



Student Council General Body Meeting

Missouri University of Science and Technology

Tuesday, February 19th, 2024 at 6:30 PM Central Time

Butler-Carlton Hall, Room 125

1401 N. Pine Street, Rolla, MO 65401

Official Meeting Minutes

Officers Present:

Sammi Young, Jordan Ropp, Martin De La Hunt, Grace Giesler, and Lucas Ethington.

Executives Present:

Thomas Strohmeier, Cameron Ashley, Markus Baur, Aiden Adams, Madison Jolly, Trevor Stammler, Auston Obsuth, Gavin Hays, Dylan Fritz, Josh Perkins, Sai Ganesh Boora, Venkata Gurram, and Venkata Velamuri.

Voting Representatives and Proxies Present:

Andrew Becker, Alexander Saigh, Lee Martins, Vaishnavi Mogalani, Vishesha Bitla, Jack Ackerman, Patrick Lynch, Farzaam Khorasani-Gerdehkouhi, Raegan Watterson, Elizabeth Reyna, Landon Alexander, Shawn Rottinghaus, Frank Kamish, Jacob Wood, Mercedes Lane, Layton Porerfield, Thomas Merchiori, Carter Lawson, Josiah Hake, Keith Kasitz, Parker Buckson, Gerald Obermeyer, Aiden Weber, Hope Smiley, Samuel Anderson, Jacob Henderson, Andrew Geil, Colin Voss, Silas Porter, Talon Jones, Trevor Stammler, Justin Barnard, Emily Olendorf, Danielle Perkins, Jackson Loehr, Charles Wolter, Mohammed Raamj Albaqshi, Nathan Bernatow, Isaac Warren, Gemma Flores-Olivas, Molly Herbig, James Hopkins, Michelle Griffin, Kathryn Zychinski, Charles Carter, Kayla Edwards, Gabriel Snyder, Antonio McKay, Michael Madrid, Ian Furgeson, Justin Terrell, Connor Gasparich, Eber Perdomo Paz, Daniel Larson, Xavier Ross, Jamie Koester, Liatrix Parker-Reece, Remy Haire, Madison Vieth, Kaitlin Miles, Charles Zahner, and Ryan Highfill.

Proceedings

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30, presided by Sammi Young.
91 Voting Representatives were in attendance, 57 were required to meet quorum.
2. The agenda was approved as published with no objections.
3. The minutes from February 6th, 2024 were approved with no changes.

4. New Business

a. SAFB Campus Events Budget Approval – India Association Holi

- Budget: [Campus Events 2023-2024 Allocation: Holi](#)

India Association's Treasurer, Mukesh Yadav Pyatla, gave a presentation on the Holi event.

Mukesh Yadav Pyatla: We had many events over the past 30 days including providing snacks in Havener to over 350 people, various tabling events, and starting a new committee to showcase our events on campus. This semester we also have over 80 students in our organization which we serve. We will still be doing all of our events from the past, but we need funding.

Mukesh Yadav Pyatla: Our fundraising events have raised \$20,000. However, the cost of the event has increased. At the Diwali celebration we had a 450 person increase from the last couple of years. With more people the scale of the event increased too. Additionally new rules are forcing us to buy from higher price sources. This time we will stick close to the rules and the bank.

Markus Baur: We look at 7 criteria when we approve funding. This budget came before us, and the India Association had poor attendance. We cannot recommend any funding if a club or association has poor attendance. We are giving you (Student Council) the opportunity to change that with a vote to amend the budget. In the past the India Association received 50% funding from SAFB.

Sammi Young: What did we do in the past for this problem?

Markus Baur: Josh did club appropriations like this, but not the other budgets like this.

India Association Representative: Most of our members are graduate students and we only serve for 6 months. This leads to a knowledge gap in our members. John Gallagher is currently giving us advice on how to fix this. We want to fix our mistakes, but we need SAFB's help to put on the Holi event.

Martin De La Hunt: Just for the record, the India Association had no attendance last year, and only 1 meeting attended last semester.

Mo Elshiekh: I think that if they care about making the time up then we should not punish them for bad attendance. Maybe give them 50 hours of service instead of not passing.

Ryan Liley: Do we have the budget for this?

Markus Baur: We have more than enough.

Abdalnafie Sibaie: What is the expected revenue for this event?

Mukesh Yadav Pyatla: \$3000.

Austen Solvie: Can you add that to the budget so we can see the ticket revenue.

Mukesh Yadav Pyatla: we are selling them for \$10 and modestly expecting 300 people

Unknown: Is it possible for you to tell us how people are told their Rep is missing meetings?

Thomas Strohmeier: I send the Reps who miss the meetings an email.

Martin De La Hunt: We have also sent emails that says if organizations have no reps attending and are in bad standing.

Braxton Schmedeke: Is it possible to give them 25% now and then increment it as they attend the meetings?

Sammi Young: Yes, it is possible to do that.

Martin De La Hunt: Do you want to make that an amendment?

Braxton Schmedeke: Yes, One payment now and then when attendance improves we can give them the rest.

A motion was introduced by Braxton Schmedeke to Amend the SAFB Recommendation to provide India Association with 25% of the requested amount upfront, with an additional 25% given contingent service completed and attendance at the two subsequent Student Council meetings. The motion was seconded.

Markus Baur: I do not think there will be enough time to see that motion through.

Martin De La Hunt: I have just received a message that they will have enough time to attend two meetings if someone would like to amend that.

Sammi Young: Can we put a limit on the hours now?

A motion was introduced to Amend the pending Amendment to the SAFB Recommendation to set the number of service hours required to 4. The motion was seconded, and the Amendment to the Amendment was permitted by the original Amender, Braxton Schmedeke. No vote was required or taken.

Unknown: What is the standard amount of time allowed to make up meetings missed?

Martin – Up to two meetings can be regained through service, with a maximum of two service hours per meeting missed.

Unknown: Are we motioning to give them 50%?

Martin De La Hunt: The current motion is to give the India Association 25% now and 25% after 4 hours of service and the next meetings.

Abdalnafie Sibaie: Can you afford to wait this long?

India Association: Yes, but we need the total 50%.

Abdalnafie Sibaie: Do you all have the money to fund and then reimburse Student Council?

India Association: No, we need the money soon to fund Holi.

India Association: We don't and never have had a representative.

Martin De La Hunt: Wasn't your last president the representative?

India Association: No, he didn't know that.

Isaac Warren: They don't have time and we haven't made an official amendment, it seems like then this isn't going to solve it. Is it possible to fast track an organization into good standing?

A motion was made by Isaac Warren to Amend the Amendment to the SAFB Recommendation to include returning India Association to Good Standing Status.

India Association: We are writing down everything right now we are keeping records for future members. We have begun using teams, we have also implemented knowledge transfer meetings.

Isaac Warren: If it could be proven that the fast track works we could give them 50%, is there any other events coming up you need funding for?

India Association: We are having a color parade later in the year.

Isaac Warren: Is the next meeting a realistic time frame?

India Association: We can write it down, but we have a lot of knowledge to process and transfer.

Martin De La Hunt: I want to say, As long as this semester goes well they won't have to worry about it for the next semester.

Abdalnafie Sibaie: You need the money by when?

India Association: March 20th is when we need it, we have a meeting with student involvement on March 19th. We can do it in a worst case scenario.

Isaac Warren withdrew his Amendment to the Amendment to the SAFB Recommendation.

Austen Solvie: Do you guys have an advisor, and have you talked to them about your problems?

India Association: Yes, we have an advisor.

Austen Solvie: If that one isn't working you may want to get a new one.

The question was called to Amend the SAFB Recommendation by giving the India Association 25% of their request immediately and an additional 25% after 4 hours of service

and attendance at the next 2 Student Council meetings. A two-thirds majority was required for approval. The vote was taken by Electronic Ballot.

Aye	64 Votes (70.33%)
No	27 Votes (29.67%)

Rejected Votes:

<i>Aye – No Voting Rights</i>	<i>3 Ballots</i>
<i>No – Duplicate Ballots</i>	<i>4 Ballots</i>

The Amendment to the SAFB Recommendation was passed.

The question was called on the amended recommendation. A two-thirds majority was required for approval. The vote was taken by Electronic Ballot.

Aye	63 Votes (72.41%)
No	24 Votes (27.59%)

Rejected Votes:

<i>Aye – No Voting Rights</i>	<i>3 Ballots</i>
<i>No – Duplicate Ballots</i>	<i>1 Ballot</i>

The SAFB Recommendation for India Association’s Holi event was approved as amended.

b. SAFB Campus Events Budget Approval – Aerial Swing Dance Club Fly Me to the Moon

Jordan Walters: Swing Dance Club puts on the Fly Me to the Moon event every year, we hire a band and teach swing dance to everyone who comes. Later we do basic dance and stunt circles for the club members. We like to show off the crazy stuff we do in the club.

The question was called. A two-thirds majority was required for approval. The vote was taken by Electronic Ballot.

Aye	73 Votes (92.41%)
No	6 Votes (7.59%)

Rejected Votes:

<i>Aye – No Voting Rights</i>	<i>2 Ballots</i>
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The SAFB Recommendation for Aerial Swing Dance Club’s Fly Me to the Moon event was approved.

c. Faculty Advisor Nominations

Sammi Young: I was thinking we would have one advisor who is a faculty member. We are going to wait until the next student involvement director is here, so we do not force John Gallagher out.

Below is the list of current Nominees:

- Dr. Jim Musser
- Jonathan Affalter
- Alexander Hutson
- Paul Runnion
- Dr. Ricardo Morales
- Dr. Phillip Mulligan
- Dr. Matt Insall
- Dr. Joe Stanley
- Austin Wall

Unknown: Can we bring them to a meeting?

Martin De La Hunt: Ye, they will all be here eventually.

Nominations were postponed until the meeting after the nominees could be interviewed.

Sammi Young: We will be doing this again.

Martin De La Hunt: We are just putting them on the ballot, they can still withdraw.

5. Reports

a. President – Sammi Young

- Student Body President voting begins next week!!!
- Thank you to everyone who attended the debate :D
- Attend the women's luncheon- I will be a panelist ♥♥
- Also send me and Mo S&T women students you are proud of
- Want to be a part of RHA food committee??? Let me know!
- Discussion about Miner Village Shuttle

b. Vice President of Engagement and Outreach – Jordan Ropp

- Launch Your Leadership is getting moved back
- Talked with Marketing about New Events on Campus
- Please let me know if you have any suggestions/ideas
- Working on a marketing workshop with Marketing
- This or That of the Day: Harry Potter or Lord of the Rings?
- Committees: I or your committee heads will send out meetings for next month
- Hairspray is coming to Leach Theatre tomorrow at 7:30pm, SUB is doing a \$20 ticket sale

c. Vice President of Operations – Martin De La Hunt

- Thank you for everyone who attended the Debate and Orientation!
- Serving on CIO Search Committee
- Campus-Wide Election Next Week! Remember to vote!
- All Pat's Back money has been collected. If you didn't pay, we did not order for you
- Hammock stands will be returning soon!

- Contact me with suggestions for locations
 - Once stands are set up, hammocks will be available for checkout in the Library.
 - Taking suggestions for By-Law Changes at stuco@mst.edu
 - d. Wellness and Professional Services Liaison – Gavin Hays**
 - HSAC meeting next Tuesday @4pm
 - CSAC meeting next Thursday @ 4pm
 - Committees are heading in the right direction, thank you to all that have come to the meetings so far.
 - Hope the career fair went great! #MinersGetJobs
 - e. Auxiliary Services Liaison – Will Jeffries**
 - Havener Meeting happened today and it was amazing!
 - We are the best committee #best committee
 - f. College of Arts, Science and Education Committee Lead – Madison Jolly**
 - Meeting with the Dean tomorrow to discuss ideas & goals mentioned @ our first committee meeting
 - CASE Committee Meeting- Monday Feb. 26 @ 2:00
 - I will be sending an email with an agenda and more details- READ MY EMAILS!!!!
 - g. Kummer College Committee Lead – Austin Obsuth**
 - Started Meeting w. Kummer College Committee (This Week). Tuesday & Thursday, during my office hours, on selected weeks.
 - h. Student Diversity Liaison – Mo Elshiekh**
 - SDI Student Programming 2024
 - i. Student Activity Finance Board Lead – Markus Baur**
- A few reminders:
- If you received SAFB funding the STUCO logo is available on the STUCO website.
 - Club Appropriations Workshop this Friday from 5-6 pm.
 - Club Appropriations due March 8th at 5 pm.
 - I updated the website! (and was reminded why I am not a computer or software engineer...)
 - How funding works.
 - If you are interested, please join SAFB. (We now count as a committee!)
- j. Associated Students of Missouri – Lucy Fritz**
 - Voter registration drive next week Monday through Friday in Havener Atrium from 11 am to 2 pm.
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k. Residence Hall Association – Trevor Stammler

- Blarney Bash Carnival- March 13th

6. Say Anything (Complaint and Suggestions Forum)

- Missouri Weather
- Streetlights on campus have been misbehaving
 - Outside of the library
 - Near TJ
 - Near Jimmy John's/Roundabout
- Extend Rec Center Hours to Midnight
- MoBots are in disrepair

7. Announcements

- Catholic Newman Center Talk on March 7th, 1pm in CS 120: Catholicism and the Big Bang
- NSBE/SHPE Silent Disco in Gale-Bullman February 24th from 7-10pm
- Sigma Phi Epsilon / Zeta Tau Alpha Charity Dinner on February 23rd
- BONGO in TJ Slounge, February 21st at 5pm
- Chi Omega Spaghetti Dinner March 3rd, 11am-7pm
- LOTR Movie Marathon February 24th from 1pm-1am
- 269 Days to Toyotathon!

8. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM (120 Minutes).**Information Regarding Minutes**

Minutes Completed By: Cameron Ashley, Clerk of the Council
Minutes Completed On: March 2nd, 2024
Minutes Reviewed By: Martin De La Hunt, Vice President of Operations
Minutes Reviewed On: March 5th, 2024