



Dalton State College

Student Government Association

August 31, 2018 Minutes

- 1. August SGA meeting called to order at 10:08am**
- 2. Attendance**

Executive Board:

Carolina Gomez (President), Laura Alton (Vice-President), Morgan Reid (Secretary)

Senators:

Meghan O'Toole (Senator of Health Professions), Ashley Langston (Senator of Liberal Arts), Logan Huggins (Senator of STEM), Shaneika Gayle (Senator of Campus Recreation), Eduardo Meraz (Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach), Kristina Momich (Senator of Residential Life), Mariela Vazquez (Senator of Student Life), Casey Mashburn (Senator at Large), Rachel Morones (Senator at Large)

Voting Representatives: Brian Cedillo (SGAE), Brittany Cooley (Lambda Alpha Epsilon), Brittany Flood (Beta Chi Nu), Manuel Hernandez (International Club), Marlen Hernandez Garcia (LASO), Madison Hobbs (Chemist Society), Marisol Jacobo (Psychology Club), Kamren Katona (Secular Student Alliance), Tregony Mcnair (Psi Chi), Kevin Phillips (Math Club), Zebulon Stadler (Veterans Association), Oluwabukola Subulade (BCM), Nathan Tucker (Colloquia), Samuel Voegelé (Adventist Christian Fellowship), Dillan Whisenant (YAF), Autumn Woods (Social Work Club)

Guests: James Adams, Jason Baynes, Scott Beck, Natalie Godoy, Christian Griggs, Nick Henry, Jim Hensley, Brittany Hughes, Jon Jaudon, Jodi Johnson, Stacie Kilgore, Amber Lesicko, Shabina Panjwani, Lauren Pippin, Luisa Rodriguez, Margaret Venable, Pat Chute

3. Parliamentary- Rachel Morones

Rachel Morones discussed the format of the meetings and that all SGA meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

4. Approval of Minutes

Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Campus Recreation moves to approve the April 27th, 2018 minutes. Seconded by James Adams, Faculty Representative. *Motion Carried, Approved 100%*

5. Administrative Updates

A. Dr. Margaret Venable, President

Welcome back and I wish you a great holiday weekend! I will just say, that if at any point you think of things you want to say or ask, do not hesitate to communicate that through Carolina. We want to talk about whatever you care about.

B. Dr. Jodi Johnson, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

I will second Dr. Venable and have nothing to add to this discussion besides, welcome back and enjoy your long weekend. You all look lovely to day for your pictures!

C. Dr. Pat Chute, Vice President for Academic Affairs

I will be repetitious and welcome you all back but, I do have an announcement. It is actually a very important one. Believe it or not each of the students in the next few weeks will be receiving and email regarding student evaluations of faculty. I am encouraging every student to make sure that they complete the faculty evaluation as it is the only way that we can obtain feedback from students about the courses. We are striving to reach a 75% response rate across the college this year. Other than that, have a great weekend. Be safe, be smart.

D. Mr. Nick Henry, Vice-President for Fiscal Affairs

As you are well aware of Memorial Hall has been under construction now for several months. It has been delayed due to weather and other issues. Our projected completion is around February or March. We are hoping to have some portion of it open in January for use of some faculty offices and three to four class rooms and possibly the auditorium. Unfortunately, the delay in Memorial has delayed the Sequoya Hall renovation. It was scheduled to start in January but now it will be pushed off till mid-May. Another project that may or may not affect you on campus is that we will be renovating our Westcott Building front and rear entrances. We will also be making changes to the parking and circle in front of the building; that will start on September the 10th. It will run till early January but should be completed before you come back in the Spring.

a) Casey Mashburn, Senator at Large

I had a few students come to me with a couple of concerns. In the parking deck, there is a little awkward parking area off to the side. Students wanted to know if we could put up a dome mirror so students could see other cars coming or backing out. Also, students are requesting areas to hang their hammocks around campus or on the Quad.

b) Nick Henry, Vice President for Fiscal Affairs

Yes, I do not think that would be an issue with the hammocks. I will touch base with my plant operation staff and may come over and grab you one day so that we can go a look at some places on the quad. We do not want to put any near Sequoia due to the renovation and that they may get destroyed. The dome mirror is no problem, as well.

c) Meghan O'Toole, Senator of Health Professions

I had another question. There has been a petition going around on Facebook, regarding parking. My personal belief, is that there is nothing to come of it but, it says that if it receives one thousands signatures that something is going to happen. I was just curious if you know about it and if you know if anything is going to happen. Can you just address what is going to happen?

d) Nick Henry, Vice President for Fiscal Affairs

Nothing is going to come of it, there has been discussion on what type of recommendations they have but, that is about it. You are all aware that parking on this campus is limited. We do not have a lot of flat land unlike other schools in the university system. Besides the use of the shuttle, there is no more space to building more parking on this campus. We can purpose to the Board of Regents to build a parking deck but, students would have to be willing to pay \$75 or more to pay for that parking. It is not a decision we take lightly.

6. Committee Appointment

A. Motion: Rachel Morones, Senator at Large and Parliamentarian moves to approve the Academic Programs Committee. Seconded by Kevin Phillips, Math Club.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

Academic Programs Committee Members:

Morgan Reid, Rachel Morones

B. Motion: James Adams, Faculty Representative moves to approve the Campus Safety Committee. Seconded by Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Campus Recreation.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

Campus Safety Committee Members:

Laura Alton, Carolina Gomes, Logan Huggins, Ashley Langston

- C. *Motion:* Kevin Phillips, Math Club moves to approve the College Athletics Committee. Seconded by Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

College Athletics Committee Members:

Shaneika Gayle

- D. *Motion:* Kamren Katona, Secular Student Alliance moves to approve the Faculty Resource Committee. Seconded by James Adams, Faculty Representative.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

Faculty Resources Committee Members:

Ashley Langston

- E. *Motion:* Logan Huggins, Senator of STM moves to approve the Health and Wellness Committee. Seconded by Rachel Moronoes, Senator at Large and Parliamentarian.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

Health and Wellness Committee Members:

Meghan O'Toole, Abbey Heath, Christina Johnson

- F. *Motion:* James Adams, Faculty Representative moves to approve the HSI Committee. Seconded by Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Campus Recreation.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

HSI Committee Members:

Carolina Gomez

- G. *Motion:* Logan Huggins, Senator of STM moves to approve the Traffic Appeals Committee. Seconded by Kamren Katona, Secular Student Alliance.

Motion Carried Approved 100%

Traffic Appeals Committee Members:

Brandon Wright, Eduardo Meraz, Casey Mashburn, Mariela Vazquez, Tanner McEntrye

7. Traffic Appeals: 32 appeals were submitted. Approved 3. Denied 29.

8. New RSO Request

A. Wesley Foundation, Lauren Pippin

Hello so you already know that there are established RSO's with religious affiliations on campus. The main difference between those and this one is that we are Methodist based. Essentially, we would be a Bible study group that would meet once a week. We are hoping to do outreach program within the community. We have currently about twenty to twenty-five students who would want to get involved. Do you have any questions?

Scott Beck, Psychology Club

I know you talked about some outreach in the community. What outreach were you thinking of doing?

Lauren Pippin, Wesley Foundation

Like I said, we are looking at working with the City of Refuge through serving food, tutoring, baby-sitting, and we are also willing to look at other organization to get involved with outside of the community.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM moves to approve the RSO request. Seconded by Zebulon Stadler, Veterans Association.

Motion Carried, Approved 96%

9. Constitutional Revisions

A. Carolina Gomez, President

The revision is that we wanted to make sure that the constitution reflected the updated RSO manual. The update to the RSO manual was that all RSO's are required to host three meetings or events each semester in order to be eligible to request for funds. In the past, we had a participation policy based on points that was removed. That is what the revision entails. Do we have any questions?

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM moves to approve the Constitutional revisions. Seconded by Kamren Katona, Secular Student Alliance

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

10. Fundraising Opportunities- Athletic Department

A. Amber Lesicko, Associate Director for Student Life

The athletic department is looking for assistance in staffing the home basketball games. Your organization can sign up but, you have to sponsor each of the 12 spots at the basketball game you will receive three volunteer hours and \$100 per game to your RSO agency account.

11. Announcements

A. Amber Lesicko, Associate Director for Student Life

- a. RSO Registration Due September 7th.
- b. Mandatory RSO Training is September 21st; RSVP before September 14th.
- c. Development Workshop is September 14th.
 - i. Topic will be on Marketing your Organization and Recruiting New Members.
 - ii. Workshops will help develop RSO's and students as leaders.
- d. Student Leadership Conference- September 22nd
 - i. Pre-Registration is free. Registration at the door is \$15.
 - ii. Register on the Rage App.
- e. Alternative Fall Break
 - i. Applications are live now. Total cost is \$150.
- f. 9/11 Day of Service & Memorial Ceremony
 - i. September 14th at 1:00pm. Register through Roadrunner Serve.
- g. Constitution Week
 - i. September 17th – 21st
 - ii. September 17th, Rage Rover will be out doing constitutional CAB trivia.
 - iii. September 18th, Two Former Congress Representatives will be visiting campus and participating in a Constitutional Reading and speaking on voter rights and registration.
 - iv. September 19th, Voter Registration Take-Over
 - v. September 20th, Meet-the-Candidates

B. Shabina Panjwani, Coordinator of Social Programming and Diversity Initiatives

- a. Hispanic Heritage Month- September 15th through October 15th
 - i. September 13th, Coffee with Churros
 - ii. September 18th, Hispanic Heritage Panel
 - iii. September 25th, Power of Story Telling
 - iv. October 2nd, DIY Papel Picado
 - v. October 15th, Salsa Magic

C. James Adams, Faculty Representative

- a. Autism Support Group- 5:45pm every second Thursday of the month in the Dean of Students Conference Room.

D. Brittany Elliot, Psychology Club

- a. Looking to partner with other RSO's to increase student's awareness and involvement in organizations on campus.

12. Adjournment

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

The next meeting is on September 28, 2018 at 10:00a.m. Health Profession, Room 107.



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Student Government Association

September 28, 2018 Minutes

- 1. August SGA meeting called to order at 10:05am**
- 2. Attendance**

Executive Board:

Carolina Gomez (President), Morgan Reid (Secretary)

Senators:

Kaitlyn English (Senator of Education), Meghan O'Toole (Senator of Health Professions), Ashley Langston (Senator of Liberal Arts), Logan Huggins (Senator of STM), Shaneika Gayle (Senator of Campus Recreation), Eduardo Meraz (Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach), Kristina Momich (Senator of Residential Life), Mariela Vazquez (Senator of Student Life), Casey Mashburn (Senator at Large), Anthony Mize (Senator of Business), Tanner McEntrye (Senator of Student Support Services)

Voting Representatives: Trini Huijon (SACNAS), Walter Oliver (Alpha Kappa Lambda), Marisol Jacobo (Psychology Club), Brittany Hughes (Alpha Omicron Pi), Jazman Acosta (Alpha Sigma Tau), Tregony Mcnair (Psi Chi), Jennifer Cruz (Photography and Film), Lena Washington (LEGENDS), Clint Dodd (Veterans), Brittany Cooley (Lambda Alpha Epsilon), Destiny Cooper (Respiratory Club), Lauren Pippin (Wesley Foundation), Nathan Tucker (Colloquia), Kevin Phillips (Math Club), Rin Pell (Ornithology Club), Samuel Voegele (Adventist Cristian Fellowship), Christian Jacocks (Baptist Collegiate Ministries), Brittany

Flood (Beta Chi Nu), Nkemjika Ebere (African Students' Association), David Peyton (Secular Student Alliance)

Guests: Ibis Arredondo, Scott Beck, Allika Peeler-Bagley, Caroline Hasty, Cameron Lynch, Kellsea Jenkins, Logan Broome, Stacie Kilgore, Marcus Watson, Renee Cathers, Katrina Autry, Michael Masters, Nick Henry, Margaret Venable, Pat Chute, Jodi Johnson, Shawnessey Cargile, Christian Griggs, Jami Hall, Amber Lesicko, Anna Bramblett, Savannah Upton

3. Parliamentary- Logan Huggins

Logan Huggins discussed the format of the meetings and that all SGA meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach moves to amend the minutes to add Dr. Pat Chute as an attendee and add an announcement, "I am encouraging every student to make sure that they complete the faculty evaluation as it is the only way that we can obtain feedback from students about the courses. We are striving to reach a 75% response rate across the college this year." Seconded by Jazman Acosta, Alpha Sigma Tau.

Motion Carried, 100% Approved

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5. Administrative Updates

A. Dr. Margaret Venable, President

I just have one quick thing to say, just as an FYI. We will have special guests coming to visit the campus Monday and Tuesday. If you happen to be one of those students that runs into someone who looks like they do not belong here, I know you will be your usual, friendly self! I just wanted to give you all a heads up, it will be the Chancellor of the University System and he will be meeting with all the presidents and a few key staff across the system. We are honored to be able to host them and I am very pleased to show off our beautiful campus and amazing students.

B. Dr. Jodi Johnson, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

Just a reminder if you or a friend will be graduating in December and you have not turned in your application, you are late! We will still take it but, we need you to get it in. You can order your caps and gowns online now through the bookstore. If you are graduating in the spring, you are not late but you do not have a whole lot of time; in the next 30 days you need to meet with your advisor and get your application submitted.

C. Dr. Pat Chute, Vice President for Academic Affairs

Hello everybody, I want to remind everyone again that you should be getting reminders about evaluations of your classes. Please fill them out yourself and get all of your fellow students to fill them out. We are trying to get meet 75% completion of these evaluations. Some of the evaluations have become a bit wonky; we get really good responses then we do not. It is very important as students to do this! Another thing, I funded a series of student trips with faculty that have requested student funding. I have been asking that faculty have the students give us something back from that trip. We are putting together a form for students to fill out so that we can know what they got out of the trip, like a questionnaire. It is important for me and my office to understand what you are getting out of the trip.

D. Mr. Nick Henry, Vice-President for Fiscal Affairs

Just a couple updates. Casey was nice enough to ride around with myself and our assistant plant director and we have identified locations for the hammocks and the new mirror in the parking deck. The mirror will mostly likely be put up within the next three to four weeks. Hammock locations will be in front of Health Professions and near the Quad, two spots in each location. Westcott Hall renovations are starting; we will have a fence going up. Please do not go in the fence. These renovations will be done by time you return for the spring semester in January.

6. Approval of New Cabinet Members

A. Kaitlyn English- Senator of School of Education

Motion: Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Campus Recreation, moves to approve Kaitylyn English as the Senator for the School of Education. Seconded by Kevin Phillips, Math Club.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%.

B. Anthony “Dee” Mize- Senator of Wright School of Business

Motion: Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic Latino Outreach moves to approve Anthony ‘Dee’ Mize as the Senator for the Wright School of Business. Seconded by Logan Huggins, Senator of STM and Parliamentarian.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

7. Traffic Appeals: 7 appeals were submitted. Approved 2. Denied 5.

8. New RSO Request

A. Photography and Film, Jennifer Cruz

Jennifer Cruz presented on the Photography and Film club and how it will benefit Dalton State students.

Motion: Kevin Phillips, Math Club moves to approve. Seconded by Jaz Acosta, Alpha Sigma Tau.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%.

9. Request For Funding

A. South Atlantic Modern Language Association, Kellsea Jenkins

I am here on behalf of two professors and three students to participate in the SAMLA conference. The conference will be November 2nd to the 4th in Birmingham, Alabama SAMLA is an organization of teachers and scholar students that advance literature; this will be the first year that three undergraduate students from Dalton State College will be presenting at this conference. Attending this conference will allow the relationship between SAMLA and DSC to grow. Dr. Crisp, who is sponsoring this trip, has asked for \$179.85 to fund parking, WiFi, and conference registration.

Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services

On behalf of the budget and finance committee, we recommend \$179.85 be awarded to the students

Motion: Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach moves to approve the request for funding. Seconded by Christian Jacocks, Baptist Collegiate Ministries

Motion Carried, Approved.

B. Psychonomics, Psychology Club

The Psychology Club would like to attend the Psychonomics conference to update the student body and faculty over the newest research in cognitive psychology, as well as to gain experience and ideas for their own research. The Psychology club will be taking 7 students to the conference. The conference will be November 15th to the 18th in New Orleans, Louisiana. Attending this conference will allow students experiences in a meaningful academic engagement outside of the regular college experience and also help them gain further information on programs available for future graduate study. The Psychology club has asked for \$1032.84.

Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services

On behalf of the budget and finance committee, we suggest an allocation of \$450.00 to the Psychology Club.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM and Parliamentarian moves to approve recommended amount of \$450.00. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic Latino Outreach.

Motion Carried, Approved.

C. SERMACS, Logan Broome

The Chemist Society would like to attend the SERMACS Conference; this conference will provide students with latest information in professional internships, network with colleagues/peers, resume review by professional, and research presentations. The conference will be October 31st to November 3rd in Augusta, Georgia. Three Dalton State students will be presenting their undergraduate research at the conference. The Chemist Society will be taking 7 participants. There will be several workshops for students to learn about working in the industry, get tips for interviewing, and participate in the chemistry bowl, which we placed 2nd in last year. The Chemist Society has requested \$548.10.

Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services

On behalf of the budget and finance committee, we have suggested an allocated amount of \$500.00 to be awarded to the Chemist Society for SERMACs.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the recommended amount of \$500.00. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

Motion Carried, Approved

10. Announcements

A. Student Free Increase, Casey Mashburn

On behalf of SGA, we are proposing a student activity free increase of 15%, increasing the current student activity free from \$40 to \$46; giving SGA approximately an additional \$58,000.00. In the past, multiple RSO's have been denied funding. As SGA, we are trying to stop that from having to happen again or at least in the near future. We

are trying to get this information out to RSO's and areas of the college you individually work with.

Carolina Gomez, President

We will be opening the polls for students to vote, cabinet will vote reflecting on how the student body votes, then RSO's and SGA will vote together to approve or deny. That will then be presented to Dr. Venable and she will present that to the Chancellor, he will have to approve it for the proposal to be presented to the Board of Regents. It could ultimately be approved or denied by the Chancellor or Board of Regents.

Casey Mashburn, Senator at Large

The increase will fund Student Life and be allocated to RSO's and request for funding. It would also benefit student trips, such as alternative fall and spring breaks.

B. Natalia Romero, Assistant Director of the Campus Activities Board

- a. Fall Family Festival- October 30th from 5:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m.
 - i. RSO's need arrive at 4:20 to check-in.
 - ii. Each RSO is in charge of decorating their booth.
 - iii. Candy will be provided by CAB to hand out.

C. Honor Program- Dr. Forrest Blackburn

- b. The Honors Program at Dalton State College is designed for motivated, high-achieving students to excel by exploring their passions through in-depth learning experiences. The program will challenge students with a rigorous curriculum and meaningful, practical experiences such as service learning study abroad/study away, leadership development, and off-campus educational opportunities. We are currently only accepting incoming freshman, but plan to expand this program in the future.

D. Epilepsy Foundation of Southeast Tennessee- Shawnessey Cargile

- c. The Epilepsy Foundation of Southeast Tennessee is looking to educate and partner with RSO's to increase awareness of epilepsy.

11. Adjournment

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Kevin Phillops, Math Club .

The next meeting is on October 26, 2018 at 10:00a.m. Health Profession, Room 107.



Dalton State College

Student Government Association

October 26, 2018 Minutes

- 1. August SGA meeting called to order at 10:09am**
- 2. Attendance**

Executive Board:

Carolina Gomez (President), Clint Dodd (Vice President) Morgan Reid (Secretary)

Senators:

Kaitlyn English (Senator of Education), Meghan O'Toole (Senator of Health Professions), Ashley Langston (Senator of Liberal Arts), Logan Huggins (Senator of STEM), Shaneika Gayle (Senator of Campus Recreation), Eduardo Meraz (Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach), Kristina Momich (Senator of Residential Life), Mariela Vazquez (Senator of Student Life), Casey Mashburn (Senator at Large), Anthony Mize (Senator of Business), Tanner McEntrye (Senator of Student Support Services)

Voting Representatives: Brittany Flood (Beta Chi Nu), Kevin Phillips (Math Club), Martin Alvarado (Baptist Collegiate Ministries), Zebulon Stadler (Veterans), Madison Hobbs (Chemist Society), Logan Broome (Sigma Tau Delta), Natalia Romero (SACNAS), Rin Pell (Orinthology Club), Kamren Katona (Secular Student Alliance), Marlen Hernandez Garcia (LASO), Lauren Pippin (Wesley Foundation), Jim Hensley (Lambda Alpha Epsilon), Nkemjika Ebere (African Students' Association), Jennifer Cruz (Photography and Film Club), Daniel Jeon (Adventist Christian Fellowship), Tregony McNair (Psi Chi), Jazmn

Acosta (Alpha Sigma Tau), Marcus Watson (LEGENDS), Brittany Hughes (Psychology Club)

Guests: Annabelle McKie-Voerste, Dylan Matul, Savannah Upton, Autumn Hooton, Diego Alvarado, Amber Lesicko, James Adams, Jon Jaudon, Pat Chute, Renee Cathers, Trevor Hall, Logan Shewmaker, Scott Beck

3. Parliamentary- Logan Huggins

Logan Huggins discussed the format of the meetings and that all SGA meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Campus Recreations moves to approve the September 28, 2018 minutes. Seconded by Logan Huggins, Senator of STM and Parliamentarian.

Motion Carried, 100% approved

5. Administrative Updates

A. Dr. Jodi Johnson, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

We will be sending an email on Monday to all students informing them of a new opportunity called FLUNCH. FLUNCH allows students to invite a professor to lunch in the Roadrunner Café here on campus at no cost to the student or the faculty member. This is an opportunity for students to share lunch and informal conversation with faculty members. It is a great way to explore educational and research opportunities, identify a career direction, and build an educational relationship. Students will be limited to one free lunch. Also, Thursday, November 8, is first generation college day. We are encouraging first generation students to pick up buttons, which will be available across campus, and take a picture with a faculty or staff member who is wearing a first-generation college graduate button. Students can post their photos on the Rage App. There will be a photo booth on the quad from 10:00am-2:00pm along with a banner students can sign.

B. Dr. Pat Chute, Vice President for Academic Affairs

Students, as well as all of us, sign into their accounts on their cell phones saving the login information just as they do with their laptops, etc. Then they use all sorts of apps which can get access to their accounts as well as if a lock screen isn't on their phone, anyone can access their information if it gets in the wrong hands. Lastly, if they do select a spam or virus via email they can also give that entity access to their logged-in information and entire device (pics/contacts/documents, etc) too. Automatic sign-on is a convenience that many are not willing to give up, but lock screens are imperative on everyone's phone, and the use of reputable apps in addition to understanding email security are important as well.

6. Approval of Executive Board Member

A. Clint Dodd- Vice President

Motion: Zebulon Stadler, Veterans moves to approve Clint Dodd as Vice President.
Seconded by James Adams, Faculty Representative.

Motion Carried, 100% Approved.

7. Traffic Appeals: 5 appeals were submitted. Approved 3. Denied 2.

8. SGA Cabinet Meetings

Carolina Gomes, President

SGA would like everyone to know that the cabinet meetings held at 8:00am before every SGA meeting are open for any student and RSO to attend. During those meeting, you have a no vote no voice; you are not allowed to speak, just observe. Thank you!

9. HSI Grant Committee

- A. Dalton State College has been recognized as a Hispanic Serving Institute and is eligible to receive a grant ranging from \$2 million to \$4 million. The amount given will be reflected on the project submitted. The HSI Committee is looking for suggestion on projects that will benefit the entire student population. Ideas can range from construction to academic based programs. Suggestions can be submitted to Quincy Jenkins, qjenkins@daltonstate.edu.

10. Student Activity Fee Increase Vote

Carolina Gomez, President

The student fee increase was voted on by 6.5 % of the student body. Total: 287, Yes:159, No:127. There is a small margin between the votes. With that said, the student body has approved the student activity fee increase.

Rin Pell, Ornithology Club

I would like to motion to post-pone this vote for another month, until we get a higher response rate and more students have been informed about the student fee increase. I would also like to discuss why it is important.

Carolina Gomez, President

We do have a motion and second, but I will open the floor up to discussion before this motion is voted upon. I would like to clarify that there is a process when voting. For this specifically, the Board of Regents vote on whether or not this will officially be approved or denied in November. This is why, if you post-pone the meeting to November, which is our last meeting for the semester, it will be past time for the Board of Regents to actually vote.

Rin Pell, Orinthology Club

My reasoning to postpone the vote to another meeting is so that we can have more time to be informed about what happened at that Townhall meeting. That way we could be better informed before doing this.

Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services

It seems like there is a concern over the amount of students that were able to vote. There was not a lack of effort on the behalf of SGA. For multiple weeks, we put out videos and had tables set up. There was a lot of time and effort put into the marketing and promotion of this fee increase. We only had 6 % of the student body turnout and the votes went one way, which is a sample of the student body population.

James Adams, Faculty Represenative

I have been on this committee for a little while and there has not been a huge difference in student/voter turnout for things like this. I understand the concern but, I do not believe you are going to be able to get more votes. SGA, can always be seen to be reaching out to the student body.

Rin Pell, Orinthology

I believe that if that video where to have been accessible to the entire student body, more students would have voted. I think that it is worth a shot.

Motion: Rin Pell moves to approve the postponement of the Student Activity Fee Vote. Seconded by Karen Katona, Secular Student Alliance

Motion Denied: 70% denied, 30% approved

8. Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian

I motion to end the discussion and call for a 5 minute recess.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to take a five-minute recess. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

Carolina Gomez, President

The discussion is now closed and we will continue with the vote on the student fee increase.

Motion: James Adams, Faculty Representative moves to approve the \$6 Student Fee Increase. Seconded by Kevin Phillips, Math Club.

Motion Carried, 84% Approve, 16% Deny.

Motion Approved

11. Request For Funding

A. Photography and Film Club

Jennifer Cruz and Diego Alvarado presented on-behalf of the Photography and Film club, requesting \$244.17 to purchase a Canon Ivy Mini Printer and four Canon Zink Photo Paper Pack.

Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services

On behalf of the budget and finance committee, we recommend \$244.17 awarded to the students

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the recommended amount. Seconded by Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Campus Recreation.

Motion Carried, 96% Approved.

B. Reverse Trick or Treating

Logan Shewmaker and Trevor Hall presented on behalf of Bethany Willits. Students requested \$300.00 to purchase candy, treat bags, and pumpkin carriers to distribute the candy to resident hall students.

Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services

On behalf of the budget and finance committee, we suggest an allocation of \$200.00 to the students.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the recommended amount. Seconded by Kamren Katona, Secular Students Alliance.

Motion Carried, 100% Approved.

12. Homecoming Nominations

- A. Prince: Clint Dodd
- B. Princess: Natalie Romero
- C. Queen: Shaneika Gayle
- D. King: Scott Beck

13. Announcements

- A. RSO Development/Friends-Giving/ RSO Logos- Amber Lesicko
 - i) RSO Development Workshop will be November 9th from 10:00am-12:00pm in HP 107.
 - ii) Friends-Giving will be November 9th from 12:00pm to 3:00 in the Health Profession Lobby.
 - iii) Spring of 2019, students will be able to add their RSO's emblem to their Dalton State College stole for an additional fee.
- B. Trick or Treating for Eating with the Tau's- Jazman Acosta
 - i) October 31st, 2018
 - ii) For the past couple of years, Alpha Sigma Tau has gone out on Halloween to collect canned goods rather than candy for the campus food pantry, The Birdfeeder. Many students use this facility weekly. It's a great way to give back to our campus community! Feel free to bring your own donations as well. Meeting in the Pope parking lot then dispersing into two groups: one going to Calhoun Parks Place neighborhood and one hanging out in Dalton. We will have a shirt available for purchase if you're interested!

- C. Hunger and Homeless Awareness
 - i) Week of November 12th-16th
- D. Fall Family Festival- Natalia Romero
 - i) October 30th from 5:00pm-8:00pm. This event is for students, faculty, staff, and the entire community.

14. Adjournment

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the adjournment of the meeting. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

Motion Carried, 100% approved.

The next meeting is on November 30, 2018 at 10:00a.m. Health Profession, Room 107.



Dalton State College

Student Government Association

November 30, 2018 Minutes

- 1. August SGA meeting called to order at 10:04 am**
- 2. Attendance**

Executive Board:

Carolina Gomez (President), Clint Dodd (Vice President) Morgan Reid (Secretary)

Senators:

Ashley Langston (Senator of Liberal Arts), Logan Huggins (Senator of STEM), Shaneika Gayle (Senator of Campus Recreation), Eduardo Meraz (Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach), Kristina Momich (Senator of Residential Life), Mariela Vazquez (Senator of Student Life), Casey Mashburn (Senator at Large), Anthony Mize (Senator of Business), Tanner McEntrye (Senator of Student Support Services), Savannah Upton (Senator at Large)

Voting Representatives: Christian Griggs (DSC Faculty), Madison Hobbs (Chemist Society), Logan Broome (Sigma Tau Delta), Kevin Phillips (Math Club), Zebulon Stadler (Veterans), Allika Peeler-Bagley (Alpha Sigma Tau), Scott Beck (Psychology Club), Kamren Katona (Secular Student Alliance), Keishayla McCallum (LEGENDS), Nkemjika Ebere (African Student Association), Trini Huijon (SACNAS), Autumn Woods (Social Work Club), Brittany Cooley (Lambda Alpha Epsilon), Diego Alvarado(Photography and Film Club), Samuel Voegele (Adventist Christian Fellowship), Autumn Hooton (Baptist Collegiate Ministries), Leah Pitts (Respiratory Club)

Guests: Briana Langley, LatrAil Mcclinic, Bethany Willets, Celia Gent, Jennifer Cruz, James Adams, Amber Lesicko, Jami Hall, Nick Henry, Mike Cole, Jodi Johnson, David Lesicko, Tony Klein, Hunter Henry

3. Parliamentary- Logan Huggins

Logan Huggins discussed the format of the meetings and that all SGA meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Diego Alvarado, Photography and Film moves to approve the October 26, 2018 minutes. Seconded by James Adams, faculty representative.

Motion Carried, 100% approved

5. Administrative Updates

A. Dr. Jodi Johnson, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

I do not have a lot for today. Dr.Chute is not here but she asked me to tell you to make sure to fill out your course evaluations. You should have received multiple emails regarding this. Dr. Venable and I wish you all the best on your final exams! Have a wonderful winter break! See you all Monday night at Food for Finals.

B. Nick Henry, Vice-President for Fiscal Affairs

One update, the Westcott building is on schedule and should be done by time you all return for the spring semester. Memorial Hall is somewhat back on schedule and should be done in the first part of the spring semester.

6. Approval of Senator at Large

A. Savannah Upton- Senator at Large

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve Savannah Upton for Senator at Large. Seconded by Mariela Vasquez, Senator of Student Life.

Motion Carried, 100% Approved.

7. New RSO

A. Herodotus

- i) This club will aim to help history and non-history majors develop professionally and academically. The club plans to attend conferences and go to history museum to enrich student's exposure to history.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the Heradotus Society. Seconded by Mariela Vazquez, Senator of Student Life.

Motion Carried, 100% Approved.

8. Traffic Appeals: 15 appeals were submitted. 15 denied.

9. Student Activity Fee Increase Update

Clint Dodd, Vice President

At the beginning of the year, we started a campaign for a \$6 student activity fee increase. The student body and SGA approved the \$6 fee increase. The Institution has decided not to continue with proposing the student fee increase to the Board of Regents. Dr. Venable stated in an email The Board of Regents holds each University System institution accountable for our use of our resources including our tuition revenue, fee revenue, state allocations and other revenue.

Dalton State...includes in its mission our commitment to affordability, which means the Board of Regents is especially careful in considering proposed fee increases for our students.

The Chancellor has emphasized the need to eliminate or decrease fees charged to our students. Furthermore, he has discouraged us from requesting increases in fees or new fees unless there is a compelling business case and business plan along with overwhelming support by the students. With a total of only 159 students voting to support the increase in the student activity fee (55 % of the 287 votes), we do not have a strong case for overwhelming student support. When we reached out to the System Office informally to explore whether there was any receptivity to a request for a student activity fee increase at Dalton State, the response was to remind us the need for identifying ways to cut costs in order to make better use of the existing revenues. For example, when we asked for a fee increase for Athletics, we did so only after we eliminated nearly half the sports/teams, many student athlete scholarships and several athletics staff positions. We made the case that the requested fee increase was the minimum amount needed to sustain an athletics program after cutting the

program costs as much as possible and presented projected revenues and expenses over the next several years, demonstrating that there were no other opportunities for cost savings.

Dr. Venable believes there are other opportunities to cut expenses within the Student Activity fee budget that have not yet been explored. There is no compelling business case for this \$6 increase. Institutions have been discouraged from seeking fee increases unless, for example, the institution is projecting a shortfall in revenue needed to meet loan repayment obligations. The fee increase amount requested must be tied to the projected revenue needed to meet these loan obligations. This is not the case for Dalton State.

Ashley Langston, Senator of Liberal Arts

Just based on the information presented, we have not had a big turnout in the past for student votes. Six percent is the average for us over the past three years. So why is this small activity fee the only one that the institution is not supportive of compared to the past ones?

Nick Henry, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs

I think what you are looking if that over the past three years the Institutions stance has changed on fees. It really has changed on everything, it's a lot more difficult now than it was then to get fees approved. I think it is safe to say that 2015 to 2016 was when the chancellor wanted an overwhelming student support and a good financial case on why the fee would be needed. That is one of the reasons that the president did not send this forward.

Logan Broome, Sigma Tau Delta

In the last meeting, it was sort of just blown off about the amount of students that voted. It was almost like that was good enough and 6% was all we were going to get. I feel like now you are going back and saying something else.

Nick Henry, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs

No, that's not what I am saying. I am saying that you need 85% or more of that 6% to have said yes. Overwhelming support that most of those students wanted that increase. I do not want to speak for the president but, that may be one of the main reasons why. We are still working out of a deficit model.

Scott Beck, Psychology Club

I think what we are missing here is that, yes SGA and the student body did approve the \$6 fee increase but it is important to also look at the business aspect of this as a whole. Each one

of the previous request has had different circumstances compared to where we are right now. With this student activity fee increase, we do not have a why. The plan is very undeveloped but, maybe we should get a committee together to work on this and form it. We have two options, cut programs or move salaries out of the budget. Cutting events does not make sense, so we only have one thing left, moving the salaries out. What salaries are paid out of the Dean of Students office budget?

Amber Lesicko, DSC Staff

There are four salaries and benefits of staff in the Dean of Students that come out of that budget. They are mine, Dr. Jami Hall, Heather Williams, Shabina Panjwani.

Scott Beck, Psychology Club

If we eventually try to move those salaries, that would be better so that we could have a different budget for salaries only. That way clubs budgets would not have to have their funding cut back.

Carolina Gomez, President

So that is a great idea, but realistically it is not possible. I will let Clint explain that bit.

Clint Dodd, Vice President

Right now, we are looking at this. Those two options are not an either or, they are the only two options we have and that we are working on right now. I know, we want to get salaries out. That money will have to come from somewhere, possibly the Institution. It is an ongoing process to remove those salaries and benefits while also looking at cutting things. We cut \$38,000 in student worker hours, a huge cut but as you saw on the chart is consumed quickly.

Carolina Gomez, President

We are working on it, currently. Also we met with Nick Henry yesterday to discuss this. Due to all of the unknown factors within the upcoming year, it is impossible to assure that we can have those certain salaries taken out.

Nick Henry, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs

Essentially, as a state agency we do not know what our funding level will be. That funding is based off of enrollment, for the most part. If you look back we are always running two years behind, that is what our funding level is based off of. Last fall we did not have an increase in enrollment so, at this point, we assume that our funding level will stay the same, as it is this year. Another thing we have to look at is enrollment levels, we expect enrollment to stay flat with a small increase but, not much. So this only option is tuition, this year there was no tuition increase. Next year there may be a tuition increase of 2%. We just do not know as we go into the budget season in March.

Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian

The renovation to Westcott came out of money that was left in the institution budget?

Nick Henry, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs

Yes, that is correct.

Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian

So if we have extra money left in the budget every year, but it is not going towards students, salaries, and other hurting departments then why could we not work to get that leftover money to go towards salaries?

Nick Henry, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs

I did that, last year. I gave roughly \$50,000 to pay for a portion of Jami's salary but, it was moved at year end. It is in your reserve fund. It is one of those, I do try to help as much as possible.

Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian

Can I ask how much the renovation to Westcott cost? If that is public knowledge.

Nick Henry, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs

Yes, it is. That renovation to the front part of that building cost about \$350,000. That is something that we have to do though because, our campuses appeal has gone downhill. We need to improve those things; we have a new building going up. We have a nice new fresh look.

Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian

I understand that but, if you have a really nice building and the student goes through that entrance but yet we don't have any activities or things to offer to that student, then what is going to keep them here? Dr. Venable wants to make this a first destination college but, how can we do that when we essentially have nothing to keep them here.

Kristina Momich, Senator or Residence Life

Let's talk about retention, our goal at Dalton State is to make it a first choice destination but, in reality all of the leaders here can tell you this, it is not a first choice destination. It is a backup plan college because it is cheap. So how are we keeping enrollment up if all of the salaries are coming out of our budget? We are not getting enough money to even do stuff for students to keep them here. We have student workers that are willing to work for free; we have teachers and staff whose salaries are below minimum, and student workers only work for free because we love it here so much. So how do we do that?

Nick Henry, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs

That is the million-dollar question. I know we have to have funds to bring people in. We have limited funds and we are trying to bring students in the best we can. My thing is not really retention.

Dr. Jodi Johnson, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

In regards to retention, we are looking at retention. Our graduation rates went up for the past three to four years by 3.7%. Graduation rates are going up and we have the highest graduation rate in the university system. I think that tells us we are finding a better fit for students here. Our retention rate has never been good compared to our peer institutions, it is an issue. We know where we lose students; I would be interested in talking to SGA about working on retention. We lose students between the sophomore and junior year; we keep you between the freshman and sophomore year. You have all brought up an interesting point and we should work more on it, let's get a committee together and meet after winter break.

Clint Dodd, Vice President

I want to clarify one thing, sort of reaching back. In the past, all of the increases have had those different circumstances, like Scott said. We have to play devil's advocate and figure out what

questions to ask so that we could get as much information as we could during our presentation. Be sure to be thinking about the suggestion of what we can do to free money up.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the close of discussion. Seconded by Kevin Phillips, Math Club.

Motion Carried, 100% approved.

10. Fee Approval

Mike Cole, Guest

This year we do not have any increases in fees. Before you leave if, I could please have you sign the papers that will be up here. The papers are just acknowledging that you have been shown the fees. Thank you.

11. Café Rules- David Lesicko and Tony Klein

David Lesicko, DSC Staff

I wanted to talk about three things. We have rearranged the dining hall to try and reinforce the rules and policies that have been there. We have run into some problems with not following the policy because we were trying to be nice. When students go to the dining hall during all you can eat hours, that seating area is only supposed to have students who have paid for the all-you-can eat. Essentially, what was happening was paying students would come in and bring out three plates for their friends, when their friends did not pay for it. Students were reported to student conduct because of theft. Secondly, the backdoor in the dining hall, will remain closed during all you can eat hours. There will be an alarm hooked to it during all you can eat hours, if you leave through that door the alarm will go off. Outside of those hours it will remain open and the alarm will be turned off. Thirdly, we are trying to work towards using reusable plastic containers instead of Styrofoam containers.

Tony Klein

We use 19,000 Styrofoam containers a year. If we lay them down, it would stretch out over 5 miles, making 25 Empire State building.

David Lesicko, DSC Staff

Looking at other institutions, at the beginning of the semester you buy a token if you would like to use the reusable containers. The token would cost \$10.00. The token will be like the

quarter at Aldi, a placeholder to guarantee you will bring the plastic container back. We are still looking into all of the details but, Aladdin has agreed to using these.

12. Request For Funding Presentations

A. Chemist Society- Logan Broome

i) The Chemistry Society would like to thank SGA for helping us pay for attending the conference. There were multiple presentations from undergraduates and graduate students at the conference that we found beneficial. Three of DSC students also presented.

B. Psychology Club- Scott Beck

i) Thank you to SGA, it was amazing event! One, cognition is something that DSC has a class on but, people do not go in-depth about learning and language. We want to do more of that, especially after seeing the information presented at the conference. Two, Bayesian statistics, only one man correctly predicted that Trump would win the election; he got it right because he used that type of statistics. Three, homelessness, this is a huge issue in New Orleans and it really put things into perspective for us.

C. SAMLA- Celia Gent

i) The SAMLA conference was wonderful. I got to take an essay that I have been working on this semester and got to present it. Afterwards, we got feedback and questions asked about our paper that really helped. Thank you to SGA.

D. Reverse Trick or Treating- Bethany Willets

i) Resident hall students loved this event. Many of the students could not believe that the candy was free and always seemed excited. We only had about three students reject the candy but, some students tried to fool us and skip floors to get more. We caught them though.

13. Announcements

A. Food for Finals- December 3rd at 11:00pm

i) To participate in this event, you must bring your student ID. Tutors will also be present for the entire event.

B. Christmas Parade- December 6th

i) All students are welcome to come take part in the parade. You will need to arrive at around 5:30 at the Roadrunner Bus in the parade lineup. You may provide your own candy to hand to children along the parade route.

C. HoCo 2019- January 22-26th

i) Theme is Unmasque Your Pride. Homecoming court will be announced soon.

Adjournment

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the adjournment of the meeting. Seconded by Casey Mashburn, Senator at Large.

Motion Carried, 100% approved.

The next meeting is on January 25, 2019 at 10:00a.m. Health Profession, Room 107.



Dalton State College

Student Government Association

January 25, 2019 Minutes

- 1. August SGA meeting called to order at 10:07 am**
- 2. Attendance**

Executive Board:

Carolina Gomez (President), Clint Dodd (Vice President), Morgan Reid (Secretary)

Senators:

Chakara Reed (Senator of Education), Leah Pitts (Senator of Health Professions), Ashley Langston (Senator of Liberal Arts), Logan Huggins (Senator of STM), Shaneika Gayle (Senator of Campus Recreation), Eduardo Meraz (Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach), Mariela Vazquez (Senator of Student Life), Casey Mashburn (Senator at Large), Savannah Upton (Senator at Large) Anthony Mize (Senator of Business), Tanner McEntrye (Senator of Student Support Services)

Voting Representatives: Natalia Romero (SACNAS), Keishayla McCallum (African Students; Association), Anna Bramblett (Baptist Collegiate Ministries), Kamren Katona (Secular Student Alliance), Briana Langley (Alpha Sigma Tau), Brittany Flood (Beta Chi Nu), Logan Broome (Sigma Tau Delta), Madison Hobbs (Chemist Society), Scott Beck (Psychology), Molly Prince (Psi Chi), Samuel Voegelé (Adventist Christian Fellowship), Briana Cedillo (SGAE), Brittany Cooley (Lambda Alpha Epsilon), Kevin Phillips (Pre-Health Club),

Guests: James Adams, Samantha Perez, Maricela Martinez, Chris Nuno, Savannah Lofty, Rebecca Lofty, Adrian Thompson, Latrail Mcclenic, Taylor Smith, Jodi Johnson, Mike D'Itri, Adam Sansom, Stacie Kilgore, Grace Nabila, Jon Jaudon, Amber Lesicko, Jami Hall, Jamie Petty, Margaret Venable, Vallarie Pratt, Maria Castillo, Hunter Henry, Christian Griggs, Drew Wilkey

3. Parliamentary- Logan Huggins

Logan Huggins discussed the format of the meetings and that all SGA meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Logan Huggins, Parliamentarian and Senator of STM moves to approve. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

Motion Carried, 100% Approved

5. Administrative Updates

A. Dr. Margaret Venable, President

Happy New Year! I do not have much to say for today. After searching for over a year for the perfect candidate, Jon Jaudon was chosen for the interim Chief of Staff. I want to explain the importance of this job. It covers the areas of marketing and communication, advancements, alumni relations, government relations, and athletics. The Chief of Staff will directly report to me, so it helps with my work load so that I can prioritize and hopefully give better service to others who report to me. Let's welcome him and he would like to also introduce someone else, who is new!

B. Jon Jaudon, Chief of Staff

It is always an honor to introduce a new staff person, especially when it is a new position! The new director of government and external relations, who is also a Dalton State Alumna, Vallarie Pratt. She will spend most of her time in Atlanta, due to legislative session being held there. We are excited to have her and know that she will produce outstanding results for us. That will give you the students more benefits and services to expand Dalton State.

C. Dr. Jodi Johnson, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

Welcome back! I hope everyone has a great time at the Homecoming events coming up. As a mother of a teenager, please make wise choices!

D. Mr. Nick Henry, Vice-President for Fiscal Affairs (Jamie Petty)

Memorial Hall is on schedule to be completed by the end of March, then furniture will be moved in the following month. The Westcott Building front entrance is also mostly done and it looks great.

6. Approval of New Cabinet Members

A. Chakara Reed- Senator of School of Education

Motion: Kameron Katona, Secular Student Alliance moves to approve. Seconded by Logan Huggins, Parliamentarian and Senator of STM.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%.

B. Leah Pitts- Senator of Health Professions

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM and Parliamentarian moves to approve. Seconded by Mariela Vazquez, Senator of Student Life.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

7. Traffic Appeals: 22 appeals were submitted. Approved 3.

8. Approval of Activity Fee Budget Resolution and Student Retention Committee

A. Approval of Activity Fee Budget Resolution Committee

Carolina Gomez, President

During our last meeting in November, it was proposed that an activity fee Budget Resolution committee be created to recommend budget cuts for the upcoming year, FY 2020. For the Activity Fee Budget Resolution Committee, we have Tanner McEntyre (Chairman), Kedarian Pender, Ashley Langston, Mariela Vazquez, Cody Beavers, Scott Beck.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM and Parliamentarian moves to approve.
Seconded by Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Campus Recreation.

Motion Carried, Approved 96%.

B. Approval of Student Retention Committee

Carolina Gomez, President

The student retention committee will help identify any issues that have effected student engagement and help create methods to increase student retention on campus. These are the following members that have been selected Clint Dodd, Hailey Nix, Savannah Upton, Kameron Katona, Cody Beavers, Alvaro Cortez, Casey Mashburn, and Nicole Sanabria.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM and Parliamentarian moves to approve.
Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

Motion Carried, Approved 96%.

9. Request For Funding

A. Association of Southern Biologist Conference, Drew Wilkey

Beta Chi Nu is planning to attend the ASB conference in Memphis, TN in April. Attending this conference would allow members of BXN to be exposed to current research, professionals in their career, and network with companies/graduate schools. We are proud to say that of the fifteen students going, eight students will be presenting research. We will also be competing in the BXN history bowl that we have won first place in every year, except for one time.

Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services

On behalf of the budget and finance committee, we recommend \$2,000 be awarded to the students

Motion: Logan Huggins, Parliamentarian and Senator of STM moves to approve. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

Motion Carried, Approved 96%.

10. Announcements

A. Unmask Your Pride Homecoming, Amber Lesicko

- a) Unmasking the Past Trivia Night at Sol De Mayo Tacos (The Mill) at 6:00 pm
- b) Homecoming Basketball Game at 2:00pm, Mashburn Arena
- c) Masquerade Ball at The Mill from 9:00 pm to 1:00 am

A. Autism Support Group Meeting, James Adams

- a) Second Thursday of every month at 5:45pm in the Student Life Conference Room

B. Secular Student Alliance, Kameron Katona

- a) Guest speaker, Dr. Dan Barker. TBA in February.

C. Job Shadowing, Vallarie Pratt

- a) Students will be allowed to come to Atlanta and job shadow me throughout the day to learn the legislative process. If you are interested, please reach out to me at vpratt@daltonstate.edu.

D. NAACP Black History Month Quiz Bowl, Stacy Kilgore

- a) February 17th at 5:00pm in the Mack Gaston Community Center

11. Adjournment

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Kameron Katona, Secular Student Alliance.

The next meeting is on February 22, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Health Profession, Room 107.



Dalton State College

Student Government Association

February 22, 2019 Minutes

1. August SGA meeting called to order at 10:03am
2. Attendance

Executive Board:

Carolina Gomez (President), Clint Dodd (Vice-President), Morgan Reid (Secretary)

Senators:

Leah Pitts (Senator of Health Professions), Ashley Langston (Senator of Liberal Arts), Logan Huggins (Senator of STEM), Eduardo Meraz (Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach), Kristina Momich (Senator of Residential Life), Mariela Vazquez (Senator of Student Life), Savannah Upton (Senator at Large), Chakara Reed (Senator of Education) Tanner McEntyre (Senator of Student Support Services), Anthony Mize (Senator of Business)

Voting Representatives: Brittany Cooley (Lambda Alpha Epsilon), Kamren Katona (Secular Student Alliance), Taylor Smith (Beta Chi Nu), Zebulon Stadler (Veterans), Samuel Voegele (Adventist Christian Fellowship), Ibis Arredondo (Psi Chi), Madison Hobbs (Chemists Society), Briana Langley (Alpha Sigma Tau), Jennifer Cruz (Photography and Film), Nkemjika Ebere (African Students' Association), Michael D'Itri (LEGENDS), Hunter Henry (RSO?), Kevin Phillips (Math Club), Scott Beck (Psychology Club)

Guests: James Adams, Ryan Rahm, Amy Reynolds, Latriail Mcclinic, Diego Alvarado, Jon Jaudon, Jodi Johnson, Margaret Venable Jami Hall, Amber Lesicko, Heather Williams, David Lesicko, Robin Wilson

3. Parliamentary- Logan Huggins

Logan Huggins, discussed the format of the meetings and that all SGA meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and parliamentarian moves to approve the January 25, 2019 minutes. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach. *Motion Carried, Approved 100%*

5. Administrative Updates

A. Dr. Margaret Venable, President

I do not have any new announcements but, I have some free tips to offer all of you. Eat healthy, get some rest, and wash your hands!

B. Dr. Jodi Johnson, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

I do have a few announcements but, nothing as exciting as those tips. I will remind you all again and I will be sending out an email to all students on Monday. Last fall, we offered FLUNCH and I have not sent a reminder for this semester yet. FLUNCH is where you can have lunch with a faculty member in the cafeteria. You get one free lunch a semester. You have all semester to do that and I encourage you to take that opportunity! Second, Monday I will also be sending out another email to faculty, staff, and students that we have a new two year academic calendar! Then it will be posted on to the website, so you can plan your spring break for 2020 right now, if you like! Thirdly, our Hispanic and Latino Outreach office is partnering with the Latin American Association and the Dalton Whitfield Public Library to offer free citizenship classes in the spring. If you know anyone who would like to work on getting the citizenship, let them know! There will be flyers across campus, the classes will start in May and run through the summer; it is a 8-week program.

C. Mr. Nick Henry, Vice-President for Fiscal Affairs

David Lesicko

Memorial Hall is set to open April 17th, which is exciting news to hear. Also, there is a Birthday event going on every month on the year. You can go to the cafeteria and get a free cookie and the book store will offer a 10% discount to you; you can only receive these birthday offers one time. That is all I have; have a great day!

6. New RSO Request

A. Away From Keyboard- Ryan Rahm and Anthony Mize

Ryan Rahm, President of AFK presented on the mission and reason for the creation of the new RSO. AFK aims to move away from electronic devices by having students interact through competitive competitions and social bonding events where students will increase their social outreach and awareness on campus. AFK plans to do this through table-top card games, RBGs, and fundraiser opportunities. The fundraisers held will be open to the entire Dalton State campus and Dalton community.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the RSO request. Seconded by Kamren Katona, Secular Student Alliance.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

7. Request for Funding

A. Away From Keyboard

Away from Keyboard requested \$200.00 as a startup fund to purchase a MGT cube, instruction manuals, and along with other items.

Tanner McEntryre, Senator of Student Support Services

On behalf of the budget and Finance Committee, we recommend the entire requested amount be allocated to AFK.

Motion: Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach moves to approve. Seconded by Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian.

Motion Carried, Approved 96%

8. Traffic Appeals: 19 appeals were submitted. Approved 3

9. Student Retention Committee

Carolina Gomez, President

As a reminder, the student retention committee was created to identify those problems that have caused issue in the retention rates on campus, in the respective departments. With that said, we have approved Casey Mashburn as the chairman for this committee. We also discussed the departments of tutoring, residential life, Hispanic outreach, undergraduate research, student and service leadership, and student life. We will send out the minutes from that meeting, so that you will all be fully updated! We are also going to vote on the approval of Nina Benoit, she will be representing Residential life along with Casey Mashburn.

A. Member Approval - Nina Benoit

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian, moves to approve.
Seconded by Kamren Katona, Secular Student Alliance.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

10. 2019-2020 SGA Election Process

Morgan Reid, Secretary

Carolina and I have been working on revamping the SGA election process for the upcoming term so that it is more rigorous. The new time line for the election process will be as follows:

- Nominations : March 4th- March 8th
- Acceptance & Application : March 11th- March 22nd
- Campaigning: March 25th- April 12th
- Voting: April 1st- April 12th
- Notification Email: April 15th

Along with a time in the timeline, the application has been revised to meticulous and detailed. All new candidates must attend the “Meet the Candidates” event on March 27th at 11am-1pm in the Eddie Miller Room, food being provided is TBA. Incoming officers must also attend the April 26th SGA Transition Meeting from 8am-12pm; meaning that they must be present for the cabinet and SGA meeting. Are there any questions?

Scott Beck, Psychology Club

With all of that information, will incoming officers take part in a mentoring process of any sort to help guide them into their positions?

Morgan Reid, Secretary

Yes, after every turnover of SGA, the new officers will meet with the previous officer and will be trained individually in addition to the SGA training. All incoming officers also must attend a Student Leadership retreat at the end of the semester, as well.

11. Budget Resolution Committee

Tanner McEntrye, Chairman of Activity Fee Budget Resolution Committee

Good morning everyone, I am going to be presenting on information that has been developing over the past year within Student Government. I do ask that you hold all question

until the end; I will open up questions first to faculty/staff and then to the students. I'll go over the process of what we have done to get to this point. Then finally, I will announce the resolution that we have made with Dr. Venable and her staff along with members of the SGA cabinet. We will also be looking over the forecasted solution and following action that we all need to take as an organization. Starting with the financial analysis, we have FY 2017 with an incoming amount of 394,000 in student fees. That is the \$40 dollars that we pay, spread across roughly 5,000 students. In FY 2017, we have student workers in the Dean of Students office as well coming out of the total fee amount. In FY 2018, administration fee increased to 73% of our incoming fee, office worker fee went down to 3.9%, and the office RSO was at 23%. In FY 2019, administration fee amounted to 71.54%, office worker fees were completely eliminated, and office RSO was at about 28%.

In the fall of 2018, based off of these financial analyses, SGA expressed concern over the fee and its allocation. We proposed a 15% fee increase to the student activity fee from \$40 to \$46. After the proposal, SGA campaign all across campus through posters, tabling, Town Hall Meetings, and email. The fee was voted on by the student body; 55.6% said yes and 44.4% voted no to the increase. There was not enough overwhelming support for a fee increase, the Board of Regents is discouraging fee increases at this time and would either need an overwhelming support or great need for the increase. In the spring of 2019, the Budget Resolution Committee was formed to recommend budget cuts for fiscal year 2020. Following the first meeting of SGA, we met with SGA executive cabinet and Dr. Venable, Dr. Johnson, Nick Henry, and Jon Jaudon to find a solution. During those meetings, we proposed that no less than 50% of the student activity fee be allocated directly towards student activities; CAB, leadership, RSO, SGA, etc. Dr. Venable and her staff pledged the support and asked for time to develop a plan.

Mr. Nick Henry offers a commitment of 90,000-100,00 over a four to five year horizon. A recent vacancy in the Dean of Students office will allow for an initial lump sum of \$60,000 flow into the office and RSO budget, with an additional average of 10,000 in administration fees being absorbed by the Institution over a 3-4 year period. Now with that, as staff salary rise the Institution will be able to absorb the rises to keep us at a sustainable 50%. This is a commitment not a guarantee, because it is hard to predict financial situations that could arise; this is a promise of commitment made to us.

With all of that said, the Budget Fee Resolution Committee is going to recommend FY 2020 allocations from the office of the RSO budget for student activities, SGA, RSO's, etc. Now what you need to do is to communicate any concern, questions, requests to your representative on the committee by March 21st, 2019. Once clear pictures of financial needs and capabilities have been established the committee will make recommendations for allocation. The dollar amounts that you request need to be matched with projects and budget forecasts; we will not be allocated blank checks to anyone for amounts. We will need specifics on what that money will be used for. Now I will open the floor for faculty/staff questions.

Dr. Jodi Johnson, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

I just want to say thank you to all of SGA and the committee. You have come to the table, listened, made suggestions, and worked with us very well. They have truly advocated for you all and they have done an excellent job!

Scott Beck, Psychology Club

I want to clarify and this may make it easier for you all as RSO's for the budget breakdown. The things, we need from you by March 21st are:

- Budget Needed
- Tentative List of Events
- Cost Per Event

Tanner McEntrye, Chairman of Activity Fee Budget Resolution Committee

We would really like to emphasize request for funding. We are also looking at capping the RSO budget request, tentatively at \$500. Any RSO that requests under RSO will not have to present but, any RSO requesting above that amount will have to present to SGA. The budget request form is currently live as well and it will close March 29th.

Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian

Since Shabina's position is the vacancy, the responsibilities of CAB will be pushed off on to other people in the office. Do you think it is sustainable for those staff members to have to take on those additional responsibilities on top of what they already do?

Tanner McEntrye, Chairman of Activity Fee Budget Resolution Committee

As far as sustainability, that is on Amber Lesicko and Heather Williams. I do not know the level of their sustainability. AS far as effectiveness and efficiency, there will most likely be a decline in that. The programs will probably take a hit but, as students we need to be more involved and use the money we have been awarded. We have talked about hiring a student worker to possibly program events and things like that but, we are still looking at all the options.

Dr. Margaret Venable, President

I have been trying to think of a way to say this without it coming out the wrong way but, here it goes. It is the college's responsibility to handle personnel and jobs. The college uses other fees on campus to support of position because the college cannot simply support all of the

positions we have. We do appreciate that you all are concerned over this but, at the end of the day it is the college's decision. Since I have been we, there have been positions cut and it is not fun but, sometimes it is what had to happen. We cannot spend money that we do not have; 85 % of our budget is salaries. This conversation has not resulted in someone being cut, it was an institutional decision.

12. Announcements

A. Beta Chi Nu- Pi the Popular

- i) February 12th 2019- March 13th 2019
- ii) Pi your favorite BXN officer or STEM professor by buying a \$1 ticket in Peeples Hall or the Pope Student Center.

B. Heather Williams, Student Leadership Award Nominations

- i) Nominations for Student Leadership Awards will close March 1st, 2019.

C. Vallerie Pratt, Intern Position

- i) Email vpratt@daltonstate.edu for dates and times of open positions

D. LEGENDS- Community to College

- i) March 16th, 2019 from 9am-12pm in Peeples Hall
- ii) Encourages 12th grade student and parents to look at Dalton State as a first choice school and introduce them to DSC Dual Enrollment program.

E. Kamren Katona- Secular Student Alliance

- i) Guest Speaker, Dr. Dan Barker on March 4th, 2019 in Brown 105

F. Away From Keyboard, Yu Gi Oh! Tournament

- i) March 22nd, 2019 on the Dalton State Campus
- ii) Open to entire community, preregistration will be available and registration at the door

G. James Adams, Faculty Representative

- i) Autism Support Group- 5:45pm every second Thursday of the month in the Dean of Students Conference Room.

13. Adjournment

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

The next meeting is on March 29, 2019 at 10:00a.m. Health Profession, Room 107.



Dalton State College

Student Government Association

March 29, 2019 Minutes

- 1. August SGA meeting called to order at 10:06am**
- 2. Attendance**

Executive Board:

Carolina Gomez (President), Clint Dodd (Vice-President), Morgan Reid (Secretary)

Senators:

Leach Pitts (Senator of Health Professions), Ashley Langston (Senator of Liberal Arts), Logan Huggins (Senator of STEM), Eduardo Meraz (Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach), Kristina Momich (Senator of Residential Life), Mariela Vazquez (Senator of Student Life), Savannah Upton (Senator at Large), Tanner McEntrye (Senator of Student Support Services), Anthony Mize (Senator of Business), Shaneika Gayle (Senator of Health and Wellness)

Voting Representatives: Kevin Phillips (Math Club), Adam Sansom (Rockbridge Campus Fellowship), Adarius Kilgore (LEGENDS), Briana Langley (Alpha Sigma Tau), Diego Alvarado (Photography and Film), Samuel Voegele (Adventist Christian Fellowship), Scott Beck (Psychology Club), Nkemjika Ebere (African Students' Association), Brittany Flood (Beta Chi Nu), Chris Nuno (Psi Chi), Allison Keyes (Lambda Alpha Epsilon), Kamren Katona (Secular Student Alliance), Madison Hobbs (Chemist Society), Logan Broome (Sigma Tau Delta), Ryan Rahm (Away from Keyboard), Hunter Henry (Hedodotus Society)

Guests: Keishayla McCallum, Terry Bailey, David Lesicko, Jamie Petty, Jami Hall, Amber Lesicko, Latrail Mcclinic, Stacie Kilgore, Brittany Hughes, James Adams, Jon Jaudon, Nick Henry, Michael Masters, Garrett Burgner

3. Parliamentary- Logan Huggins

Logan Huggins, discussed the format of the meetings and that all SGA meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: James Adams, faculty representative moves to approve the January 25, 2019 minutes. Seconded by Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and parliamentarian *Motion Carried, Approved 100%*

5. Traffic Appeals: 10 appeals were submitted. Approved 2; Denied 8

6. SGA Constitution Update

Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services and Budget/Finance Chairman

As discussed in the previous meeting, we took a look at the allocation of additional funds for RSO budget request. We have made some amendments the constitution. The highlighted portions are the sections changed from the current constitution.

Section I: Organizational Funding:

1. The maximum amount an organization can receive for the academic year via the Budget

Request is \$500. If funds are appropriately depleted and if additional funds are available, organizations may submit a Request for Funding.

a. The maximum amount an RSO can receive in Request for Funding is \$3,000 for the fiscal year.

b. If an organization is requesting a budget of more than \$500, the organization must present their requested budget to the SGA. The presentation should mirror the style of a request for funding (RFF) and include the following: all forecasted activities, their costs, and estimated impact on the student body.

Motion: Diego Alvarado, Photography and Film moves to approve the SGA constitutional update. Seconded by Mariela Vazquez, Senator for Student life.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%.

7. Student Fee Budget Presentations and Allocation Approval

A. Athletics- Jon Jaudon

Jon Jaudon, Chief of Staff

Thank you and good morning to everyone! Intercollegiate athletics is very proud to represent this institution, all over the southeast. We have had enormous success this year, it is our sixth year of sponsoring collegiate athletics at Dalton State. We are very happy with what we have been able to accomplish. Four national champions, 43 conference championships, 32 all Americans, 33 academic all Americans, and 13 conference coach of the year honors. Your peers have accomplished a lot over the past five years, again we are very proud to represent you in honor of the athletic fees that we receive from you. You contribute a \$117 per semester to our efforts in intercollegiate athletics for a total of \$234 combines for fall and spring. That total generates about 1.7 million dollars that we use within our operating budget. There are two specific areas that it goes towards primarily operations which consist of sport budgets, administrative expenses, post season competitions, and sport medicine. The other major component is salary and benefits that is provided to seven full time staff and four to six part time staff. That is the appropriation and how it is spent. We have a self-generating fund of about fifty-thousand that we get through ticket sales and other efforts (Dalton State Locker Room). If anyone has any question, I am more than happy to answer those questions.

Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach

I have wanted to ask for a point of information, what all lies under the administrative expenses?

Jon Jaudon, Chief of Staff

The administrative expenses are things like the Dalton Convention Center rental; each time we play a basketball game it costs three thousand dollars. I have chosen not to have these expenses fall under the sports budget under basketball, we could list it but there other items that we take and put into that budget.

Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Health and Wellness

Does athletics maintain the vans?

Jon Jaudon, Chief of Staff

The college maintains the vans, not athletics. Just in case people are not aware, you were just recently on a trip to Gainesville, Florida, representing men's and women's club team. We took two of our vans, which the college owns and maintains. A few of the tires on the vans had some blow-outs while traveling on the interstate. It could have resulted in injury to those in the vans but, the vans are being repaired. It is not uncommon that used vehicles to have issues arise from time to time. We have a program at the college that maintains and checks the vehicles.

Stacie Kilgore, LEGENDS Advisor

On the subject of sport basketball, me and the community are missing the cheerleaders at the basketball games. We love Rage but, could you expand on why the cheerleading program was cut?

Jon Jaudon, Chief of Staff

The cut was due to limited resources and budgets. It was determine that the cheer squad and four other sports were to be eliminated. Maybe at some point in the future we will be able to bring those sports back. People do not realize the ongoing costs of sports, probably around eighty to one hundred thousand a year to uphold a sport like that.

Stacie Kilgore, LEGENDS Advisor

That leads to my second questions, if in the future there would be students who would volunteer to cheer. Would that even be an option? Like a RaRa?

Jon Jaudon, Chief of Staff

There would have to be leadership and equipment for the stunts that cheer does. Liability insurance would also be another factor needed. RaRa could not compete or represent the college, using your vernacular. There is still an annual cost associated to club or non-club sports teams.

**Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services and Budget/Finance
Chairman**

What is the return that the institution gets from an athletic program and does Dalton State realize that return? Also, how is the majority of the student body benefiting from the athletic program? As a student, I see the \$117 per semester and that's the largest fee that we pay.

Jon Jaudon, Chief of Staff

At our level in the NAIA it is not uncommon for programs to be ninety percent funded by student fees. Another aspect of reference as far as education, eighty percent of the institutions that compete at the NAIA level of private and they have intercollegiate athletics to drive enrollment. We have about 100 students out of almost 5,000 at Dalton State that are athletes, so we are not like those other schools. Return on invest in relation to student athletics, probably not a question for me. That is more of a question for Dr. Venable. Athletics is usually the front porch for a college.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and parliamentarian moves to approve the Athletics Allocation. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

Motion Carried, Approved 80%.

B. Parking and Transportation- Michael Masters

Michael Masters, Director of Public Safety

Good morning everyone. First the transportation fee budget for this upcoming fiscal year is going to be \$220,562. Out of that fee comes the shuttle service, the trade center parking fee, student liability insurance, and parking lot maintenance. The leftover amount is eighteen thousand dollars, that goes to pay for replacing video cameras and other things like that. The second fee is the parking fee, which is budgeted for \$622,972. Out of that budget comes the bond payment for the parking deck which is \$550,000 for 30 years. What is left of that budget goes to liability insurance on the parking garage and parking garage upkeep. We are required by the state to have a reserve fund to maintain the parking garage. One half of a police officer's salary also comes out of that amount.

Kristina Momich, Senator of Residential Life

I have a question in regards to the video cameras. You said that a lot of video cameras had gone out; I know that there were a lot of hit-and-run incidents on within the past year and there were no cameras covering those aspects. Is that going to change or are we going to get more cameras put up to prevent that from happening?

Michael Masters, Director of Public Safety

That is a great question and I get that one quit frequently. Yes, cameras do go down and we work as quickly as we can to get them back up. Usually they are only down for a few days. As far as putting more cameras up, you are never going to have enough cameras to cover every angle. We have added thirty additional cameras and are working on adding twenty three more.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and parliamentarian moves to approve the Athletics Allocation. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%.

C. Technology- Terry Bailey

Terry Bailey, Director of Computing & Information Services

I do not want to just rattle off all of these numbers but, I am going to talk about a few of the big ones. IronScales license for students is a large part of the fee. This system catches fishing emails and allows us to report them. The system used for GeorgiaView is \$86,000 and the banner is split fifty-fifty with OCIS. AV repair and replacement, is used for replacing projectors and other classroom technology across campus. We also fund up to eight student worker positions in OCIS. We anticipate the student technology revenue to be about \$500,000.

Motion: James Adams, faculty representative moves to approve the Technology Allocation. Seconded by Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and parliamentarian. *Motion Carried, Approved 100%*

D. Health Center - Garrett Burgner

Garrett Burgner, Executive Director of Health & Wellness

I am here speaking on behalf of Robin and the Ken White Student Health Center. You pay \$30 for the Student Health Center fee. That fee totals to \$244,410. It pays for a multitude of student health services but, most of it goes to salaries. It also pays for electronic health records, medical tests, medications, and office supplies. Everything is

sustained by your fee. The health center also provides monthly STI/HIV testing and it is completely confidential. Last but not least, we give out free condoms at various locations on campus (Bandy Gym and Health Center).

**Tanner McEntrye, Senator of Student Support Services and Budget/Finance
Chairman**

I have a question about the free condoms; do you think that it is possible to offer them in more discrete locations, like the bathrooms?

Garrett Burgner, Executive Director of Health & Wellness

I understand what you are saying but, I do not think that the locations of the condoms, discrete or not has discouraged any of the people picking them up. I fill the bucket up all the time. It is a very popular give away. I am for the getting the dispensers and putting them in the bathrooms but some building on campus do not allow it. We can definitely look into it though.

Motion: James Adams, faculty representative moves to approve the Health and Wellness Allocation. Seconded by Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Health and Wellness. *Motion Carried, Approved 100%*

E. Campus Recreation- Garrett Burgner

Garrett Burgner, Executive Director of Health & Wellness

Your campus recreation fee is \$20 a semester. It is one of the lowest ones, the total was \$193,000. The largest part of the budget goes to salaries, \$146,000. Our budget is completely based on your fees, minus that we get a little support for Mr. Nick Henry. The second part of the budget is operations; this includes travel, supplies, and operating equipment. We sponsor seven club sports which is where the operation budget comes from. What do we do, we have outdoor adventures (kayaking/hiking), pay score keepers for club sports, and fund a spring break trip.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and parliamentarian moves to approve the Campus Recreation Allocation. Seconded by Mariela Vazquez, Senator for Student Life.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%.

8. Announcements

A. LEGENDS- Meeting

i) April 25th, 2019 at 3:00pm in Pope Student Center Room 108

B. Away From Keyboard

i) AFK will be conducting the Reverse Trick or Treating Event moving forward

9. Adjournment

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STM moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

The next meeting is on April 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Health Profession, Room 107.



Dalton State College

Student Government Association

April 26, 2019 Minutes

- 1. August SGA meeting called to order at 10:15am**
- 2. Attendance**

Executive Board:

Carolina Gomez (President), Clint Dodd (Vice-President), Morgan Reid (Secretary)

Senators:

Ashley Langston (Senator of Liberal Arts), Logan Huggins (Senator of STEM), Eduardo Meraz (Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach), Mariela Vazquez (Senator of Student Life), Savannah Upton (Senator at Large), Tanner McEntrye (Senator of Student Support Services), Anthony Mize (Senator of Business), Shaneika Gayle (Senator of Health and Wellness), Chakara Reed (Senator of Education)

Voting Representatives: Kevin Phillips (Math Club), Bethany Willites (AKF), Kamren Katona (Secular Student Alliance), Logan Broome (Sigma Tau Delta), Zebulon Stadler (Veterans), Haley Gomez (Chemist Soceity), Jennifer Cruz (Photography and Film), Brittany Flood (Beta Chi Nu), Chris Nuno (Psychology Club), Ibis Arredondo (Psi Chi), Brittany Hughes (Alpha Omicron Pi), Autumn Woods (Social Work Club), Grace Nabila (LEGENDS), Martin Alvarado (Baptist Collegiate Ministries), Brittany Cooley (Lambda Alpha Epsilon)

Guests: Grace Neff, Becky Clinton, Diego Alvarado, Molly Prince, Silivia Gonzalez, Nancy Avila de Welles, Hunter Henry, Stacie Kilgore, Adrian Thompson, Olivia Owens, Nicole Sanabria, Neeley Keeton, Amber Lesicko, David Lesicko, Scott Beck

3. Parliamentary- Logan Huggins

Logan Huggins discussed the format of the meetings and that all SGA meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and parliamentarian moves to approve the March 29, 2019 minutes. Seconded by Shaneika Gayle, Senator of Health and Wellness.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

5. Traffic Appeals: 4 traffic appeals were received. Approved 2.

6. Student Retention Committee

Casey Mashburn, Senator at Large

Last time the committee met, we further elaborated on the issues within each department and the lack of communication between each school. For example, the transparency in who is doing what research and what does the research pertain to. Student do not feel as though they know enough to understand how to get involved in research and find out what professors do research. The education program has come to us and feels as though they are disconnected from campus so, we are going to try and figure out ways to have the education program more involved on campus. The committee would also like to start focusing on making the current events that we have on campus better, instead on constantly adding additional ones. One last thing, it has been brought to our attention that the Roadrunner app is underutilized, so we are currently working on ways to get the students to use the app more.

7. Request for Funding

A. Tutoring and Supplemental Instruction- Adrian Thompson and Grace Neff

Adrian Thompson and Grace Neff presented on behalf of Tutoring and Supplemental Instruction on their request for additional funding for the Student Leadership Retreat. Their request wished to send additional student leaders from Student Support Services on the retreat. By sending additional students, Tutoring and SI hoped that it would allow for better connections with other organizations on campus and for the students leaders to be better prepared for the leadership roles.

Tanner McEntryre, Senator of Student Support Services

On behalf of the budget and Finance Committee, we recommend the entire requested amount of \$616 be allocated to Tutoring and Supplemental Instruction.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the allocated amount. Seconded by Mariela Vazquez, Senator of Student Life.

Motion Carried, Approved 100 %

B. Leadership Retreat- Psychology Club and Psi Chi

Scott Beck and Molly Print requested amount for the support of a collaborative leadership retreat for student leaders within Psychology Club and Psi Chi. The retreat will be held at the end of July and will consist of multiple leader oriented activities. The requested amount covers lodging, food, and activities. The purpose of this retreat is for incoming leaders to be better prepared for their upcoming roles in the RSO's.

Tanner McEntryre, Senator of Student Support Services

On behalf of the budget and Finance Committee, we recommend the entire requested amount of \$1,324.35 be allocated to Psychology Club and Psi Chi.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM moves to approve the allocated amount. Seconded by Kamren Katona, Secular Student Alliance.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

8. Request for Funding Presentation

A. Beta Chi Nu – Brittany Flood and Rin Pell

Beta Chi Nu would like to thank SGA for allowing them the opportunity to attend the ASB conference. Majority of all of the students who attended the conference presented their own research, which is uncommon of a college like Dalton State College. After presenting her research, Rin Pell was offered a graduate studies position pertaining to ornithology at the University of Memphis. Being able to attend this conference, allowed Beta Chi Nu members the chance to see other research and network with companies/graduate universities.

9. Card Fee

David Lesicko, Director of Campus Services

The campus card that we have is support by Pharos. A lot of people believe that the card fee is just the twenty dollar fee that you pay but, it is not. The fee covers the entire system that goes across campus and is utilized by many different departments. Every semester our jobs on campus tend to grow a little bit. The equipment that allows you access to buildings across campus or wherever you may swipe is the system Blackboard. The security of this campus is tied to Blackboard. Every semester, the students get \$15 on their Roadrunner cards for printing services that is the Pharos system. These are some of the things that the fee goes towards; it is much more than just a card fee. Every year we receive about \$185,000 from the twenty dollar card fee. If you have not received a fee increase, then our revenue tends to decline. That money goes towards two conferences we attend, printer system and upkeep on campus, employee salaries, and operating the card machine.

Motion Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to approve the allocated Card Fee. Seconded by Shanieka Gayle, Senator of Health and Wellness.

Motion Carried, Approved 100%

10. Budget Allocation

Tanner McEntryre, Senator of Student Support Services

There following were the approved and allocated amounts for RSO's that submitted request for funding's.

- A. Psi Chi requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- B. Psychology Club requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.

- C. Veterans of Dalton State requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- D. Away From Keyboard request \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- E. Chemist Society requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- A. Beta Chi Nu requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- B. Lambda Alpha Epsilon requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- C. LEGENDS requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- D. Math Club requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- E. Photography and Film requested \$250, the amount was amended to \$500, and they will receive the full amount.
- F. Secular Student Alliance requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- G. Sigma Tau Delta requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.
- H. Baptist Collegiate Ministries requested \$500 and will receive the full amount.

All of the remaining funds will be added to the request for funding pot. The following allocations were suggestions presented on behalf of the Budget and Fee Committee.

- A. Campus Activities Board requested \$65,000. Allocated amount \$65,000.
- B. SGA Budget requested \$4,245. Allocated amount \$4,245.
- C. Civic Engagement/Service Budget requested \$17,650. Allocated \$17,650.
- D. Leadership Development Budget \$10,200. Allocated \$10,200.
- E. Dean of Students Budget requested \$2,500. Allocated \$2,500.
- F. Student Life Budget requested \$25,000. Allocated \$25,000.
- G. Student Conduct Budget requested \$4,500. Allocated \$4,500.
- H. Student Support Services requested \$5,500. Allocated \$5,500.
- I. Request for Funding Budget requested \$15,030. Allocated \$15,030.

11. Constitutional Amendments

Carolina Gomez, President

Faculty representatives will be included in the elections process for SGA we felt it was important for students to have a say because those positions have a voice and vote. They will also be required to serve two year terms; this is so that there is always a previous faculty member that can pass along information.

The SGA president will appoint a parliamentarian and budget fee chairman, this has always been the case but it was never officially stated in the constitution.

The SGA vice president will serve as a liaison between the executive board and RSO's. This is because all RSO representatives will be informed on what is going on within the SGA cabinet.

The SGA secretary will serve as a liaison between the executive board and SGA cabinet, this will allow consistent communication. Additionally, minutes will be taken for the SGA cabinet meeting along with SGA meeting minutes.

We are looking at increase the GPA requirement for executive board position from 2.75 to 3.00.

Scott Beck, Guest

I understand the want to increase the GPA requirement; however I am a little concerned on how that may limit eligibility. Does this mean that they will not be able be on the executive board if they have a 2.8 or so?

Carolina Gomez, President

The thought behind it was first academics come first and we do not want to hinder their studies or accomplishing their goals. It could result also result as an incentive for students to increase their GPA and graduate with a wonderful resume and GPA.

Kamren Katona, Secular Student Alliance

I understand the rationale behind the increase of the GPA, however I do feel that if you raise it let's not forget ourselves, in that Dalton State is a transitional school for a lot of students. Yes, I know we are trying to make it to where students stay but how could transitional students serve on SGA or be given the chance if they don't have that set GPA? It is a denial.

Carolina Gomez, President

We are not viewing it as a way to deny leadership position, we are seeing it as a push increase GPA's and set higher standards as this is a high position.

Clint Dodd, Vice President

Let's look at a few things here. To be on the executive branch, you have to have held a previous SGA position for a year. There is already a restriction for students who are just passing through but, if you are just swinging through you are not going to serve of the executive branch. Second, you also have cut off points, this is a .25 cut off point. We want someone who is very serious about this position. Some student's day they want to serve as an executive member but you've got three year to build your GPA to that level. This is nothing new just a quarter of a point increase to have a higher standard.

Tanner McEntryre, Senator of Student Support Services

A GPA is an indicator of your level of commitment to your studies, for most people. The time commitment that the executive branch puts in is very significant, it is hours per week. If you do not have the time to commit to your studies to obtain a 3.0 GPA, then you do not have the time to be in that high of a position. That is really why we are doing this.

Brittany Hughes, Alpha Omicron Pi

It is only a .25 which is not a huge difference but with it already being higher than normal, what is the point? It is not SGA's responsibility to make sure students are making high GPA's, the student should be doing that themselves. Leadership is not based on making good grades and I do not feel like we should limit the student body based on that.

Scott Beck, Guest

I am concerned structurally; I do not like the idea of changing it by .25. We are going to miss very capable leaders because you all are assuming that a GPA correlates to a strong leader. GPA is not a good valid measure so; I think this proposal is misguided by creating a tighter and more restrictive GPA. You are not representing all students but doing this.

Motion: Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM and Parliamentarian moves to table the vote for the Executive board GPA increase to the August 30th, 2019 SGA meeting. Seconded by Eduardo Meraz, Senator of Hispanic and Latino Outreach.

Motion Carried, Approved 90%

12. SGA 2019-2020 Cabinet Transition

Carolina Gomez, President

I would like to take the time to acknowledge and thank the current members that hold positions on our SGA cabinet. Thank you for everything you all have done this year. We have all worked so hard! I would also like to take this time to introduce and welcome the incoming members of SGA cabinet.

President

Outgoing: Carolina Gomez

Incoming: Ashley Langston

Vice-President

Outgoing: Clint Dodd

Incoming: Mariela Vazquez

Secretary

Outgoing: Morgan Reid

Incoming: Savannah Upton

Senator, School of Business

Outgoing: Anthony Mize

Incoming: Grace Nabila

Senator, School of Education

Outgoing: Chakara Reed

Incoming: Becky Clinton

Senator, School of Health Professions

Outgoing: Leah Pitts

Incoming: Leah Pitts

Senator, School of Liberal Arts

Outgoing: Ashley Langston

Incoming: Grace Neff

Senator, School of Science, Mathematics and Technology

Outgoing: Logan Huggins

Incoming: Logan Huggins

Senator, Campus Recreation

Outgoing: Shaneika Gayle

Incoming: Neeley Keeton

Senator, Hispanic and Latino Outreach

Outgoing: Eduardo Meraz

Incoming: Nicole Sanabria

Senator, Student Life

Outgoing: Mariela Vazquez

Incoming: Diego Alvarado

Senator, Student Support Services

Outgoing: Tanner McEntyre

Incoming: Eduardo Meraz

Senator, Residential Life

Outgoing: Kristina Momich

Incoming: Kamren Katona

Senator at Large

Outgoing: Casey Mashburn and Savannah Upton

Incoming: Haley Gomez and Jennifer Cruz

13. Announcements

A. SGA Stole

i) The SGA Logo will be available for your graduation stole starting the Fall of 2019. To be eligible, you must be present for 87% of the SGA meetings; this is determined by how many times you have signed in. Students who wish to have this logo will need to contact the current SGA president.

B. Jon Jaudon, Chief of Staff

i) Good luck to everyone on their final exams!

C. Tutoring and Supplemental Instruction

i) Tutoring and SI are currently hiring for the Fall Semester! Requirements and applications can be viewed here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfrBwX_H52iflqLzSekTJxz1Bj4uVEJ_C_BzFuJ-rJbpXAbCA/viewform

14. Adjournment

Motion: Jennifer Cruz, Senator at Large moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Logan Huggins, Senator of STEM.

The next meeting is on August 30, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Health Profession, Room 107.