

GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY

THE MERCY UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

Student Government Association Working Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 25th, 2015: 2:00 PM.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday, September 1st, 2015 in the **Gavan Student Lounge**.

Meeting was facilitated by Brianna Marrone, Executive Board Treasurer.

Meeting called to order at: 2:01 PM.

Welcome: Miriam Hunte, Executive Board President

The meeting opened with SGA Executive Board President Miriam Hunte welcoming back SGA Representatives and making announcements leading into the new Academic Year, including changes in leadership throughout the SGA.

Prayer: Executive Board

The Executive Board led the entire SGA in the official SGA Prayer.

Review of Agenda: Brianna Marrone, Executive Board Treasurer

Brianna explained how the meeting would run for the day, and went over the agenda.

Roses and Thorns: David Schenck, Executive Board Vice President

David led the SGA in an activity called Roses and Thorns, in which each SGA member mentioned a highlight and a low point of their summer vacation.

Attendance: Olivia Zitarosa, Executive Board Secretary

Convocation: Olivia Zitarosa, Executive Board Secretary

Convocation will take place on Thursday, August 27th at 2:00 PM in the Wellness Center. SGA is expected to arrive at 1:40 (or as early as their class time allows) in the Gavan Student Lounge, dressed in full uniform.

Club Day: Brianna Marrone, Executive Board Treasurer

Club Day will take place on Thursday, September 3rd on the Oak Knoll from 10am-4pm. SGA members are expected to participate by sitting at the SGA table. SGA Members can sign up to sit at the table through the survey link sent out in an email.

SGA Retreat: Miriam Hunte, Executive Board President

SGA will have an on campus retreat beginning Friday, September 4th at 4:00 PM, concluding by 10:00 PM. Saturday will begin at 9:00 AM and will conclude at 9:00 PM. Sunday will begin at 9:00 AM and conclude by 12:00 PM.

Mercy Day: David Schenck, Executive Board Vice President

Mercy Day will take place on Thursday, September 24th. SGA is expected to attend the Mercy Breakfast, and must arrive to the Mansion at 8:00 AM in full uniform. Mass will be later on that day at 2:00 PM in the University Chapel.

Freshman Elections: Olivia Zitarosa, Executive Board Secretary

Freshman Elections will take place on Friday, September 25th during FYS Classes. SGA will be visiting FYS classes on Friday, September 4th to provide information and gain interest in possible candidates. SGA Members are asked to be at the Student Life Office in Jeffries Hall by 9:00 AM in full uniform to begin visiting classrooms. SGA will also make a slide show to present to freshman classes that day, and Public Relations Chairwoman Bianchi Valdez will create a flyer to put up around campus.

Homecoming Family Day: Brianna Marrone, Executive Board Treasurer

Homecoming Family Day will take place on Saturday, October 3rd on the Athletic Fields. SGA is expected to be in attendance from 9am-5pm, wearing their long sleeve black SGA t-shirts and jeans. Classes were asked to begin coming up with their tables to provide entertainment for families attending.

Induction Ceremony: Miriam Hunte, Executive Board President

SGA Induction Ceremony will take place on Sunday, October 11th at 11:00 AM.

Presidential Inauguration Ceremony: David Schenck: Executive Board Vice President

Dr. Marbach's Inauguration Ceremony will take place on Friday, October 16th. More details are to come.

Committees: Erin McCarron, Moderator of SGA

SGA Members serve on committees to provide the voice of the student body.

Residence Life Updates: Grace Talian, Chairwoman of Residence Life

Grace Talian provided updates on Resident Assistants and upcoming programs for Resident students. Resident Assistants went under training on August 6th. Resident Assistants will sponsor and conduct one late night program for residents. On Tuesday, September 1st at 7:00 PM in St. Joe's First Floor Lounge, a First Year Student program will take place. On Wednesday,

September 9th in Maria Hall in the 1st floor lounge, a Second Year program will be taking place. Programs will continue throughout the year.

Campus Ministry Updates: Lisa Gravato, Chairwoman of Campus Ministry

Mass will start back up again beginning this Sunday, August 30th at 5:00 PM in the University Chapel. Joining the Choir will now count as Service Learning- and anyone who is interested should see Jeff Schaffer. A new program, Mercy Communication will begin soon which will be a Student Faith Sharing Group ran by Faith Mentors, and this project is in development.

Meeting adjourned at: 3:01 PM.