University of Illinois Springfield Student Government Association Performing Arts Center – TV Studio Sunday, February 9th, 2020

Agenda

- I. Call to order
 - A. Meeting called to order by President Paoletti at 6:00pm.
- II. Roll Call
 - A Present
 - President Paoletti, Internal VP Cunningham, External VP Loera, Treasurer Verthein, Secretary Stinson, Senator Flaherty, Senator Valente, Senator Garland, Senator Moseley, Senator Akpulonu, Senator Kinsel, Senator Herrera, Senator Aviles, Senator Sherman, Senator Wesley, Senator Shenoy, Senator Gin
 - B. Absent
 - i. Trustee Dawoud, Parliamentarian Matthews, Senator Diaz, Senator Pernitsky
- III. Approval of the Agenda
 - A. President Paoletti entertained a motion to approve the February 9th agenda. Seconded by Senator Flaherty. Unanimous aye.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes
 - A. President Paoletti entertained a motion to approve the January 26th minutes. So moved by Senator Flaherty, seconded by Treasurer Verthein. Unanimous aye.
- V. Audience Participation
 - A. None.
- VI. Administrative Report
 - A. Advisor Cynthia Thompson
 - i. Student Leadership event at SIUE on February 9th. A good number of UIS Students
 - ii. SGA members are working hard on various projects
 - iii. Star Maps
- VII. Officer Reports
 - A. President Paoletti
 - a. Sent out fall semester SGA report this week.
 - b. Downtown shuttle operating again. Hopes to increase marketing for it
 - c. Academic calendar committee meeting
 - i. Thanksgiving break giving a week off pushes dates in December, creates problems
 - ii. Decision to keep Thanksgiving break as it is--only Thanksgiving day off. Will be voted on in next Campus Senate meeting

- iii. Reasoning for not asking for the Wednesday before Thanksgiving off--there must be 3 weekdays to be classified as an academic "week"
- iv. Policy will be implemented so that Professors can decide whether to have class or not
 - 1. Can utilize online assignments/activities
- d. Development of higher education CAPE
 - i. Career of Academic Professional Education
 - 1. professional development initiative for UIS Graduates to utilize post-grad
- B. Trustee Dawoud
 - a. No report.
- C. Internal Vice-President Cunningham
 - a. Thank you to UIS Chancellor Susan Koch has served UIS as Chancellor for 9 years
 - i. Announced retirement this week
 - b. Creating flyers to be used as ads on social media that relay SGA's accomplishments to raise awareness
 - c. Continued work on UIS Bookstore issues
- D. External Vice-President Loera
 - a. Met with Cynthia last week regarding Trello projects (online workspace for SGA members)
 - b. Successful Lobby Day training
 - c. SAC meeting February 10th
- E Treasurer Verthein
 - a. Campus Boredom Survey to be released within the next few weeks
 - i. will question many aspects relating to this topic to get proper feedback from students while still keeping it brief
- F. Secretary Stinson
 - a. GECo redesigning and implementing pilot for First Year Seminar
- G. Parliamentarian Matthews
 - a. No report.
- VIII. Senator Reports
 - A. Campus Resident Senator: Max Pernitsky
 - i. No report.
 - B. College of Business & Management Senator: Nolan Flaherty
 - i. Blue Crew is growing in numbers and increasing school spirit
 - ii. Considering making t-shirts to give out as incentives for participation
 - C. College of Education and Human Services Senator: Natty Akpulonu
 - i. Following up with Dean of Social Work department to ensure there is an academic advisor
 - 1. This same advisor will also advise elementary education students

- ii. Seeks clarification for clothing drive
 - 1. President Paoletti has been working on this and will be continuing to do so this week. It is expected that the drive will mostly focus on informal clothing
 - 2. External VP Loera acknowledges issue of storage for the donated clothes
- D. College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Senator: Alex Aviles
 - i. No report.
- E. College of Public Affairs & Administration Senator: Miguel Valente
 - i. Greek Council met today
 - 1. Seeking to get formal position for SGA representation
 - ii. GERC still revising gen ed courses
- F. Freshman Student Senator: Caitlin Sherman
 - i. Freshman Town Hall aiming for week of March 2nd
 - ii. SGA Instagram SGA member of the week
- G. Graduate Student Senator: Addam Kinsel
 - i. Reaching out to ITS regarding wi-fi outside buildings
 - ii. Idea of getting some kind of structure--such as a gazebo--to provide additional sources of wi-fi signal
 - iii. iCard project
- H. International Student Senator: Sneha Shenoy
 - i. International students can only employed on-campus; seeks increase in on-campus jobs
 - ii. Senator Flaherty proposed contacting Career Development Center to help break barrier for international students to find employment on campus
 - iii. External VP Loera proposed collaboration between Int. Student Services and Career Devel. Center
 - iv. Senator Natty clarified that the issue is not resume competency but instead the actual types and availability of on-campus jobs
 - v. GA and GPSI positions are for graduates and only allow limited number of students to get positions
 - vi. Advisor Cynthia--UIS is also just not big enough for every student on campus to have an on-campus job who wants one
- I. Online Student Senator: Vyvyan Wesley
- J. Peoria Campus Senator: Angie Gin
 - i. Reached out to ICC SGA to establish connection
 - ii. UIS-Peoria Campus social media being created
 - iii. Job openings in Peoria to expand programming
- K. Senator-at-Large: Aislinn Diaz
 - i. No report.
- L. Senator-at-Large: Collin Moseley

- i. Acknowledgement of Chancellor Koch's 9 years of service and retirement
 - 1. Proposed resolution to acknowledge her work
 - 2. SGA seeks to participate in selection of new Chancellor when it comes time
- ii. Shelter in Place Drill meeting February 10th
- iii. Seeks University email distribution permissions for SGA President
 - 1. As follow up from last meeting, SGA President now has permissions to drive University vehicles
- M. Transfer Student Senator: Gabrielle Garland
 - i. Working with President Paoletti on transfer student orientation
 - 1. In general, we have received negative feedback on the orientation program for all students; i.e., too long, makes students feel burned out at start of semester
- N. Undergraduate Student Senator: Leslie Herrera
 - i. Feminine product project
 - 1. Period Club is willing to help with this project to increase free products on campus
 - 2. Health Services does not cover all buildings with these products, so we will focus more on the areas that are currently not covered

IX. Committee Reports

- A. Executive Board Committee
 - i. Discussed relationship with UIS Journal seeking to increase correspondence
 - 1. Idea to buy newspaper stands for them, but many students seek to make the Journal paperless and completely online
 - ii. Midterm grades
 - 1. It is standard for 200 level courses to require report of midterm grades, but it is not currently required for 300 and 400 level courses
 - a. SGA seeks to change this requirement to include 300 and 400 level courses
 - b. Provost supports this and believes it is good practice for professors to report midterm grades
- B. Internal Affairs Committee
 - i. No report.
- C. External Relations and Marketing Committee
 - i. No report.
- D. Rules and Constitution Committee
 - i. No report.
- X. Old Business
- XI. New Business

- A. Resolution 18 –Living Wall System Allocation
 - i. Senator Moseley entertained a motion to amend Resolution 18, Line 6:
 "with the stipulation that SGA is recognized for their contribution."
 Seconded by Senator Valente. Unanimous consent.
 - ii. President Paoletti entertained a roll-call vote to approve Resolution #18. Motion by Senator Flaherty. Seconded by Treasurer Verthein. Unanimous aye.

XII. Discussion

- A. Campus Senate Committees
- B. Action Plan Timeline
 - i. SGA Election week events will require a large amount of planning resolution to be created in near future including details and budget
- C. Continued work on feminine product project

XIII. Adjourn

- A. President Paoletii entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion by Senator Flaherty. Seconded by Senator Sherman.
- B. Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.