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### Meeting Minutes from January 26, 2022

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The regular weekly meeting of the Rollins College Student Government Association was held on January 26, 2021, at 7:00pm, at Rollins College via WebEx. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as correct after a vote by the Senate.

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Roll Call**

**III. Welcome**

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

- Approved

**V. Speakers**

- John Crossman - Professionalism

**VI. Executive Reports**

A. President

- Welcome back! We are optimistic that we can return to hybrid meetings soon.
- We have exec board positions open, Chief Justice, Attorney General, D&I, apply to become a part of the E-Board
- The college has asked us for student input on the DEI Strategic Planning Initiative
  - Need at least one student representative for each of the task forces, doesn't need to be an SGA member, all students are welcome to apply. Students get real power and a voice in the planning process through this opportunity
- Task Forces:
  - Student Recruitment and Retention
  - Faculty and Staff Hiring Retention
  - DEI Capacity Building
  - Institutional Policies, Practices, and Procedures
  - DEI in the Academic Program
  - Apply if interested, email is going out with information to all campus
- The Student Affairs VP is spearheading a master planning process for ResLife
  - Looking for better practices for housing and student life
  - Vee has stepped up to fill a rep position for them, we need one more
  - Fill out the application if you are interested in this, link will be emailed to all campus

B. Vice President

- Housing Town Hall on Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> to help inform the master planning process for RLE
- Students meeting with the housing specialist working with the Student Life VP to discuss the plan for a town hall
- Trying to pick students for committees in a week or so

### C. Chief Justice

- No Report

### D. Academic Affairs

- CC passed the following:
  - Holt Certificate in Racial Reconciliation and Community Restoration. Next step - EC approval
  - Incomplete Grade Policy. Next step - EC approval
  - Honors Divisional Exception. Next step - EC approval
  - Honors ECMP Proposal. Next step - EC approval
  - Health and Wellness Resolution - Next step - EC approval
- Seeking student comments on:
  - Proposal to limit Theater major emphases to one (rather than unlimited)

### E. Internal Relations

- No Report

### F. Public Relations

- Tag us on social media! We are active again
- PR is meeting again next week, reach out if you need promo materials
- The wellness center is doing booster shots, you can get one and update your Foxlink
- Recruitment is a huge priority, we have lots of positions to fill and we'd love you to spread the word, especially for those non-SGA committees requesting student members

### G. Events

- Lip sync is scheduled
- Pre-SGA Senate Picnic planning is happening!
- Tabling events are coming soon, we want to promote SGA to students
  - Common Hour 2X a month, sign up for time to volunteer through Excel

### H. Finance

- Met with Elizabeth and Bethann Durlin to discuss an accessibility audit being done
- Committee is delving into research on accessibility funding at Rollins vs. other institutions
- Starting plans for a Finance town hall soon
- Meeting with Ed Kania soon

### I. Student Life

- No Report

### J. Diversity & Inclusion

- No Report

### K. Attorney General

- No Report

### L. President Pro Tempore

- Reach out to your constituents!
- 1:1 meetings are available

### M. Advisors

- Reach out to your constituents!

- 1:1 meetings are available

## VII. Organizational Senator Reports

### A. Center for Leadership & Community Engagement (CLCE)

- Emerging Leadership institute applications are out
  - For all students (including Holt)
  - Apps close January 31st
- February 17th- Second annual Thaddeus and Polly Seymour Acts of Kindness day
  - Is there any way SGA can get involved?

### B. Center for Career & Life Planning (CCLP)

- No Report

### C. Wellness

- Making Money Moves – Tomorrow 12-2pm, Olin Lawn
- Dantea Days – Friday the 28th, Olin Lawn
- Coping Skills Workshop – Friday the 28th, WebEx link in emails
- Boosters are available! And they're good for you! And you can put them in Foxlink!

### D. Accessibility

- Accessibility and Inclusion Task Force, join in and help publicize this!
  - Get volunteer hours by sending Kate an email
  - Met with Bethann, the taskforce will give Accessibility office feedback and help improve, new director is really interested in making positive changes
  - There is an application process for the task force, we plan to discuss Access Ally training, run down Accessibility services, audit the website
- ESA policy is being updated, stay tuned for changes

### E. Fraternity & Sorority Life (FSL)

- Position Vacant

### F. Residential Life and Explorations (RLE)

- Met with Juan Escobar – housing selection is coming soon, wants feedback on choosing housing
- RA/PM/HM application is up on Handshake, RA app is due Feb. 1st
- Looking forward to RLE planning group

### G. LGBTQ+ Advocacy

- Professors can see your pronouns as they take attendance on their rosters

### H. Student Media

- Submissions are open for the Independent from now through March 23.
- Independent applications are open for the following positions: content editors, illustrators, and layout designers. Application deadline is March 21.

### I. International Affairs

- No Report

### J. Student Athlete Advisory

- No Report

### K. Sustainability

- No Report

L. Campus Safety and Security

- Be mindful of COVID restrictions, keep mask on in all indoor spaces, preferably medical grade mask

M. Institutional Advancement

- No Report

N. Holt Graduate Programs

- Position Vacant

O. External and Competitive Scholarships

- Met with Dr. Abdon – less external and competitive scholarships so more time for grad school personal statements! In the lull period she is able to help with that
- Info session for summer programs potentially in the works
- Hoping to hire 2 work-studies in the department
- More outreach for the next Fulbright application process – great idea to reach out early in your Rollins career

P. Parliamentarian

- Position Vacant

**VIII. Ad-hoc Committees**

- Constitutional Revision
  - i. No report
- COVID
  - i. No report
- International Student Representation
  - i. No report

**IX. Open Forum**

- Idea for Act of Kindness Day
  - SGA could get flowers for the people that work in Dining Services
  - We could do that for all campus staff, facilities, Sodexo, etc (maybe handwritten notes?)
- Accessibility task force
  - Are there things that the task force should look into?
  - 2019 audit – was that ever looked into? Student eyes have never been on that and the director when it was being reviewed was Whitney Horton
  - <https://www.thesandspur.org/after-delays-analysis-of-2019-accessibility-audit-begins/>
  - <https://www.thesandspur.org/new-accessibility-director-hopes-to-fulfill-2019-audit-recommendations/>
- CC Seating
  - In the busy hours of the CC, removing the chairs has not de-densified the dining hall, not enough people are using to go options
  - Student Life visited this issue last year, Daniel recommends reaching out to Elizabeth Smith and committee so that they can make this issue a formal agenda item
  - Ask to be invited
  - Student life will be meeting soon and Evan Link will bring this up
- Allergies at CC
  - Cross contamination and ingredient substitution has caused a student to have allergic reactions, workers are being retrained to avoid this issue and Sodexo is

- working to solve the issue
  - This has been a historical problem, two years ago they said this issue would be fixed and it is recurring
  - Student Life committee could bring this up to dining services and legislation could be written
- Curriculum Change Voting
  - Executive Committee is reviewing the changes that CC has approved
  - Holt Certificate in Racial Reconciliation and Community Restoration
  - Incomplete Grade Policy
  - Honors Divisional Exception
  - If the honors course can come from any division, what does that say about the rigor of honors courses
  - Honors ECMP Proposal
  - Health and Wellness Resolution
- Housing
  - Res Life is looking to possibly change how housing registration priorities are organized
  - Would students prefer credit hour over cohorts for priority?
  - Credit hours could be more universal (discussion limited to 10 minutes)
  - Within this new system, would students with housing accommodations still have priority over everything else?
  - Vee will check
  - This could be overcomplicated and messy, it would be more confusing than it would offer benefit
  - Students from low-income areas have less AP and college credit opportunities, to offer students who came in with credits priority over others would be an equity issue

## **X. Old Business**

- Remaining Senator Positions
  - i. Vacant Class Senator Positions
    - a. Freshman Class Senator
      - Aidan Chinn
    - b. Sophomore Class Senator
    - c. Senior Class Senators (2)
    - d. Holt Class Senators (2)
  - ii. Organizational Senators
    - a. Holt Graduate Programs
- Legislation 2021.XX: Welcome Act
  - Sponsor(s): Christian Mahlstedt
  - Issue Addressed: SGA GPA Requirement
  - Result: Aidan Chinn

## **XI. New Business**

- None

The meeting adjourned at 9 pm.

Daniel Elliot, SGA President