



# Student Government Association

## Special Meeting

August 12, 2015 G-400, 6:00 pm

Chairperson: Hercules E. Reid, SGA President

Recorder: Amanda Marmol

### I. Call to Order

With 7 people present, Chairman *Hercules E. Reid* calls the meeting to order at 6:15 pm.

#### Voting Members

1. Jennifer Fortunato, SGA Vice President
2. Josue Kersaint, SGA Treasurer
3. Janay Battsakinwunmi, SGA Social Director
4. Kassandra-Rodriguez-Urbas, SGA Part Time Evening Rep
5. Marlon Myers, SGA Senator of Tech and Design
6. Radaisy Ramirez, SGA Senator of Professional Studies

#### Non-Voting Members

7. Hercules E. Reid, SGA President
8. Amanda Marmol, Student
9. Tamika Scriven, Student
10. Crystal Braithwaite, Student
11. Janna Hakim, Student
12. Najma Adam, SGA Office Manager

#### Regrets:

13. Sylwester Dombrowski, SGA Senator at Large
14. Volodymyr Komendyak, Senator of Tech and Design

### II. Roll Call

At 6:15 pm,

- Roll Call

### III. Approval of Minutes

**Motion:** SGA Social Director, *Janay Battsakinwunmi* motions to approve the minutes for the July 28, 2015 meeting. SGA Treasurer, *Josue Kersaint* seconds the motion. All in favor. Zero abstentions. Zero Opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

**Motion:** SGA Treasurer, *Josue Kersaint* motions to approve the minutes for the August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting. SGA Social Director, *Janay Battsakinwunmi* seconds the motion. All in favor. No oppositions. No abstentions. Motion passes unanimously.

#### IV. The Office

- A. **Desk Assignments** - All Executive Officers and senators were given a chance to choose their desk.
- B. **Purchase order i.e. office chairs, area rug and name plates** - there was a unanimous vote on office chairs being replaced.
- C. **Work order i.e. paint, computers and phones** - there was a unanimous vote on the SGA office being re-painted with an accent wall. The color voted in as an accent was “brilliant blue”.
- D. **Office Hours** - All SGA Executive Officers as well as Senators must inform Office Manager, Najma Adam and President, Hercules E. Reid of their office hours for the upcoming semester as soon as possible.
- E. **Office Standards**- Office Manager, Najma Adam made clear that as members of SGA, it is important that we have a welcoming environment. Members office areas must be organized at all times and members must respect each other’s space. If an SGA member has a guest in the office, it is their responsibility that their guest signs the “sign-in” sheet at Office Manager, Najma Adam’s desk as well as respects other SGA member’s space. Also, guests are not permitted to stay in the SGA office without a SGA member present.

#### V. Vacant Senator Elections

*Mike Charles*, candidate for Senator at Large is nominated for the position.

*Janna Hakim*, candidate for Senator at Large is nominated for the position

- Mike is interested in the position of SGA Senator at Large
- Janna is interested in the position of SGA Senator at Large

##### **Vacant Senator Position Election Begins:**

- Senator at Large
  - Mike Charles: **6 unanimous votes**
  - Janna Hakim: **6 unanimous votes**

**It is acknowledged that Mike Charles and Janna Hakim have been elected as the SGA Senators at Large for the 2015-2016 year.**

*Tamika Scriven*, candidate for Senator for the School of Technology and Design is nominated for the position.

- Tamika is interested in the position of SGA Senator of the School of Technology and Design

**Vacant Senator Position Election Begins:**

- Senator for School of Technology and Design
  - Tamika Scriven: **6 unanimous votes**

**It is acknowledged that Tamika Scriven has been elected as the SGA Senator of the School of Technology and Design for the 2015-2016 year.**

*Crystal Braithwaite*, candidate for Senator for the School of Professional Studies is nominated for the position.

*Amanda Marmol*, candidate for Senator for the School of Professional Studies is nominated for the position.

- Crystal is interested in the position of SGA Senator of School of Professional Studies
- Amanda is interested in the position of SGA Senator School of Professional Studies

**Vacant Senator Position Election Begins:**

- Senator School of Professional Studies
  - Crystal Braithwaite: **4 unanimous votes**
  - Amanda Marmol: **6 unanimous votes**

**It is acknowledged that Crystal Braithwaite was not elected as the SGA Senator of the School of Professional Studies for the 2015-2016 year.**

**It is acknowledged that Amanda Marmol has been elected as the SGA Senator of the School of Professional Studies for the 2015-2016 year.**

## **VI. Vacant Executive Elections**

*Mike Charles*, candidate for Secretary is nominated for the position.

*Amanda Marmol*, candidate for Secretary is nominated for the position.

- Mike is interested in the position of SGA Secretary
- Amanda is interested in the position of SGA Secretary

**Vacant Secretary Position Election Begins:**

- Secretary
  - Mike Charles: **0 votes**
  - Amanda Marmol: **6 unanimous votes**

**It is acknowledged that Amanda Marmol has been elected as the SGA Secretary for the 2015-2016 year.**

## **VII. Vacant USS Alternate Delegate Positions**

*Amanda Marmol*, candidate for USS Alternate Delegate is nominated for the position.

**Vacant USS Alternate Delegate Position Election Begins:**

- *Amanda Marmol*: **6 unanimous votes**

**It is acknowledged that *Amanda Marmol* has been elected as the USS Alternate Delegate for the 2015-2016 year.**

*Sylwester Dombrowski* candidate for USS Alternate Delegate is nominated for the position.

**Vacant USS Alternate Delegate Position Election Begins:**

- *Sylwester Dombrowski*: **6 unanimous votes**

**It is acknowledged that *Sylwester Dombrowski* has been elected as the second USS Alternate Delegate for the 2015-2016 year.**

## **VIII. SGA Operational Budget**

SGA Treasurer, *Josue Kersaint* recommends approving \$50,000 from the operational budget in order to allocate money for SGA related tasks and events. This allocation will be used as a spending budget until SGA receives a fixed amount.

**Motion:** SGA Vice President, *Jennifer Fortunato* motions to approve \$50,000 for a spending budget until a fixed amount is given. SGA Part-Time Evening Rep, *Kassandra Rodriguez-Urbas* seconds the motion. All in favor. No oppositions. Motion passes unanimously.

**The SGA Body unanimously approves \$50,000 from the operational budget for spending expenses until the fixed budget is provided.**

## **IX. Old Business**

### **a. Ad Hoc Committees (Accountability Partners)**

#### **i. Budget Committee Composition**

1. Treasurer, *Josue Kersaint*
2. Vice President, *Jennifer Fortunato*
3. Social Director, *Janay Battsakinwunmi*
4. Senator – School of Technology and Design, *Marlon P. Myers*
5. Senator- School of Professional Studies, *Radaisy Ramirez*
6. Senator at Large- *Mike Charles*

#### **ii. Awards and Chartering Committee Composition – motion to table**

#### **iii. Judicial Committee Composition:**

1. Chief Justice
2. Director of Student Life, *Dorie Clay*
3. Senator- School of Technology and Design, *Tamika Scriven*

4. Senator- School of Technology and Design, *Marlon P. Myers*
- iv. **Appeals Committee Composition:**
    1. Part-Time/Evening Representative, *Kassandra Rodriguez-Urbas*
    2. Vice President, *Jennifer Fortunato*
  - v. **Event Committee Composition**
    1. Social Director, *Janay Battsakinwunmi*
    2. Part-Time/Evening Representative, *Kassandra Rodriguez-Urbas*
    3. Senator – School of Technology and Design, *Tamika Scriven*
- b. **SGA Office Open House-** During the first week of classes, SGA will hold an open house which will give the student body of City Tech the opportunity to visit the SGA office and become familiar with the Executive Officers as well as the Senators of SGA. Incentives may be given to visitors, such as flyers with pictures of SGA members and what position they hold.
  - c. **Back to School Event** – Event Committee must come together to decide when and where the event will take place as well as what vendors and music will be provided.

## **X. Adjournment**

**Motion:** SGA Part-Time Evening Rep, *Kassandra Rodriguez-Urbas* motions to adjourn the meeting. Senator of the School of Technology and Design, *Marlon P. Myers* seconds the motion. All in favor. No oppositions. No abstentions. Motion passes unanimously at 8:09pm.

**Next Meeting:** To be announced.