



MINUTES
Student Senate Meeting
2 December 2020, 2:30 PM
Virtual Meeting

1. Attendance
2. Minutes to Approve
 - a. November 18, 2020
3. Public Forum
 - a. Robert Cohen, Chair of NJIT Board of Trustees
4. Reports
 - a. Instructional Delivery Subcommittee, Jeremy Bedient
 - i. There will be pass/fail for up to 2 classes.
 - b. Mariam Sharobim Newark College of Engineering Representative, meeting with Mokshe Kam Dean of Newark College of Engineering
 - i. They discussed the co-op programs and measures our school based on other classes. It does not matter that other NJIT schools offer credit but are trying to be like other engineering schools. He does not believe a co-op is worthy of academic credit. Departments can choose whether co-ops count for credit or not so she suggested making all the departments uniform, however, this is very difficult. The faculty will discuss passing it through for all of the departments. They spoke about the feedback form she sent out including canvas being more up to date and having virtual events.
5. Old Business
 - a. Investment Fund Club (Approved) (27 yae, 1 nae, 1 abstain)
 - i. Investment Club is where anybody can job but the Investment Fund is a research group that submitted a portfolio but these were combined. They will teach stocks, equity, etc. and submit a research report to help. There is training so everybody can be on the same page.
6. New Business
 - a. Open Educational Resources Proposal - Student Affairs Committee (26 yae, 1 nae, 1 abstain)
 - i. The textbooks are mainly for introduction classes. They went into individual classes and majors and approximated cost. The cost came out to 3000 dollars and it will be at the library. We will buy more copies as needed. For now, it will only be at the library. This will be done by next year.
 - b. GDS Reusable Bag Proposal - Student Affairs Committee
 - i. This began in the beginning of the semester and the excessive use of bags that GDS is using. Paper bags were turned away. This initiative will cost 2600 dollars. There will be a supply in front of GDS for students to take. There is an environmental benefit and helping GDS save money. These bags are not disposable and are multi-purpose. We are buying 2500 bags to give out freely initially. We can sell these to the bookstore. They will be given in residential halls
 - c. BHM Proposal - Owen
 - i. In the past, Senate has not been involved and we were invited to help out and fund. There will be 9 events including a paint night, game night, etc. Their budget needs 30000 dollars and providing 15000 and the 15000 will come from Student Life, organizations, athletics, etc.
7. Announcements
 - a. Next Meeting
 - i. December 9th, 2020
 1. Zoom