

Catawba College

Student Government Association

Minutes: September 8th, 2011

Cannon Student Center

A regularly scheduled Congress Meeting was called to order by President Yakir Malul on Thursday, September 8th at 9:05 p.m. in the Student Government Room of the Cannon Student Center. Quorum was present. Dr. Clapp was late to the meeting. Freshman officers Em Thompson, Madison Kennedy, Trevor Morrison, Shelby Ragazzo were sworn in to office. Sarah Moore moved to forgo the reading of the minutes and Rachel Cone seconded with no corrections.

New Business:

The only nominee to fill out the application was Cory Klutz. Congress discussed whether or not he would be a good fit for the semester. Jake Snyder and Rachel Cone both expressed that he would be a great candidate. No one had anything negative to say. Rachel moved to vote and Jake seconded. Yakir Malul called a vote and Cory was approved unanimously. Cory was then brought in to be sworn in. He then participated in the remainder of the meeting.

Executive Board Reports:

A. *President:*

- a. Yakir thanked Retreat Leadership Corp and Dr. Clapp for helping to put together an amazing retreat for Congress.
- b. Yakir met with Joanna and Jana Burkhardt read aloud the email that Joanna sent. (at the end) An email will be sent to the registrar to remind students of their ability to request information be blocked on Banner. Joanna also stated that it is difficult for IT to know when the internet is down. To combat this if anyone experiences any difficulty find out from a friend if they are experiencing the same thing. If it is after hours and you both are having difficulty call public safety. They will call IT and let them know. If it is during hours you can directly call IT.
- c. Disc Golf is promised to be up soon.
- d. Dr. Oxendine was curious to the structure of SGA and what things we do. Yakir talked to him over dinner and explained.
- e. We need help to stand at the table to pass out 9/11 stickers Friday 9/9 during lunch. Talk to Yakir after if you can help.

B. *Vice President:*

- a. Good voter turnout for the freshman elections! Thank you to everyone who helped!
 - i. Freshman officers: Em Thompson (President), Madison Kennedy (Vice President), Lauren Reavis (Secretary), Trevor Morrison (Treasurer), Shelby Ragazzo and TJ Olsen (Senator).

- b. Homecoming elections are coming up. Please plan to help in October!
- C. **Treasurer:**
 - a. The first finance meeting was Tuesday September 6th. Please keep prize money down as our budget has been cut.
- D. **Secretary:**
 - a. I need minutes before every Congress from both Classes and Committees.
 - b. Senior Class event on September 17th will be a mandatory event to attend. Please show your shining faces!

Class Reports:

- A. **Senior Class:** Birthday Cake fundraiser letters have been sent out. Tailgate event with the purpose of getting SGAs face out is next Saturday. Sunday September 11 we will be going to the Stop Hunger Now event to stuff food bags for our community service.
- B. **Junior Class:** Brick fundraiser is in the work. Yakir suggested that they tag team with the Freshman Class for an event so they can see how an event works.
- C. **Sophomore Class:** Would like to do a pool party later in the year as an event. Selling shirts that represent all parts to Catawba as a fundraiser. They would like to bring shut-ins to campus as a community service.
- D. **Freshman Class:** Welcome :) We met right before Congress to set our first meeting date which will be September 19th at 9.

Committee Reports:

- A. **Student Issues:** Meetings will be every other Monday in the bottom of Ketner. Jana is putting the meeting times and dates on the website. Working on a proposal for bike racks. Like to do an event to promote awareness of STD and Rape on campus.
- B. **Food Service:** Met with Cory to discuss many things. The IT department is the persons responsible for getting the plastic to-go boxes back. Dr. Clapp said that staff who wanted these boxes just washed and reused them. All produce is brought in every 6 days. Sarah recommended meeting with Kourtney Kavanagh to work on a survey, because she is doing a class project on it. Working on getting the comment box in a different place.
- C. **Movie Library:** Met with Jessica Everett to get all of the information. Ordered 14 new movies and students will get an email when they will be ready to be distributed. What should we do with movies when it is time to retire them? Jake suggested donating them to a group home. Dr. Clapp said that they should be put in the coffee house so students can still have opportunity to use them. The art for the covers is being worked on. Justin suggested we think about a digital library like Yale has. People brought up the concern of expense.

Old Business:

Discussion was brought about as to whether we need an additional advisor. It was decided that we do and members nominated Ginger Hamrick and Stephanie Jeminez as possible advisors. A hand vote took

place and one person voted for Ms. Hamrick and thirteen voted for Ms. Jeminez. It was decided that she would be our additional advisor.

Announcements:

Please make an effort to go the faculty panel Tuesday September 13th. The Life Journey Retreat is coming up. Classes remember to use Volunteer Catawba.

Rachel Cone motioned to adjourn and Sarah Moore seconded this motion. Yakir adjourned the meeting at 9:52 p.m.