Monday, March 10th, 2014
DIGS 114 – 7:00PM

I. Call to Order
   by: Christopher Aubrie at 7:02 p.m.

II. Roll Call
   by: Ali Jensen
   b. Absent: Caprisha Hall, Julie Batt, K’audra Belton, Zakiya Clemons, Matthew Snyder, Kathryn Stelerson, Victoria Weathers, Rob Vereen, BG Suddeth, Courtney Johnson, Haley Lutz, Andrew Adair

III. Approval of the Agenda/Minutes
   a. Agenda:
      i. Motion: Nicholas Cunningham
      ii. Seconded: MJ Miller
      iii. Approved by: all present
   b. Minutes:
      i. Motion: Eboni Ford
      ii. Seconded: Jesse Perl
      iii. Approved by: all present

IV. New Business
   a. Resolution for Academic Freedom
      i. Defined academic freedom
      ii. Showed draft of resolution
      iii. Discussed current events surrounding the issue with South Carolina state legislation withdrawing funding from universities because of common book choices
      iv. Will collect across the state student governments and be presented to the state legislator
      v. Discussed both sides of the topic
      vi. Common books are intended to make students think, not force a particular view on any one student but rather start a conversation or dialogue
         1. Academic freedom is necessary to education the individuals at their institution
         2. Critical thinking is being suppressed
      vii. If we get to the point where we cut down material because it offends someone, we won’t have any literature to use for education
      viii. Counts-Davis- add something about student point of view; stifles student’s ability to learn
      ix. Watts- we defend the students ride to engage or choose to abstain from conversation- the right to engage or not engage
      x. Dean Marlowe- fundamental to the development of critical thinking and educated inquiry instead of pursuit of truth and knowledge

V. Council Business
   A. Student Allocations… Ian Deas
      a. Allocated: $27,092.99
      b. Remaining: $10,907.01
      c. Training: Tuesday, March 11th 11:00 am DIGS 223, in order to request have to attend a training first
   B. CSI, Olympics Relay for Life April 11th … Janay Reece
      a. Sent out all letters for fundraising
      b. Asked about a relay for life team
      c. Captains meetings Thursdays at 9 p.m.
      d. Finalized all of the events
c. Will ask about volunteers at our next meeting
f. Committee create a supply list and get it to Dr. Scheopfer
g. Reaching out to other organizations to make teams

C. Election encouragement… Damon Dean
a. Stress for each member to encourage organizations to vote
b. Announce Tickets
   i. Mashario Morton Chair, Joshua Watts Vice Chair
   ii. Ian Deas Chair, Jarvais Jackson Vice Chair
c. March 31st Elections Panel
d. April 7th- April 9th voting
   i. Have tabling and an election rally at April 8th during common time

VI. Chair’s Report
a. Campus Town Hall Meeting Thursday March 13th at 11:00 AM-12:15 DINA’s Place
b. S/U Deadline Proposal News
c. Potential Resolution in support of General Education reduction
   a. Prepare presentation for next meeting
d. Meeting with President Comstock on Thursday
   a. Where are we with the smoking resolution
   b. Ask for town hall meeting in the evening

VII. Open Floor (Questions/Comments/Concerns)
   a. Student Affairs is putting on an event on March 24th at 8:30 p.m. in DIGS Ballroom
      i. Anyone interested? Joshua Watts, Janay Reece, Mashario Morton, Christine Coutns-Davis, Ian Deas
      ii. Register on the DSU website
   b. Library will become public
      i. Students are concerned that there will not be enough resources
      ii. Christopher will be meeting with Dean of Library
      iii. Jarvais: why are students not involved in these conversations?
         1. Affect students academically
      iv. Christine- if Dacus is going public; wants Christopher to know opinions of students before meetings
      v. Janay- if Dacus were to go public, what would happen to the 24 hour availability, safety of students
      vi. Victor- had the student workers have a meeting that it was happening soon
         1. Christopher- petition cycled around to end that
         a. Wants to clear up everything
      vii. Jarvais- ask president if she is fundraising for library, is there any way she could start streamlining some of these topics
      viii. President has office hours in DIGs for students, students can come and talk to her
      ix. Christine- evening appointments

VIII. Adjournment at: 7:58 p.m.
   a. Motion: JW Barrera
   b. Seconded: Jarvais Jackson
   c. Approved by: all present