**Student Senate Minutes**

**Gustavus Adolphus College**

**October 17, 2016**

Co-President Singh calls the meeting to order at 7:01

1. **Attendance**

Question of the day: What are your Fall Break plans?

**II. Approval of the Minutes**

1. Minutes from 10/3/16

Approved

1. Minutes from 10/10/16

Approved

1. **Community Comment**

None

**IV. Unfinished Business**

a. Committee Updates

1. Diversity

Toeben: The DLC Letter was not signed by us, Pas and the Republicans. The NADPL letter is being worked on.

1. Student and Academic Affairs

Andersen: A poster and an e-mail were sent for the unity event. The President’s office wants to meet three times this semester with students. Unity Event on Wednesday. We need more senators to help out with tabling. Our committee wants to bring the female power hour back. I encourage senators to bring this up in New Business or talk to your constituencies about it.

1. Health and Housing

Martinez: The Caf is working on having more Jewish food next week. The Debate will be shown in the Caf on Wednesday. We should still respect one another’s opinions and encourage civil discourse.

1. Administrative Director

Ngabirano: Every semester, senators fill faculty reports. You will need to meet with a current Gustavus faculty or a staff member and get feedback from them about Senate work. The reports are due on Nov. 7!

**V. New Business**

a.  Finance Budgets

1. Hill Crew

Matt Hastings: We want to start a new app where you will be able to see any events going on. It will help us to follow up with the attendance of events. We want to get more students go to games and fine arts events. We want to push and have reminders on students’ phones. The $2,500 is going to the school.

Captain: It modernizes our system event to further reach the gap that’s on campus. It will benefit the alumni as well.

Hastings: This year we received $910 for a computer and a scanner. This app will be very modern and doesn’t need so much manpower to redeem the points. We are ready to be held accountable for it.

**Questions:**

Lamberty: Is it a one-time payment?

Hastings: It’s per year. We want to do a first try and see how successful it is.

Haberman: A third party involved?

Hastings: Yes

Haberman: Available to who?

Hastings: Available to whoever is affiliated to Gustavus.

Haberman: If there is an update to the app, will we have to pay fees?

Hastings: I’m not sure

Schwartz: The timeline to add new things is 2-3days. I want to add that this is a big thing for Gustavus. We don’t have an app for anything, so this would be the first one. There is no cost for updates.

Hastings: It takes a month before it runs. It will be ready by January.

Rafay: What devices?

Hastings: Android, apple.

Edholm: Did you spend the $910?

Hastings: We hadn’t asked the money yet.

Toeben: Available for people who only have a valid e-mail address? How about visitors?

Hastings: There are different ways of signing up

Toeben: Push an event?

Hastings: Clicking on an event will provide all the main details on it (gear, what, when).

VanHecke: GTS approval?

Schwartz: They will get contacted eventually.

VanHecke: The rewards?

Hastings: Those are our rewards/apparel

Antes: What does Finance think of this?

Choenyi: We contacted the Technology Director and we think it’s worth trying at least for a year.

Hinnenkamp: This started since the 2nd day of school.

Antes: What does Ethics think of it?

VanHecke: It will require a Roll Call and and a 2/3 vote.

Toeben: Points system?

Hastings: We will be working with Karrie about it.

Haberman: Off campus events?

Hastings: It will be on the app.

Hinnenkamp: It’s GPS based.

**Discussion:**

Haberman: I like the idea. I would request looking into off campus events. I move to have them contact GTS before any launches.

**Seconded by Baron**

**Discussion:**

Edholm: looking into Logistics. What are the rewards?

Hastings: We’ve been in touch with Senate for approval. Once this is approved, we will start looking into rewards.

Antes: This motion will push the meeting to next week.

Hinnenkamp: This is about when the funds will be dispersed.

Schwartz: I agree with Speaker Haberman. This should go through them. For updates’ reasons. It goes through the GTS system.

Hinnenkamp: There is a generic packet about the app.

VanHecke: It makes the sense to give them the money and have them go to GTS knowing that they have funds.

**Vote**

**Approved**

**Discussion:**

Haberman: Now, I’m in full support.

Lamberty: I’m confident in this project.

Ward: Last year, I had concerns about who was allowed to use the scanner. This is definitely a huge improvement

Baron: They have a good plan for this. Including Fine Arts is a worthwhile project.

O’Connell: I believe that an app is environmentally friendly.

Choenyi: Hill Crew has grown so fast. They should definitely be encouraged.

Toeben: They put so much work into this. I love this the way it is.

**Roll Call Vote**

**Budget Approved**

1. Student Senate Unity

Andersen: This will require us to table. They will be opportunities to express unity and uniqueness through writing.

Choenyi: We were wondering if this was the decoration or not. It’s funded by Student Senate…

**Discussion:**

Haberman: This is a good budget that doesn’t break any by-laws.

Martinez: I think it’s a great budget.

Baron: In the past, decorations have been funded.

Ward: I would encourage us to be cautious about it if this breaks a by-law.

Hinnenkamp: The point is that it’s a unity event and this was a charge

Hannan: I think that the first thing is the symbolism of unity

Shaw: The timeliness is great since the debate is on Wednesday.

**Vote**

**Approved**

1. O’Connell: I charge the HHC to look into getting a peanut butter machine

**Seconded by O’Neil**

**Discussion:**

O’Connell: It will be less wasteful and will be more environmentally friendly.

Shaw: Allergies?

Facendola: I despise the packaging but I like that it’s contained

Edholm: I echo previous speakers about allergies. It should maybe be kept somewhere in the back.

Haberman: A reminder that this is just an investigatory charge.

O’Connell: I know other Colleges that have it in their cafeteria and it works well.

Pemberton: Containers are environmentally friendly.

Andersen: I understand the allergies’ concerns but I would encourage everybody to think about the longterm impact of this.

**Vote**

**Not Approved**

**VI. Announcements**

Haberman: Cross country conference meet at ComoPark in two weeks.

Schwartz: I have made updates on the website … let me know if there is any typo.

Shaikoski: I will urge everyone to speak up during the meeting.

Shaw: Shout out for Hazing posters already up in dorms.

Arshad: Eppies SNL after Fall Break

Toeben: International Festival Nov. 12th, Accessibility awareness event next week. Greens organization events. D-Committee this week.

Vanhecke: No inappropriate costume. Encourage your friends and classmates to register to vote by the 19th.

Singh: Nominations for Saint Lucia due this Friday.

Shaikoski: No self-deprication in Senate.

**\*Meeting Adjourned**