**Niagara County Community College**

**Student Government Association Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** 3/21/2023

**Call to Order:** 3:13pm

**Pledge to Flag:** Done

**In Attendance:**  Hisan Milanes, Regan Lytle, Hunter Frey, Jozlyn Fiorito, Jewel Rebello, Aidan Freischlag, Matteo Williams, Janyah Ridgeway, Jamia Booker, Diana Moreno, William Murabito, Jillian Faddoul, Laurie Ryan, Julia Pitman, Jordan Lindsay, Bob McKeown, Shannon Gianquinto

**Excused Absence:** Amanda Haseley

**Unexcused Absence:**

**Guests:** Andrew Binks, Laurie Johnston Stickney

**Public Comments:**

* Laurie Johnston Stickney and Andrew Binks are looking to start the Wellness Club.
	+ Provides a safe space for students with disabilities to be able to grow comfortable with society.
	+ Aidan Freischlag: What is the difference between this club and Accessibility Services?
		- Andrew Binks: We were thinking of working with the office, but we wanted this club to provide a common safe space for students.
	+ Julia Pitman: Excited to see this group and it is reminiscent of a club in the past with a similar goal in mind. Would love to do work with the club and has contact information for an organization known as People Inc.
	+ Hisan Milanes: What inspired this club?
		- Laurie Johnston Stickney: Works as a social worker and sees patients with disabilities and saw the need to start this club to give students an outlet.
	+ Hisan Milanes: What would your ideal event be?
		- Andrew Binks: Trivia event to bring awareness to issues those with disabilities face.
		- Laurie: Raise Awareness of issues with depression for semi colon event.
	+ William Murabito: Works with many people with disabilities and thinks this club will provide a safe space for them.

**Motion to approve club status:**

**Motion:**
Janyah Ridgeway**Second:**
Diana Moreno**Motion:**
Carried

**Motion to approve a revenue line:**

**Motion:**Regan Lytle **Second:**
Hunter Frey **Motion:**Carried

**Discussion:**

* Hisan Milanes: Andrew Binks has contact information.
* William Murabito: This club could work with the Public Relations department for a feature as this could be beneficial to the whole community.
* Jillian Faddoul: Asks if Andrew Binks and/or Laurie Johnston Stickney may be able to attend the Club Workshop on Friday
* Jennifer Schwab: Invites club to participate in the Clubs and Candy event.
* Hisan Milanes: How will the club receive funding for the next academic year?
	+ Bob McKeown: Since the deadline is passed, they may receive emergency funding during a meeting with the Finance Committee
* Aidan Freischlag: How can students become members?
	+ Anyone may stop by for our meetings in G117A on Tuesdays at 12:00PM

**Minutes:** Approve minutes from 2/28/2023

**Motion:**Matteo Williams **Second:**Janyah Ridgeway **Motion:**
Carried

**Minutes:** Approve minutes from 3/6/2023

**Motion**:
Janyah Ridgeway **Second:**Diana Moreno**Motion:**Carried

**Student** **Government** **Presidents** **Report:**

* We have new members to induct but they are not present.
* Make sure prospective members get their 50 signatures completed before the meeting during which they will be inducted.
* Make sure office hours are being done.

**Student Government Vice-President Report:**

* The prototype binder for the Clubs and Organizations binder has been made—will work to make it look more visually appealing.
* Club workshop went well.

**Student Treasurer Report**

* Had clubs present budgets.

**Student Government Event Coordinator Report:**

* Will hand out invitations to the City Night Soiree event at the Snack CAB event, which will be themed around the event.
* Hisan Milanes: Can we make sure students know that formal attire is not required for the event?
	+ Jozlyn Fiorito: All flyers and invitations read “Formal attire encouraged but not required.

**Student Trustee's Report:**

* No report.

**Senators Reports:**

* No report.

**Student Coordinator's Report:**

* Jillian Faddoul introduces self as interim Technical Assistant.
* Upcoming events:
	+ Comedy Night
	+ Tie blanket making—sing-ups are required.
	+ Poetry series event.

**Athletic Director's Report:**

* Men’s and Women’s Basketball teams are playing in the NJCAA tournament—the women’s team lost their first game and is now in the loser’s bracket.
* The men’s team will play in the Learning Commons at 4pm today—they are ranked #2.
* Our baseball team has been chosen by ESPN+ for a game on Niagara Falls High School’s field—would like to bus students to the event.
* Mother Cluckers, a local food truck, would like to advertise for free to promote their business.
	+ Discussion of the menu.
* Bus approval discussed.

**Motion to approve funding for two buses during the game on behalf of Student Life:**

**Motion:**Matteo Williams **Second:**Jamia Booker **Motion:**Carried

**Discussion:**

* + William Murabito: Make sure the bus has return visits back to the campus.
	+ Julia Pitman: May be able to reroute the campus shuttle for the game if these buses do not work out.
	+ Jamia Booker: Suggests idea of Mother Cluckers giving out their free samples to those who wear NCCC gear.

**Student Services Report:**

* Vending machine update:
	+ Machines will be delivered by the end of the month—will have to install software and hardware to accept a student ID for payment.
* Fitness room update:
	+ Machines have been transferred over and will be running soon.
* The SUNY Chancellor will be visiting our campus soon.

**Faculty Representatives Report:**

* Faculty Senate is meeting next week.
* Advisement for students has begun—bring any issues with advisement to Laurie Ryan, and advisement will go on for 4 weeks.
* William Murabito: Suggests idea to encourage students to utilize advisement process.

**Committee Reports:**

* No report

**Old Business:**

* No attendance report going forward as it was an overly complicated and unnecessary innovation.

**New Business:**

* None

**Good and Welfare:**

* Will be on vacation during the time of the next meeting so Vice President Regan Lytle will be the chair—is free to contact over vacation for emergencies.
* William Murabito: Asks students available on April 6th for assistance with event.

**Adjournment**: 3:54pm

**Motion:**Matteo Williams **Second:**
Diana Moreno**Motion Pass:**Carried