

Rollins College

Rollins Scholarship Online

SGA Meeting Minutes

Student Government Association

10-13-2021

Meeting Minutes from October 13, 2021

Rollins College Student Government Association

Follow this and additional works at: https://scholarship.rollins.edu/sga_minutes

Recommended Citation

Rollins College Student Government Association, "Meeting Minutes from October 13, 2021" (2021). *SGA Meeting Minutes*. 180.

https://scholarship.rollins.edu/sga_minutes/180

This Minutes is brought to you for free and open access by the Student Government Association at Rollins Scholarship Online. It has been accepted for inclusion in SGA Meeting Minutes by an authorized administrator of Rollins Scholarship Online. For more information, please contact rwalton@rollins.edu.

The regular weekly meeting of the Rollins College Student Government Association was held on October 13th, 2021 at 7:05pm, at Rollins College in the Galloway Room of Kathleen W. Rollins Hall.

- **Call to Order**
- **Roll Call**
- **Welcome**
- **Approval of Minutes**
 - Approved
- **Speakers**
 - Ed Kania
 - Vice President for Business and Finance and Treasurer
 - Review of the budget for the year ending in 2022
 - Net tuition pays for ⅓ of the college's operating funds
 - Residential halls takes up the second most
 - Foodservice is next- 7 percent
 - Money we get we put back in the quality/quantity of food
 - Some comes from scholarships, financial aid, etc
 - Endowment- a collection of gifts from donors
 - Alford inn was built with donor money- net cash flow gets invested into endowment and into the Alford scholarship program
 - Net cashflow from the new addition will provide money for new scholarships
 - Tuition is increasing due to endowment not being enough
 - Endowment is allocated by donor decree
 - Like a giant Rollins mutual fund
 - Making sure to spend the money based on donors decree
 - Donor money communicated to the donor
 - Alford scholars funding does not fully fund the scholars program
 - Salaries are 59 percent of operating budget
- **Executive Reports**
 - A. President
 - Reminders on etiquette
 - Be careful not to be hostile to the guest speaker, feel free to ask any question you have
 - Professional attire
 - Moving back our deadline to submit legislation- from Tuesday at 5 pm to Sunday at 5 pm
 - For holt students
 - Student org
 - SGA exec meetings on Sundays- we can review the legislation at that time
 - Constitution article 4- gives the president to veto bills and legislation

- Vetoing bill- takes away power from Student life committee
- Make sure to submit legislation early
- No debate- no way to bring up amendment
- Importance to allow free and open debate
- Senate has the power to determine how long meetings last
- Give some opportunity for people to speak
- Few meetings
 - Donna Lee- Regarding student athlete mental health
 - Planning on having a sports psychologist- office based in sports center but is doing outreach
 - President Cornwell
 - Get to 90 percent vaccination for residential students by the end of the month for a fall Fox Day
 - First student org council meeting
 - Great turnout- waiting on feedback
 - Mixed feelings on how this wants to be placed

B. Vice President

- Start getting legislations in- don't want a 5 hour long meeting
- One piece of legislation per semester
- At senate retreat- org senators got contact info

C. Chief Justice

- Presenting nominees for Judicial Board- 3/4ths majority of the Senate

D. Academic Affairs

- Attended a faculty presentation university in music and stem
 - Working with research to put in Stem classrooms
- Finding a place for the task force to fit in college's governance
- Planning to meet with the head of this committee for 128
 - May need to discuss with class senators

E. Internal Relations

- Nothing to report

F. Public Relations

- Racial climate survey
 - Important for SGA to vote on the survey due to SGA showing public support

G. Events

- Homecoming week went really well! There was a great turnout of students, faculty, and staff
- Because of rain, the extravaganza was rescheduled for 10/21 from 5 to 7 pm. on Mills Lawn
- First Events committee meeting will be this week, will have more updates once we meet
- The winner of the SGA Homecoming banner competition was AOII. I emailed the competition winners.

H. Finance

- 7 funding requests in total- 6 accepted and one is pending

I. Student Life

- Nothing to report

J. Diversity and Inclusion

- Diversity equity and inclusion roundtable is coming up
- Discussing diversity fair
- Pulse remembrance- will have speakers and survivors
- LASA is having a latin fest

K. Attorney General

- Position Vacant

L. President Pro Tempore

- Nothing to report

M. Advisors

- Sent out the form yesterday

- **Organizational Senator Reports**

A. Center for Leadership & Community Engagement (CLCE)

- SSF
 - Food pantry – perishable, non- perishable items, hygiene products – open for Faculty, Staff and students
 - Can apply for emergency relief grants
 - Go to Rollins website – CLCE or SSF website you can find the website to order and it will go to the fox lodge where they can pick it up
- Immersion sign up is open and closes next Wednesday

B. CCLP

- Nothing to report

C. Wellness

- In conversation with Keiona Thomas, the clinical case coordinator in the wellness center.
 - They do not necessarily have a full document which is ready to present to the student body but seems open to assisting
 - Anyone had any suggestions for how best to spread that info once they have it?
 - Wellness ambassadors are utilized, but they know there are better ways

D. Accessibility

- Not present

E. Fraternity & Sorority Life (FSL)

- Position Vacant

F. Residential Life and Explorations (RLE)

- RLE wants to remind students to continue to wear masks indoors, especially in the dorm buildings.
- Please submit your vaccination status under Foxlink.

- It does not matter if it is vaccinated, unvaccinated, or no-response, just submit your status.
- G. LGBTQ+ Advocacy
 - Position Vacant
- H. Student Media
 - Sandspur had a discussion regarding involvement with SGA
 - If you would like to write about anything regarding SGA in the sandspur
 - WPRK is holding FoxFest on November 6
 - Student media is now a professional news source
- I. International Affairs
 - Not present
- J. Student Athlete Advisory
 - Meeting with advisor tomorrow to discuss legislation
 - Encouraging athlete vaccination
 - Punishments in sports
 - Working on finding a contact for tarbucks to use tarbucks as they used to
- K. Sustainability
 - Debate whether who should be contact
 - Legislation idea to help program
- L. Campus Safety and Security
 - Position Vacant
- M. Institutional Advancement
 - Position Vacant
- N. Holt Graduate Programs
 - Position Vacant
- O. External and Competitive Scholarships
 - Position Vacant
- P. Parliamentarian
 - Nothing to report
- **Ad-hoc Committees**
 - Constitutional Revision
 - Nothing to report- meeting soon
 - COVID
 - Nothing to report
 - International Student Representation
 - Nothing to report
- **Open Forum**
 - Organizational council
 - At org council meeting- concerned regarding this being a second branch of the senate
 - Lose representation of students and efficacy
 - Solution- have org council as an advisory position and have a senator representation

- o Up to the senate for the decision- don't want to force student orgs to have more power than they want
 - This is a way to invite them into SGA
 - This will be there for the near future- still collecting feedback
- Scuba team
 - o No longer an allowance for scuba team to use Alford pool- cannot scuba dive in Lakeside pool
 - o Not accessible to students because they may have to go off campus
 - o Currently looking into writing legislation on this
 - o Working with swim team to change times for practice
 - o Swim team
 - Did not need as many practices as last year
 - Swim team is a D2 team
 - Scheduling issues with people
 - MWF swim to 3-7 PM
 - TUTH- 6-9:30 AM
 - Not practical for scuba team
 - Saturday and Sundays only feasible times
 - o Scuba not practicing- not knowing what is going on
 - o 6:30-8 for class
 - o 2 teams of sizable portions
 - o Just because scuba team is not a professional team- it's important for certification for scuba
 - o Alford pool was open to all students and to the public- just because the scuba team doesn't bring in revenue doesn't mean it can't exist
 - o Can be worked into the schedule
 - o In the interest meeting- did not want to interfere with swim team
 - o Squeezing everyone in the pool is not feasible
 - o People have class
 - o Figure out for stretches outside of the pool area
 - o Is there a reason to not meet on Sunday?
 - o Scuba is a club sport
 - o PE is not being offered as a requirement anymore
 - Curriculum committee established a taskforce to deal with this
 - o Swim team lift MWF- so big that cannot fit in weight room
 - o 90 minutes of pool time needed
 - o Alford pool is not completely for swim team
 - o Problem started with no access
- Sports counselors
 - o No problems with hiring a sports psychologist
 - o Wellness center is in a process of adding trauma counselors and addiction services
 - o A lot more to do to add more counselors

- o Working on legislation regarding this
- Puppy stress relief session
 - o Really great with SGA to collaborate with a humane society for a puppy stress relief session
 - o Can be puppies and older dogs
 - o Great for stress relief
 - o Doing yoga
 - o Start small?
 - o Very beneficial for the student body
 - o During finals week maybe
 - o Olin used to do this on finals week- collaborated with wellness center
 - o Wellness center used to do this with kittens
 - o Hard to find an org to bring pets
 - o SGA did this in the past during exam week
 - o Brought this up in discussion before- for events committee to discuss
- Campus cat removal
 - o Address the potential removal of cats
 - Orlando potentially has rats come into campus
 - Stress reliever
 - There is no reason to remove these cats here
 - o Rats could come in if the cats leave- lots of open spaces for takeover
 - o Orlando has a feral cat problem- these cats are domesticated
 - o If we take these cats away, more feral cats could come in
 - o Cost benefit analysis- the effort to remove the cats would far outshine the effort it takes to take care of the cats
 - o Smaller solutions to potentially mitigate the problem
 - o Not immediate issue, Tracy is working on this
 - o People are already working on this
 - o SGA support the cats on campus
 - o Important part of Rollins culture
 - o Cats reproduce really quickly- reproducing at a much slower rate
 - o Hold off- hearsay
 - o No problem yet and no need for legislation
- Finance speaker debrief
 - o Come in a couple of times before
 - o Exec board has people who meet with him on a semi frequent basis. Any questions?
 - Is there way we can get a bullet point list? (it's on the minutes)
- Meeting times
 - o Meetings are going very long even with no bills
 - o Get these bills in soon
 - o We need to keep meeting times down
 - o Senate should have full control

- o Keep reports down to a minute/2 minutes
 - o Debating bills- you can limit debate and have time limits/limit speakers
 - o Don't ramble on
 - o Open forum takes a long time- some discussions should be limited to a private meeting and summarized during open forum
 - o One of the joys of open forum is that we get to hear issues that you may not be aware of
 - o Set limit of things discussed during open forum
 - o Maximize open forum- can we minimize the other stuff
 - o Professionalism needs to be a requirement which helps with saving time
 - o Serious organization
 - o Motion to end discussion, change topic, etc
 - o Specific question to a specific person
 - **Old Business**
 - o Vacant Class Senator Elections
 - Senior Class Senators (2)
 - Holt School Senators (2)
 - o Organizational Senator Elections
 - E. Fraternity & Sorority Life (FSL)
 - None
 - F. LGBTQ Advocacy
 - None
 - G. Campus Safety and Security
 - Kayla Pholek
 - L. Institutional Advancement
 - None
 - M. Holt Graduate Programs
 - None
 - N. External and Competitive Scholarships
 - None
 - **New Business**
 - o Legislations not sent in- pushed back to next session
- The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Ellie Holder, SGA Internal and External Affairs