

## **Student Senate Meeting Minutes**

**3/12/2024**

Meeting was called to order by President Maggie Newhouse at 7:00 p.m.

### **Members Present**

Connor Close (Allie Urlab), Mario Rodriguez Gomez, Lizzie Pike (Mikayla Vasilevich), Alison French, Sidney Polzin, Gabe Potyk, Abbie Stigler (Wesley Larson), Jacob Fiala, Abby Nosbisch, Owen Ziegler, Caden Rodning, Emma Mara, Teagan Phillips, Melanie Winzenburg, Mallory Von Tersch, Emma Gerdes, Leah Parker, Paige Morris, Jack Champion, Sam Frick, Maggie Newhouse, Joel Tranel, Nick Kiemel, Noah Kiemel, Maddi Clark and Ann Merchlewitz (Niki Peterson)

### **Members Absent**

None

### **Members Excused**

None

### **President Vocal Nominations:**

- Nominee: Maggie Newhouse
  - Nominator: Emma Mara
  - Second: Caden Rodning

### **Budgets:**

#### **Senate Budget:**

- Amount Allocated: \$26,300

**SAC Budget:**

- Amount Allocated: \$48,330

**SOUL Budget:**

- Amount Allocated: \$7,250

**Buddies Budget:**

- Amount Allocated: \$564

**Future Alumni Committee (CCC) Budget:**

- Amount Allocated: \$1,611

**SAAC Budget:**

- Amount Allocated: \$1,450

**Residence Life Budget:**

- Amount Allocated: \$6,041

**Hunger Free Campus Budget:**

- Amount Allocated: \$3,464

**Pickleball Club Budget:**

- Amount Requested: \$1,000
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$500 by Caden Rodning
  - Second: Mario Rodriguez Gomez
- Voting:
  - For: 15
  - Against: 0

- Abstain: 1
- Motion Passes

### **SAGA Club Budget:**

- Amount Requested: \$180
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$180 by Caden Rodning
  - Second: Emma Mara
- Voting:
  - For: 10
  - Against: 0
  - Abstain: 6
- Motion Passes

### **Biology Club Budget:**

- Amount Requested: \$200
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$200 by Caden Rodning
  - Second: Jacob Fiala
- Voting:
  - For: 15
  - Against: 0
  - Abstain: 1
- Motion Passes

### **Benefit Dance Budget:**

- Amount Requested: \$1,700
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$1,700 by Mario Rodriguez Gomez
  - Second: Caden Rodning
- Voting:
  - For: 16
  - Against: 0
  - Abstain: 0
- Motion Passes

### **Criminal Justice Club Budget:**

- Amount Requested: \$335
- Motion to fund at the suggested amount of \$314 by Sidney Polzin
  - Second: Caden Rodning
- Voting:
  - For: 15
  - Against: 0
  - Abstain: 1
- Motion Passes

### **Executive Board Reports**

#### **Maggie Newhouse, President**

- Thursday, March 14th, from 3-5 pm there will be a conflict resolution workshop for students. Please contact Dr. Bobier if you are interested.
- Reminder to RSVP for the dinner with Father Burns on April 4th, 2024.

#### **Joel Tranel, Vice President of Financial Affairs**

- Welcome to Budget Season.
- 5 budgets next week.
- We would like to have a \$10,000 cushion if we can for future admissions.

#### **Sam Frick, Vice President of Academic Affairs**

- Next week is Founders Day.
- Last year Hunter used it as a teacher appreciation day and he will be doing the same things.
- Tabling next week so look for an email from Sam.

#### **Paige Morris, Vice President of Student Affairs**

- Events for the week
  - Wednesday
  - Thursday
    - Cardinal Virtue Lecture Series 12:15-1 pm
  - Friday
    - Pub Trivia 6-7:30 pm
      - Junior Class Officers will be fundraising
  - Saturday
  - Sunday
    - Annual Spring Music Concert 4-5:30 pm
  - Monday
  - Tuesday
    - Truncated Schedule for Founders Day
- First Five Weeks Committee
  - Please let me know if you have any ideas or comments on implementing anything for the first 5 weeks next year.

### **Jack Campion, Vice President of Public Affairs**

- Thanks again for coming to the Day at the Capital.
- Please reach out with any feedback about what went well and what didn't so we can better prepare for next year.

### **Nick Kiemel, Vice President of Campus Affairs**

- Met with Jim Bedke and Maggie over break and talked about Campus signage and updating what we currently have.
- He is working on finding benches for Cardinal Coffee and updating them, going to be working with Dave Ansell to get catalogs for these beaches.
- The ice machine is installed.

### **Noah Kiemel, Vice President of Media and Communications**

- Executive Board petitions are available on Thursday.
- Reach out to Noah for a petition. You do not need to have Senate experience to run.

### **Maddi Clark, Vice President of Administrative Affairs**

- Class Officers, please come speak with me after the meeting.

### **Leah Parker, Vice President of Multicultural Affairs**

- Nothing to report.

### **Ann Merchlewitz, Advisor**

- Founders Day Awards:
  - There are three male outstanding senior nominees in the Senate this year. The award ceremony helps show a sense of what Saint Mary's campus is. It is better than commencement, so please attend the Outstanding Senior Awards.
- Reach out to Dr. Bobier for the resolution workshop!

### **Class Officer Reports**

#### **Freshman**

- Nothing to report

#### **Sophomore**

- Working on a date for their future event.

#### **Junior**

- Figuring out the event on Friday for selling alcohol at the SAC event.

#### **Senior**

- Gaslight is moving forward and moving in the right direction.

### **Senator Concerns:**

- None.

## **Adjournment**

Motion made to Adjourn- Caden Rodning

Seconded - Abby Nosbisch

Motion passes unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 7:47 p.m.