

GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY

THE MERCY UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

Student Government Association Working Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 22nd, 2015: 2:00 PM.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday, September 29th, 2015 in the **Gavan Student Lounge**

Meeting was facilitated by members of the Executive Board.

Meeting called to order at: 2:02 PM.

Welcome: Miriam Hunte, Executive Board President

The meeting opened with SGA Executive Board President Miriam Hunte welcoming SGA members and special guest Dr. Marbach.

Prayer: Commuter Student Association

The Commuter Student Association led the entire SGA in the official SGA Prayer.

Attendance: Olivia Zitarosa, Executive Board Secretary

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Presentations of Project Proposals: Members of the SGA

Class of 2016: TV Advertising

The Class of 2016 is working on a proposal to implement televisions in various locations across campus to display announcements to students. In doing so, the University is becoming more environmentally friendly.

Dr. Marbach brought up that outside vendors will often buy the TVs and place them, and control the Advertisements that are on it – which may be a more cost effective solution.

Student Activities would control the messages on the TV, and the initial locations are to be Jeffries Hall, Farley Center and Raymond Dining Hall. More locations would be added as time goes on.

Class of 2017: Frozen Yogurt Machine

The Class of 2017 is working on a proposal to place a Frozen Yogurt Machine in the Raymond Dining Hall. This would provide students with a healthy dessert option, and update the outdated Raymond Dining Hall without construction.

A price has not yet been determined, it is envisioned that use of the Frozen Yogurt Machine will begin with Meal Swipes, and eventually move to a determined cost once popularity increases.

The Class of 2017 is looking into adding more toppings to the already existent topping bar, which only has about three toppings right now.

Class of 2018: Charging Stations and Updating the Lion's Den

The Class of 2018 is working on a proposal to add Charging Stations across campus, and to update the Lion's Den in order to turn it into more of a soft space.

The Charging Stations are a need campus wide, and have various costs. The main locations for the Charging Stations are all across campus, including the Library, Court Café, Wellness Center, Jeffries Hall and the Farley Center.

The Lion's Den can be turned into a much more entertaining place by adding a gaming console with a lock box, a projector and Blu-Ray DVD Player to play movies, old school arcade games and more comfortable seating.

Commuter Student Association: Parking Lot Modifications and Speed Bumps

The Commuter Student Association (CSA) is currently working on a proposal to trim down the speed bumps, edit the parking lot set ups, and obtain more parking locations for Commuter students.

The CSA would like to replace the speed bumps with lower and less intense speed humps. In addition, they would like to add more stop signs around Parking Lot A outside of Jeffries Hall to eliminate "close-call" accidents. Finally, the CSA would like to obtain more parking closer to the Residence Halls so Commuters can be more active in Residence Life, without the risk of walking far to their cars late at night.

Transfer Student Association: Laptop Loans

The Transfer Student Association is currently working on a proposal to address the issue that Transfer students do not receive free laptops, unlike the freshmen when they enter Georgian Court University.

This loan system would allow students to check out a laptop at the beginning of the day and return it at the end of the day for no fee. Students cannot leave campus with the laptops.

The Transfer Student Association would like to start out with about 20 laptops.

It has been brought to the Student Government Association's attention that it is very discouraging for potential Transfer students to learn that there are no laptops given to Transfer students upon their entrance to the University.

A student suggested that the University should at least give away Microsoft Office to Transfers if they choose to buy their own laptop.

By implementing a Laptop Loan Program, the University will save thousands of dollars by only buying a small number of laptops rather than buying the entire Transfer Student population laptops.

Campus Ministry: Day of Service

Campus Ministry is currently working on a proposal to implement a voluntary Day of Service at Georgian Court University. This Day of Service would be completely voluntary and include a number of service projects students can partake in throughout the day.

It was suggested that the Day of Service occurs on a Saturday and is turned into a large event that would bring out school spirit.

Campus Activities Board: Music Festival

The Campus Activities Board (CAB) is working on a proposal to begin an annual Music Festival at Georgian Court University. CAB would like to work with multiple different departments at Georgian Court including Athletics, Marketing, and Student Life. The festival would include multiple acts featuring different genres of music.

It was revealed in a survey during the Spring Semester of 2015 that a Music Festival was the number one activity students wanted at Georgian Court University. Another survey will be going out within the next week in reference to the Music Festival.

Meeting adjourned at: 3:13 PM.