

NMT SGA Minutes Tuesday, October 17th, 2023

I Call to Order (8:07)

II Role Call

1 Absent, 2 Present, and 0 Excused Justices

2 Absent, 10 Present, 1 Excused Senator

III Approve Agenda

Agenda Approved

IV Approve Minutes

Minutes Approved

V Student Concerns/Announcements

- No new concerns

VI Business

- **Suggesting the CFO has permanent speaking rights when the floor is closed for bills**
 - No opposition

AIChE Travel Bill

- American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) would like to attend the AIChE Annual Student Conference in Orlando, FL . The event takes place from November 3rd, 2023 to November 6th, 2023.
- AIChE is asking for a total of \$3,950.00
 - Flight - \$2,120.00
 - Lyft - \$112.00
 - Public Transportation - \$84.00
 - Hotel Rooms - \$744.00
 - Meals - \$840.00
 - Registration - \$1,050.00
- The money that was needed for the Conference was received from other sources outside of the SGA, so no money was asked for during the meeting (The money granted by the Dean of Students).

QuASAR Travel Bill

- Queer Association of Socorro Area Residents (QuASAR) would like to attend the Ostem Conference in Anaheim, CA . The event takes place from November 9th, 2023 to November 12th, 2023.
- QuASAR is asking for a total of \$6,115.00
 - Flights - \$4,675.00
 - Transit - \$420.00
 - Uber - \$640.00
 - Transit - \$280.00
 - Airport Parking - \$100.00
 - Hotel Rooms - \$1,628.00
 - Meals - \$280.00
 - Registration - \$3,150.00
 - Tax + \$194.00
- (B3 and B6 forms were incorrectly filled out, so the numbers don't add up properly)
- **Chief Financial Officer Recommendation** (\$3,344.00)
- **Motion to grant \$3,344.00**
 - On the condition that the volunteers will wear tech merch
 - 9 votes yes, 1 votes no, and 0 abstention

SWE Travel Bill

- Society of Women Engineers (SWE) would like to attend the SWE National Conference in Los Angeles, CA. The event takes place from October 25th, 2023 to October 29th, 2023.
- SWE is asking for a total of \$2,916.90
 - Housing (Airbnb) - \$2,251.90
 - Registration - \$665.00
- **Chief Financial Officer Recommendation** (\$665.00)
- **Motion to grant \$1,791.00**
 - 9 votes yes, 0 votes no, and 1 abstention

Recess (8:55-9:00)

VII Reports:

SGA Advisor (Jennifer Chapman)

- Nothing to report

President (Dylan Schroder)

- The chairs and tables for the senate meetings and other SAC activities have arrived
- 49ers happened this passed weekend and it went really well along with the haunted house
- The Chief of Staff has resigned for personal reasons
- President search interviews will continue
- SGA may sponsor Intervarsity to host T.Hanksgiving
- Town hall took place right before the senate meeting (No one showed up with problems)

Vice President (Elijah Collins)

- Also attended the town hall meeting
- Working on approving volunteer hours for the clubs
- ASK has been verified as a club at the request of the Dean of Students but they will be on probation.
- 49ers went really well and they were super fun

Chief Justice (Mia Karmesin)

- Sick!!!!!!
- Working with legislative standards to bring constitutional amendments to the senate

Student Regent (Adrian Salustri)

- Absent; No Report

Chief Financial Officer (Estevan Ortega)

- Working on approving event grants
- Looked at the senate bill during the financial committee meeting
- There has been a problem with clubs receiving their senate bill money from the last academic year (Ex. AICHE) this problem will be worked on
- It is standard that a club does not receive more money than what they ask for when submitting senate bill, the number that this standard will be based on is the amount of money they ask for based on the B3 form.

Paydirt (Alexandra Sartori)

- “Alumni LOVED the most recent issue of Paydirt, I got a few emails. The next issue of paydirt will be delayed by two days ... We’re going to start thinking about Dirt soon! Who doesn’t need some end of semester satire?”

Student Activities Board Director (Max Meadowcroft)

- “ 49ers went good. I’m focusing on advertising and the Minecraft server”

Government Affairs Officer (Nicklaus Stanaland)

- Not a lot to cover from the city council meetings
- A bill to renovate the Socorro airport was approved

Webmaster (Isaiah Sandoval)

- Not much to report

Legislative standards (Ella Hooks)

- 3 constitutional amendments are being made to bring to the senate
- October 24th is the next legislative standards meeting

Public Relations (Clarissa Crawford)

- Absent; No Report

Club Advisory (Jasmine Baca)

- Have not met as a committee yet

Mental Health (Efrian Pita)

- No official mental health meetings yet
- Actively setting up pet day (Will take place on November 6th)
- May put out a survey to ask students about their mental health

VIII Discussion

- The senate bills approved last year
 - There have been some clubs that have approached the SGA explaining that the money that was granted to them last year never made it to their accounts.
 - The problem is currently being resolved by the CFO.
- Check-in with senate
 - What makes a good bill?
 - The cost is clearly researched
 - There are exact numbers for the cost
 - More people than just the president or the treasurer present when presenting the bill to the senate
 - Showing that the club will be good representatives for the school
 - What makes a bad bill?
 - Not having consistent costs in the bill
 - Not showing an initiative to raise money

- How is SGA this semester?
 - The semester has been going well
 - There are approachable people in the offices
 - There has been good floor discussions
 - Senate really likes the new layout in the SAC
 - The advertising this semester was not good as last semesters
 - TechConnect is a lot of new things to deal with
 - Where is the SGA office?
 - PR suggests an event to show students where to find the SGA
 - Should there be more Wii games?
 - There is a Wii in the office, anyone is able to use it, not just people in the office and not just the senate. All students can use the Wii.
 - MORE FUN STUFF
 - The SGA wants students to enjoy themselves
 - Meeting to teach how to work TechConnect as a club?
 - Invite anyone
 - An event for club officers to interact with each other?
- How is everyone in general?
 - Horrible

IX Meeting Adjourned (9:33) :