# Minutes 11/1/16 Open Senate

#### **New Business:**

American Chemical Society: amendments to constitution (Emma Rhodenhizer)

- Voting can now take place through an anonymous online ballot
- Only had four officers in original constitution, added a fifth officer: Officer of Community Coordination
- Changed meetings from biweekly to one all society meeting a month. Officers will meet more often.

Esperansa (2020): Motion to vote

Seconded. In favour: 11 Opposed: 0

Majority passed.

Help Save the Next Girl: club approval (Adele Cox)

- A recognized national chapter at MB
- Purpose is to empower and educate students about sexual assault.

Makela (2019): What are some of your initiatives?

Adele: Want to have a self defense program, and Philip Kennedy is going to coordinate that with me. Will also talk about bystander training, what to look for, etc. Will be mostly service based. Will be volunteering a lot with New Directions, might have another showing of The Hunting Ground.

Erica Haynes (SGA Treasurer): Have you already made purchases this year?

Adele: Yes, and have budgeted for Apple Day

Juanaysa (2019): What is the difference between a club and national chapter?

Adele: Our Title IX coordinator is required to have a program in place, and our national chapter serves this purpose. Cannot have events through the chapter because MB does not have Title IX

Madeleine Stout (ICC Chair): Chapters come through senate to get funding if the national organizations cannot support them.

Brenda (2020): Will you

Adele: Have 75 signed up and 15 active members. Can send out a campus wide email encouraging people to join

Makela (2019): What kind of events do you need funding for?

Adele: I've been organizing this since the summer. Philip Kennedy is very willing to help out. Funding will be to provide refreshments to get more people to come out. Want to make sure there's a presence on campus. Hoping that having a club will reach more people.

Megan (SGA President): Attended an event last year -- were you involved with that?

Adele: Was through New Directions Brenda (2020): Do you have a full board?

Adele: Yes

Lisa Wells: Wanted to clarify that we are required federally to have Title IX programming. This club would enhance this on campus.

Makela (2020): Does this this take money out of the SAF

Erica Haynes: Yes.

Shari Moody (AVP Treasurer): What other programs are already in place?

Lisa Wells: We include this at orientation and this club will augment what we do.

Tatiana (2017): We are required to have Title IX to go with it. So, would the head of Title IX help with funding?

Aaleyah: The reason they're here is that they don't have the funding

Juanaysa (2019): Did you do fundraising through the chapter?

Adele: There was some done last year, but it was not sufficient. It was only about \$7.

Makela (2019): Motion to discuss

Seconded.

Brenda (2020): Is this going to be a problem with the budgets

Aaleyah: That's going to come up regardless of the club.

Amber Ocasio: They asked for \$500, were approved for \$290. If they are not approved, the money goes back into the pot.

Tatiana (2017): Motion to vote

Seconded. In favour: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 5

Majority passed.

Baldwin Christian Ministries: amendments to constitution (Daniel, President)

- Changed some formatting
- Removed membership requirement of \$50 fee
- By laws: added formal definitions for what executive members do
- Removed GPA requirement for officers.

Juanaysa (2019): How come the club fee was taken away? And why was the GPA requirement taken away?

Daniel: We have a lot of activities and we fundraise a lot. We don't feel the need to charge students. We were asked to remove the GPA requirement. We do have officer interviews, however.

Madeleine Stout (ICC): Only club officers can have a GPA requirement and it's a maximum 2.5 and minimum of 2.0.

In favour: 12 Opposed: 0

## Constituent Concerns:

Brenda (2020): Students want to know why they can't have seconds in Hunt Nikayla (2017): You can go for seconds, but you have to wait for self-serve.

Juanaysa (2019): I live in Kable, and the parking in front of the SAC is very limited. Can Physical Plant and Security park where the professors park? Because taking up other spots is very inconveniencing.

# Gallery Concerns:

Megan (SGA President): Yesterday, I noticed people jumping out of bushes and I called security about it

Shari Moody (AVP Treasurer): What happened to opening rooms in King 107?

Aaleyah: I'm going to have to reserve the rooms for the rest of the semester.

Acacia Rodgers (Lead Advocate): I'd like to know what happened to the ramp outside Pearce.

Along the same lines, handicap accessibility is very bad on campus.

Mary Ruth (HC Chair): Was wondering whether we could have another dryer and washer in King because there's only one set for the whole building.

Adele Cox: Lights outside Tullidge are not being turned on.

Grace: Want to make it easier for students to access books. Want to organize a way in which books can be pooled at the end of the semester

Lisa Wells: Can speak to the Deans.

Aaleyah: There are a lot of majors that don't cover all Gen Eds. Want to address this. Would talk to the Deans.

### Announcements:

Sam (BPB Chair): BPB is having Make Your Own Dreamcatcher in Hunt West on Thursday from 7-8 pm

Mary Ruth (HC): Special performance of MLitt show at Stuart Hall on Nov 5th at 7 pm.

Amber Ocasio: First "First Friday Fire" will happen this friday from 7-8:30 pm. Cheerleading and Math Club are cohosting. Come out!

Makela (2019): Motion to adjourn Seconded.