# Georgian Court University

### THE MERCY UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

## **Student Government Association Working Meeting**

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015: 2:00 PM.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, September 8th, 2015 in the Casino Ballroom.

Meeting was facilitated by members of the Executive Board.

Meeting called to order at: 2:00 PM.

Welcome: Miriam Hunte, Executive Board President

The meeting opened with SGA Executive Board President Miriam Hunte welcoming SGA members, Club Representatives and Students and Faculty present.

**Prayer: Class of 2016** 

The Class of 2016 led the entire SGA in the official SGA Prayer.

Attendance: Olivia Zitarosa, Executive Board Secretary

Attendance was recorded by Olivia Zitarosa, Executive Board Secretary. All SGA Members were in attendance, including the several representatives from multiple clubs. Clubs in attendance and their representative were: Nursing Club, Pre-Med Club, CEC Club, Math Club, Holistic Health Club, Psychology Club, Black Student Union, Justice Club, Chemistry Club, and Habitat for Humanity.

#### **Upcoming Events: Miriam Hunte, Executive Board President**

Miriam made multiple reminders for upcoming days. These reminders include Club Day which is Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> on the Oak Knoll from 10-4, Mercy Day Mass which is Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM in the Chapel, Freshman Class Elections which are taking place on Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup> during FYS, Back Porch Party which will take place also on Friday September 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 PM and Homecoming on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> on the Athletic Fields.

#### Campus Ministry Updates: Lisa Gravato, Chairwoman of Campus Ministry

There is no mass this Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup> because of the Labor Day holiday. Joining the Choir will now count as Service Learning- and anyone who is interested should see Jeff Schaffer. The Backpack Drive will continue through this Thursday, and Campus Ministry encourages everyone

to donate what they can. On Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Sunset Beach Retreat on Island Beach State Park. Bus leaves at 3:00 PM at Jeffries Hall. To RSVP, contact Jeff Schaffer or Lisa Gravato.

#### Residence Life Updates: Grace Talian, Chairwoman of Residence Life

Grace Talian provided updates on upcoming events in Residence Life. On Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM in St. Joe's First Floor Lounge, a First Year Student program will take place. On Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup> in Maria Hall in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor lounge, a Second Year program will be taking place. Programs will continue throughout the year. There will be a movie night at 11:00 PM on September \_\_\_\_ in St. Joe's Basement. There will also be a bus trip to Sandy Hook Beach on Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. Van leaves Maria Hall at 9:00 AM for the trip.

#### Campus Activities Board: Danielle Marella, Public Relations

The Back Porch Party will take place on Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. This party will be black light themed, so all attendees are encouraged to wear white.

#### Commuter Life Association: Marisa Devito, Commuter Life President

The first meeting for Commuter Life will be Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> in the Lion's Den. Food will be served, and all commuters are encouraged to attend to express their issues and concerns going into the new academic year.

#### **Open Business**

Psychology Club: First meeting with be Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM (Location TBA).

Math Club: First meeting will be on Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup> next to Dr. Nymani's office at 12:30.

<u>Black Student Union:</u> First meeting will be on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 PM in the Marisa Hall Lounge.

<u>Back Porch Party Concerns – Music:</u> A student expressed concern that all of the DJ's at recent event *Battle of the DJ's* played similar music that most attendees did not enjoy. It was also mentioned that no voting took place to decide on the DJ for the Back Porch Party. Campus Activities Board Public Relations Officer Danielle Marella informed this student that Erin McCarron, Coordinator of Student Activities has found a new DJ who plays a variety of music and will cater to the students requests and tastes in music.

Meeting adjourned at: 2:13 PM.