.
    - It is my job and duty to stand up for what is right for SGA. March is a fair compromise of when to propose the bill.
    - Veto Discussion limited to 10 minutes
    - Pro/Con discussion limited to 5 minutes

**Discussion:**

*The Volunteer Center - Diana McKay:* I would like to make a motion to override the veto on S-15-25

Second

**Pro/Con Discussion**

*Con: Habitat For Humanity:* I 100% support the volunteer center and I know the money is going to be given no matter what but it should be submitted in the next couple weeks. We have been spending a lot of money each week and I don’t think its fair when other clubs haven’t been given a chance to present a bill this semester. Those organizations need the opportunity to get money as well.

*Pro: Haden Steelman - General Population:* Is this just stalling the allocation of funds for The Volunteer Center. For a volunteer organization if they are going to be taken out anyway, we are not losing anyway.

*Pro - Delaney Crampton - Sophomore Class Representative:* We were asked to wait until March to submit this bill, and it is March. I feel somewhat offended that the statement was made that they think they are ahead of everyone else. They are sending 15 people to help those in need. I think the veto is constitutionally opinionated.
**Con - Model UN:** I understand the sentiment to override the veto. With the veto we can still present the bill. We can let the volunteer center review the bill and make a better informed decision or just the same decision with less information.

**Pro - Reza - Junior Class Representative:** The way I look at this issue is the volunteer center has prepared in advanced for this trip, they have allocated their budget and asked their students to start fundraising, they have a large contribution as well. I agree that the bill should not have been given to the senate so early but I think it shows a loophole in the constitution that allows people to. We need to add a clause to the constitution to ....

**Con - Paige Calager - Phi Alpha Delta:** They would have more time to fundraise if we waited to present this bill.

**Pro - Anne Davey - Junior Class President:** This veto is not based on any constitutional grounds. It is basing zero rules because it is not in the constitution. It is an opinion and is curbing our vote and not for the appropriate reasons. Their student contribution is tremendous and by vetoing it we are throwing off of their timeline for booking the trip

**Pro - Josha Claudel - Bonner Leader Program:** If we veto this bill right now it is going to set them back even longer. They need to raise funds and what is the point of raising funds if you don't even know if you are going to have the necessary immediate funds to go on the trip.

**Con - Sydney Konachel - MACs Club:** I think the purpose of this veto is to make a precedence to show that these are the kind of rules that we should follow.

**Voting on the Override of the veto:**

The override is successful

**New Business:**

**Presentation of Bills:**

- S-15-34
  - SGA Executive Council
    - Josh Rivedal Emotional Educational Seminar
    - Mental health awareness and suicide awareness program
  - Requesting: $2,945
  - Account Balance: $12,600.91
    - 6,000 of that is from bills last week which will be removed from the account soon.
    - Discussion on the bill
- **Patti Suchan - Academic Chair:** Where is the venue?
  - Phillips 120 has been reserved.

- **Alex Hosteller - Freshman Representative:** Why are you not using the other $6,000 in your budget?
  - That money goes to emergencies and food and refreshments at meetings.
    - Voting
      - Approved

- **S-15-35**
  - Class of 2015
    - Senior Week
    - February 21st which was Onyx Ball was a successful event!
    - The senior giving campaign is a 658% increase compared to last year.
    - The math comes out to $20 per senior attending.
    - We are only asking for funding of 5 events out of 11 events for senior week.
  - Requesting: $16,917
  - Account Balance: $10,848.68
    - Discussion on the bill

- **Bobby - General Population:** The class of 2015 has done so much for HPU as a whole. It will set a standard for future classes!

- **Delaney Crampton - Sophomore Class Representative:** Are we permitted to pay for the food and beverages?
  - It is Aremark food, so yes.

- **Josh Walstron - General Population:** Thank you Alex for being a phenomenal president and all that you have done. I think that this bill will be a gift to the senior class for all that you have done for us and I am in 100% support.

- **Paige Calager - Phi Alpha Delta:** Why are we funding a wine tour? We shouldn’t encourage our students to drink.

- **Laura Berninski - Biology Club:** A really valuable skill for the rest of your life is to know what you pair your wine with which is always featured on wine tools, as well as featured at Prime. They are 21 so they are legally allowed to drink. It is not encouraging them to drink.
- Kelly McEvoy - Students for Exceptional Children: It is also providing a safe sober ride for those who are choosing to drink?
  
  - Yes the fee is going to the busses only not the wine

- Hannah - Sales Club: Last year the senior year participated in the wine tour and it was really successful. They have stepped up the bar this year and I wanted to point out that the Office of Institutional Advancement and we do not have the support from Alumni that we should. They are paving the way for giving back already and for Alumni.

- Mayessa Mitchell - Diversity and Student Services Chair: What is going into the class photo that is making it 400? The university has a photographer.

  - We are giving each senior a 5x9 hard copy of the photo so that they can remember their time at High Point University

- Emily Harris - Teachers of Tomorrow: Seniors are required to make a donation to the university to attend these events. Putting money into this is putting money into the school.

- Josh Walstron - General Population: We have spent 3 1/2 years fulfilling a mission through creating class unity through giving. Help us finish the last piece of our puzzle as seniors

- Danielle Turo - Senior Class Representative - Motion to vote

  Approved
  
  • Voting
  
    • Approved

- S-15-36
  
  o Civitan Club
    
    • Fundraiser for the Greater High Point Food Alliance
  
  o Requesting: $1,928
  
  o Account Balance: $1,475.25
  
  o I would like to make a motion to amend this bill to lower the total to $1,600 because we do not need plates, cups, napkins or silver wear
o Molly Phalen - I make a motion to amend the bill
  - Amendment approved
  - Discussion on the bill

- Joshua Caudel - Bonner Leader Program: Are they professional chefs?
  - It is chefs from places like Southern Roots to take time out of their busy schedule and volunteer at the event.

- Mayessa Mitchell - Diversity and Student Services Chair: Is it in conjunction with the same bill that was presented last meeting?
  - No

- Molly Phalen - Senior Class Representative: As a point of clarification, it is in conjunction with the same organization just not the same event.
  - Voting
    - Approved

- S-15-39

- SGA Executive Council
  - Bookmarks
  - RA’s and Peer Mentors will be working with the freshman to facilitate this experience.
  - I need to make an amendment to increase this bill to 1,000 with the understanding that we will not try to spend that amount.

- Alex Mells - HPU Pride: I make a motion to amend the bill to $1,000

- Austin Baker - Freshman Class President: We are already planning for the next 3 freshman classes and I do support this fully but my concern is that $1,000 for a bookmark is a lot. If it is $1,000 or less I am in favor of it because it is teaching students a lot.

- Josh Walstron - General Population: Can the same look be accomplished with another process?
  - Probably. I got this design at 12pm today and we will make all effort to bring the cost down. Right now, this is the official template of university bookmarks and this is what they wanted to go with. It is up to the senate to decide how much we are going to have with this process.
- **Dalton Sheppard - Inter Fraternity Council:** If this book is about someone who moved from the Bronx and saving money, it is counterproductive to spend so much money on it.

- **Lauren - Enactus Club:** $1,000 is extravagant when the discussion questions can be sent via email to all accepted students. I agree with looking at different ways to lower the cost.

- **Wish Makers -** I am being realistic when I say that I throw my bookmarks out when I am given them.

- **Nicole - Society of Professional Journalists:** Are these books that can be downloaded electronically or handed out as a hard copy?

- **Ryan Chow - Big Brothers Big Sisters:** I feel as though, don't we already have university bookmarks? If we print these bookmarks we are changing the identity of the university.

- **Joshua Caudel - Bonner Leader Program:** Let's not get too wrapped up about the bookmark. The organization is trying to allow those who read straight through to see those questions and think about them as they read.

- **Molly Phalen - Senior Class Representative:** I am concerned we are amending something we don't have concrete money for these. When are these need for? When you submitted this bill, why was it $200? Could the SGA executive council pay for this and just change the wording on the bottom of the bookmark?

  - March 27th at the first early registration. The estimate is pretty accurate based on previous orders. In December, the quote was $200 for 2,500 bookmarks. I got the updated numbers when I was walking into here tonight. I understand the skepticism and we will work with what you give us. Yes, we can pay for this through EC but I wanted it to show that the whole student body is in favor of it even though they are not taken a part in the event.

- **Alex Hosteller - Freshman Class Representative:** This is probably going to be one of their first impression of HPU so we might as well do it well.

- **Alex Nelson - Senior Classs President:** Motion to vote on the amendment

  - Requesting: $241
  - Account Balance: $12,600.91
  - NEW amount: $1,000

  - Discussion on the bill

- **Paige Calager - Phi Alpha Delta:** If we already have a bookmark on campus why are we making another?

  - The point of these is the discussion questions on the bookmark.
Sophomore Class President - Haley McKeown: Just a point of clarification, is this a book that the entire freshman class must read and who asked you to submit this bill? Are they willing to co-fund this?

- Yes they are required to read it and I was approached by Mrs. Tuttle and they used a lot of their funds to purchase these books.

Student Services and Diversity Chair - Mayessa Mitchell: I make a motion to vote

- Voting
  - Approved

- S-15-40
  o College Republicans
    - College Republicans NCFCR Convention
    - Our real balance is about $50. Around $1,000 of this is money from our event last week that will be returned to SGA.
    - Provides very good connections for internships and jobs for the future of these students
  o Requesting: $455
  o Account Balance: $1,244.45

- Discussion on the bill

Delaney Crampton - Sophomore Class Representative: I see that you are providing your own transportation but have you looked into fundraising for this event?

- In our mind, we sort of already had the money because of our balance and what needs to be given back to SGA but I can ask about that.

- Josh Walstron - General Population: Is the hotel close to the event and that is why you chose this hotel?

- Yes I believe so

- Ryan Chow - Big Brothers Big Sisters: Is this a one or two day event?

- It is a Saturday and Sunday event

- Voting
  - Approved
- S-15-42

  o Sports Management Association
    - HPU Conference Speaker
    - Our account balance is not reflective of our current balance, the money in our account balance is for the four students that went to Indianapolis last week for the NFL Compound.
    - This is our first really big event since joining SGA as an organization
  o Requesting: $1,499
  o Account Balance: $5,624.48

    - Discussion on the bill

  Senior Class Representative - Molly Phalen: Have you looked into the rates for the courtyard? The High Point University rate is a lot cheaper. If you use the High Point rate they will give you a good deal!

    - Thank you I didn’t know that

  - Paige Calager - Phi Alpha Delta: Have you asked them to do publicity for the school since this is such an important speaker?

    - Yes, there are 80 sports majors and minors and we are advertising for it within the program. I’m sure were gonna kill it so if all goes well he could use it as word of mouth within his business and get people on our radar!

  Sophomore Class President - Haley McKeown: I noticed you are charing $5 for the event. Is this event for only students or for the community as well?

    - We are in contact with Elon, Wake Forest and UNCG sports management major and minors.

  Freshman Class Representative - Alex Hosteller: Can anyone attend this?

    - Yes, the $5 admission fee is going to our account balance to pay for other events such as this for the rest of the semester of for next year.

    - Voting
      - Approved

- S-15-43
- MACS
  - AWS Conference, Atlanta Georgia
- Requesting: $16,917
- Account Balance: $2,083.27
  - Discussion on the bill

- Inter Fraternity Council - Dalton Sheppard: Is there a student contribution?
  - I looked at the past three SGA senate meetings and contributions were added to bills that were for more than a day long and because they are providing their own money for food and there is no registration fee, we didn’t ask for a contribution.
  - Voting
    - Approved

- S-15-45
  - Society of Physics Students
    - NASA Trip Funding
  - Requesting: $4,814
  - Account Balance: $6,517
  - Discussion on the bill

- Sophomore Class President - Haley McKeown: I just wanted to say congratulations especially for a club that just got chartered this semester.

- Inter Fraternity Council - Dalton Sheppard: What is the tool that you are creating and constructing?
  - It is a rock chip sampler that takes rocks and samples from asteroids and stores them and able to take multiple samples without cross contaminating the samples. We were given guidelines and just had to come up with it from scratch.

- Junior Class President - Anne Davey: How much money is estimated for this contribution?
  - Anywhere between $2,500 to $6,000-7,000

- Junior Class President - Anne Davey: I would like to amend the bill to give a donation of 1,000 to their research.
Second

Discussion on the amendment

- Sydney Konachel - MACs Club: Are you going to start building right now?
  - Yes, because it is in August and we are all together now and won’t be this summer. We are starting from scratch and have to meet a lot of criteria so we would love to start building now. This is the first on our checklist to make sure we can get there.

- Sydney Konachel - MACs Club: Once you have a solid figure of how much you need, I suggest that you come back to us.
  - Yes absolutely. We are fundraising and are looking to get money from the university research team

- Rebecca Verde - Campus Catholic Ministries: Considering your time constraint I would like to increase the amendment to donate 3,000.

Discussion on the amendment to the amendment:

- Habitat For Humanity - The money from the business office takes time to go through. It is going to take a week or two that they can use to plan. They can return any money that they do not use all of the $3,000.

- Alex Nelson - Senior Class President: When she made the second up, you made a facial expression that made it seem like you were concerned.
  - I was just caught off guard by your overwhelming support!

- Caleb Redslob - Publicity Chair: Phenomenal job! There are offices who main purpose is to fund research so I think we have to remember of SGA is to accommodate everyone in this room and we have to remember that there are a lot of organizations. We should see what the research offices can do first for them while we fund housing and transportation.

- Josh Walstron - General Population: Giving to this group is going to put High Point up with some amazing universities like Yale and Duke which would give us fantastic publicity.

- Mayessa Mitchell - Student Services and Diversity Chair: I make a motion to vote on the amendment

  Approved

- Rebecca Verde - Catholic Campus Ministries: Motion to vote

  Approved

- Alex Hosteller - Freshman Class Representative: Motion to vote

  Second
• Voting
  • Approved

End of the meeting announcements

- Proposed amendments to the constitution of the SGA of HPU (Reference packet that has been handed out)

Community Affairs Meeting

- Haley McKeown - Sophomore Class President: Could we see if there is a way to notify students that online ordering systems are down?

- Mayessa Mitchell - Student Services and Diversity Chair: They do update it on HPU dine and Facebook and Twitter but i will check on that

- Delaney Crampton - Sophomore Class Representative: I have ridden the trolley 3 times and 2 of those times our driver has been on their cell phone.

  - We will address that as soon as possible

- Entrepreneurship Club: I would like the cafe employees to recycle the cups that get put on the confer belt.

- Joshua Caudel - Bonner Leader Program: The dryers in Belk don’t dry anything, they’re horrible!

- Mayessa Mitchell - Student Services and Diversity Chair: Give me a text because that is my other job and I will put in a campus enhancement order.

Adjourned: 8:20