

SGA Meeting Minutes

4/20/2022

Attending: Co-President Faith Manickam, Co-President Aman Seyoum, Treasurer Angelo Olayvar, Secretary Lindsey White, Student Life Rep. Rachel Roth Sawatsky, Student Life Rep. Shannon Dycus, Faculty Rep. Matthew Siderhurst, Ruth Abera, Ella Brubaker, Sam Craig, Adesola Johnson, Evan Kauffman, Christian Knight, Meredith Lehman, Molly Piwonka, Cassidy Walker

Absent: Kenzie Davis, Amy Springer Hartsell, Isaac Alderfer, Hannah Beck, Cindi Boyer

1. Call to Order at 8:12
2. Roll Call and Check-In
3. Approval of minutes from 4/13/2022
 - a. Sam motioned to approve the minutes, and Christian seconded.

Approved: Everyone

Abstaining: 0

Opposed: 0

Motion passes and minutes approved.

4. Announcements
 - a. [Collective Voices](#) of Lament and Hope [sign-up](#)
 - i. Aman says that this event has been organized by faith and spiritual life. The purpose of the event is for student leaders from around campus to express their laments and hopes, there is desire to have SGA representation at this. This is happening at convocation time (10:10) on April 27th.
5. Open Floor
 - a. Weather Vane: A Year In Review
 - i. Weather Vane has asked SGA to write a piece of this to state what some of the highlights were from SGA in the 2021-2022 school year.
 - b. Handicap Accessibility/Friendly Campus
 - i. Christian and Cassidy met with Ed Lehman with the document that they created about areas on campus that were of concern to the student body.
 - ii. Ed named that he encourages the students to call or email facilities management directly if there is an issue. Ed was also aware of the broken buttons for opening doors on campus.
 - iii. Cassidy says that Ed was super receptive to being more intentional with considering students with limited accessibility when it comes to considering updates and renovations on campus at EMU in the future.
 - iv. In the meeting, Ed also knew that the elevators were expired and it is a long process to get them renewed but that they are working on it.
 - v. Christian said that Ed was not aware that the residence halls did not have shower seats and that they will be working on this in the future. Ed also named that there is not enough staff in facilities to ensure that all the areas have needs met. Ed said that communication between facilities and

students/student leaders should be more common to ensure that these needs are met and known by facilities.

- vi. Christian said that he and Cassidy are working with university research to get a survey out soon.
- c. Open Discussion Funding Request
 - i. Christian will hold open discussion next Tuesday. There will be half off common grounds. Christain is requesting a budget request for ½ off common grounds in order to get more students to come to hear updates about the renovations for University Commons. This will be in common grounds for one hour.
 - ii. Funding Request for ½ off common ground for one hour this upcoming Tuesday during .

Motion (Sam): Cassidy seconds

Approve: 7

Against: 0

Abstaining: 2

Motion passes.

Meeting ended at 9:18 pm

Recorded by Lindsey White