

THE COLLEGE OF SAINT SCHOLASTICA
STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: BWC249
DATE: Sunday, 02/08/2009
TIME: 8:00 pm

CHAIRPERSON: Kyle Heffner, President
RECORDER: Blake Kroyer, Proxy Administrative Vice President

<i>TOPIC</i>	<i>DISCUSSION</i>	<i>ACTION</i>
Call To Order		President Heffner calls the Senate to order at 8:02 pm.
Attendance	The following Senators are absent: Carlos Villamizar, Tamta Zhorzholiani, Katie Wicklund, Amalia Toro, Rob McElrath, Vicky Bass, Anna Clemente, Le Yu.	Note, there are voting Senators present.
Approval of Current Meeting Agenda	Under XI c . Tabling Sgn up. Under XId . Peace Vigil	Agenda stands with noted changes.
Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes		Minutes Stand.
Immediate Action	<p>Senator Moore moves to recess for the first 15 minutes and Senator Casas seconds. Senator Johnson makes a friendly amendment to recess for the first 25 minutes. Senator Casas makes a friendly amendment for the first 20 minutes. Senator Moore excepts friendly Amendment. A vote is taken, 17 ayes 3 nays and 0 abstentions are noted. Motion passes. Senate reconvenes at 8.25 p.m.</p> <p>Daily Student Announcements-Kara Hanson- Kara Hanson, The communications director for the college expresses that there have been complaints about how the Daily Student Announcements have been dealt with. They have decided to make changes to the announcements in conjunction with the launch of the school new website in march. They are trying to eliminate the number of emails in students inbox's. They would drop the announcement to once a day at 10 am. They would be very straightforward announcements. Technically faculty and students could never get a email again unless it is an emergency. It would be an opt-in opt-out feature to receive information or not. Senator Johnson asked if individual students could submit to the daily student announcements. Kara Hanson said that this</p>	Senate recesses for 20 minutes

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option would still be available. President Heffner asked if the committee is in need of student representation. Kara Hanson said they would like one. Joel Tracy brought up the point of people still wanting to know about certain events and where would they find that information? Kara Hanson said they will try to incorporate that into the new announcements. A soft or minor launch may be made with cutting some stuff out. Senator Kroyer said to contact the collegiate affairs committee for more information.

The following was submitted by Kara Hanson via email to Student Senate.

Proposed Changes to CSS Daily Announcements

Problem we are trying to solve:

Reduce or eliminate the number of e-mails sent to the Faculty/Staff and Student Groups
Reduce the number and increase the value of and make it easy to navigate and read official daily announcements
Create a community space for posting personal or group information with the opportunity to opt-out of receiving email notification

Proposal

An official emailed announcement once daily at 10 a.m.
Example from St. Thomas: <http://www.stthomas.edu/bulletin/bulletintoday.cfm>
No attachments or HTML
May include an event listing
Students, with maybe a few exceptions for student leaders, could not post to either Daily Announcements
Groups email distribution lists would be eliminated except for emergency messages
Small distribution lists for classes or clubs could still be created and used
Weekly Event Email (opt-in) will be sent with all events happening on campus.
Community Classifieds Email
Email listserv or similar posting system for classifieds, for sale, external events.
Emailed once daily at 10 a.m.
Can be viewed from link on Gateway Web sites anytime

Considerations

How to handle e-mailed newsletters?

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	<p>committee moved to allocate \$495.75 to AFC. Senator Machado asked what the money would be donated to. AFC representative Kim said they would donate it to the Asian pacific culture center in Duluth. Senator Gigliotti asked how any members are in the club. Senator Johnson pointed out that they will be earning roughly \$81.00 to donate if they even sell all the tickets for \$3.00 a piece. A vote was taken 18 ayes, 0 nays, and abstentions were noted.</p> <p><i>CSS Nordic skiing-</i> Club representative said that it's a walk on team and the Athletic department gives them money for races. But entry fees are too expensive and it takes from their budget. Nationals are in Alaska and they usually can only take 3 or 4 people. They need money for the developing team. Senator Johnson said some background asked about 2 races and whether they are paid or not. Senator Johnson said they cant fund for the events that already happened. Senator Johnson went through the new numbers and Finance committee moves to allocate \$862.07 to CSS Nordic skiing. Josie asked about how they will come up with the additional funding. Senator Gigliotti asked if there were plans to reactivate the team. Representative Megan said she hasn't heard whether or not a club would be started. A vote was taken 20 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions were noted.</p> <p><i>PT Club-</i> 2010 physical therapy student is requesting additional funds. Finance committee moved to allocate 0 dollars to PT club. Tierra would like to amend motion of full amount. Financial guidelines are suspended. Senator Hackenmueller wants to suspend the guidelines. Finance committee is recommending 0 dollars because PT club said last semester they came and were ahead of the game but the conference they are asking money for starts tomorrow. Senator Dodge was saying to fund this it would be retro pay. Senator Hackenmueller says the whole point of suspending the handbook is because we voted to change the handbook, so that all the funds must be brought forth before the event. Senator Moore called to question. Senator Hackenmueller objected to it. Senator Dodge talked about the budgets and the differences with them. Senator Johnson called to question. Senator Hansen moved to suspend the guidelines for this allocation. Senator Courneya seconded. Senator Johnson called the question. Senator Imberg objected the call to question. Senator</p>	<p>Senate allocates \$495.75 to Asian Fun Club</p> <p>Senate allocates \$862.07 to CSS Nordic Skiing Club</p>
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	<p>Imberg said its alright to discuss it and point out that its not appropriate. Jsie moved that President Heffner’s comments be stricken from the minutes regarding this allocation. Senator Dodge seconded. A vote was taken, 20 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions. A vote was taken regarding the motion for the allocation of \$0 to the PT club and the financial guidelines were not stricken, 15 ayes, 0 nays, and 5 abstentions were noted Motion passes, \$0 were allocated to the PT Club.</p> <p><i>Ski / Snowboard Club-</i> Matt Urban, the club president is talking about trip to Lutsen. Senator Johnson talked about the changes in numbers regarding the people, number of cars, and the miles per gallon the cars get. Senator Johnson pointed out that the registration on the request is for lift tickets. Senator Johnson said that the registration definition does not meet handbook guidelines. Finance committee moves to allocate \$823.98 to the ski/snowboard club. A vote was taken, 19 ayes 0 nays, and 1 abstention were noted. Motion passes.</p> <p><i>United For Africa-</i> Hosting a festival for a possibility of 400 people on March 26th-28th. Speaker Paul Rusesabagina is to speak about genocide and change. They are asking for 10,000 dollars from senate. He was the hotel manager depicted in “Hotel Rwanda”. Other performers are coming as well. A few banks are giving money as well, around \$200 they are fundraising \$3,550 dollars for the event. Finance committee moves to allocate \$7,500 dollars to United for Africa. Senator Munjaja moved to increase the allocation to \$9,500. Senator Casas seconded. Senators were asked to vote whether or not they are in favor of amending the motion. A vote was taken. There was a division called by Senator Johnson. A vote was taken again with 10 ayes, 6 nays, and 1 abstention. New motion is to allocate \$9,500. A vote was taken 16 ayes, 3 nays, and 1 abstention were noted. Motion passes.</p> <p><i>KMC-</i> Wing Chan is representing the diversity panel. They are requesting funding for the diversity panel discussion. They are trying to promote awareness of different religions because there are misconceptions of various religions here on campus.</p>	<p>Senate allocates \$0 to PT Club</p> <p>Senate allocates \$823.98 to Ski/Snowboard Club</p> <p>Senate allocates \$9,500 to United for Africa</p>
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	<p>They have a number of speakers to represent different religions. It will be held in the intercultural center on Wednesday February 18th at 6:30 Finance committee moves to allocate \$247.50. A vote was taken, 20 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.</p> <p><i>Senia Jutila-</i> She wants help in the sponsorship for her proposal for a summer camp for autistic children She was selected for an occupational therapy scholarship. She was approached by parents with kids with autism . It will be run by student volunteers and they will be recruiting from different departments. Senator Hackenmueller asked about scholarship funding usability and the money goes straight to her tuition. The camp will take place June15th –June 22nd, Mon-Thurs. Finance committee moves to allocate \$665.00 to Senia Jutila. A vote was taken, 20 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions were noted. Motion passes.</p> <p><i>Joel Tracy-</i> Earth Action asking for money for transportation, lodging, and food for the conference of Powershift in order to lobby the congress. He wants to have people from CSS involved. Senator Hackenmueller asked about where the money will go . Joel said that it will go to Earth Action because he is going through Earth Action. New total of \$450.04. Finance committee moves to allocate \$450.04 to Joel Tracy. 19 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 abstention were noted. Motion passes.</p> <p><i>HIM-</i> Request is tabled until next week.</p> <p><i>Student Senate-</i> Asking for money for the t-shirts for Day at The Capitol. It will be part of the attire. They are asking for \$720.00. Finance committee moves to allocate \$470.00 to Student Senate. A vote was taken. 19 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention were noted. Motion passes.</p> <p><i>Student Senate –</i> For lunch costs for people attend DAC. Some is being fundraised asking for</p>	<p>Senate allocates \$247.50 to KMC</p> <p>Senate allocates \$665 to Senia Jutila</p> <p>Senate allocates \$450.06 to Joel Tracey</p>
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	<p>\$250.00. Finance committee moves to allocate \$250.00 to Student Senate. 18 ayes, 1 nay, and 1 abstention were noted. Motion passes.</p> <p><i>Student Senate-</i> Asking for money for coach buses for the DAC trip. Asking for \$1,450 dollars. Possible reimbursement. Finance committee moved to allocate \$1,450 to Student Senate. A vote was taken 18 ayes 1 Nay, and 1 abstention were noted. Motion passes.</p>	<p>Senate allocates \$720 to Student Senate Day at the Capitol</p> <p>Senate allocates \$250 to Student Senate Day at the Capitol</p> <p>Senate allocates \$1,450 to Student Senate Day at the Capitol</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">Reports of Executive Officers</p>	<p>a. President- Kyle Heffner <i>Game Ball-</i> President Heffner gave the game ball to Senator Machado for his participation. President Heffner thanked Senator Machado for being so dedicated. President Heffner Honorably mentioned Senator Lucas for her efforts with snowball.</p> <p><i>Student Savings Club-</i> Talk about it and they want to implement it by the end of this senate session. Senator Munjaja asks what the catch is and how much Senate will be funding . President Heffner said the catch is a payment of \$1,500 for the entire year. Senator Machado said the big thing would be advertising this club. They said one student alone can save around \$1,000 dollars. Senator Johnson asked for more information and Senator Johnson mentioned forming a committee and asked that the committee talks to Bob Ashenmacher in college communications. The point is to give the students a list and the businesses will let the website know if they want to participate or not. President Heffner asked if it is something that we should do and there was a resounding yes response from the assembly. Committee is to be formed, the interested Senators include Senator Moore Senator Lucas, Senator Kroyer, Senator Courneya, Senator Imberg, Senator Machado, and Senator Hansen. Motion is to accept. All ayes from the assembly were noted. Motion passes.</p> <p><i>Board Luncheon-</i> President Heffner has a list of people who want to be there. Senator Dodge said he would like to be added to the list . The event is to take</p>	

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	<p>place this Friday at noon.</p> <p><i>Senate Standing Committees</i>- tabled until next meeting.</p> <p>b. Executive Vice President- Tierra Hansen</p> <p>c. Financial Vice President- Amanda Hackenmueller</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">i. <i>Account Balances</i>- We are still waiting for activity fees and the money from snowball fundraising. Approximately \$3,000.00 more with half going to the American Cancer Society, more specifically Relay for Life which is held in the spring.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">ii. <i>Spring Allocation Fee</i>- Financial Vice President Hackenmueller talked about the additions to the funds with an approximate \$10,000.00 rollback into the general fund from unused money from fall semester.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Project Fund: now: \$5,623.61 soon: \$154,549.15 General Fund: now: \$25,365.60 soon: \$63,791.35 Senate Operating Account: now: \$6,379.41 soon: \$6,561.65</p> <p>d. Administrative Vice President- Blake Kroyer</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reports of Standing Committees</p>	<p>a. Collegiate Affairs-</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">i. Grievances Updates- no updates.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">ii. New Grievances- Laundry Machines, Senator Courneya said that all of the laundry machines should be looked at for maintenance. Senator Casas asked about the status of the street lights along the sidewalk that runs to Kerst, because sometimes they still don't work. Joel Tracy said that the lights are owned by Minnesota Power and it may be a good idea to go through facilities in order to contact them.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Senator Casas also brought up a personal grievance about his clothes getting stolen. Senator Kroyer brought up a possible solution to the issue about putting cameras in the laundry rooms which could possibly minimize or eliminate many of</p>	

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the issues students face with the laundry facilities.

Senator Machado addressed a grievance regarding the chalk on the ground still around the entrances to tower and would like that issue to be addressed as soon as possible.

Senator Casas brought the ongoing grievance regarding entrance to health services in Somers Hall. He wants there to be a easier way to enter health services. Senator Kroyer told Senator Casas that the Collegiate Affairs committee would take care of it.

b. External & Legislative Affairs-

- i. *Day at The Capitol Update*- Senator Moore said that next week they will be tabling in the Union to try and get people to sign up to attend the Day At The Capitol between 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Senator Moore said he would like some Senators to help out with the tabling and that the sign up sheet will be placed in the Senate office.

c. Finance-

i. *Budgeted Requests*

- 1.AFC- \$2,218.90
- 2.PT Club-\$93.96
- 3.Figure Skating-\$3,750.00
- 4.Earth Action-\$350.00
- 5.AFC-\$250.00

ii. *Club Probations*- The following clubs were voted defunct by the Senate Assembly with a unanimous aye vote were noted from the motions made by the Finance Committee.

1. Transfer Club
2. Education Association
3. Omicron Delta Epsilon
4. Pre-Law Society
5. Business Suits, Inc.

Senate declares the mentioned clubs as defunct.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Disc Golf Club 7. Veterans Club 8. Duluth to Darfur d. Internal Affairs- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Senator resignation</i> – Senator Tricia Rinella resigned from Student Senate. ii. <i>Executive Elections</i>-President Heffner wants to put forth a committee for the executive elections. Senators Handyside, Courneya, Nelson, and the entire Internal affairs committee will be on the elections committee. A vote was taken to appoint those interested to be members of the elections committee, 12 ayes, 0 nays, and 7 abstentions were noted. e. Student Activities- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Snowball</i> – Senator Lucas thanked everyone who helped with Snowball. f. Board of Trustees Student Representative- Andrew Hadrich 	
<p style="text-align: center;">Reports of Special Committees</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">New Business</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Snowball Apathy</i>- Senator Johnson wants to express her discontent about the poor turnout of student senators that were willing to help out with snowball. She wants to have more senators help out next year. 	
<p style="text-align: center;">Announcements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Senate Website</i>- Senator Moore allowed Senate to view the completed website he completed on February 6th, 2009. b. <i>The Next Board Of Trustees Meeting</i>- Andrew Hadrich sent an email that he wanted to be read to the Senate Assembly regarding the next Board of Trustees meeting. c. Tabling sign up for the Day at the Capitol was announced to the assembly by Senator Moore, reminding the Senators that it would be greatly appreciated by the External Legislative Affairs Committee that Senators help volunteer to table. 	

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	d. Senator Johnson said that the peace vigil takes place at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday mornings in the tower foyer.	
Adjournment	President Heffner asks for dissent to adjournment. Adjournment at 10:45	The Senate adjourns at 10:45 p.m. The Student Senate will recess until Sunday,