**Meeting Minutes**

Student Government 2018-2019

Monday, September 3, 2018

1. Welcome by Harpreet Chamdal, Executive Committee President

* Executive Committee Office Hours: Wednesdays, 8:00-9:00 PM in the Student Government Office

2. Who Is Senate?

1. Projects Committee

* Campus-wide projects sponsored by Student Government
* Meets Wednesdays at 9:00 PM in the Student Government Office
* Contact Emily Dowler with interest

1. Policy Committee

* Constitutional changes enacted by students
* Meets Thursdays at 8:00 PM in the Student Government Office
* Contact Vidal Glassman with interest

1. Student Advocates for Universal Respect (SAUR)

* Representatives of minorities on campus
* Contact Pixie Estrada with interest

1. Class Officers

* Sophomore Class Office Hours: Tuesdays, 2:30-3:30 PM in the Student Government Office
* Junior Class Office Hours: Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00 PM in the SECA Office
* Senior Class Office Hours: Tuesdays, 8:30-9:30 PM in the Student Government Office

1. Sam Craig, Executive Committee Officer of Technology

* Looking for two Senators to help with social media responsibilities
* Contact Sam Craig with interest

1. Kirwin Seger, Executive Committee Treasurer

* Applications for Club Approval Board and Club Allocations Board are available in the Announcements

3. What Is Senate?

* “A coalition of students who utilize their shared experiences to serve as representatives *of* and resources *for* the student body.”

4. First Order of Business: Voting on Executive Committee Vice President

1. Harpreet talked about the selection process Executive Committee followed
2. Senate heard from VP Candidate, Ambrose Lutwyche, about his goals for Student Government
3. Questions were answered by Ambrose and Harpreet about his qualifications
4. Present senators voted to confirm Ambrose

5. Voting Results

* The vote passed! Congratulations to Ambrose, our new Executive Committee Vice President.

6. Treasurer’s Report by Kirwin

1. $17,509 in the Student Government budget
2. Club Allocations have not opened yet

7. Announcements

1. Heard from Projects Committee Members about the projects they are working on
2. Heard from JAB about the Pride Week Drag Show Friday, September 7th at 7:30 PM in Alumni Hall and Dance Me to Hershey Park Saturday, September 8th from 9:00-12:00 AM in the Ellis Ballroom for a chance to win Day Passes to Hershey Park for you and 2 of your Juniata friends!
3. Heard from Executive Committee about the mandatory Senator Training Session next Monday, September 10th from 9:00-10:00 PM in Neff Lecture Hall
4. Heard from Culinary Committee about their next meeting September 13th at 4:00 PM in Baker Refractory

8. Open Forum: Discussion about Parkhurst Dining Service with Dean Damschroder

1. Dean Damschroder’s drop-in office hours are Mondays 4:00-6:00 PM in Founders
2. Tony and Brett from Parkhurst Management and Dean Damschroder are people to express thoughts and concerns to
3. Allergen Friendly Zone is under construction
4. Possibility of changing meal plan options for Spring Semester and possibility of a swap between the Gold and Commuter Plans
5. For more explanations of finances, President Troha will be presenting the College Budget at the next Senate Meeting Monday, September 17th at 9 PM in Neff Lecture Hall
6. General Financial Information:

* The endowment of the College is 5% of its generate income
* Revenue is streamlined into a single place and distributed accordingly
* The four-year residency requirement is strictly enforced
* The financial atmosphere is changing at Juniata and across all college campuses in response to the cost of attendance
* Possibility of greater transparency of the budget
* Value of product vs. price increase seen is a personal opinion
* Are the Gold and Commuter Plans similar?
* Try to change the Gold plan to combat the food insecurity concerns caused by the block meal plan
* Mislabeling of food in Baker Refractory
* The Office of Campus Events will survey all first year students via CWS and eventually, all students in a general survey sent out to get an idea of dietary needs
* Combatting food waste in Baker Refractory
* Parkhurst is now hiring
* How much food can be taken out of Baker? Answer: You can take a meal or some snacks and the issue is with the new hires who are not aware of this rule
* Food options/quality of Eagle’s Landing (Muddy)
* Muddy is now a part of Baker and all-you-can-eat, but issues with small portion sizes and long lines
* Confusion over Parkhurst Policies, such as Ecoshell structure
* Taking food out of Eagle’s Landing is not permitted and does not exist as an on-the-go option any more
* Issue of asking for larger portion in Baker and being told need to finish single serving at a time
* Increased hours are a positive
* Need to change late-night options to comfort/fried, snack food
* The meal plan is covering off-campus meals more effectively
* Pre-made meals need to be expanded upon, such as allowing meal swipes at non-Ellis locations and restructuring the 24-hours in advance system to order a pre-made meal
* Accommodations need to be made during peak meal times to help with long lines
* Accommodations need to be made at non-peak meal times to provide students with more food options than pizza, salad, and burgers
* Students on Gold Plan feel slighted because they are paying more than those on the Commuter Plan for less meals
* Reminders by Matthew that we must work within the frame of the contract, he is willing to work with students facing financial concerns, and will consider swapping the lower tier meal plans
* Matthew regrets the decision process to switch dining service providers and is willing to add flexibility to the meal plan wherever he can help do so