

SUNY Cobleskill
Student Government Association
Meeting Minutes
December 4, 2018

Attendance:

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

Members: Brycen Franek, Lyndsey Wantis, Taylor Clerkin, Ashley Reinoso, Angela Armstrong, Cody Cooper, Michael Accetta, Abigail O'Brien, and Tiarra Rosado.

Advisors: Jeff Foote, Anne Hopkins-Gross, Alex Smith, and Barb Sprouse.

Guests: Sage Blackmar, Holly Mulligan, Ryan Morgan, Britney Swiernik, Travis Vester, Zechariah Kehoe, Tyler Itzjowitz, Erin Denmarc, Kaylin Klein, Debra Richards and Matt Barney.

Cheyanne Matulewich called the meeting to order at 12:29 p.m.

Open Floor

There was nothing discussed at this time.

Approval of Minutes

Taylor Clerkin made a motion to accept the minutes from November 27, 2018. Michael Accetta seconded the motion, there was no discussion and the motion was passed.

Executive Board

Holiday Parade: The Executive Board (and President Terenzio) dressed up and elves during the parade and handed out hot chocolate. The winning club that participated in the parade will receive \$100 into the line of their choice, a decision will be made on Thursday and the winners will be announced on SGA's Facebook page.

Committees

Elections: On behalf of the elections committee, Veronica Collazo made a motion to recognize Sage Blackmar as an official member, as she has fulfilled her obligations to SGA. She has attended three SGA meetings, two committee meetings, and submitted their new member profile. Ashley Reinoso seconded the motion, there was no discussion and the motion was passed.

Constitutions: The Ski Club has been working with Allison Finch on becoming an official club since September 20th, 2018 and since has provided full documentation- including their constitution and minutes. Michael made a motion to recognize the Ski Club as an official club, and Brycen Franek seconded the motion. Taylor Clerkin abstained, there was no discussion and the motion was passed. Their meetings are Thursdays in Warner 018 at 12:15 pm.

Finance: Mercedes Hernandez asked for members to attend the next finance meeting, as they will be meeting with the Vice-President of College Advancement.

Public Relations: Jennifer McKenna will be working with Brycen and the other social media coordinators to discuss upcoming guest speakers and possibly featuring them on social media prior to the meetings.

Old Business

Adopt a Family went very well, almost every item on the parent and children's list were purchased for them. The items were set up in the leadership chamber on display before they are wrapped.

New Business

EEP: The new Exceeding Expectations Program will replace the old CAP Program, and it is a program that shows of students/clubs that get engaged in community service, programs, etc. Clubs can earn a maximum of \$250 per semester. Given that this is a pilot program, changes might have to be made in the future. It will start off with \$2000 available. After asking for a motion to put the EEP Program into the student handbook, Lyndsey Wantis made the motion and Angela Armstrong seconded the motion. Taylor asked how this information will be distributed. Cheyanne stated that it will be distributed via email and during advisor training on January 18th. Allison abstained from the vote, and it was passed.

Student Diversity Committee/MLK Day: Veronica spoke of the new Student Diversity Committee, which will be hosting a Cajitas program during MLK Day. Another option for SGA to participate in the spirit of community service is a soup kitchen outing in the homeless center in Albany. Prospective dates will be shared next semester.

Concerns and Announcements

Holiday Parade: Saturday, December 1st at 5:00pm in the park. SGA will be handing out hot chocolate.

Santa: Santa will be coming to the campus store December 12th from 3:00-6:00pm.

Food Bank: Please drop off hygiene products in the office of student leadership, or money. This will continue through finals week.

Adjournment

Ashley made a motion to end the meeting; Sage seconded the motion, the meeting adjourned at 1:09 pm.