

## **STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION MEETING**

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 - 12:00 PM - Acadian Center, Room 127

Call to Order .....Jase McDonald, President

Meeting was called to order by Jase McDonald at 11:58; Secretary Jake Hammond seconded the motion. .

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call ...... Jake Hammond, Secretary

Absent Senators are as follows: Gracie King, Olivia Hennen, Brianne Cormier, and Mallory Cyriaque

## Old Business:

School Songs ...... Jase McDonald, President

President Jase McDonald broke the news that the LSU band has agreed, via a zoom call, to record our fight song. We will be bringing a small congregation to watch the recording as well.

Election Day Survey ...... Jase McDonald, President

President Jase McDonald also shared that, after sending out a survey, that 83% of students voted on our voting holiday, which is far above the national average.

New Business:

Freshman Senator Appointee ...... Jake Hammond, Secretary

Secretary Jake Hammond appointed Cendall Barton, freshman senator, to the 2020-2021 LSUE Student Government by a:

15 Yay 0 Nay 0 Abstain

Charging Station Finance Bill...... Ali Christopherson, Senator

Ali Christopherson introduces a bill to put an additional charging station in each of the buildings on campus. She states that they are actively used by students on campus and there is a need for more.

Maddie Ardoin went over our budget report: We started with \$73,000, we have spent \$17,777.81, and now currently sit at \$55,222.19.

FLOOR WAS OPENED FOR DEBATE:

Roman Vidrine stated that because there is damage to the station particularly in the Acadian Center and there is a need for a replacement.

Ali states that this money is for six charging stations AS WELL AS two seats and a side table for each location.

Brooklyn Boardman states that, if there was a wait for these stations, then we could actually allocate these funds.

Jase McDonald also stated that we could possibly amend it down to two stations.

Noah Beason and Ali Christopherson debated about the necessity of these stations; both agreed that, while we could use these stations, we don't need six AND furniture.

Secretary Jake Hammond proposes an amendment to the bill for two charging stations and NO furniture.

Jase McDonald calls this amended bill to a vote, Brooklyn Boardman seconds the motion.

The amended bill for \$1200 dollars to provide two charging stations was passed:

15 yay 0 nay 0 abstain

Office Improvement Bill...... Ali Christopherson, Senator

Ali Christopherson proposes a bill for a coffee bar, extension cords, and a microwave for the SGA office to brighten the mood, make it look more professional, and donate past supplies for the Veterans Association on Campus.

There was no debate.

This bill was passed by a:

15 yay 0 nay 0 abstain

Christmas Tree Bill ...... Meghan Comeaux, Senator

Senator Meghan Comeaux proposes a bill to buy a pro-decorated Christmas tree for the SGA Office. There will be room on the tree for decorations all though it is pre-decorated. We already have Christmas decorations in the office so the majority of that is already paid for. Everyone is PUMPED.

There was no debate.

Jase McDonald called this to a vote, Paige Luquette seconded the motion

This bill passed by a vote of:

15 yay 0 nay 0 abstain

Furniture Bill ...... Jake Hammond, Secretary

Secretary Jake Hammond brought a bill to the floor to spend \$850 to go towards a cross-sectional sofa off amazon.com for the SGA room. His reasons were as follows: comfort, accessibility, style,

and being able to donate past furniture to Veteran's Affairs here on campus.

Everybody supported the idea. Dr. Kyle Smith actually brought up a similar cross-sectional sofa that costs a similar amount; but because it is on a state website would give us free-shipping.

Multiple senators including Ali Christopherson, Brylee Siebert, and Meghan Comeaux spoke about rearranging the layout of the office to ensure there is enough room for such a large piece of furniture. President Jase McDonald ensured that there is enough room and we could accomplish the space we need by moving the conference table more towards the center.

Jase McDonald called the amended finance bill for \$850 for a cross-sectional sofa in the SGA office off of the state sponsored website. Senator Abby Touchet seconded the motion.

This finance bill was passed by a vote of:

15 yay 0 nay 0 abstain

Upcoming Events:

Reminder: Additional Comments

President Jase McDonald stressed the importance of spending this money for campus improvements and applauded those who wrote legislation to do so for this meeting.

Dr. Kyle Smith briefly went over the designs for new signs outside of our campus that would give a more modernized feel to the campus.

Secretary Jake Hammond spoke on the importance of spending this money as well; stating that Eunice has the chance to be a college town. By continuing to improve the look of campus, LSU-Eunice would be a more attractive choice for prospective students. There is no reason there can't be 10,000 students on this campus.

President Jase McDonald also said that, in the coming weeks, we will be discussing a project to commemorate the championships won by our athletic programs.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned by President Jase McDonald at 12:38.