THE RICHARD STOCKTON

COLLEGE

OF NEW JERSEY

STUDENT SENATE

Notice of Meeting

29 October 2013

4:30pm

Event Room A

Galloway, New Jersey 08205

609 652 4845

Presiding: Maribeth Capelli

Members present: Carl Archut Jr.

Michelle Batista

Maurice Brandon

Jessica Carey

Louis Chevere

Katerina Childs

Caleb Garofalo

Jacqueline Genovese

Chad Gevertz

Tyler Graff

Eddie Horan

Manar Hussein

Frank Livia

Adaobi Michaels-Ezeamama

Cristian Moreno

Al Nagbe

Lauren O’Neil

Kiyle Osgood

Sutton Pakenham-Laltrello

Nick Persia

Damien Salamacha

Murphy Slagle

Haleigh Sockwell

Members absent: none

Members late: Thomas McBride

Agenda/Business: Maribeth called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm and Nathan Taylor took attendance. Upon Maribeth’s motion to approve the minutes of last week’s meeting, Damien noted that his votes in the previous meeting minutes were incorrect and Al noted that there were some discrepancies in his committee minutes report. After noting this, the Senate voted to approve the minutes.

Motion passed: 23-0-1\*

\*Senators abstained: Maribeth Capelli

In the Presidents report, Maribeth welcomed the five newly elected senators: Jaqueline Genovese, Tyler Graff, Cristian Moreno, Nicholas Persia, and Haleigh Sockwell. She reported that they received a condensed training on Sunday that was similar to the training the rest of the senators received in the summer.

On October 1st Shane Windmeyer from Campus Pride visited our campus and gave an inspiring presentation. In an effort to promote students in becoming allies, he said that we need to stop only tolerating others and start accepting them.

In continuing compensation research, Maribeth found that the majority of New Jersey state schools that provide compensation to their student governments take it from the student activity fee. Additionally, the only New Jersey school found to have a point system in place and an accountability board was Rowan University. The rest rely on their constitutions to outline member responsibilities and hold them accountable.

At the previous committee meeting, Maribeth presented the Senate with a new form of collecting student issues. The new site, Buzzocracy, is a website that serves as a platform for students to anonymously post students issues, vote in favor of posts, and also comment on posts. It is currently being used by other universities and the Senate has decided to create a page for Stockton students to utilize. At the same meeting it was discussed if and how Senate should start monitoring the “Complaints About Stockton” Facebook page. After a lengthy discussion, the Senate decided that with the implementation of Buzzocracy the complaints page is no longer needed. Members of the page were given five days to create an account on Buzzocracy using their Stockton email and have deleted the complaints page.

The Meditation Room is close to being finished. A partition and bookcase have been found to put in the room and four sets of chairs were ordered. Senate is looking into purchasing lockers for clubs to keep their items in and maybe a few tables.

In the Vice Presidents report, Eddie discussed the following:

A reminder to the chairs: Please send minutes in twelve-point Times New Roman without any bullets or highlighting. Please speak in third rather than first person. Meetings are also announced to being recorded and Eddie asked everyone to speak as clear you can into the microphones. Eddie also mentioned that minutes would be due every Wednesday at 4:00 am.

Maribeth then moved the meeting along to committee reports, yielding the floor first to Al for the Academic Policies report.

Al noted that his committee had still been working on the Senate constitution; he yielded the floor to Caleb to present the revisions. The presentation “Article IV Duties, Powers, Responsibilities” discussed consolidating descriptions and removing redundant sections.

Upon completing his presentation on the revisions, Caleb went on to motion the acceptance of the new revisions to the constitution beginning with the acceptance of the removal of wording in the Vice President’s responsibilities. Jessica seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 23:0:1\*

\*Senators abstained: Maribeth Capelli

Caleb then motioned for the acceptance of the consolidation of the GPA requirements of Senators into one section. Carl seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 23:0:1\*

\*Senators abstained: Maribeth Capelli

Caleb then motioned for the acceptance of the new attendance policy which allowed senators to leave the senate meetings 5 minutes early under restrictions that it be because they have a 6:00 pm class and the professor has specified that it was not okay for them to be late. Carl seconded the motion. When going to discussion, Manar pointed out that it should be noted that it is the senator’s decision to leave the meeting early and motioned that this amendment be sent back to committee to reword. Eddie seconded Manar’s motion to table back to committee.

Motion (to table back to committee) passed: 14:8\*:2\*\*

\*Senators opposed: Carl Archut Jr., Jessica Carey, Katerina Childs, Caleb Garofalo, Chad Gevertz, Al Nagbe, Sutton Pankenham-Laltrello, and Damien Salamacha

\*\*Senators abstained: Maribeth Capelli and Frank Livia

Caleb then motioned for the acceptance of the change the procedure of senators seconding a vote for a new business motion brought up by a senator from the same committee. Jessica seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 23:0:1\*

\*Senators abstained: Maribeth Capelli

Caleb yielded the floor to Al, who yielded the floor to Chad to report on his research findings for the possibility of a history minor and concentration program. Chad reported that he spoke with school of Arts and Humanities faculty to discuss the possibility of the programs. He found from them that the objective of the present programs is to focus on global perspectives and not strictly American history. He also reported that as per his committee responsibilities, that he will continue to pursue research on this and on the possibility of incorporating a major/minor program on leadership. Chad ended his committee report by yielding the floor back to Al. Al yieled the floor back to Maribeth.

Maribeth called on Jessica to report for the Legislative Policies and Government Affairs Committee. Jessica reported that her committee met and discussed everyone’s progress with their tasks. Tom will be reaching out to admissions to discuss the scholarship amount and availability to transfer students versus incoming freshman. Ariel and Jessica will be planning a meeting in the coming week to begin discussing how to go about increasing the presence and use of the New York Times on campus. Damien attended the NJUS meeting on Saturday, October 12th as a representative for the Stockton. Ky and Ariel are continuing to work on arranging for the Lieutenant Governor to attend a luncheon with the Senators. Ky is also attempting to reach out to the League of Women Voters, however, is yet to receive a response as of Tuesday.

Jessica ended her committee report by yielding the floor to Maribeth.

Maribeth called on Michelle to report for the Public Relations Committee. Michelle reported that that the committee discussed t-shirt venues to promote Senate more and discussed revising the petition due to recent situations. They also discussed adding “Free Coffee and Chat with a Senator” coupons in *The Argo*. Michelle also plugged that tabling would happen for the “Let’s Talk about Stockton” event. Michelle reported that there is a bulletin board in G Wing with the new academic policies listed therein.

They also decided to look into current social networks and how they can improve them in a way that will make both the student body and Student Senate content – including Buzzocracy. They are also in the works of creating a candidate-training day for the spring as well. Michelle ended her committee report by yielding the floor to Maribeth.

Maribeth called on Carl to report on behalf of the Student Welfare Committee. Carl reported that he encouraged the committee to think of ways to better promote the issues and concerns that they have addressed to the public with help from the Public Relations Committee.

Carl reminded committee members to sign up for tabling times to promote our event “Let’s Talk About…Stockton” to the student body during the coming week. I will also ask other senators to sign up for tabling before leaving, which would count as office hours.

Many complaints have been coming in from numerous students in regards to food handling practices at various dining locations on campus.

After speaking with Trish Krevetski, she informed Carl that more training and supervision will be addressed with the employees at the mentioned dining locations.

The Parking Committee member list will be finalized within the week. This committee will be comprised of eleven individuals representing various areas including; commuter, resident, residential life, faculty/ staff, plant management, transportation. The committee is waiting on a graduate student representative, so once they are given the name of that individual, the Welfare committee will be able to move forward with the committee.

Informed committee Carl met with Dianne Stalling from Student Development in regards to the food order for the Diversity Program. As a reminder: this program will be during the last day of multicultural month, October 31st, 2013.

Informed committee Carl was selected to serve on the Student Affairs Scenario Team that will focus on college policies and practices aligned to become more “student-centric”

Maurice notes that guest wifi- a guest wifi will not be implemented because of the insurance and responsibility. A student complained about the lack of guest wifi services for Stockton guest, compared to other New Jersey institutions. However, after speaking to a Stockton representative Carl came to understand that there is a reason for this deficiency. Having a guest wifi makes Stockton liable for the internet usage of its guest, and that is untraceable.

The first stages of wifi service improvements have begun.

More wifi routers have been and are continuing to be added around the entire housing units. This has already begun to fix some of the issues students have been having. Some students have already reported improvements while others are still experiencing issues. Once he receive a better synopsis of the issue the committee can make more improvements, but the committee is making steps in the right direction.

Murphy updated the committee in regards to research on LGBTQ Communities/Center at the 9 Public Institutions in NJ and addressed Residential Life concern in regards to laundry.

Carl also reported that iPhone 5 chargers are now included in the charging stations in the Campus Center.

The committee will also be investigating the possibility for the use of Osprey Cash in purchasing tickets for ticked Stockton events.

Carl yielded the floor to Manar who reported that the committee to find a new chief of police is a step closer to the selection process. She reported that interviews will take place soon. Manar also was asked about any changes the Wellness Center is facing due to the Affordable Healthcare Act. Fran from the Wellness Center was in attendance and reported on behalf of the Wellness Center.

Carl ended the report for his committee by yielding the floor to Maribeth.

By this time, Tom McBride was in attendance of the meeting, making the final number of senators in attendance, twenty-five (25).

Maribeth called on Louis to report on behalf of the Finance Committee. The committee would like to announce that there remains $74,572 in the supplemental account.

Active Minds submitted a request to use club funds from club’s budget in the amount of $1,416.00 to attend the Active Minds National Conference in D.C. This Conference will allow the organization to meet other chapters across nation and interact with the speakers attending the conference. This organization was asked to give a summary of their trip to their liaison, upon return. Louis motioned to accept this request. Carl seconded the motion.

Motion Passed 23-0-2\*

\*Senators abstained: Maribeth Capelli, Caleb Garofalo

Collaborative Learning Advocates of Wellness (C.L.A.W.S.) submitted a supplemental in the amount of $1386.25.00 to hold a program titled Natural Health & Healing. This amount is requested for food for the event, which will be all “healthy choice foods.” The event will be from 10am to 3pm, with vendors present. There will be multiple workout sessions and other activities. Louis motioned to accept this request. Tom seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 21:2\*:2\*\*

\*Senators opposed: Maurice Brandon, Katerina Childs

\*\*Senators abstained: Maribeth Capelli, Caleb Garofalo

The Hospitality Society submitted a supplemental in the amount of $1,015.00 to attend the International Hotel Motel Restaurant Show in New York City, New York. This trip allows the organization an opportunity to promote and table at the show; meet other school chapters from across the world; attend workshops and other programs on the future of the hospitality industry. Louis motioned to accept this request. Michelle seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 20:2\*:3\*\*

\*Senators opposed: Maurice Brandon, Cristian Moreno

\*\*Senators abstained: Maribeth Capelli, Caleb Garofalo, Jackie Genovese

Multicultural Month Committee (Pride Alliance, UBSS, ASO, MCC, CSA, LLU, Student Senate, Religious Council) submitted a supplemental in the amount of $1173.00 to hold the Closing Ceremony for Student Multicultural Month. The event will be held in the Campus Center Event Room on Thursday, October 31, at 4:30 pm. It will be a closing ceremony open to all students, as Stockton College closes the month long celebration of diversity and cultural here on campus. Louis motioned to accept this request. Jessica seconded the motion.

Motion passed: 19:0:6\*\*

\*Senators abstained: Maribeth Capelli, Maurice Brandon, Carl Archut Jr., Katerina Childs, Manar Hussein, Murphy Slagle

Louis ended his committee report by yielding the floor to Maribeth. Maribeth opened the floor to announcements.

Student, Mico Lucide, presented the following concerns:

Complaints page is a form of censorship of the student body’s voice, the election process was unfairly managed, editing the constitution in place of amendments is inefficient, suggested that a constitutional convention take place to allow student input and collaborate with student groups to form a proper foundation instead of breaking apart and restructuring the existing foundation.

Maribeth adjourned the meeting at 5:57 pm.

Vice President’s Report: Edward J. Horan

Thank you to all who came to Let’s Talk About Stockton: the event was a smash, and I praise Carl for having had the idea in the first place. This event is far more effective than Senate town hall meetings ever were, and I look forward to its continuance.

Since mid-October, I have been interviewing applicants for the Senate’s office manager opening and am pleased to report that our applicants come from an impressive and competitive pool. I expect that by the full meeting—that is, 29 October—we will have filled the position, but of course I can not express in this report who that is, as we do not yet know.

Committee Meeting: 22 October 2013

Presiding: Maribeth Capelli

Members present: Carl Archut Jr.

Michelle Batista

Maurice Brandon

Jessica Carey

Louis Chevere

Katerina Childs

Caleb Garofalo

Chad Gevertz

Eddie Horan

Manar Hussein

Frank Livia

Thomas McBride

Adaobi Michaels-Ezeamama

Ariel Miles

Kiyle Osgood

Sutton Pakenham-Laltrello

Damien Salamacha

Murphy Slagle

Members absent: Kyle Miceli

Members late: Manar Hussein

Al Nagbe

Lauren O’Neil

The Senate began its committee meeting at 4:30 with updates from the Academic Policies Committee and its work on the system for holding senators accountable. Manar Hussein and Eddie Horan expressed concern with the idea that senators may leave meetings early for class only if their professors approved; Caleb Garofalo asked that they submit their reasoning in writing for the committee’s understanding.

The Senate broke into committees at 4:55. Later, Maribeth reminded senators of their need to uphold a professional presence on social media.

Academic Policies Committee

Date: October 22, 2013

Presiding: Al Nagbe

Members Present: Chad Gervertz

Caleb Garafalo

Katerina Childs

Members absent: None

Members Late: None

Agenda/ Business: Caleb Garafalo as he headed the revision process, he will give a brief presentation of the newly proposed constitution.

Chad is composing research on a Leadership Major/Concentration. For Students who are interested in adding a major, minor or concentration to an academic school, please have them contact our committee.

Katerina has been working on drop boxes to be placed in every Deans office.

Caleb is working on enhancing our current evaluation CAPP and looking for ways to improve them.

Academic policy:

DOUBLE MAJOR, allows students to get a double major rather than completing a second Bachelor’s Degree.

Withdrawal Limit (25%): students may not accumulate more than 25% of their grade work at Stockton in W notations; this limits exclude WI notations (withdrawal due to illness)

Course Repeat Limit: An individual may not enroll in a course at Stockton no more than 3 times, unless otherwise previously designated and approved, for example certain music and dance courses, independent study courses, and seminars. Additional repeats must be approved by the Dean of the School offering the course.

Legislative Policies and Government Affairs Committee

Date: 8 October 2013

Committee: Legislative Policies and Government Affairs

Presiding: Jessica Carey

Members present: Ky Miceli

Ariel Miles

Tom McBride

Damien Salamancha

Members absent: none

Members late: none

Agenda: The Legislative Policies and Government Affairs committee met and discussed everyone’s progress with their tasks. Tom will be reaching out to admissions to discuss the scholarship amount and availability to transfer students versus incoming freshman. Ariel and Jessica will be planning a meeting in the coming week to begin discussing how to go about increasing the presence and use of the New York Times on campus. Damien will be attending the NJUS meeting on Saturday, October 12th. Ky and Ariel are continuing to work on arranging for the Lieutenant Governor to attend a luncheon with the Senators. Ky is also attempting to reach out to the League of Women Voters, however, is yet to receive a response as of Tuesday.

Public Relations

Date: 8 October 2013

Committee: Public Relations

Presiding: Michelle Batista

Members present: Lauren O’Neil

Sutton Pakenham-Laltrello

Members absent: None

Members late: None

Agenda: The committee discussed the following rules and regulations concerning Student Senate elections and campaigning.

1. The total expenditures for campaigning shall not exceed $75. Advertising Ideas should be discussed with Student Senate Advisor Len Farber, to ensure they are parallel to college policy. A receipt is required  for each and every campaign strategy, (foods, clothings, tools) Receipts are required in order to ensure no excess spending and to promote  fairness for all campaign strategies.

2. Absolutely no flyers are allowed on car windshields or in student mailboxes. Candidates cannot hang their own flyers in any academic building, including kiosks, and or the Campus Center.

3. One 8.5 by 11 inch flyer per candidate must be given to the Office of Student Development. The Office will  approve these flyers and they will place flyers for candidates in approved locations.

4. Student may hang their own flyers once approved by Student Development, and Residential Life, in the approved residential housing.

5. No Mass Phones calls,   Voicemails, e-mails,   texts,  or any other form of instant messaging

\*\*\*Illegal Messages include those that explicitly or implicitly encouraging students to  vote on their behalf and or deter voters from voting for other candidates.

\*\*Mass is defined as more than one person.

6. Campaigners instead may use social media sites to campaign as long as they have consent of individual students. i.e

-Twitter, Instagram, Facebook "Like" pages, where potential voters are able to decide to follow, befriend and/or support candidate before any advertisements from the campaigners are seen.

\*\*\*Not allowed

Facebook "Groups" where individual students are placed into an advertising group without any consent, and are exposed to advertising before they can accept or decline an invitation.

7. No campaigning within 100 feet of any polling station

8. Cannot campaign in areas where students have access to online polls during voting hours. Locations include computer labs throughout Stockton.

9. No one is allowed in any residential room while the resident is voting online. In addition candidates cannot be within 100 ft of a  student voting through mobile devices.

10. Candidates are to not tear down or defame any of the other candidates campaign strategies.

11. The same rules described above apply also for supporters/followers of the Candidates.   
  
12. The Candidate will be held responsible for any infractions and or violations committed by their supporters/followers

Date:                        October 22nd, 2013

Committee:              Student Welfare

Presiding:                  Carl Archut, Jr.

Members Present:     Maurice Brandon

                                  Nick Persia

Manar Hussein

                                  Murphy Slagle

Cristian Moreno

Members Absent:        None

Agenda:

Carl- Carl will be attending a meeting with RHA liaison Danielle Oesterle, Murphy, and Denise O’Neill, Director of Residential Life.

Carl thanked the senators for their participation in the event “Let’s Talk About..Stockton!” Over 200 students were in attendance, making this our largest event ever!

Carl will be setting up a meeting with Trish Krevetski to talk about the concerns addressed to her in regards to auxiliary services.

Carl informed the committee that Laurie Griscom and Joseph Lizza reported the Campus Center will be accepting unrestricted debit options (Osprey Card) by January 2014 for the Information Booth. This will permit students to purchase tickets for ticketed Stockton events.

Maurice- *NO UPDATE*

Manar- Manar will now be working with Lonnie Folks, Director of Athletics.

Manar is looking into the reasoning behind the possible closing of I-Wing

Gym. She will keep us upadated.

Manar will be helping Cristian develop relationships with his point of contact.

Murphy- Murphy will be attending a meeting with RHA liaison Danielle Oesterle, Carl Archut, Jr., and Denise O’Neill, Director of Residential Life.

Murphy is looking into a concern in regards to students not smoking in approved locations.

Nick- Nick will be working with Laurie Griscom, Director of Event Services and

Campus Center Operations.

Nick will be contacting Laurie Griscom.

Cristian- Cristian’s point of contact will be Dr. Gerald Martin, Director of Student Rights and Responsibilities.

Cristian will be contacting Dr. Gerald Martin.

Finance Committee

Date: October 22, 2013

Presiding: Louis M. Chevere

Members Present: Kiyle Osgood, Adaobi Michaels-Ezeamama,

Frank Livia, Tyler Graff

Members Absent: None

Members Late: None

Agenda/Business:

Supplemental Account balance as of 22 October 2013 is $70,997.75.

Active Minds submitted a request to use club funds in the amount of $352.56, to attend the Active Minds National Conference in D.C. This request is an addendum to the previous request amount of $1,416.00, which was passed by Student Senate on 15 October 2013. This addendum is requested because of Stockton’s travel requirements of separate rooms for males and females. A female club member is unable to go to the Conference, therefore a male member will take the female member’s spot on the trip. This Conference will allow the organization to meet other chapters across nation and interact with the speakers attending the conference. This organization was asked to give a summary of their trip to their liaison, upon return.

Motion Passed 4-0-0

African Student Organization submitted a supplemental request in the amount of $1775.14 to attend a conference titled: Bridging the Gap: Cultivating Our Roots and Empowering The Youth. The conference located at University of Massachusetts of Amherst, will allow the organization meet other African Students across the world; granting an opportunity to network, to exposure, and to further growth as African student leaders. This organization was asked to give a summary of their trip to their liaison, upon return.

Motion Passed 4-0-0

The Math Club submitted a supplemental request in the amount of $300.00 to attend a trip to the Math Museum in New York City. The trip will allow the students experience exhibits and programs that will stimulate their minds.

Motion Passed 4-0-0

The Marine Science Club submitted a supplemental request in the amount of $220.00 to attend a trip to the Atlantic City Aquarium in Atlantic City. The trip will allow the students to gain exposure in their field of Marine Science, and possible future internships.

Motion Passed 4-0-0