Student Senate General Meeting Minutes
October 31, 2013

2:34: President Barnier calls the meeting to order

2:34: Attendance- Executive Board in attendance and quorum met.

2:36: Approval of current agenda

2:37: Approval of October 3, 2013 minutes

2:38: Student Life vision activity led by BDavid Galt.

- Senate members were asked to answer questions regarding the current feelings about Student Life at NHCC and where we would like to see Student Life in the future. The answers were written on pieces of paper to be explored at a later date.
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2:50: Executive Board Reports

- Secretary Cary: Committee openings need to be filled. Please get involved and see someone in the Senate about this opportunity.
- Treasurer Herlitz: Cookies to clubs who got their forms in on time.
- Public Relations Xiong: Kheuvin is getting out to club meetings and anyone with questions or needs should see him.
- President Barnier's report:
  - League of Women Voters update. Last meeting was uneventful. Next meeting to be held on January 21, 2014 at the Brooklyn Park City Hall. Any students wanting to attend should let him know.
  - Student Life NHCC Community "dinner", Wednesday, December 11, 2013. Lunch and Dinner to be held in the Campus Center before finals.
  - MSCSA Recap. Next MSCSA convention to be held in East Grand Forks, MN. December 6-8, 2013. Any students wanted to attend should contact Student Life. Registration Deadline is November 22.

2:58: Old Business

- Elections: Appointment of Charles Kingsley (Senate Vice-President) and Michael Flannery (Senate Legislative Coordinator).
  Nicole Herlitz motions to approve appointments. Kheuvin Xiong seconds. Goes to Senate vote. Approval of appointments is unanimous.

3:07: Swearing in of Vice-President Kingsley and Legislative Coordinator Flannery

3:08: Dr. Pirius

- NHCC email (.edu extension) possible elimination. Needs input from clubs in the next meeting or two.
- Tobacco Policy- Survey ready and available to take for the next two weeks. An open forum for discussion and feedback on the survey to possibly be held late November/early December. Any changes to the current tobacco policy would take effect in the fall of 2014.

Policy review:

- Possible advocate for students involved in a conduct issue to be added. This would be someone to help students navigate though the processes.
- Possible new process for stipends. Ideas discussed were: making it more of an "at-large" process, having a "stipend pool", possible more for active clubs. Any policy change would take effect next year (fall 2014).
- Comments due Monday, November 4. 2013.

3:35: Upcoming Events

- Bowling November 21, 2013 at Brunswick Zone in Brooklyn Park
- Student Leadership meeting: Wednesday, November 6, 2013 from 3:00-4:30 in CC230

3:38: Club Reports

1. Student Volunteer Club: Working on Merry Thriftmas (packages for low income students) Worked with Bridging staining benches in Mears Park.

2. Revisions Writing Club: Tentative events are a literary themed scavenger month, and Marathon writing month.

3. Student Nurses Club: Working on: Food drive, Fleece Blankets, and Health and Wellness week. Update at next meeting.

4. Christian Student Organization: Current Events: Operation Christmas Child/Samaritans Purse- Shoe boxes filled with toys to be distributed to children for Christmas. Boxes can be dropped off in the Student Life office. Flyers to be distributed soon.

5. Math Club: Meets Wednesday from 3:30-4:30. They discuss what's going on in the math classes and how to get awareness of the club out to people.

6. GLBTA: They were very busy getting thins together for National Coming Out day (10/11/13). Currently in discussions of potential new events.

7. SURGE: Reelection of new VP and Treasurer. Planning SURGEBall on December 7, 2013 (Health and Wellness building)

8. Game Club: Halloween event went well. Will partake in the Wellness Carnival during finals week in the CC with a Beanbag toss and Tetrus tournament.

9. Hmong Student Association: Preparing for Hmong New Year event.
10. FHFP: Good turnout for the student 5K. Planning an event for Finals week in April.

11. PTK: Fall leadership conference attended. Induction ceremony on 10/13/13 was the largest in 12 semesters. Working on the Honors in Action project. Please see D2L for discussion.

12. PLSA: Successful Halloween party. Working on the Gears of Law newsletter. Upcoming events: 11/13/13 at 6:30 pm. Speaker Patti Keyes will be discussing resumes and cover letters. (room TBA). January roundtable event with New Graduates (TBA)

3:50: Added business of approval for funding for an extra night for travel to the December 2013 MSCSA conference in East Grand Forks.

3:55: Meeting adjourned.