STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF
MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INC.
AGENDA: February 27th, 2019
Student Center Room 411

“Action is the foundational key to all success.” — Pablo Picasso

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XII. ADJOURNMENT
BILL #S2019-004

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INCORPORATED THAT:

WHEREAS: The Scholarship Fund established by the Student Government is used to provide funding to those deserving student leaders excelling in academics who are in need of financial assistance and;

WHEREAS: The SGA Executive Board started to give out scholarships in the Fall Semester.

WHEREAS: The SGA Executive Board has agreed that more funds need to be put back into the line in order to give scholarships in the Spring as well.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: $12,000 be moved from Unappropriated Surplus to the Scholarship Fund.

Submitted by:
Serafina R. Genise
SGA President
January 23rd, 2019

Endorsed by:
Vincent Osei
SGA Treasurer
January 23rd, 2019

Emma C. Rush
President of the Scholarship Fund
January 23rd, 2019

Jillian D. Royal
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INCORPORATED THAT:

WHEREAS: In order to maintain the financial credibility of the Student Government Association Inc. The SGA Financial Policies and Procedures are in need of updating to further instruct and assist all SGA Organizations when accessing funds for all SGA funded events and;

WHEREAS: The Financial Policies and Procedures have been revised to reflect the process the SGA Executive Treasurer and SGA Bookkeeper will be enforcing to streamline efficiency and effectiveness.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: That the proposed revision to the SGA Financial Policies and Procedures be approved.

Submitted by:
Serafina R. Genise
SGA President
January 23rd, 2019

Endorsed by:
Vincent Osei
SGA Treasurer
January 23rd, 2019
BILL #S2019-008

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY, INC. THAT:

WHEREAS: MSU United Asian American Student Organization (UAASO), Class 1 Organization of the Student Government Association, needs a budget increase of $5,000 for the Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Festival (APIH) that will be held on April 30, 2019 at University Hall 7th Floor from 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM.

WHEREAS: The purpose of this bill is to provide MSU UAASO with the additional funding the organization needs to host this event.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: MSU UAASO requests $5,000 from Supplemental Appropriation to cover the cost of this event. Breakdown is attached.

Submitted by:

Jack Zhang
SGA Legislator

February 2, 2019

Breakdown:

Supplemental Appropriation: $5,000

TOTAL: $5,000
BILL #S2019-010

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INC. THAT:

WHEREAS: Multicultural Psychology Scholars (MPS), a class IV organization would like to purchase a tablecloth for their organization and;

WHEREAS: Multicultural Psychology Scholars would like to use this tablecloth for future events they will host.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Multicultural Psychology Scholars receives $97.00 from matching funds to cover the cost of the tablecloth. Breakdown is attached.

Submitted By:

James Rush
SGA Legislator

February 6th, 2019

BREAKDOWN
Tablecloth: $194.00
Total: $194.00

SGA pays: $97.00
Multicultural Psychology Scholars Club pays: $97.00
BILL #S2019-011

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INCORPORATED THAT:

WHEREAS: Computer Club would like to charter as a Class IV organization under the Student Government Association and;

WHEREAS: Computer Club would be a great benefit to the Montclair State University undergraduate campus community and;

WHEREAS: Computer Club would like to receive a charter for the Fall 2019 to Spring 2020 time period.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Computer Club receives a charter from Fall 2019 to Spring 2020.

Submitted by:
Givonna Boggans
SGA Legislator
February 9th, 2019
BILL #S2019-012

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INCORPORATED THAT:

WHEREAS: Blockchain Club would like to charter as a Class IV organization under the Student Government Association and;

WHEREAS: Blockchain Club would be a great benefit to the Montclair State University undergraduate campus community and;

WHEREAS: Blockchain Club would like to receive a charter for the Fall 2019 to Spring 2020 time period.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Montclair State Blockchain Club receives a charter from Fall 2019 to Spring 2020.

Submitted by:
Givonna Boggans
SGA Legislator
February 9th, 2019
BILL #S2019-013

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INCORPORATED THAT:

WHEREAS: MedLife would like to charter as a Class IV organization under the Student Government Association and;

WHEREAS: MedLife would be a great benefit to the Montclair State University undergraduate campus community and;

WHEREAS: MedLife would like to receive a charter for the Fall 2019 to Spring 2020 time period.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: MedLife receives a charter from Fall 2019 to Spring 2020.

Submitted by:
Givonna Boggans
SGA Legislator
February 9th, 2019
BILL #S2019-014

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INCORPORATED THAT:

WHEREAS: Student Life at Montclair (SLAM) the Executive Programming Board of the SGA is tasked with bringing the campus community together by planning events to be enjoyed by the campus community and;

WHEREAS: SLAM has plans for an event, that has never been done, this semester and;

WHEREAS: There is currently not enough funds in the Spring Programming to execute this event.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: $7,500 be moved from Unappropriated Surplus to the Spring Programming line.

Submitted by:
Serafina R. Genise
SGA President
February 11th, 2019
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY, INC. THAT:

WHEREAS: The Food Advisory Committee, otherwise known as the Dining Committee of the Student Government Association, would like to require dining services to be more cautious about cross contamination in all of the dining locations on campus and;

WHEREAS: It has come to the dining committees attention that the dining locations on campus including, but not limited to, Grill Nation and Panda Express are not being cautious of cross contamination practices by cooking different food groups on the same grills and the same oils, this affects the portion of the student body which follows certain dietary guidelines including, but not limited to: Kosher, Hallal, Gluten Free, Vegan, Vegetarian, Other Allergens and restrictions, etc.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Dining Services supplies an area in every dining location that is specifically used for these food restrictions, by either proper sanitizing a portion of the old equipment and no longer using it for all of the food groups by keeping the equipment separate; or that they purchase new equipment which can be used for these food groups.

Submitted by:
Jamie Bacher
Chair of Dining Committee
February 7th, 2019
BILL #S2019-016

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INCORPORATED THAT:

WHEREAS: Feliciano Women in Business would like to charter as a Class IV organization under the Student Government Association and;

WHEREAS: Feliciano Women in Business would be a great benefit to the Montclair State University undergraduate campus community and;

WHEREAS: Feliciano Women in Business would like to receive a charter for the Fall 2019 to Spring 2020 time period.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Feliciano Women Business receives a charter from Fall 2019 to Spring 2020.

Submitted by:
Givonna Boggans
SGA Legislator
February 9th, 2019
BILL #S2019-017

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INCORPORATED THAT:

WHEREAS: The Elections Committee has received the previous rules from the prior administration and;

WHEREAS: The Elections Committee, as stated by the statues, has to make amendments by the last meeting in February.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The election rules changes go into effect immediately for the Spring 2019 election season.

Submitted by:
Serafina R. Genise
SGA President
February 14th, 2019
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY, INC. THAT:

WHEREAS: The Food Advisory Committee, otherwise known as the Dining Committee of the Student Government Association, would like to survey students regarding Kosher and Halal options of campus and;

WHEREAS: This survey would provide the insight required to better accommodate students’ dietary needs,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The attached SGA survey will be made available to the entire undergraduate campus community from March 1st to March 15th through Hawksync. Survey attached.

Submitted by:
Jamie Bacher
Chair of Dining Committee
February 14, 2019

Please the following survey to help better the inclusivity of dining options at MSU.

1. Would you eat Kosher/Halal food offered on campus?
   a. Yes   b. no
2. Do you prefer to eat Kosher/Halal on campus?
   a. Yes   b. no
3. Should there be a fully Kosher/Halal kitchen on campus?
   a. Yes   b. no
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY, INC. THAT:

WHEREAS: The Food Advisory Committee, otherwise known as the Dining Committee of the Student Government Association has conducted a survey through Hawksync to the general student body, in regards to different hours of operation in the dining halls, as well as different hours in which breakfast is offered;

WHEREAS: The results from this survey show that the majority of the respondents wanted to see extended hours on the dining halls, these are the results: On weekdays: Sams open until 11pm, Freeman until 10pm, on weekends both dining halls open until 10pm, and based on the questions regarding when breakfast is served, most respondents wanted to see it served all day.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The dining halls hours of operation, as well as when breakfast is served reflect the results received from the survey.

Submitted by:
Jamie Bacher
Chair of Dining Committee
February 14th, 2019

**Please refer to graphs provided.**
BILL #S2019-20

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY, INC. THAT:

WHEREAS: The Residence Life Committee, has investigated and have discovered that undergraduate students at Montclair State University suffer from housing insecurity and;

WHEREAS: The committee feels as though the Student Government Association has the responsibility to assist students who are in need by creating an Emergency Housing program assisting those who are homeless and;

WHEREAS: This program will serve as temporary solution by providing students with up to a 14 day stay at a nearby hotel or in an unoccupied dorm on campus, in addition to providing additional funds for food for the two week period.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Student Government Association Incorporated establishes an Emergency Housing Program and creates a line for $5,000 in the corporate budget dedicated to Emergency Housing for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Submitted by:
Angela Llano
Chair of Residence Life Committee
February 13th, 2019
BILL #S2019-21

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY INCORPORATED THAT:

WHEREAS: Speaking Through Silence (STS), a Class II of the Student Government Association would like to attend ACUIs College Unions Poetry Slam (CUPSI) on April 10th-13th, 2019 at the University of Houston and;

WHEREAS: the members of STS have qualified to attend CUPSI and will gain valuable knowledge that they will bring back to MSU and;

WHEREAS: There is currently not enough funds in their budget for them to attend this event.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: That STS receives $3,727 from unappropriated surplus in order to attend CUPSI

Submitted by:  
Serafina R. Genise  
SGA President  
February 26th, 2019

Breakdown:  
Registration Fee: $840.00  
Transportation (Plane): $1,835.00  
Housing: $1,052.00

Total: 3,727.00
I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 3:04 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call was done by Primo Davis.

III. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Tyshaun: Motion to make a formal amendment to change the spelling of Sharese’s last name and change the spelling of the word “cancer” in Meatboy’s cabinet report.

Amendments have been accepted.

Minutes have been accepted.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mariel: After tonight's SGA meeting I highly encourage you to attend the “Redistricting Reform Best Practices for a Fairer New Jersey,” forum. It will be held at 7pm – 8:30pm in Montclair State University’s Presentation Hall, School of Communication and Media. For those that do not know the SGA executive board need to have their finances by an external auditor every year. They must then present the findings of that audit to the Board of Trustees. Kudos to the SGA Treasurer on his presentation of the audit last week. His presentation was well received by the Board of Trustees. One of the things that the Board asked was about what this administration is doing about the fact that students continue to have a financial need in order to remain in school. So kudos this administration on launching a Fall scholarships and for a commitment to increase funding for scholarships.

V. OFFICER REPORTS
Serafina (Executive President): *Swears in Guillermo Estrada

Jillian (Executive Secretary): Hi everyone, We have an Open House for SORC next Monday from 2:30 - 4:30 in the SC Room 110. For those of you who don’t know, we have been working on this space for some time, and are excited to have the campus community come and see the space. We will be having pizza which will also have vegan and gluten free options, as well as cookies, and maybe some giveaways.

Emma (Executive Vice President): The Shadowing program has been kicked off. For all those who are in the program make sure you sign the confidentiality agreement with Betty.

VI. CABINET REPORTS

Ruthie (Class IV Director): Since the Class Directors have not had a Class Director meeting, I still have not met with all of my organizations. However, I have spoken to a few of them to clarify things in terms of booking space, when to start shadowing, and that they should be sending minutes to me. Besides that, my first meeting with my organizations will be this upcoming Monday and I will be going over how to use Hawksync in depth with them.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jack (Chair of Government and Administration): There was no committee today due to the weather. I spoke with Shaza. She will come to the SGA meeting on Wednesday and her nomination will be considered then. The Legislature will most likely consider her in committee as a while. Today, we will be considering the constitutional revisions in Preamble, Article I, and Article II. Be ready for that!

VIII. PROGRAM

Emma: Elections Committee (New Alternates). New member is Karla Farfan. New Alternate is Arianna Tringali.

Joe (Attorney General): Explain legislative absences. No more than two absences for SGA meetings. Two committee absences equals one absence of SGA meetings.

Emma: Informs the legislature to tell the Vice President if they cannot make meetings 24 hours in advance.

Jack: Goes over the new changes made to the constitution made by the G&A Committee. (Preamble, Article I, and Article II)
IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BILL S2019-002
Emma: Author’s Report
Serafina: Shaza Alhussein has expressed interest in the position of associate justice. She has been wonderful and reached out to me about the position. Over winter break, she was undergoing judicial branch training and I’m really excited to have her.
Emma: Candidate’s Report
Shaza: I’ve taken a similar judicial position in high school while being apart of mock trial. I’ve felt very comfortable and being apart of the judicial branch seemed like a great fit for me. It’s a great start for being apart of the SGA.
Emma: Questions for the Candidate.
Emma: Committee Report.
Jack: Motion to go into committee as a whole.
Emma: Is there a second?
Emma: We’re now in committee as a whole.
Emma: Authors report in committee.
Serafina: No report.
Emma: Questions for the author in committee.
Emma: Candidate’s report in committee.
Shaza: No report.
Emma: Questions for the candidate in committee.
Jack: What’s your major?
Shaza: I’m a Jurisprudence and Law and Society major with a minor in Arabic.
Emma: Any other questions for the candidate in committee?
Jack: Have you looked at the statutes of the Student Government Association?
Shaza: Yes I have.
James: Will you be able to meet the designated time constraints for the position?
Shaza: Yes, I’ve been attending meetings.
Jack: Do you currently hold any other positions outside the SGA?
Shaza: In any other organizations, no.
Emma: Any other question for the candidate in committee?
Emma: Debate and discussion in committee.
Emma: We need a counted recommendation in committee. Bill receives a 16-0-0 positive recommendation in committee.
Emma: Questions for the committee
Emma: Debate and discussion on this bill
BILL PASSED WITH A ⅔ MAJORITY VOTE

X. NEW BUSINESS

BILL S2019-010: Multicultural Psychology Scholars Marketing Material Placed into Appropriations Committee

BILL S2019-011: Computer Club Class IV Charterment Placed into Organizational Review

BILL S2019-012: Blockchain Club Class IV Charterment Placed into Organizational Review

BILL S2019-013: MedLife Club Class IV Charterment Placed into Organizational Review

BILL S2019-014: SLAM Unappropriated Surplus Placed into Appropriations Committee

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XI. OPEN FORUM

Serafina: Recommendation on Common Periods for Meetings and Activities.
Serafina: Recommendation on Scheduling and Schedule Information for Final Errors.
Meat Boy: Check out President Susan Cole’s Preferred Names email.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Submitted By:
Jonathan Varano
SGA Legislator
February 19, 2019