

Taking You Where You Want To Go

CANTON STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION Monday, September 18, 2023

SRC Centers Building, Lower Level, Canton

The first Student Government Association meeting of the 2023-2024 academic year convened at 12:15PM on Monday, September 18, 2023, in the lower level of the SRC Centers Building, Canton campus. SRC Vice President Holly Norton, advisor to the Canton Campus SGA, welcomed students to the meeting and introduced herself to the group. Holly explained that it is her intention to set up a course in Canvas to use for future SGA information and communications. Students were provided a copy of the SGA Constitution and a copy of the meeting agenda.

Roll call was taken with 5 students present, 1 absence, and 1 student joining later. Present were Johnathan Mathews, Esme Uribe, Roman Voitkovskyi, Amanda Koll, Margaret Toothaker, and Student Trustee Savannah Smith-Coulter. In addition to Holly Norton, Missy Wilkinson, Dean of Student Services, and Kim Donnelly, as acting secretary, were present. There were no additional guests to welcome.

There was no public comment to entertain.

<u>Old Business:</u> There was no old business to attend to at this first meeting of the academic year.

<u>New Business</u>: The first order of business for the academic year will be to elect officers. Holly Norton referred students to their copy of the Constitution and reviewed the list of officers. Positions to be filled are President, Vice President, and Secretary.

Missy Wilkinson provided students in attendance with information about Roberts Rules of Order, which the SGA will follow during meetings. She recommended that members make a folder with their SGA information to bring to each meeting.

She then reviewed and explained the duties of the officers and student trustee and stipend that is available when duties for each office are fulfilled.

As of this meeting, five new petitions for membership in SGA have been returned and verified; two members are returning students.

It was recommended that the students in attendance review the duties of the officers and be prepared to nominate and elect new officers at the next SGA meeting.

Holly and Missy reviewed events that are sponsored by SGA, including the Fall and Spring blood drives and the Thanksgiving meal and food drive, which is scheduled for November 15, 2023.

The Fall blood drive is scheduled for October 25, 2023, with Impact Life. Savanna Smith-Coulter suggested the group should begin promoting the event and offered to create a marketing flyer for approval at the next meeting. Amanda Koll volunteered to help.

The date and time for the next meeting was discussed, with agreement that Wednesdays at 12:15 would not conflict with the attendees' current course schedules. The next meeting will be held in two weeks, October 4, 2023, in the same location, at 12:15PM. Holly will put together a schedule for future meeting and share it with the group.

Tabled until the next meeting: Election of Officers, Blood Drive, and Meeting Schedule

<u>Discussion</u>: SGA has been invited to join Amy Rutledge's class for a trip to the St. Louis zoo in October. Holly will provide additional details at the next meeting. A motion was made that SGA accompany Amy Rutledge's class in October for a trip to the St. Louis Zoo. Roman Voitkovskyi seconded the motion. In a voice vote, the ayes carried the motion, with no nays. Holly will let Amy Rutledge know that the group is interested in accompanying her class.

Margaret Toothaker, returning member from 22/23, offered that the trip to the Illinois Capitol in the spring of 2023 was very informative and recommended that the group try to go again this year.

Savannah Smith-Coulter made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Amanda Koll seconded. The ayes carried the voice vote unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Kim Donnelly, Acting Secretary