

**Student Government Association
Minutes**



I. Call to order: 6:02

II. Roll Call: Justin Knarr, Natalie Bliss, Cody Ranck, Daniel Storrs, Oakley Gorman, Ethan Hinshaw, Ash Mangieri, Jocelyn Frantz, Caleb Adman, Emiliano Quinones, Malachi Snyder, Dr. Dodson-Webster, Sarah Begg, Katie Dunn, Ryan Lutz, Gavin Fessler, Alexia Hooper, Brianna Winter, Faith Burrowes, James Davies, Samara Foust, Clayton Purcell, Will Coughenour, Grayson Silva, Max Stroud, Mikaela Dioguardi, Mae Putnam, Taylor Donahue, Austin Boroch, Quinten Gee, Dr. Sechrist.

a. Excused: Kyra Keefer, Dylan Larick, Cody Larick, Myken Barnes.

III. Approval of last week Minutes

- a. So move: Knarr
- b. Second: Bliss
- c. Passes

IV. Officer Reports

- a. President: (Justin Knarr)
 - i Hello everyone, welcome back to a fun filled week. Some updates last week we had some comments regarding facility concerns. All of these are

in old business. Do not be afraid to reach out about any of the topics discussed.

- i You all received an email this week from Dan Knorr regarding the presidential search. There will be an open student forum to Dr. Osgood to get to know him. It is 4:00-4:45 on February 18th in Retan. This is a time to see his plan for the future of the University
- i We had our Superbowl part this Sunday at the HUT. We had about 50 people and it was a great time
- i Friday may 8th is the senior boat cruise. For people graduating or student teaching in the fall. This is a good time to celebrate and relax on a lake and will be a good way to end the semester.
- i Last week we discussed a survey regarding online classes. It will be delayed so me and Dr. Sechrist can discuss. Keep that in mind and we will keep you updated.

b. Vice President (Natalie Bliss)

- i Hello everyone, Just a reminder about career intensive bootcamp. If you are a junior or senior, keep an eye out for the advertisements. It looks good on a resume, and it was great last time
- i In alumni 307 there is an anti-hazing event. It is open to everyone and is very important. It was very insightful. It is on February 18th at 7:00.
- i Please come speak to me about a committee if you haven't already. Please make sure if you are on a committee you are reporting on said committee. Even if it is no report. If you have not heard from a committee please let me know!

c. Treasurer (Cody Ranck)

- i COF Balance: - \$6,250

- i SGA Balance: - \$49,586.16
- d. Parliamentarian (Daniel Storrs)
 - i We have no new applicants today.
- e. PR Director (Oakley Gorman)
 - i Follow and tag the SGA Instagram page! (@mansfield_sga)
https://www.instagram.com/mansfield_sga/
 - i Spring Fling is being planned. We are weighing the options that work best for our funding.
- f. Secretary (Ethan Hinshaw)
 - i No Report.
- g. Director of Technology (Ash Mangieri)
 - i No Report.

V. Committee Reports

- a. University Committee Reports:
 - i. Commonwealth University (CU) Senate: (Justin Knarr)
 - 1. Our first meeting was today, I was not able to go but I will report back soon.
 - ii. Academic Policy Committee: (Faith Burrowes)
 - 1. NR
 - iii. IT Subcommittee: (Ash Mangieri)

1. NR

iv. Student Affairs and Admissions Committee: (Martina Bradford)

1. No Report

v. CCSI: (Justin Knarr)

1. The first meeting will likely be Thursday March 5 from 5-5:30. We will find out shortly.

vi. Mansfield Assembly: (Justin Knarr)

1. NR

vii. DEI Committee:

- 1.

viii. Committee on Finance (COF): (Cody Ranck)

1. COF met this past Friday, we were able to give criminal justice club \$2,500 for a trip to Washington DC.
2. COF will also meet tomorrow for reallocations. We will be busy for the next couple of weeks.

ix. Student Success and Campus Life Committee:

- 1.

x. Bylaw Committee: (Daniel Storrs)

1. We are looking at having some meetings soon to look over certain changes for the constitution. Let me know if you would like to join.

xi. Food Committee: (Katie Dunn)

1. I have much to report. We had our first meeting of the year this week. They are working on getting a higher variety of sodas, specifically diet sodas. They are looking to add new menu items. Specifically, in the pasta department.
2. They wanted me to remind you to look out for signs they post for certain events they host.
3. The following are tentative ideas: We discussed some of the old Lower Manser items and how we can work them into a limited time menu at Mountie Bites. They are also looking into getting more grill options
4. The stair entrance to lower Manser is now open!!! The elevator is not yet working.
5. There is a survey that they would like us to take. There are QR codes around, you will be entered to win a \$50 gift card.

xii. Fundraising Committee:

- 1.

xiii. Commencement Committee:

- 1.

xiv. First Year Experience Committee:

- 1.

xv. Space and Facilities Committee: (Kyra Keefer)

1. The full committee met today and discussed the use of Alumni and the Lower Manser renovations. There will be a campus committee meeting this upcoming Monday to discuss the Mansfield facilities in more detail.

xvi. Advancement Committee: (Clayton Purcell)

- 1.

VI. House of Representatives

a. ACDA: (Jocelyn Frantz)

- i. Last night, ACDA hosted our very own Dr. Tatman who shared with us an enlightening presentation on “Choral Music as a Guiding Light for Developing Empathy and Inclusion.”
- ii. Additionally, we are preparing for our trip to the ACDA Eastern Region Conference in Rhode Island in just two weeks and are very excited!

b. BSU: (N/A)

- i.

c. Carontawan: (N/A)

- i.

- d. E-Sports Club: (James Davies)
 - i. NR
- e. FHP (Future Healthcare Professionals): (N/A)
 - i.
- f. Flashlight: (Lilly Ulsh)
 - i.
- g. Geoscience club: (N/A)
 - i.
- h. IFC: (N/A)
 - i.
- i. Mansfield Opera Theater (MOT): (Caleb Adman)
 - i. NR
- j. MU Cheer Team: (Kyra Keefer)
 - i. No Report
- k. Musical Theatre Organization (MTO): (Sarah Begg)
 - i. Opening night for Man of La Mancha is in 3 weeks. Please come support out students!
- l. MUSVO: (N/A)
 - i.
- m. Panhellenic Council: (N/A)
 - i.
- n. PCMEA: (Clayton Purcell)
 - i. We had our weekly e-board meeting last Friday at 5.

- ii. Our next meeting is Wednesday 2/18 at 5pm in Butler 163
where our own Dr. Walters will be presenting information on
copyright laws.
- o. Photography Club: (N/A)
 - i.
- p. Political Science Club: (Gavin Fessler)
 - i. Our first meeting is on Tuesday, February 17th in Retan 202 at
3pm.
- q. Psychology Club: (Brianna Winter)
 - i. We met today at 4 and we will meet ever Thursday in Memorial
- r. ROTARACT: (N/A)
 - i.
- s. SAAC:
 - i.
- t. SAGA: (Samara Foust)
 - i. We have officially changed the name of Second Chance Prom
to the Lavender Prom.
- u. Snow Sports Club (SSC): (Cody Larick)
 - i. No Report
- v. SPSEA: (N/A)
 - i.
- w. Steadman Studios: (Mae Putnam)
 - i. My report was that we did not meet at Steadman studios this
week but next Wednesday at 5pm we will be having Emmy

award winning sound designer/audio engineer Grace

Stensland presenting

- x. WNTe: (Faith Burrowes)
 - i. We discussed upcoming events that we can do this semester
- y. MU Horn Club: (Martina Bradford)
 - i. No Report
- z. Art and Design Guild: (Katie Dunn)
 - i. NR
- aa. Criminal Justice Club: (Alexia Hooper)
 - i. We were approved for our DC trip for April 3rd. Thank you to COF!
- bb. Fisheries and Aquaculture: (Will Coughenour)
 - i. NR
- cc. Mansfield Navigators: (Grayson Silva)
 - i. We will meet today here in 307 at 7:30.
- dd. MU Bass Fishing: (Myken Barnes)
 - i. No Report
- ee. Mansfield Golf Club: (Dylan Larick)
 - i. No Report

VII. Old Business

- a. Motion to discuss Facilities
 - i. Justin: Here are Dr. Sechrist's responses to the questions/comments regarding our discussion last week:

Snow/ice covered stairs around campus as well as salting the steps. Several students were unsatisfied with why some buildings were taken care of and others were not.

It did take a while for the grounds crew to take care of the stairs around campus with the cold temperatures and high winds. If there are specific buildings or stairs, let me know and we can address them. The more specific information I have to share, the better.

Lower Manser Restrooms: The cleanliness of Lower Manser as a whole but specifically the bathrooms since student still use the space and those facilities.

They were cleaned today. Lower Manser is cleaned by Aramark and not our campus facilities team. We are monitoring this more closely now as we have been frustrated with the lack of service to cleaning lower Manser.

There were also concerns with it being the second week of the semester and there already being elevator problems and ID scanner problems within the resident halls. Students noted that the elevators were an issue at the end of last semester but it was thought that the problem was resolved.

I heard about one elevator but not the ID scanners. If there are specific elevators that have problems, let me know and I will ask for an update.

Also were you able to have a productive conversation with Donny?

I did speak with Donny and he said he would review allergen concerns with his staff. He indicated that they do take proper caution when it comes to allergies at Mountie Coffee and in the residence halls. He also stated that they do not promote allergen station over at coffee and that they want all allergen students to take advantage of our true station in Residential. That being said, if students run into the issue again, please let me know as we want to make sure we are protecting students.

VIII. New Business

- a. Motion to Give Taylor and Austin the floor.
 - i. So moved: Knarr
 - ii. Second: Bliss

- iii. Discussion about: Division of Student Affairs. We would like to invite you to an event with a very important person in administration. These are for non-academic services that are very important to students on campus. Tuesday February 24th in Alumni 307. They would like to hear your opinions about the Division of Student Affairs. We are very excited to have this division to hear your needs and wants on campus. Student voices are very important and make student life better.
- b. Motion to discuss excused absences in class.
 - i. So moved: Winter
 - ii. Second: Hinshaw
 - iii. Discussion about: Brianna Winter- Are professors allowed to add an additional assignment for excused absences? I have a letter through disability and was wondering if they were still able to do that.
 - 1. Dr. Sechrist- It depends on the letter and that is a discussion that needs to be had with the professor.
 - 2. Dr. Dodson-Webster- As a professor, it is important that you advocate for yourself as a student. They may not know all the details of this letter and should be able to meet with you about it.
 - iv. Move to vote:
 - v. Passes or Does not pass

IX. Senator Comments

- a. Mikaela: I was wondering if we were doing the NYC bus trip for the spring and if we are doing it?

1. Justin: I have not heard anything yet. I will contact Steve Plesac about that.

X. Faculty Representative (Dr. Dodson-Webster)

- a. No Report

XI. Advisor

- a.

XII. Announcements

- a.

XIII. Public Q & A

- a. Quinten: Do we have state representatives come in or communication between these groups on campus?
 - i. Justin: We have not had that personally, I have occasionally been in contact with them, but that is just me personally.
 - ii. Dr. Sechrist: We have had them on campus before, and it is up to SGA to decide if they would like them to be involved in these meetings.

XIV. Adjournment

- a. So move: Knarr
- b. Second: Bliss
 - i. Passes at 6:34