



MarymountManhattan

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

November 11, 2019

Minutes

SGA President, (Marchael Giles), called the meeting of the 2019 – 2020 Student Government Association to order at 1:10 pm.

Members present (First roll call): President (Marchael Giles), Vice President (Yasmin Serrano), Treasurer (Patrick Reynolds), Executive board Secretary (Jorge Hurtado), Senator for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (Daniela Garduno), Senator for Commuter Student Life (Aubreyne Tolentino), Senator for Transfer Student Life (Anna Bahn), Senator for Food and Health (Rachel Baransky), Senator for Service and Sustainability (Julia Furnari), First-Year Student Council (Melanie Bermudez).

Members absent (First roll call): Senator for International Students (Kiara Mendes), Senator for Campus Safety (Giselle Caraballo) and Senator for Senior Issues (Dominique Cagliuso)

Members tardy/late (First roll call): First-Year Student Council (Camila Quintanilla) and Senator of Student Life (Harrison Mootoo).

Confirmation of Quorum:

Approval of the minutes from previous meeting:

Student Comments:

Special Introductions and announcements:

Report of the Executive Committee:

President's Report:

- SGA Townhall Podcast
- Partner with cab for Coffee House (potentially during finals)
- Update on Constitution strikeout

Vice President's Report:

- Try to get more First-Year Students to join SGA and talk with Rebecca Pinard to start a podcast for first generation students. Reached out to all potential RSOs but no one has replied.
- Sustain MMC is coming next week

Treasurer's Report:

- No RSO requests and I emailed every RSO their current budget.

Executive Secretary's Report: N/A

Unfinished Business:

- **Change in constitution**

New Business:

- **Townhall**

SGA Resolutions: None

Report of the Senate and First Year Council

Senator for International Students (Kiara Mendes): Some prospects are being interviewed for the position of International Students Advisor and this Friday (11/15) I will be having a tabling event promoting International Education Week.

Senator for Campus Safety (Giselle Caraballo): Mike from Campus Security emailed me this morning and our Committee meeting is this Wednesday (11/13) at 12pm in the Ann Miller Conference Room, inside of CSS and that I'm planning my tabling event for December.

Senator for Transfer Student Life (Anna Bahn): Transfers students senators haven't been able to book space because it been hard to get. When Thanksgiving is over I want to do a hot chocolate event for transfer students. For spring semester I want to do a tabling event for transfer students so I can address transferring credits and problems with financial aid.

Senator for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (Daniela Garduno): Lucia Wells sent me an email about changing the policy for the entrance anyone can use the ramp if they want to or not. For next semester I want to focus more on trans students and making sure their gender is being respected on blackboard, etc. A lot of students are having problems with visas or DACA and want to make sure the faculty is prepared to deal with that.

Senator for Service and Sustainability (Julia Furnari): Progress is slow for me. this week bright power is coming to talk about our energy use and water of water. For next semester I will have the piloting for new recycling bins. Sustainability day and host an event for educating the school about our energy use and recycling.

Senator for Commuter Student Life (Aubreyne Tolentino): Tabling for commuter students next semester more often.

Senator for Food and Health (Rachel Baransky): Sent Bernie and chef an email to meet. Working with fanny and tabling about AIDS and HIV.

Closing Announcements:

Final roll call: President (Marchael Giles), Vice President (Yasmin Serrano), Treasurer (Patrick Reynolds), Executive board Secretary (Jorge Hurtado), Senator for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (Daniela Garduno), Senator for Commuter Student Life (Aubreyne Tolentino), Senator for Transfer Student Life (Anna Bahn), Senator for Food and Health (Rachel Baransky), Senator for Service and Sustainability (Julia Furnari), First-Year Student Council (Melanie Bermudez), First-Year Student Council (Camila Quintanilla).

Adjournment: President Giles moves to adjourn the meeting, and) Senator for Commuter Student Life (Aubreyne Tolentino): seconds. Meeting ended at 2:03 pm.