**Student Government Association Minutes**

April 17, 2012

1. ROLL CALL: Hannah Persson, Katie Morrisey, Anthony Oberg, Yadira Garcia, Jon Mecurio, Aaron Astley, Brian Boats, Taylor Wertz were absent. Meaghan MacDonald, Emily Tobin, Madeline Escobar, Aerin Andre, and Joyniqua Hall sent alternates. Lindsey Howe was excused.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM April 10, 2012: Minutes were approved.

1. PRESIDENT’S REPORT: *Lou Cimaglia*
2. Hello everyone. We have a presentation tonight from Dr. Marijoan Bull and Laurie Simpson of the Strategic Planning Committee.
	* + 1. **Dr. MariJoan Bull**: Thank you for having me here tonight. I am here to discuss something very important, which is the Strategic Plan for your University for the next five years. As you can see, we have updated the Mission Statement, Values Statement, Vision Statement, as well as adding many goals for the University to complete. I would love to hear any feedback on this that you can give. As well, you can always email me as well.
			2. **Amy Wing:** Could you please just clarify 4.3 and 4.4 under goal 4?
			3. **Dr. Marijoan Bull**: Yes, this essentially means that we will create a more of a sense of community on the campus, and to try and make it flow, as best as physically possible, as well as increasing social events.
			4. **Ryan Meersman:** Please make sure you check your email for an updated packet.
			5. **Dr.** **Marijoan Bull**: Thank you so much for having me down, and as Ryan Meersman said, we really want student feedback, so please be sure to email me with any suggestions or concerns.
3. Thank you very much Dr. Bull and Laurie Simpson.
4. Per request of the All College Committee, I am going to show you all some information, that has been presented to the campus by architect George Mathey. He has taken the lead on the new academic building project.
	* + 1. **Allie McLaughlin**: What made them consider other options? I thought it had been decided that the new academic space would go behind Wilson?
			2. **Lou Cimaglia**: It is under my impression, that the architect said, we are not locked into that space, and helped them find alternative locations.
			3. **Nikki Ferraira**: I will say the building location should take into consideration what is going in the buildings. For instance, if you put science classes or labs in the new building, it should be closer to Wilson since that is where the rest of the department is.
			4. **Courtney Keddy**: As far as the content of the building goes, I am a biology major and I know we need new and updated labs, for ourselves and the nursing majors.
			5. **Stephanie Close**: Do we get more money, if it is a STEM Building?
			6. **Lou Cimaglia**: It is my impression, that we would get slightly more help, but I am not sure about the exact numbers.
			7. **Victoria Downs:** The option near Wilson, I personally think, would be a little crowded; I think the area near Juniper Park is best.
			8. **Rich Darrach:** Will there still be elementary school kids in Juniper Park, or will that be our building again?
			9. **Carlton Pickron:** In the coming years, we will reclaim Juniper Park, for University use. There is a lot of updating and renovations to be done, to make it University appropriate.
			10. **Stan Costa:** With this new space, could we relocate career services and the counseling center, to make more residential space in Lammers?
			11. **Carlton Pickron:** That is certainly on the radar, of student affairs, I would love to see that happen to create more beds in Lammers.
			12. **Tom Durkee:** What is going to happen to Mod Hall? Could we take that down and use that space for a building?
			13. **Carlton Pickron:** Well the problem with that we need the space in Mod Hall during construction of the new building.
			14. **Dave Getchell:** This is off topic, but will the wellness center be closed in the fall?
			15. **Carlton Pickron:** No, the space will be done before you all come back.
			16. **Lou Cimaglia:** Thanks for your input everyone. Again, please take more time to think about this so we can give one cohesive recommendation from SGA.
5. Tom Raffensperger wants to remind everyone that the library will be closed, from May 19 until August 19th, but some services will still be available.
6. Our next meeting will be on April 24th at 5:30 pm in the SGA room.
7. Items not listed on the agenda:
8. BOARD OF TRUSTEES’ REPORT**:** *Ryan Meersman*
9. Hi everyone, I hope you’re all enjoying the wonderful weather and that you have all taken the chance to vote today. As we get closer to the end here it’s going to be more difficult for me to report and this is the last time I will be reporting a Board of Trustees meeting to Senate, also as I give this report on what the Board decided at last week’s meeting I should make it known that I was only present for the committee meeting portion and in the emergency room during the full Board meeting.
	* + 1. Last week’s meeting was lengthy, so I will sum up the decisions that were made quite a bit so if you have any questions please see me after and I can discuss things in more depth.
			2. The Board moved to promote the following faculty members; to full professor: Dr. Mark Abate, Dr. Sandra Berkowitz, Dr. Louis Caton, Dr. Michael Filas, Dr. Janet Gebelt, Dr. Karen Vorwerk, and Dr. Katherine Walsh. To Associate Professor: Dr. Nicholas Aieta, Dr. Rebecca Burwell, Dr. Jennifer Hanselman, Dr. Shoba Rajgopal, and Dr. Supriya Sarnikar. The board then moved to tenure the following faculty members: Dr. Kamal Ali, Dr. Rebecca Burwell, Dr. Christine Cleaton-Ruiz, Dr. John Dempsey, Dr. Margot Hennessy, Mr. Mark Naidorf, Ms Leah Neilsen, and Dr. Shoba Rajgopal. Please congratulate these impressive faculty members it you happen to know them.
			3. The Board moved to award the following Honorary Degrees; Mr. Douglas Glanville, Dr. Freeman Hrabowski, Dr. Paul LeBlanc, and Dr. Gregory H. Williams. If you would like any more information on these people I can provide that to you now or upon request.
			4. We then approved a change to the plan for financing the Ely Renovation project. The total cost has gone up, but will not cost students any more than was already established last fall.
			5. Changes to the University’s Travel and Corporate Credit Card Use policies were also accepted, as well as to the procedures to Reimbursement of University Related Expenses and Petty Cash Funds.
			6. We also approved a list of naming opportunities around the University that put a guideline price to rooms, buildings, and special locations that could be named. Along with that the Board approved the naming of the Scanlon Living Room to the John and Celeste Loughman Living Room after Celeste Loughman left of $250,000 to the University in her will, after her recent passing.
			7. The following former staff members were approved for “Staff Emerti” status; Ms. Cossette Cousineau, Ms. Mary Kronholm, Mr. Robert Mailloux, Mr. Kenneth Magarian, Mr. Christopher Olsen, and Mr. Max Wojtowicz.
			8. The next Board meeting will take place on Thursday, June 14th at 6:00 pm in the President’s Board room and will be my last meeting as a Trustee.
10. All College Committee: **No Report**
11. Long Range Planning Committee: **No Report**
12. Strategic Planning Committee: **No Report**
13. Alumni Report**: No Report**
14. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-STUDENT LIFE**:** *Stephanie Close*
15. The blood drive is tomorrow, April 18th from 1:00 pm until 7:00 pm in the Parenzo Gym. If you signed up to volunteer, please arrive on time; there will be a sign-in sheet to get credit for units. As always, walk-ins are welcome, so please tell your friends to donate.
16. April is Get Yourself Tested Month. There will be free testing this Friday, April 20th, from 10:30 am until 3:00 pm. in the Scanlon Banquet Hall, and Monday, April 23rd, from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm in the Scanlon Banquet Hall. I am looking for someone to volunteer for Friday and Monday. If you are interested in either of these opportunities, please see me after the meeting.
17. Smoking Sensation is tomorrow, April 18th at 6:00 pm and next Wednesday April 25th at 6:00 pm. This program is $30.00 and the program can be purchased through Friday, April 20th at the Campus Center Window. After Friday, please call Health Services for more information.
18. Student Affairs Committee: **No Report**
19. Multicultural Committee: **No Report**
20. Food Services Committee: **No Report**
21. Health Committee: **No Report**
22. Parking Control Board: **No Report**
23. Sustainability Committee**: No Report**
24. Student Athletic Advisory Board: **No Report**
25. Substance Advisory Committee: **No Report**
26. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-ACADEMIC LIFE: *Tony Iozzo*
27. Academic Policies Committee: **No Report**
28. Curriculum Committee: **No Report**
29. Enrollment Management Committee: **No Report**
30. Campus Technology Committee**: No Report**
31. International Programs Committee: **No Report**
32. Institutional Assessment Committee: **No Report**
33. Academic Strategic Planning Committee**: No Report**
34. Library Advisory Committee**: No Report**
35. Learning Communities**: No Report**
36. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-PROGRAMMING: *Brandon Burr*
37. Programming update: Brandon Burr
38. Hey everyone so there is a sad possibility of rain on Saturday and worst case scenario all the activities would be moved inside of Ely Campus Center. The Zip Line would be rescheduled most likely for next semester or something of that nature. All other activities would be inside and Bard Hand and I would work to get the jousting switched to an indoor activity. The concert would run as planned. Also, the last time I checked there were about 80 tickets left, so if you have not gotten your ticket, do it soon.
39. On some sad news, our last trivia event is tomorrow April 18th at 8:00 pm in Ely with free pizza.
40. This Trivia and Spring Weekend will be CAB’s last few events for the year.
41. Neighborhood Association Committee: **No Report**
42. Neighborhood Advisory Board: **No Report**
43. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-FINANCE: *Stone Koury*
44. Finance Report: Stone Koury
	1. Today, I have a Finance Proposal for you all, from the EMS Club. They are looking for a number of medical supplies, equipment and new tools.
	2. I move to allocate $3,069.85 to the Emergency Medical Services Club for their purchase of new medical supplies.
45. **Stephanie Close**: Could you please further explain some of these supplies?
46. **Stone Koury**: Yes, they are in need of basic supplies such as splints, gauze pads, ice packs and other things. They are also looking to update their radios, and purchase new batteries.
47. **Jenn McDiarmid:** Is this stuff actually being used, or is it just for practice? Also, what would they use the ked for, since they wouldn’t be transporting the victim anywhere, does the ambulance take care of that?
48. **Stone Koury:** This stuff will actually be used, and as far as the ked goes, they actually did have an accident a few weeks ago where there was hospitalization needed, so it would be used in situations like that.
49. **Barbara Hand:** I believe, the use of the ked, will be similar to the stair chair that they purchased last year. The fire department requested, that any victims, that need transportation, already be at the bottom of the building they were in, it could be a similar request to that, such as the ambulance would like the victims already removed from the vehicle when they get to the scene.
50. **Amy Wing:** I move to send this proposal back to finance committee for further review. Motion Passed.
51. **Ross Beck:** the motion passed with 29 for, 14 against, and 4 abstentions. The proposal will be sent back to finance committee for further review. The motion to allocate $3069.85 to the EMS Club has been denied.
52. Foundation Report**: No Report**
53. SERETARY’S REPORT: *Krysta Livingstone/Amy Wing*
54. Executive Secretary Report: Krysta Livingstone
	* + 1. I hope everyone had a nice long weekend. Please remember to encourage your friends, roommates, residents, and everyone to vote on collegiate link. Voting will be up until midnight April 18th and we want to see a large turnout so please continue the great work you have been doing to publicize it.
55. Legislative Secretary Report: Amy Wing
	1. Can I see Matt Durant and Stephen Evans after the meeting?
	2. I have asked Caitlin Turner to resign from Senate.
	3. Attendance is important so please show up for the last few meetings.
	4. Also thank you to Tori Downs for sending in pictures, please send in pictures.

1. COMMUTER COUNCIL, CLASS AND HALL REPORTS:
2. Commuter Council: **No Report**
3. Senior Class: **No Report**
4. Junior Class: Allie McLaughlin
	1. The Junior Class council will be on the campus green Saturday, April 21st from 1:00 pm until 5:00 pm selling tickets for a chance to meet TYGA. Tickets are $1.00 and the winner will be announced, before the concert. The winner will also be allowed, to bring along, one other person. We are also selling tickets now, so if you are interested you can see me after the meeting.
	2. Sometime next week, all current juniors will be receiving a survey through MyWestfield. The survey will give insight, to the council, on what juniors want to see for senior year and more specifically Senior Week.
	3. Also George Ramirez, in marketing, has created for us a “Save the Date” postcard. They are in the process of being printed and sent out to all Junior’s home residences. They include the dates for Senior convocation, as well as the 2013 commencement.
	4. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 23rd at 6:30 pm in the SGA Club Room.
5. Sophomore Class: Taylor Fote
	* + 1. Tickets are still on sale, so please go and buy them. This weekend during the spring weekend green activities, we are going to have a table, where you can get your picture taken with any of our contestants. We will also be selling stars and tickets.
			2. Our next scheduled meeting is on Monday, April 23rd at 5:00 pm in the SGA conference Room.
6. Freshman Class: **No Report**
7. Apartment Complex: **No Report**
8. Courtney Hall**: No Report**
9. Davis Hall: **No Report**
10. Dickinson Hall: **No Report**
11. Lammers Hall: **No Report**
12. Lansdowne Hall: **No Report**
13. New Hall: **No Report**
14. Scanlon Hall: **No Report**
15. UNFIISHED BUSINESS**: None**
16. NEW BUSINESS:
17. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
18. **Stephanie Close**: The Global Women’s History Project will be going on tomorrow, April 18th, please look at the event schedule for that and be sure to check it out. Ryan Meersmen will be bestowing an honorary degree upon our amazing speaker.
19. **Eric Thompson**: Senior Salute is tomorrow, April 18th from 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm, all seniors should check it out. There are 32 days until commencement.
20. ROLL CALL: Hannah Persson, Katie Morrisey, Anthony Oberg, Yadira Garcia, Jon Mecurio, Aaron Astly, Brian Boats, Taylor Wertz were absent. Meaghan MacDonald, Emily Tobin, Madeline Escobar, Aerin Andre, and Joyniqua Hall sent alternates. Tori Landry and Jocelyn Herrera-Lazo were excused.
21. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.