

SUNY Cobleskill  
Student Government Association  
Meeting Minutes  
March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Attendance:**

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

Members: Taylor Clerkin, Alex Smith, Ryan Luffman, Eric Mariano, Stephanie Zacharias, Sage Blackmar, Josh Foust and Brycen Franek.

Advisors: Jeff Foote and Barb Sprouse.

Guests: Erin Denman, Brittany VanDuzer, Matt Barney and Mike Wacksman.

Cheyanne Matulewich called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

**Open Floor**

Matt Barney and Brycen Franek spoke on behalf of Alternative Spring Break. Brycen recorded video everyday which was shared on Facebook. They worked on a community garden which provided over 35,000 lbs of food last year. They weeded, tilled soil, and cleaned up the community. They thanked SGA for their contribution in making this possible and their support.

Mike Wacksman stated that SUNY's Got Your Back will be Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:00am-3:00pm and asked that members and guests come together and fill backpacks that will be distributed to victims of sexual assault. 50,000 bags will have been filled collectively throughout SUNY schools, and the 50,000<sup>th</sup> will be filled here at SUNY Cobleskill. He also asked for volunteers to show up as early as 9:00am.

**Approval of Minutes**

The approval of minutes has been tabled until the next General Meeting.

**Executive Board**

There was nothing to discuss at this time.

**Committees**

Elections: There was nothing to discuss at this time.

Constitutions: Allison Finch explained and asked for a motion for the Dramatic Tigerians to change their name to the Drama Club. Erin Denman explained that often students don't have any idea that this campus has a drama club, as the name isn't extremely clear. Stephanie Zacharias made the motion for the Dramatic Tigerians to be renamed to the Drama Club, and Alex Smith seconded the motion. Erin Denman abstained, there was no discussion and the motion was passed.

Finance: Mercedes Hernandez asked for a motion to move \$4500 from special initiatives into additional funds. Alex made the motion to move \$4500 into additional funds, and Sage Blackmar seconded the motion. Taylor Clerkin asked what the special initiatives line is, to which Mercedes

explained that it helps with initiatives that SGA wants to pursue, such as installing sanitary products into every building. Eric Mariano asked what it means to move money, to which Mercedes explained that finance lines are designed to hold money designated for specific purposes. Mercedes abstained from the vote, and the motion was passed.

Public Relations: Jennifer McKenna asked that members come to committee meetings.

### **Old Business**

Save TAP Campaign- Cheyanne explained what TAP is and asked that students help campaign to raise awareness and not cut funding as well as allocate all the 65 million dollars go to students. Suggestions included letters to representatives, social media efforts, a TAP video explaining what you can do, and making templates for students to sign and send.

### **New Business**

SUNY SA- April 5<sup>th</sup> in Saratoga, Friday is the last day to show interest.

### **Concerns and Announcements**

Coffee with the Commuters- April 8<sup>th</sup> 8:00-10:45am

Charity Volleyball- April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Blood Drive- April 10<sup>th</sup>

### **Adjournment**

Brycen made a motion to end the meeting; Alex seconded the motion, the meeting adjourned at 1:10pm.