

Meeting of the Northeast Student Senate

November 7, 2002

Student Center Conference Room

Present: Nicole Harnisch Marius Mutayoba
 Marcy Reis Chet McGowen
 Jason Winter Ben Conover
 Tonia Danielski Ashley Gregg
 Morgan Marotz Dan Laughlin
 Tyler Laffey Sheri Loecker
 Kim Svatos

Others Present: Tammy Day, Advisor Rick Goben, Advisor

President Nicole Harnisch called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

I. Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes were read and approved.

II. Financial Report

1. Vice President, Marius Mutayoba reported that there was \$20.87 spent this week. There was \$7.08 spent on office supplies and \$13.79 on the "Design a Logo" contest.

III. Roll Call of Special Officers

1. Community Service Projects coordinator, Jason Winter, reported that he has been working on the community service projects. He has been trying to get a hold of Joe Ferguson about the office supply collection for the Somalian and Sudanese immigrants.
2. Election Coordinator, Marius Mutayoba, reported that there was nothing new to report at this time.
3. Historian, Morgan Marotz, reported that she has been working on the scrapbook. She has been putting pictures in there and will need more pictures. She also reported that she had not found out any information on the time capsule. Ashley Gregg reported that she had not found anything new out about the 30th Anniversary.
4. Office Manager, Chet McGowen, reported that he cleaned up the office.
5. Public Relations Coordinator, Ben Conover, reported that there would be a group picture taken after the meeting.
6. Special Events Coordinator assistant, Kim Svatos, reported that Homecoming went over good. Royalty crowned were Queen Nicole

Harnisch and King Marius Mutayoba. There was no music during the program, but no one seemed to notice.

IV. Committee Reports

1. There was not an Administrative Services Standing Committee held this past week.
2. Nicole Harnisch reported from the Steering Sub-Committee. She reported that the group has been working on surveys evaluating the college. The college is up for accreditation, so the college has been doing several surveys. The overall climate of the college has become better in the past couple of years.

V. Old Business

1. The Senate voted on the logos that were turned on. The Senate chose a logo that Tyler Laffey's sister made. Tyler will have his sister save the logo to a disk for the Senate. It is suggested to talk to Dr. Severson about the logo to make sure the Senate can utilize the logo, considering "Northeast Community College" is also on the logo.
2. Marius Mutayoba reported about the Multicultural Conference in Lincoln. The conference will be held on November 16, 2002. Senate will pay for the registration fee. The registration deadline is November 8, 2002. As of now Marius Mutayoba and Jason Winter are the only ones signed up to go.
3. Senate will be putting a tree up at the Festival of Trees. Tonia Danielski and Ashley Gregg have been working on the tree. They thought they would have each Senate member sign a Christmas bulb and also put red tinsel and lights on the tree. They will have a star on the top of the tree with a group picture inside the star. They also would like to put a Santa out with a Senate shirt on and holding a Senate brochure.
4. Nicole Harnisch reported that she would like the Senate members to attend the Board of Governor's Meeting on November 14, 2002 at 3:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Lifelong Learning Center. The members will meet at 2:50 in the Lobby of the Lifelong Learning Center.
5. Tonia Danielski and Ashley Gregg volunteered to work on making the list of businesses in the Norfolk area that provide a discount with proof of Student ID.
6. Nicole Harnisch will be working on the Code of Conduct and will put any information in the To Do box, for members to work on during their office hours.
7. Marius Mutayoba will be working on the Bylaws and will put any information in the To Do box, for members to work on during their office hours.

8. There was discussion about the overnight guest policy. The executive members discussed the idea of forming a Resident Council to be put in charge of the Housing concerns. The Senate believed that the Resident Council would be a great committee to adopt. Liz Mendoza was made aware of the idea and also the concern that was brought to the Senate. She also thinks that the Resident Council is a great idea to be put into effect. There was a survey done by the Senate last year, so the Senate will utilize that information and also do more research on the overnight guest policy and come up with a proposal. The executive team will be appointing the team responsible for collecting and proposing the information. Chet McGowen expressed that he had started looking at other colleges and had asked for and received several of the college's policies for overnight guests.

VI. New Business

1. The Senate will hold the last regular meeting on December 5, 2002 at Tammy Day's home. After the meeting there will be a Christmas Party with a gift exchange.
2. On January 8, 2002 the Senate will host a Welcome Back Breakfast. The Senate will be serving from 6:30-9:30 a.m. Members must be there at 5:45, if they are working the first shift. There was discussion on who should serve the breakfast. The Senate will talk more about the breakfast at next week's meeting.
3. Tammy Day talked about midterm grades. She stressed the importance of maintaining grades. She discussed several processes that can be utilized to help the student's with their grades.

VII. Other

1. A copy of the Special Officer's report was passed around. The Special Officers will complete a report for each event that they coordinate.
2. Student Ambassadors won the voter registration club challenge. The Ambassadors wanted to have the pizza for their next meeting (11/13/02).
3. Marcy Reis, reported that the Student Excused Absences Committee has dissolved. The Student Services Standing Committee believed that the policy would not work on our campus. There was discussion that if a student has a concern with an unexcused absence, they should report the concern.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Marcy Reis, Secretary