



## Council of Student Leaders

Monday, April 11, 2016

Digs 114- 7:00 P.M.

**I. Call to Order** by: Ray McKetty at 7:00 p.m.

**II. Roll Call** by: Michaela Dunbar

A. **Present:** Ray McKetty, Alexander Nowlin, Michaela Dunbar, Tristan Proctor, Khadesia Barmore, Ashley Briggs, Maria Clarcken, Amandine Farrugia, Cameron Benton, MJ Miller, Akchita Singh, Ta’Niss Robinson, Hayley Neiling, Diante Gibbs, Dr. Edward Lee, Kristy Campos, Ke’Asia Lance, Ximena Perez, Dean Bethany Marlowe, Elle Plattenburger, Tiraney Mills, Beth West, Eva Owusu, Sarah Survance, Erick Gonzalez, Kaala Maple, Sydney Cope, Amelia Beilke, LaVerne Page, Jamal Tate, Laraven Temoney

B. **Absent:** Olivia Berry, Stephen Rupp, Mashario Morton, Zach Lane, Matthew Hatchell

**III. Approval of the Minutes**

A. Minutes:

- i. Motion: MJ Miller
- ii. Seconded: Ashley Briggs
- iii. Approved by: all present

B. Agenda:

- i. Motion: Ta’Niss Robinson
- ii. Seconded: Jamal Tate
- iii. Approved by: All Present

**IV. An Announcement from Dr. Boyd Regarding Graduation Stoles**

A. Preface of history by Vice Chair Alexander Nowlin:

- i. In February, the Council discussed the issue of graduation stoles and how students have not been allowed to cross the stage in them in the past.
- ii. CSL brought their desire to change that to the attention of Winthrop University
- iii. CSL created a survey that was distributed across campus and provided the results to the Commencement Committee

- iv. CSL was unable to meet with the committee and was not included in the deliberation or recommendation by the committee
- v. We reached out to Dr. Boyd, she listened to our concern and she is now here to make an announcement

B. Message from Dr. Debra Boyd:

- i. This question has come up for many years
- ii. We understand that students are here for both academics and their extracurriculars
- iii. After hearing the recommendation of the commencement committee, Dr Boyd met with President Mahony.
- iv. The President has decided to allow students to wear their stoles at graduation but they must be from Winthrop affiliated and approved organizations
- v. The announcement will officially be announced tomorrow.
- vi. This will go into effect for this May's graduation

**V. Chartering Organizations**

A. Tau Kappa Epsilon

- i. Have 10 members
- ii. Hosting a charity concert for philanthropy St. Jude's
- iii. Have rejoined IFC
  - 1. Motion
    - a. Approve: Akchita Singh
    - b. Second: Cameron Benton
    - c. Approved: All present

B. Women's Multicultural Collective

- i. Stepping stone to bringing first multicultural sorority to Winthrop University
- ii. Focusing on diversity and social justice
- iii. Philanthropy is the Ronald McDonald House
- iv. 8 Members
  - 1. Motion
    - a. Tiraney Mills
    - b. Tristan Proctor
    - c. Approved by: All Present

C. WU Campus Civitan Club

- i. Mission is to make the world a better place
- ii. Focusing on helping through service
- iii. Will be participating in a summer camp for those with special needs
- iv. Raising money for research center
- v. 18 Members
  - 1. Motion
    - a. Laraven Temoney
    - b. Sydney Cope
    - c. Approved by: All present

- D. Project Middle Ground
  - i. Mentorship program for middle schoolers
  - ii. Trying to close achievement gap
  - iii. Starting at 1 middle school in Rock Hill
  - iv. Building from the ground up
    - 1. Motion
      - a. Hayley Neiling
      - b. Elle Plattenburger
      - c. Approved by: All present
- E. High Heels, High Standards
  - i. Ministry founded at Albany State
  - ii. Host weekly Bible studies
  - iii. Skill building, character building—living to a certain standard
  - iv. Any denomination or sexual orientation welcome
  - v. 10 Members
    - 1. Motion
      - a. Amelia Beilke
      - b. Amandine Farrugia
      - c. Approved by: All present
- F. SHIELD
  - i. Mentorship program in the Boyd Hill Community
  - ii. Once weekly
  - iii. Cultivate leadership development skills
  - iv. 33 Members
  - v. Been active in the community since October
    - 1. Motion
      - a. Eva Owusu
      - b. Ximena Perez
      - c. Approved by: All present
- G. Visible
  - i. Group to talk about underrepresented students who don't feel that their issues are recognized
  - ii. LGBTQ and race related issues
  - iii. 10 Members
    - 1. Motion
      - a. LaVerne Page
      - b. Kaala Maple
      - c. Approved by: All present

## **VI. Student Allocations Committee Report**

- a. \$202.49 Remaining
- b. Interviews on Friday
- c. Deadline to apply is tomorrow at 4pm
- d. Will be compiling a list of who has applied and what has been granted to make SAC more transparent

### C. Committee Reports

- a. Civic Integrity
  - i. Nothing planned until finals
  - ii. Let our committee know if you need help in other committees for the next few weeks
- b. Trending Now
  - i. Nothing to announce
- c. Campus Life and Engagement
  - i. Roommate mixer was a huge success
  - ii. Had over 100 students attend
  - iii. Great feedback, many students found roommate
  - iv. Have been asked to host the event next year as well
  - v. We will be postponing our athletes and Greeks leadership panel until the fall because of busy time of the semester
  - vi. Please attend Winthrop's home lacrosse game on the 24<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm
- d. Communications
  - i. Tell It All Tuesday results
    - a. Keep on the air conditioning
    - b. Make lunch meal plans in Digs
    - c. There are rats in Thomson
    - d. Football
    - e. Not enough parking
    - f. We want to wear graduation stoles
    - g. More movie cultural events
    - h. Funding for the Mass Communication department
    - i. Need a stop sign near Campus Walk

### V. Chair's Report

- A. CSL Returning member applications are due April 13!
  - B. Beth and Tadean Announcement: Searching for a secretary and a graphic designer for next year. Send your resume and cover letter to either Beth or Tadean. Both positions will be paid.
  - C. **Open Floor**
    - A. Will CSL be recognized in the campus wide email that the president will be sending out?
  - B. Adjournment at 8:07 pm**
- A. Motion: Kristy Campos
  - B. Second: Sarah Survance
  - C. Approved by: All Present