**Student Government Association Minutes**

January 21, 2013

1. ROLL CALL: Shawn Hillman, Kathryn Brank, Samantha Pellegrini, Albert Fava, Amy McDonald, Steven Barber, and Evan Nigro were absent. Luis Arzola, Justin Doss and Noelani Washington were excused.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM December 10, 2013: Minutes were approved.
3. PRESIDENT’S REPORT: *Taylor Fote*
4. Hello everyone. First off tonight we have Dr. Carlton Pickron, the Vice President of Student Affairs, to welcome everyone back
5. **Dr. Carlton Pickron**: Thank you Taylor and the assembly of Student Government Association. Welcome back all. I hope everyone had a very peace-flied, productive and restful break. We’re keeping busy here at Westfield; good to see some new faces this semester.
6. If you have time, come out and support your institution, come out and support your teams. There are basketball games and track games to attend. There will be an open house program to showcase the j-term and fall semester experiences. For those of you interested in Disney, applications are available.
7. You all received a letter from President Liz Preston in your email, and I’m sure she will be visiting you all down in SGA in the upcoming weeks.
8. Thank you Carlton. Next up we have Sue LaMontagne, Dean of Students, to also say hello.
9. **Sue LaMontagne**: Welcome back! We’re thrilled to have the energy back on campus that was missing without you. Feel free to come visit me in my office and we can chat, and that is still worth a unit. I’m looking forward to working with you again. Make a snowman. Be safe. Have a good night.
10. Thanks Sue LaMontagne.
11. Welcome back everyone. I hope your first day went well and that your break was relaxing.
12. First order of business, I move to accept Lauren Grahams as the President of the Class of 2017 for the remainder of the 2013-2014 Academic Year. Motion Carries.
13. We have two open Representative at Large positions, so let your friends know. We’ll be having interviews Thursday, January 23rd around 6:30 pm. If you know anyone who’s interested, they can book an interview by emailing me at Presiden.sga@westfield.ma.edu or also email me or see me with any questions.
14. If you all remember, we’re planning a bowling trip together, so we’re having sign ups next week. It will be the weekend of February 8th.
15. Tuesday, February 4th at 4:00 pm in Dever Auditorium is the third annual State of the Campus Address. We’d appreciate your presence, as I will be addressing the entire campus about what’s next for Westfield, and it will be worth a unit. Then we can transition back over here for some refreshments and then go into our regular SGA meeting. We will have posters up soon and there is a hash tag, #WestfieldSGA for people to submit topic requests, as well as the option to email me for things to be addressed.
16. Just a reminder that Constitutional Review will have its first meeting tonight after SGA.
17. **Victoria Landry**: Will the State of the Campus Address be a dress code event?
18. **Taylor Fote**: It’s not necessary, unless the speaker for SGA night requires dress code, but you can dress up if you want.
19. Items not listed on Agenda.
20. BOARD OF TRUSTEES’ REPORT**:** *Stone Koury*
21. I hope you all enjoyed your break. I just have a few quick things.
22. On January 13th the Finance and Capital Assets subcommittee met. Dr. Preston sent an email detailing how the reserves are going to have to be delved into.
23. Also, there are new email, travel and credit card policies. I would refer to Raphael Bones email depicting the changes with email.
24. All University Committee**: Joshua Clark**
25. We approved the Gerontology Minor and some Sociology Course changes. They were basically unanimously approved.
26. There were some errors on the course action requests in the past but they were remedied, so they were approved without a problem.
27. We have our next meeting January, 22nd at 4:30 pm in the Parenzo Boardroom. We will be discussing some changes to the online instruction policies.
28. Neighborhood Advisory Board**: No Report**
29. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-STUDENT LIFE**:** *Rebecca DiVico*
30. Welcome back everyone. An email was just sent out by Josh Hettrick about the new way to access your housing information online. Under the Campus Life tab on MyWestfield there is now a link called “My WSU Housing”. You can access your housing info, profile that can link to social media, housing preferences, room change requests, and how we will go through the housing sign up process. Please pay your $200.00 room deposit by February 28th at 5:00 pm. If you have any questions about this process you can contact me or Josh Hettrick.
31. Also, Resident Assistant and Orientation Leader applications are now available. All students were emailed but if you deleted it you can email residential life or go down to Residential Life for a paper application.
32. If All Hall Council Presidents could meet me by the couches after the meeting, that would be great.
33. Student Affairs Committee**: No Report**
34. Multicultural Committee**: No Report**
35. Food Services Committee**: No Report**
36. Health Committee: **No Report**
37. Parking Control Board: **No Report**
38. Student Athletic Advisory Board: **No Report**
39. Substance Advisory Committee: **No Report**
40. Community Relations/Fundraising Report**: No Report**
41. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-ACADEMIC LIFE: *Andrew McCormack*
42. Hello everyone, hope that you al lenjoyed your winter break. Just as a reminder add/drop ends Monday, January 27th. You will be able to do this until 4:30 pm in person at the registrar’s office or online until 9:00 pm in MyWestfield.
43. Also, If you are expecting to graduate in May and have not already done so, stop by the registrar to ensure that your classes and credits all add up, so ;you are not rushing around later on.
44. Academic Policies Committee: **No Report**
45. Curriculum Committee: **No Report**
46. Enrollment Management Committee: **No Report**
47. Campus Technology Committee**: No Report**
48. International Programs Committee: **No Report**
49. Library Advisory Committee**: No Report**
50. Writing Liaison**: No Report**
51. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-PROGRAMMING: *Steve Kligerman*
52. Programming update**: Steve Kligerman**
53. Hope everyone had a good break. Winter weekend is this weekend.
54. Thursday January 23rd we have comedian Gordon-Baker Bone at 8:00 pm in the Owls Nest. We also will be giving out white t-shirts for people to decorate for Friday’s event.
55. Friday, January 24th we have the Winter White out dance with D.J. Scratch and Bang from 9:00 pm until 12:00 pm in Scanlon Banquet Hall. The first 150 people will receive a free LED foam stick. We are asking everyone to wear white.
56. Saturday, January 25th we have Magician Mat Franco at 9:30 pm in Dever Stage.
57. Following Mat Franco we will have Brown Bag Bingo at 11:00 pm in Scanlon Banquet Hall. We will be announcing the Spring Weekend performer at Bingo.
58. Also, starting tomorrow, Wednesday, January 22nd we will be posing on Twitter and Facebook one hint per day about who the Spring Weekend artist is. The First person to respond to us on Facebook or Twitter guessing the correct artist will get to meet the performer at the Spring Weekend concert. We will allow one guess per day per person.
59. **Katie Wilga**: What is the CAB twitter handle?
60. **Steve Kligerman**: @WSUCAB
61. Our next meeting is Wednesday, January 22nd at 5:00 pm in the Owls Nest.
62. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT-FINANCE: *Joshua Frank*
63. Finance Report: **No Report**
64. Foundation Report**: No Report**
65. SERETARY’S REPORT: *Alexis Wagner*/*Sarah Hegarty*
66. Executive Secretary Report: **Alexis Wagner**
67. Hi, I just wanted to remind you all that the nomination forms for Senator of the Week are on the outer wall of my cubicle. Being awarded the Senator of the Week is also now worth a unit, so definitely put your ideas into action, and in turn, nominate someone for going above and beyond.
68. Legislative Secretary Report: **Sarah Hegarty**
69. Hello everyone, I want to start off by wrapping up last semester units.
70. The Big Unit winner is Tara Saraf, Congratulations.
71. I would like to pull the Unit Lotto, congratulations Brittany Walters.
72. There will be one unit due for January. Make sure you complete it and submit it by the end of the month.
73. Now focusing on this semester. If you are missing a nametag, mailbox, or binder, please see me. If your name is spelled wrong, or if your name is being pronounced incorrectly, please see me.
74. PARLIAMENTARIAN REPORT: Jennifer McDiarmid
75. Rules and Regulations Committee: **No Report**
76. COMMUTER COUNCIL, CLASS AND HALL REPORTS:
77. Commuter Council: **No Report**
78. Senior Class: **Brittany Moniz**
79. We have an exciting semester ahead of us. First, I want to accept Brittany Walters as SGA Representative to Senate for the Class of 2014, for the remainder of the 2013-2014 academic year. Motion accepted.
80. The last day to order your Senior Sweatshirt is January 31st. They are $35.00 and can be ordered here in SGA, or you may send your order form and payment by mail.
81. Thursday, February 6th is the 100 Days until Commencement event at 5:00 pm in the Owls Nest. Be on the look-out for more information in the coming week.
82. If you weren’t able to join us on the last casino trip to Mohegan Sun, we are going again on February 22nd. We have two buses reserved and will have tickets on sale the beginning of February.
83. Lastly, Senior Fest packets should be available within the next week or so, pending approval from the Alcohol Review Board, January 22nd meeting.
84. Our next scheduled meeting is on January 23rd at 4:30 pm in the SGA Conference Room.
85. Junior Class: **No Report**
86. Sophomore Class**: No Report**
87. Freshman Class: **No Report**
88. Apartment Complex: **Priscilla Aguilar**
89. So, last semester Megan Brochu found out she was graduating early, so I accept the resignation of Megan Brochu as Apartment Complex SGA Representative.
90. I accept the Resignation of Caitlin Loud as Apartment Complex President.
91. I move to Appoint Megan Doerle as Apartment Complex for the remainder of the 2013-2014 Academic year.
92. Courtney Hall**: No Report**
93. Davis Hall: **No Report**
94. Dickinson Hall: **No Report**
95. Lammers Hall: **Andrew Morin**
96. I accept the resignation of Yaira Castellon-Torres as Representative to Senate for Lammers Hall.
97. We have two open positions, Secretary and Rep to Senate, if anyone is interested; please contact me as soon as possible.
98. We are currently working with our new Residence Director to establish a meeting time for the remainder of the academic year. Therefore our next meeting time will be announced.
99. Lansdowne Hall: **No Report**
100. New Hall: **No Report**
101. Scanlon Hall: **No Report**
102. University Hall**: Justin Connolly**
103. I accept the resignation of Chris Michaud and Emily Marcella as SGA representative to Senate for University Hall.
104. If anyone has any questions, I’ll be in the back of the room.
105. UNFIISHED BUSINESS**:**
106. NEW BUSINESS:

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
2. **Joshua Clark**: AUC is meeting tomorrow, January 22nd at 4:00 pm in the Parenzo Board Room.
3. **Joshua Frank**: Can I please meet with the Finance Committee after the meeting?
4. **Rebecca DiVico**: Can I see all Hall Council Presidents on the couches after this?
5. **Sarah Hegarty**: Two units are due by the end of the month. Can I see Kayla Themmen-Adams and Meagan Doerle after the meeting?
6. **Brittany Moniz**: Can I see Ryan Losco after the meeting?
7. **Jennifer McDiarmid**: Can I see Matt Carlin and Sara Palis after the meeting?
8. **Amanda McCarthy**: 115 Days until Commencement.
9. ROLL CALL: Shawn Hillman, Kathryn Brank, Samantha Pellegrini, Albert Fava, Amy McDonald, Steven Barber, and Evan Nigro were absent. Luis Arzola, Justin Doss and Noelani Washington were excused.
10. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:01 pm.