

Niagara County Community College

Student Senate Meeting Minutes

9/26/2019



Call to Order: 12:34

Pledge to Flag: Done

In Attendance: Heather Trumble, Meghan Shields, Bob McKeown, Amanda Haseley, Shannon Gianquinto, Eric Lipps, Tayllor Clark, Allyson Clark, Miranda Fiore, Ariana Morales, Jasvir Kaur, Maurice Jackson, Henessey McRae, Taylor Richardson, Jared Willis, Julia Pitman, Chris Tirella

Guests: Matt Oleski, Robert Morris

Excused Absence: None

Public Comments:

- Matt Oleski presented information about a Hockey Fights Cancer Game/ Open Skate that the club hockey team is planning on participating in. The game is at Cornerstone Arena on Wednesday November 6th at 8:10 pm against Medaille College and the color for the game is Lavender. November 16th at 5:30 pm against Gannon was a secondary choice.
- Robert Morris from the Strategic Planning Committee was in attendance and distributed an updated mission statement for the college website. He also invited a representative from student Senate to attend the Strategic Planning Committee, which meets every other Thursday at 2pm in the ACE Conference in the library. This is a one semester commitment and they are attempting to come up with ideas to improve the college and plan for the 60th anniversary of NCCC.

Minutes: Approved Senate Meeting Minutes from September 12, 2019 with changes.

Motion: Miranda Fiore **Second:** Ariana Morales **Motion Pass:** Carried

Student Government Presidents Report: (Tayllor Clark)

- Pizza with the President is November 5th in A-Building, finance will be cancelled that day. Student Senate is giving an update on our current activities that we have planned. Tayllor asked each senator to brainstorm talking points for this meeting.

Student Government Vice-President of Programming Report: (Miranda Fiore)

- Before the Halloween Skating Party on October 29th, there will be a Halloween DIY from 12-2 pm in the SEL.
- Miranda also provided a final headcount for Fall Fest 2019 which had 262 people in attendance.
- The Campus Activity Board (CAB) is also bringing back Taco Tuesdays on the first Tuesday of each month to promote CAB.

Student Government VP of Clubs and Organizations Report: (Ariana Morales)

- The UNEET Club is having a Gaming Tournament on October 4th at 5:30 in the Learning Commons. Todd has also changed the Chiavetta's BBQ to October 23rd from 11 am-2 pm.
- The PTK reached out to Ariana and has decided to change the date of their bake sale to avoid conflicts with UNEET. The new date is Thursday, October 24th with a possibility of Friday, October 25th.
- Rock and Roll Hall of Fame through the Music Department. They asked for funds to help with the trip to offset some of the costs of the students. The students may fundraise to offset the amount each student will have to pay out of pocket.

Student Trustee's Report: (Eric Lipps)

- Savor liquor license was not signed, it is now a separate contract.
- There was also a change in the Winter intersession credits from 4 credits to 6 credits, under special circumstances it is 9 credits.
- The attendance policy has also been updated for athletes. At the beginning of the school year each athlete fills out a paper designating when they will miss class for sports, and all work is to be made up after they return. It is at the teacher's discretion if classes are marked as an excused absence. Financial Aid is also having an issue with receiving TAP and Financial Aid after withdrawing from a class.

Treasurer's Report: Nothing to report

Coordinator's Report: (Heather)

- The Faculty/Staff vs Student Athlete Kickball Game for Breast Cancer is October 10th, check-in is at 5:30pm and the game will begin at 6 pm. All proceeds will be given to Roswell for Cancer research. Afterwards there will be a bonfire, food trucks and crafts available to all students.

- Student Life is also celebrating National Coming Out Day on November 11th in the learning commons from 11am- 1 pm.

Athletic Director's Report: (Amanda)

- The Athletic Department had a nice turn out for the Wall of fame unveiling. More alumni events are being planned and will occur throughout the school year. Additionally, each of the athletic teams are trying to implement community service throughout their seasons. Volleyball also has their Breast Cancer Awareness game this month at Genesee Community College. Amanda also reiterated that Club Hockey is planning a Cancer Awareness game. Lastly, Women's Basketball had one of their athletes, Paige Emborsky, commit to a Division 1 school receiving a full ride.

Student Services' Report: (Julia & Bob)

- **Julia:** There is a new unmarked shuttle coming to campus, it is no longer handicap assessable making it a true 25 passenger bus. Starting October 1st, there is also a pavement project happening on campus which should close the front entrance for 10-15 days. There will always be 2 entrances available to use. Lockers will be available to use starting the Spring Semester and will have a \$20 fee to use the lockers for the whole year. Security will oversee this program.
- **Bob:** There is a new program called SLATE available and it is easy to use. Additionally, any student that is trying to withdrawal from classes should go to the Records Office. Counselors will reach out for 2 days now to see if the student has changed their mind. Looking to get your opinion on creating something like the system wide message for students to condense the amount of emails the school sends in hopes of increasing the chances that students will read the email.

Committee Reports: (Tayllor)

- **Community Outreach Committee (Allyson):** The name has been changed from the Publicity Committee to the Community Outreach Committee. The committee is in the process of planning a meat auction with the tentative date being November 15th.
- **Facilities Committee (Ariana):** Ariana was looking for any needs that should be attended to. Taylor Richardson pointed out that the NFCI locker room smelled like gas. Meeting with Wayne is set for Monday morning to discuss issues and concerns.

Faculty Representatives Report: No report

Old Business: No Report

New Business:

- U-Neet switched their prize to a PlayStation 4 console.
- Mug Club also starts October 1st and it costs \$8 for students and \$10 for faculty and staff. You can use NCCC dollars to purchase the cup. The first refill is free and afterwards coffee and pop refills from the snack shop will cost \$1. All proceeds will be going to the food pantry.

Good and Welfare: No Report

Adjournment: 1:47 pm

Motion: Jared Willis

Second: Taylor Richardson

Motion Pass: Carried