2nd Senate Meeting
October 5, 2015

a. Call to Order: 6:05pm

b. Opening Prayer: JB

c. Roll Call:
   o Present:
   o Absent: Marlene, Joe, Sam, Zailet, Alli, Zach, Thomas, Nia (Tardy)
   o Guest:

d. Approval of Previous Minutes: Approved

e. New Business:
   o Environmental Committee
      o Kara moves to create an Environmental Committee.
         ▪ Motion Carried
      o Discussion
         ▪ Lola- I want to see how many people whom are interested. There are already rules in place that many people try to enforce already. We just need to enforce this and make it friendlier.
         ▪ Kara- I think we should call this the Responsible Stewardship Committee
            • Matt- the Faculty Senate already has this Committee.
         ▪ Matt- We would also like to work to fix the recycle bins.
         ▪ Discussion closed
      o How many Members?
         ▪ An odd number, and 7 said they were interested so these should be the ones involved.
         ▪ Lola, Jazmine, JB, Danny, Gracie, Amber, Amanda are appointed to this committee
         ▪ Voting
            • Lola 18, Gracie 1, JB 4 were nominated as chair.
            • Lola is the Chair
            • Voting Closed

   o SLU Club Recognitions
      ➢ SLU Disk Golf
         o Alex Wimmer, Corey Wilbur
            ▪ Similar to real golf. You have a course and you are trying to finish with the lowest score.
            ▪ Anyone can play, you don’t need to be rich.
            ▪ The goal is to get a 9-hole course on campus.
            ▪ Vision- 9-hole course, and possibly get sponsors on each hole and raise money.
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- Placed 1st, 4th, and 7th at a tournament in Jacksonville.

  **Questions**
  - Lola- Where would you like to set up the old ones and would you remove the old ones.
    - We have the old ones behind the gym so we wouldn’t have to spend money but we would try and keep them around the bowl.
  - Active Members?
    - 14 interested and 10 came to the first meeting.
  - How far do they have to be?
    - We want to spread them out but we can make them tight if needed.
  - What would you do with sponsor money?
    - We would start by raising money by becoming sponsored by Disc Golf Association and receive Saint Leo equipment and be able to afford transportation to tournaments.
  - Will it continue to grow on this campus?
    - Yes, on this campus if we can create a course and we could have advertised on the website.
  - If you were to get a course and advertised on campus, is there any dangers or liabilities?
    - We can keep it closed to the public, and I don’t believe there would be any holes close enough to where someone may get hit. If there is I would wait till nobody is around.
  - What’s the average hole?
    - I’ve played holes from 500-1200 ft.
  - Connor moves to approve the SLU Disc Golf to be SGU recognized.

  **Discussion:**
  - Charlene- they almost hit me when I was walking so if they add more holes this could be more dangerous.
  - Connor- would this be a conflict to people playing in the bowl?
  - Kara- even if they weren’t SGU recognized they would still play this is just to see if they get funded.
  - Lola- we could have a say of where they put up the new holes and monitor them. Also this could make them sign up as to where they play. The regulation discs are heavier and we would just need to monitor them.
  - Discussion closed

- Voting Yes- 20 No-2 Abstain- 1
- Approved to be SGU recognized

➢ SVA
  - Gilbert Guillaume/ Renee
    - Part of VSS with Gunny
    - 1000TH chapter and were founded in 2014.
    - Ranked one of the best colleges in 2013 for Veterans in 2013.
- Open to all students not only Veterans.
- Mission- advocate for student veterans. The more chapters in the network, the more effective they would be.
- Benefits- Will provide mentorship, employment opportunities, social networking, and volunteer opportunities.
- Many of the things that were done last year were unsuccessful because we didn’t have the funding.
- Benefits for Non-Veteran Students- mentorship for people who were in the service and then people want to be in the service. Networking for job opportunities with the government and more volunteer opportunities like those with the VA hospital.
- Currently have 73 students and most of them are active military mid-late 20s.

Questions
- Kara- are the people on your roster all over?
  - Yes, online, other campuses, and here at Saint Leo.
- Kara- if you guys have online members how can you have 25% at the required events,
  - Matt- if you are a club like this we only require 25% of those on campus.
- Jose- what type of things would you do?
  - We want to do a workshop for mainly active duty veterans and show them what we have to benefit them.
- Lola- how will you benefit non-veteran students?
  - We will take many steps to get them involved and develop a better foundation for later on.
  - One thing we tried to do was a color-me-Vet run but we didn’t complete it because we didn’t have funding or sponsors.
- JB- what is your source of funding right now?
  - Right now we don’t have one we have to borrow from Gunny in VSS.
- Jose- how many on campus?
  - I don’t know of the top of my head but I have it on the roster.

Kaila moves to approve the SVA as an SGU club.

Discussion
- Amber- coming from a military household, I think its awesome because ahead of time they are quiet until you get to know them.
- JB- my concern is the fact that I don’t think its for non-veteran students.
  - Amber- its more to show the non-veterans that they’re fun to hang out with and to make connections.
- Kaila- we don’t have a lo of clubs for those who are mid to late 20s and I think this would be a good opportunity.
- Kara- these clubs aren’t for everyone; they are for people on campus to find where they belong.
- Taylor- it will equip them with the necessary tools they need.
- JB- I’m no disagreeing just asking
  - Discussion closed
  - Voting Yes-22 No-0
  - SVA has been approved to become SVA recognized.

➤ Debate Team
  - Nephtalie
    - There are a lot of Athletic sports but we don’t have anything for those who don’t really do these things.
    - Benefits- academically, socially, critical thinking, fast thinking.
    - I had friends who decided not to come because we didn’t have this club so I believe it would increase applications.
    - Benefit SGU- shows that we care about all students.
    - Plan- public practices, educational trips to other universities whom have this team, and tournaments/conferences.
  - Discussion
    - Lola- how many current members? How long have you been a club? If you become a club, what do you plan to do? How are you planning to reach out to people in different majors? How do you prevent arguing?
      - We have 15 members and just started. We want to go to conferences and tournaments. We have two advisors and a coach.
      - We will also hold events to try and persuade people and show them that this could help people in their careers.
      - We also have a motto which prevents people from being disrespectful.
    - JB- does your organization plan on entering local tournaments?
      - We are planning the association which would help with this.
    - Jose- do you have any competitions you plan on attending.
      - We have 3 that we plan to attend but we have not set up the team yet. There are certain requirements that people need to meet.
    - Mikel- what will you do about funding?
      - We actually pay ourselves right now and take our own transportation.
  - Discussion closed.
  - Kara moves to approve the Debate Club as SGU recognized.
  - Discussion:
    - Lola- I don’t believe that they have all of their stuff together. I just don’t think they’ll be able to utilize the things she said.
    - Jazmine- I have Mr. Orlando and I believe waiting would be best to get their things together.
    - Taylor- I think we could recognize them but just explain that it may be best they wait.
    - Nia- I think Frank Orlando would be helpful with telling them whether they are ready or not.
- Jose- I don’t think it’s necessary to wait because they are trying to go get tips first at other Colleges. There are other things they need to do to get better.
- Lola- how do we go about stipulations for allocations
  - Kara- I think we do that once we come across it.
- Brandon- you can’t just say they won’t represent our school well just because they are new. Everything is a risk and we should be the ones to say if they are ready or not.
- JB- our campus is in need of a club like this because we don’t have one. This could help others with disabilities.
- Taylor- if we feel like they aren’t ready, we could also help her and give her pointers if they are in need of assistance.
- Jamie- it’s beneficial not to compete but to go watch some of these competitions as well to gain some tips.
- Jose- we can’t really tell our leaders and debaters they aren’t ready; the money could help them.
  - Discussion Closed
  - Yes-15 No-4 Abstain-2
  - The debate team has been approved to become SGU recognized
  - Charitable Donations- no longer need to discuss this.
  - Standing Rules Committee
    - The committee came up with these and I want you to look over them and make revisions so we can discuss next meeting.
    - I will be sending another doodle to see when we can have another

f. Open Forum:
- Lola
  - I was wondering if those in the environmental committee stick around after.
- JB
  - I would like to bring back the Philanthropy Committee
    1. Nia- we did use some money last semester.
    2. Amber- we want to bring back the idea of the red run.
    3. Lola- those who are interested could just get together to come up with ideas.
  - Matt moves to table committee until next week
  - Motion passed

g. Adjournment: 7:45 pm