

SUNY Cobleskill
Student Government Association
Meeting Minutes
August 28, 2018

Attendance:

Officers: Cheyanne Matulewich, Allison Finch, Mercedes Hernandez, Jennifer McKenna, and Veronica Collazo.

Members: Michael Accetta, Shiloh Jakowlow-Dahlhaus, Angelica Armlin-Sorgen, Josh Foust, Callie Maxim, Abigail O'Brien, and Shannon M Perrone.

Advisor: Jeff Foote, Anne Hopkins Gross, Barbara Sprouse.

Guests: Sharon Restrepo, Ashley Reinoso, Lyndsey Wantis, Zach Gallagher, Nathaniel Stuart, Hail O'Donnell, Brycen R Franek, Taylor Clerkin, Matt LaLonde.

Cheyanne Matulewich called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

Open Floor

Steve Leary from American Red Cross spoke of SUNY Cobleskill's success with the Blood Drive, as well as giving some background and history of the event. This will be his last year before he retires. Different publicizing strategies were discussed to optimize turnout this year. In the past gift cards or t-shirts were given out as incentives. Jennifer suggested giving out shirts with the SGA logo to be tie dyed the day prior to the blood drive. After discussion, it was concluded that the first 50 students to show up would receive a shirt. Mercedes hypothesized that it would cost approximately \$500, which could be moved from the additional funds line. The motion was tabled for later discussion.

Executive Board

The officers attended an ASGA meeting in Boston. They individually recapped their experiences and take away from the conference, as well as how they plan to implement those ideas throughout the year and their goals.

Committees

Elections: Veronica Collazo was introduced as the officer in charge of this committee.

Constitutions: Allison Finch was introduced as the officer in charge of this committee.

Finance: Mercedes Hernandez was introduced as the officer in charge of this committee.

Public Relations: Jennifer McKenna was introduced as the officer in charge of this committee.

Old Business

There was no old business to discuss at this time.

New Business

Cheyanne Matulewich had a couple of announcements to make. She stated that the next meeting will take place in the Tiger's Den, and she announced her intention to form a Food Committee to prepare and outsource food for lunch before meetings from 12:00pm – 12:30pm. Scott Ferguson,

the Chief Diversity officer, is looking for a couple of students to join the Diversity and Equity Committee. The executive member appointed by Cheyanne Matulewich is Veronica Collazo, and another member appointed is Michael Accetta. All club officers are expected to attend the first Club Council meeting on Sep 13 @ 5 in the Tiger's Den.

Shannon Perrone called for a motion to move \$500 from additional funds to be used for the blood drive shirts. Angelica seconded the motion, there was no discussion, and it was passed. A leadership initiative speaker, as well as a conference for current and emerging leaders was discussed, as well of a "task force" or committee to be potentially developed to shape leaders.

Concerns and Announcements

Camp O

Camp O will take place Oct 12-14. SGA has traditionally paid for one officer from any club to attend this retreat.

Student Assembly

Described as the student government for all of SUNY, this conference will take place in Albany on Nov 17th.

Homecoming Weekend

Homecoming Weekend is scheduled for Sep 28-29.

Adjournment

Shannon M Perrone made a motion to end the meeting; Shiloh Jakowlow-Dahlhaus seconded the motion, the meeting adjourned at 1:28 pm.