27 September 2021 Student Senate Meeting *Meeting Called to Order at 7:01PM* Quorum is met

# **Approval of the Minutes**

I. There are no minutes to be approved

## **Community Comment**

- I. DLC Representatives
  - A. DLC Co-President Geena Zebrasky and Treasurer Hassan Almusawy come to Senate to ask for stipends for the organization's co-presidents and treasurer as they do a lot of work for the Gustavus community and diversity/inclusion.
    https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/17HPSyRLdklaiVLds1IM3WQnZhnvVZL8b2AvpYs7WC54/edit?usp=sharing
  - B. Questions are asked of the speakers and discussion is held.

### **Committee Updates**

- I. Election of Senate Speaker
  - A. Cabinet meetings are Tuesdays 6:30-7:30PM. Speaker serves on the COVID leadership team as well as other positions throughout the college.
  - B. Senators Maurer and Bailey nominate themselves. Each senator presents their reasons for nominating themselves. Members of the Senate ask questions of each nominee. Both nominees exit the room in order for the Senate body to discuss and vote on the nominee.
  - C. Senator Bailey was voted on by the voting members to hold the position of Senate Speaker.

## **Old Business**

I. No old business.

#### **New Business**

- I. Quorum Constitutional Amendment
  - A. Senator Zierman moves to discuss the amendment. Co-President Menke reviews the process of the constitutional amendment. Discussion is held on the motion.
  - B. Senator Zierman moves to vote on the amendment. Seconded by Senator Cochran. Motion passes. The Senate votes on passing the amendment. The amendment passes.
  - C. Senator Zierman motions to move voting to Thursday, September 30. Seconded by Senator Maurer. A vote is held. The motion passes.
- II. Anti-Racism and Racial Justice Committee Amendments
  - A. Senator Zierman moves to discuss the amendments. Seconded by Senator Maurer. Discussion is held.

- B. Senator Maurer moves to vote on the amendment. Seconded by Zierman. The move to vote passes. A vote is held. The amendments pass.
- III. Anti-Racism and Racial Justice Committee Constitutional Amendment
  - A. Senator Zierman moves to adopt the amendment. Seconded by Senator Cochran. Discussion is held.
  - B. Senator Cochran moves to vote on the amendment. Senator Zierman seconds. A roll call vote is held. The amendment passes.
  - C. Senator Zierman motions to move voting to Thursday, September 30. Seconded by Senator Cochran. A vote is held. The motion passes.
- IV. Indigenous Relations Ad-Hoc Committee
  - A. Senator Maurer moves to adopt the committee. Seconded by Zierman. Discussion is held.
  - B. Senator Zierman moves to vote on the amendment. Senator Maurer seconds. A roll call vote is held. The committee passes.
- V. Dance Collective Budget
  - A. Finance Director Wyum introduces the budget. Discussion is held. A vote is held. The budget passes.

#### VI. Dance Team Budget

- A. Finance Director Wyum introduces the budget. Discussion is held. A roll call vote is held. The budget passes.
- VII. FCA Budget
  - A. Finance Director Wyum introduces the budget. Discussion is held. A vote is held. The budget passes.

## VIII. Gus Bus Issues

- A. Co-President Olono Vidales has been informed by students that the Gus Bus is not always picking up students or not answering the phone. There are some other issues with its operation as well.
- B. Speaker Bailey motions to charge the Health and Housing Committee with investigating the issues that were brought up. Seconded by Senator Fischer. Discussion is held.
- C. Senator Kebede motions to friendly the previous motion to charge the Technology Committee with updating the website of the GusBus to provide better information for all students. Seconded by Senator Maurer. Discussion is held.
- D. Speaker Bailey motions to amend the motion to include a survey about the GusBus experience. Approved by Senator Kebede. Speaker Bailey moves to a vote. A vote is held. The motion passes and the Health and Housing and Technology committees are charged with the Gus Bus issues.
- IX. Speaker Bailey moves to return to Community Comment.
- X. DLC Stipends

- A. Senator Cochran motions to charge the Ethics Committee to work on creating a referendum for DLC stipends. Seconded by Senator Zierman. Discussion is held. A vote is held. The charge passes.
- XI. Fine Arts Department Pianos and Guitars
  - A. Senator Kebede introduces the issue that only a couple pianos in the Fine Arts pianos are functional, but the maintenance is easy to complete if the school had a professional to maintain them. Furthermore, there are no guitars for students to practice on. Seconded by Senator Cochran. Discussion is held.
  - B. Senator Walfrid charges the Student and Academic Affairs Committee to look into the root causes of these issues with the instruments in the Fine Arts Building. Seconded by Senator Kebede. Discussion is held. A vote is held. The charge passes.
- XII. Compost Bins
  - A. Senator Barrios introduces the issue that because the compostable bags for the compost bins are not free, students have stopped using them. She charges the Environmental Sustainability Committee to look into solving this issue. Seconded by Senator Cochran. Discussion is held. A vote is held. The charge passes.

#### Announcements

- I. Complete your committee preferences form by tonight. (Director Bluhm)
- II. If you want to join Ethics Committee, please stay after and talk to Ombudsperson Nelson. (Ombudsperson Nelson)
- III. First Cabinet meeting is tomorrow at 6:30 in Beck 111. (Co-President Menke)
- IV. There are Compost Trainings to do by September 30 for a chance to win a \$20 Co-Op gift card. (Chair White)

Meeting adjourned at 8:40PM