



Student Government Association

Special Meeting

August 19, 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 6:14 pm.

Voting Members

1. Jennifer Fortunato, SGA Vice President
2. Josue Kersaint, SGA Treasurer
3. Amanda Marmol, SGA Secretary
4. Janay Battsakinwunmi, SGA Social Director
5. Kassandra-Rodriguez-Urbas, SGA Part Time Evening Rep.
6. Sylwester Dombrowski, SGA Senator at Large
7. Mike Charles, SGA Senator at Large
8. Tamika Scriven, SGA Senator of Technology and Design

Non-Voting Members

9. Hercules E. Reid, SGA President

Guest:

Dorie Clay, Director of Student Life and Development
Najma Adams, Office Manager
Volunteer Photographers

Regrets:

10. Volodymyr Komendyak, SGA Senator of Technology and Design
11. Marlon Myers, SGA Senator of Technology and Design
12. Janna Hakim, Senator at Large
13. Radaisy Ramirez, Senator of Professional Studies

II. Roll Call

At 6:14 pm,

- Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes

Motion SGA Part Time Evening Rep, *Kassandra-Rodriguez-Urbas* motions to approve the minutes for the August 12, 2015 meeting. SGA Vice President, *Jennifer Fortunato* seconds the motion. All in favor. Zero abstentions. Zero Opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

IV. Committee Reports

SGA President, Hercules E. Reid, made those present at the meeting aware that it is vital all chair persons of each committee come together as soon as possible to discuss committee duties. The Event Committee will share their proposal on the Welcome Back Bash at the next meeting.

V. The Office

- a. **Update from the office manager:** SGA Office Manager, *Najma Adams*, informed everyone about their business cards. Orders have been place and expected arrival will be Friday, August 21st. SGA members who have yet informed Najma on office hours for the fall semester must do so as soon as possible.
- b. **Voting on Chief Justice Position** – Table

VI. New Business

- a. **SGA Retreat-** SGA President, *Hercules E. Reid* and SGA Treasurer, *Josue Kersaint* are in the process of choosing a venue for the SGA Retreat. All members voted unanimously on having the SGA Retreat held on a weekend (Friday afternoon through Sunday afternoon). Hercules will be creating a “doodle poll” so that all SGA members may choose which weekend (September 18-20 or September 25-27) works best for them. Hercules will also be getting in contact with the SGA Advisor, Dr. Williams on what date works for him to join the retreat.
- b. **SGVolunteers-** SGA President, *Hercules E. Reid* presented the SGA members with his idea of creating a volunteer group known as the SGVolunteers. These individuals will be assigned to one of the three categories (Outreach, In House or Leadership). Those apart of the “outreach” group will be responsible for promoting future SGA events throughout City Tech, getting other students to attend the events and creating the “hype” of the event. Those apart of the “in house” group will be in charge of informing City Tech students on what’s going on in Student Government, asking them about changes they may want to seek at the college etc. Finally, the “leadership” group is for those whom hold interest in becoming a part of the SGA in the future. They will be given the opportunity to intern with current SGA members and learn as well as have hands-on experience on the positions they seek interest in.

VII. Open Discussion

- a. **Open House** – SGA will be hosting their “open house” from August 31st through September 4th. This will give the student body the opportunity to become familiar with the SGA office location as well as meeting with SGA members. SGA will reach out to NYPIRG and the Wellness Center to see if they’re interested in hosting an “open house” as well.
- b. **General Meetings Throughout the Semester** – As stated in the SGA Constitution, it is required that SGA holds a general meeting the first Thursday of every month. SGA President, *Hercules E. Reid* will be creating a “doodle poll” so that all members may list their time of availability. The time of the meeting will be chosen based on the majority of votes on the doodle poll.
- c. **Sexual Harassment Training** – Director of Student Life and Development, *Dorie Clay* informed SGA members that they are all required to attend a rigorous Sexual Harassment Training. SGA members must come together and agree upon a date for this training before the month of October.
- d. **Back to School Event** – Event Committee must receive a final confirmation on their location for the back to school event as well as food, music and games that will be provided at the event. They must also contact SGA Senator at Large, Sylwester Dombrowski once it is all finalized so that he may create the flyers/poster for this event.
- e. **Meeting with College Association Board** – Members of C.A.B. will holding a meeting with the C.A.B. representative on September 11th. SGA President, *Hercules E. Reid* and SGA Treasurer, *Josue Kersaint* will decide on what time the meeting will be held.
- f. **Summer Budget** – An estimate of the budget that was accrued this summer in student activity fee is \$16,500. After August 26th, all remaining summer funds will go to reserves. SGA members agreed on purchasing SGA merchandise as well as a new printer for the SGA office with the summer funds.
- g. **St. Jude Fundraiser** – SGA Treasurer, Josue Kersaint proposed on having a fundraiser for St. Jude Hospital. Currently, St. Jude Hospital is hosting their fundraisers throughout all CUNY schools and is hoping to raise \$1,500 with City Tech. St. Jude Hospital is hoping host this event at City Tech on September 8th. Josue and Hercules will continue to discuss where this event will be held and if it is possible for it to be held on September 8th.

VIII. Photo-Shoot

Volunteer Photographers took a group photo of the SGA members as well as individual photos for future postings, possibly on the City Tech website and around the campus so that the student body may become more familiar with the SGA members and what position they hold.

IX. Adjournment

Motion: SGA Part-Time Evening Rep, *Kassandra Rodriguez-Urbas* motions to adjourn the meeting. Vice President, *Jennifer Fortunato* seconds the motion. All in favor. No oppositions. No abstentions. Motion passes unanimously at 7:21pm.

Next Meeting: To be announced.