

SGA Minutes

3-14-22

Attendance

Officers	Sophomores	Junior	Seniors	Sponsors
Nathan Kim	Wyatt Aiken	Destiny Buchanan	Sinmi Adeyemo	Mr. Barry
Saku Cui	Fiat Le	Connie Chieh	Holt Templeton	
Eugene Min	Lex Mroczko	Albert Le	Sanju Mupparaju	
Elbread Roh	Mekhi Stennis	Zoi Moon	Muhammed Shalan	
Dinali Jayasena		Jacob Schneekloth	Ella Nichols	
Ava Dowden				

Pledge of Allegiance

Opening Statements

“Venture outside your comfort zone” – Rapunzel

Saku encourages SGA members to work hard, and to not give up.

Parliamentarian – Saku Cui

There is a speaker tomorrow during assembly, where an ASMS alumna will speak. She pursues a career in medicine, having studied at Vanderbilt University and the University of South Alabama.

Saku states that some days may be changed or arranged so that everyone has a balanced workload.

Sergeant at Arms – Ava Dowden

Ava states that Pi Store is going well. She has typed down everyone’s calendar times. She states that two people will have to run Pi Store tonight for there are vacant spots for today’s shift.

Ava mentions that the US flag that the SGA often uses is not available, and she asks for the SGA to find it for future meeting use.

Secretary – Elbread Roh

Elbread states that he has nothing for his SGA agenda.

Treasurer – Eugene Min

Eugene states that today the SGA will be going over clubs and which ones to approve. Eugene has been informed by Elbread that Science Olympiad does not need to be a club due to how they are finished with Science Olympiad competitions. They will be removed of their SGA sponsorship. Furthermore, two

clubs, Esports club and Volleyball club, have been revoked of their SGA sponsorship due to not following SGA club guidelines. This leaves three spots for the SGA to introduce new clubs to the roster.

Ignite club, ASMS Unite club (Dumas Wesley), MUN club, and Softball club are asking for potential SGA sponsorships.

Eugene provides mission statements and club forms for SGA members to see. He then opens the floor to discussing Ignite club's legitimacy as an SGA sponsored club.

Nathan asks how much money Ignite is requesting. Eugene states that they do not need any money.

Dinali asks if the club's purpose was for runs, and Eugene stated that it is.

Nathan asks why they did not specify this. Destiny also asks whether non-sponsored SGA clubs could simply request money for special events. Eugene states that Ignite club officers did not provide them any information.

Muhammed asks if the club really needs an SGA sponsorship spot considering they are not asking for any budget nor any runs. Eugene states that they did not provide any information.

Saku states that Ignite club has weekly drive-offs to a Christian service, and she wonders if this is a breach of ASMS guidelines.

Albert states that if the SGA denies Ignite club of its SGA sponsorship, then the SGA should be more lenient in giving Ignite club money for special events.

Lex states that Ignite club's sponsorship may take away from other club's sponsorship.

Holt asks a question related to Softball club, but Eugene states the floor is open only for Ignite club.

Eugene moves the discussion to the ASMS Unite club (the Dumas Wesley club). The purpose of this club is to get students involved in the community through education and outreach, providing tutoring to the Dumas Wesley institution. They have an interview process, and they are not requesting a budget. They only need the SGA sponsorship for discussion.

Fiat asks if clubs need SGA sponsorship to get runs. Eugene states this is needed for clubs. Right now, ASMS Unite club is hosting transportation independently.

Destiny states that ASMS Unite club is not asking much, and all they need is transportation. They have been fighting hard to be a club for a very long time.

The next club that is requesting SGA sponsorship is Model UN club. Eugene describes that the club will prepare for mock United Nations meetings. It will be a great opportunity for students to demonstrate leadership and to learn about current events. Model UN club will be a competitive club, and it will promote peace and world politics. The club will also provide students with a great college resume incentive.

The club, according to Eugene, is asking for a budget, and they are expecting 6-10 participants, which leads to a fee of about \$160. There will be weekly meetings for the club.

Nathan asks how much money is left in the club pool. Eugene states that the SGA has \$1500 to spare.

Destiny describes that it is strange that ASMS did not have a Model UN club. Mr. Barry mentions that ASMS used to have a Model UN club, but COVID-19 decreased efforts.

Sanju asks whether there is a set plan for Model UN. Lex, who most likely speaks on behalf of the club, states that they have a plan and schedule ready for the Model UN competition, and that they have a willing sponsor.

Nathan expresses concern that the Model UN sponsors are all sophomores. He hopes that there won't be any underlying problems. Lex replies that they, and some other officers, have already participated in Model UN in the past, and that it shouldn't be a big issue.

Connie asks which Model UN competition they will do. Lex responds that the club will be participating in the Fairhope Model UN. The date will be April 6, 2022, the weekend after the ACT. Lex states that they will need a PO form for the competition very soon.

Nathan asks if the club will have enough time to fill the PO form before the event is due. Mr. Barry states that considering that the club is competitive, there will be lenience given to it.

Eugene moves the discussion to Softball club. He states that the club will operate similarly to Ultimate Frisbee club. They are asking to pay for certain equipment and request up to \$200 for a budget.

Sanju states that the ASMS Athletics Department should most likely have these Softball materials.

Mr. Barry stated that there will be investigations with this club regarding its chosen budget.

Ella states that there may be an incentive to buy left-handed gloves for students.

Mr. Barry states that at this point this may be leading towards purchases being student specific.

Eugene maintains that he came to several of these club events to make sure that there is a good amount of interest. Destiny adds on to this, asking if spending \$200 is absolutely necessary if the turnout isn't good.

Muhammed asked whether Softball club has coordinated with coaches, considering there are time constraints.

Mr. Barry agrees to this and adds that equipment purchased for Softball club will be in the ownership of the SGA.

Nathan and Mr. Barry also determine that not all of the SGA club slots have to be filled up, and there can be some vacant spots.

Eugene makes a notion to approve certain clubs to gain SGA sponsorship. Muhammed seconds this vote.

Vote: Give Ignite club SGA sponsorship

- Approved: 6
- Rejected: 9
- Abstained: 6

The motion is rejected with a narrow majority vote.

Vote: Give ASMS Unite club (Dumas Wesley) SGA sponsorship

- Approved: 18
- Rejected: 0
- Abstained: 2

The motion passes with a majority vote.

Vote: Give Model UN club SGA sponsorship

- Approved: 16
- Rejected: 0
- Abstained: 4

The motion passes with a majority vote.

Vote: Give Softball club SGA sponsorship

- Approved: 1
- Rejected: 14
- Abstained: 5

The motion is rejected with a majority vote.

This concludes the club sponsorship voting process, and this concludes Eugene's agenda.

Vice President – Dinali Jayasena

For Weekend Events, SGA will have a pool party on Friday. On Saturday, there will be a K-Pop event. There will be SGA's annual Bagel event on Sunday.

Next week is Prom. AC members have to be at the bus 6:00 PM. There will be runs back-and-forth for students.

There are forms due March 20th. One of them will be on students' parent dashboards. At 7:15 PM, Senior callouts will begin. An hour after callouts, the Prom court will be crowned. Around 10:50 PM, Buses for Prom afterparty will begin to show up. There will be buses departing from 10 PM – 12 PM.

Callout and Outside Date forms are due March 20th.

President – Nathan Kim

Nathan states that Policy Committee is still working on Mega Musical Chairs. T-shirt designs are still being produced. Nathan asks SGA members to spread the news regarding Mega Musical Chairs so that there is wide turnout, and that the T-shirts will turn a profit.

Nathan also presents a plastic-free proposal presented by Marlan. Nathan will send the SGA some extra information regarding this proposal, and Nathan states that the SGA will vote on whether to support initiatives to help reduce plastic use. He will submit the proposal to the SGA Teams.

Sponsors

Mr. Barry asks if there will be an entrance fee for the Mega Musical Charis event. Nathan states that the fee might be between \$10-15 due to the increase in prices for the Mega Musical Chair T-Shirt. Mr. Barry states that there is always the option for businesses to sponsor the event.

Closing Remarks