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MINUTES

**Student Senate Meeting
October 13, 2021, 2:30 PM
Campus Center Ballroom B**

1. Attendance
2. Minutes to Approve
 - a. October 6th, 2021
3. Public Forum
 - a. Dean Boger
 - i. Congrats everyone for the turnout of the concert
 - ii. The vibe of the students enjoying themselves
 - iii. Homecoming was great and kirstie was a big part of it
 - iv. The dean of student office is new people
 - v. Climate Survey : How do we help people feel included?
 1. Giving people a chance and the feeling that they belong is an important part of the community.
 2. Encourage others in taking the Survey
 3. Seeking a 40% response rate
 - a. Climate survey on october 5th went live
 - b. Critically to get many people to take the survey its about 20 mins
 - c. Its a survey for all campus people like students and staff
 - d. The analysis they would give it to the president to find solutions and initiate them
 - e. "Your voice your campus" is the slogan
 - vi. Sean down and kirstie from student life
 1. Title IX (reach out to her)
 - vii. Johnathan Clarke:
 1. Are there any issues from the Survey that are common that we should address?
 - viii. Dean Boger:
 1. There hasn't been anything yet but expecting to see a trend by the Springtime
 2. About 200 people took it
 - ix. There haven't been any climate surveys in the past.
 - x. 6,000 students (Seeking a 40% response rate)
 - xi. Chief Diversity Officer Search, still underway
 1. We need to address the issues so it will help identify those issues so they can be approved upon, diversity and inclusion
 - b. Charnette Hockaday
4. Old Business
 - a.
5. Executive Reports
 - a. Mark Nashed
 - i. University Senate Committee on Finances
 1. Last week we had the meeting, the rundown about the budgeting 500,000,068 for the fiscal year.
 2. Emerchant- now there is a software see minority business to see who is eco friendly
 3. Egypt project: they are opening up a campus i there for NJIT
 - a. We aren't paying a dime for the egypt project

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- b. We are receiving 5% revenue from that campus
 - c. HERF
- 6. Senator Reports
 - a.
- 7. New Business
 - a. Club Revival
 - i. Motorsports
 - 1. All the students at NJIT and talk about vehicles
 - 2. And open to the general public (hosting workshops how to change your oil and tires)
 - 3. LIFE SKILLS FOR CARS
 - 4. What do you plan on doing differently to make it more lively?
 - a. Make it expand and not just basic
 - b. Tabling events/posters and social media- bring people in hosting presentations on what to do
 - 5. Do you plan on attending conferences?
 - a. Yes we would definitely go to drag races and car meets in middleville
 - 6. It was tier 2 but money wise 3rd tier, so we would put them in tier 3 based off their budget
 - b. Finance Bylaws (see back)
 - i. Macrina Makar
 - 1. Re-Tiering
 - a. Approved!
 - ii. Fady Demian
 - 1. Food caps
- 8. Announcements
 - a. Next Meeting
 - i. October 20th, 2021
 - 1. Campus Center Ballroom B
 - b. Mariam Sharobim - One-on-One Meetings (excludes college reps)
 - i. October 19, 2021 - October 22, 2021
 - c. Lara Rios - After Hours Movie Night
 - i. October 18, 2021 at 6:00 PM
 - 1. Senate Office in Campus Center
 - d. Senator of the Month

Re-tiering:

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II. Budget Requests

Each March, a Budget Request Form on Highlander Hub will open for student organizations to request a budget for the next academic year by providing a general breakdown of fund allocations for events, meetings, activities, conferences, supplies, merchandise, and other expenses. Once reviewed and approved by the Senate Finance Committee, that budget will be used by the organization for the next academic year.

- **Revivals:**

All revived Student Organizations can reapply for a budget after being approved by the Student Organizations Committee according to the following parameters:

- If submitted before the First Club Cabinet meeting, they may still be eligible for 100% of their respective budget request
- If submitted before the Second Club Cabinet meeting, they may still be eligible for 75% of their respective budget request
- If submitted before the start of the Spring semester, they may still be eligible for 50% of their respective budget request
- If submitted before the First Club Cabinet meeting of the Spring semester, they may still be eligible for 25% of their respective budget request
- If submitted after the First Club Cabinet meeting of the Spring semester, they may submit a budget for the following fiscal year

- **Re-tiering**

- After being approved by the Student Organizations committee to be a re-tiered organization, the Finance committee will review their requested budget increase. This will be approved via the standard budget approval process through Highlander Hub and the parameters of their request will be outlined by the same guidelines as the “Revivals” process above

Food Caps:

VI. Non-Event Spending:

- A max of 20% of an organization's budget can be used towards the purchase of merchandise for giving out to organization members and the student body
- Assets totaling \$200 may be listed under the line budget, but amounts exceeding that should be requested as an asset grant with exceptions given for project based organizations
- Food, outside of events, may be bought for general body meetings only, and all food (both for event and non-event) costs may not exceed 75% of your budget-

V. Events

- Each org must hold 2 on-campus events per semester open to the general body
 - The budget may be allocated for food, presenters, decorations, and items necessary to hold the event
- Transportation, accommodations, food, and other fees, within reason, are eligible to be covered by the organization's budget. All other costs are to be handled by the participating individuals.
 - Food may be covered under \$40 per person per day