22 February 2021 Student Senate Meeting *Meeting Called to Order at 7:02PM* Quorum is met

# **Approval of the Minutes**

I. Minutes are approved.

### **Community Comment**

- I. Frederick Smith, Campus Safety Director
  - A. Mr. Smith's background is in law enforcement. He has been at Gustavus for only a few weeks. He is from New York but spent the past 13 years in Arizona. A Q&A session is held.

## **Committee Updates**

- I. Environmental Sustainability
  - A. Beekeeping on Campus
  - B. There is a student initiative to start beekeeping on campus. They are working through the logistics and technicalities of it. Furthermore, they are looking into the city code and rules on beekeeping.
- II. Co-Presidents
  - A. MAPCS Spring Conference
  - B. Director Bluhm forwarded an email from the MAPCS Chair to all of Senate. The conference (From Intention to Accountability: Uprooting Injustices with Action) is on Saturday, March 13, starting at 9am, with optional sessions. The sign-up link is in the email, with a deadline of March 12 at 5PM.
- III. Finance
  - A. By-Law Amendment for Take-Away Items
  - B. Director Johnson walks through the proposed amendment with the Senate. The floor is opened up to questions.

### **Old Business**

I. No old business.

#### **New Business**

- I. Gustavus Women's A Cappella Budget
  - A. Director Johnson walks the Senate through the proposed \$600 budget for the organization's music video in coordination with other Gustavus students. A vote is held. The budget passes.
- II. Finance By-Law Amendment
  - A. Senator Hietpas opens the floor for discussion on the proposed by-law amendment first mentioned in Committee Updates by Director Johnson. Speaker Baring seconds. Discussion is held.

- B. Senator Hietpas motions to approve the budget. Speaker Baring seconds. The Senate votes to move into a vote on the proposed amendment.
- C. A vote on the amendment is held. The Finance By-Law Amendment passes.

#### Announcements

- I. Shout-out to the election committee for running this election that will end at 10pm tonight. (Speaker Baring)
- II. Make sure to vote if you haven't already. Every vote matters. (Ombudsperson Menke)
- III. If the voting portal doesn't work, open an incognito window and do it. Or you can clear your cookies. (Chair Doran)
- IV. The MAPCS Conference is a great event for students to be able to learn leadership skills and to better hold administration accountable. (Co-President Doran)
- V. Director Bluhm reminds everyone to complete faculty reports as soon as you can. They are due on the last day of classes, so there is no rush. (Director Johnson)

Meeting adjourned at 7:48PM