

2019-2020 Wesley Student Council Meeting
February 19, 2020
5:00-6:15pm

In attendance:

Ellie Crain
Julie Hagen
Heidi Mills
Jon Deters
Christian Van Dyke
Kirk Freeman
E.B. McAlister
Hyungsuk Oh

Lamika Weiss
Adrian Graham
Sean Gray
Mele Aho
Dr Peck McClain
Angela Lovegrove (Wesley
Fellowship)
Miriam Hanks (Wesley Fellowship)

1. Gathering & Covenant
2. Approval of Minutes from January Meeting
3. Updates from Committees and Student Organizations
 - a. **Student Council Committees**
 - i. Elections
 1. Polls close at 11:59 PM Feb 19, Elections Committee will count and verify the voters.
 2. Heidi is on the ballot and therefore should be excused.
 3. Mele Aho as SC rep & Angela Lovegrove as a non-SC rep for count
 4. Google doc allowed you to submit more than one response. Possibility of duplicate ballots, Student ID number can be used to verify.
 5. Can voting happen through blackboard to increase security and verification? Speak to Berkley Collins.
 6. Next Wednesday Feb 26 12:01am general body members nominations open.
 7. Everybody on SC encouraged to nominate at least one person
 - ii. Financial
 1. Requests for next budget year should be submitted by March 15 to Sara Sadler, Treasurer. Faculty advisor must sign off on budget requests.
 - iii. Constitutional and Judicial Review
 1. Looking at cleaning up some language and some policy changes.
 2. They will bring proposals to next SC meeting.
 - iv. Communications
 1. Thanks to Julie Wesley Journal Editor
 2. Recruiting authors for next journals especially student council reps/clubs.

3. March 4 deadline for next edition. Theme is Dis-orientation. Includes art, poetry, articles, and reflections.
 4. Wesley_Journal@Wesleyseminary.edu
- v. Hospitality
1. Easter Dinner April 1
 2. Cassandra will be out of town so has tapped various students to help lead pieces.
- vi. Student Care
1. Marcus not present to give report.

b. Wesley Committees

- i. Chapel & Community Life
1. MLK lecture next Tuesday Feb 25
 2. Oscar Romero March 24 - Someone should write a feature/preview of the speaker.
 3. Still looking for student preachers for chapel
 4. Dr Hogan Retirement April 14
 5. Artist's Talk April 14, evening. Disappeared from Argentina, mirrored faces
- ii. Diversity
1. Has not met
- iii. Masters
1. Met Feb 2, reviewed new course proposals. Most have been approved for Summer.
 2. Certificate for Arts convo still happen
 3. Seeking input on distinguishing the Certificate v Specialization
 4. Directors are meeting on Monday Feb 24
- iv. Contextual Ed
1. Jan 27 first meeting of the year.
 2. Placement process
 3. Certificate in Children/Youth Ministry and Advocacy (Dr Parrish and Dr Peck-McClain)
 4. Mentoring program Rise Together
 5. Immersions
 - a. England
 - b. Greece/Turkey
 - c. Turkey- low numbers so sign up soon.
 - d. Washington State
 - e. Texas
 - f. Taize
- v. Consortium
1. Two past events, Eccumenical lecture and worship at CUA, Trivia night (well represented of Wesley and Dominican House)

2. Sermon Slam April -Have to be nominated by Seminary- Consortium Reps will email past student preachers.

c. **Student Organizations**

i. ABS

1. Feb 11 Table Talk after chapel - well attended
2. Feb 25 Table Talk 5:15pm All Welcome

ii. GLSA

1. No Student Rep Present

iii. KSA

1. Korean BBQ after reading week by RSVP only.
2. Bi-Weekly meetings Tomorrow/Thursday 4:30-5:30pm
Worship

iv. Of Sacred Worth

1. Meeting is planned

v. Plumline

1. Feb 27 Meeting - National Elections, Budget proposal
2. Harriett Tubman showing was well received and showing again Feb 24
3. Wasaba Sidibay (Wesley Alum) to preach for Women's History Month

vi. Resident Life

1. Spring Picnic April 18
2. Progress for community garden Elizabeth from Admissions is co-leading
3. Doodle poll for interested gardeners
4. Resident Manager hiring season March 1-18 Send to Resident Life Manager - Monica Raines

vii. Wesley Fellowship

1. Community Dinner March 20th Friday.
2. Tie Dye event in April

4. Other Business

a. Class Gift Update

- i. Meeting with Finance office for budget options, More info at next meeting

b. Retreat Inquiry

- i. Executive council has been talking about how to develop sustainable leadership as a focus for the Student council retreat. A retreat is being designed in collaboration with Dean Lee and Dr Peck McClain for students. More information next meeting

c. Board of Governors Update

- i. Birch community was approached by Dr Lee and Monica Raines before the public announcement.
- ii. Part of the Birch conversation was how, as a seminary, they could move forward with possible UMC split. So past conversation was centered on either reducing financial aid or

- reducing property costs, including Downtown campus and residency.
- iii. Will there be intentional community in the new building moving forward?
 - 1. If this is something that students feel strongly about they should advocate strongly with Dean Lee.
 - d. Revolutionary Love Conference
 - i. Six student scholarships are available. Mostly for first/second year students. Contact Lala by Feb 28
 - ii. Discount Code until Feb 28
 - e. April 23, 4:30-6:30 Faculty publishing party (Speaking Truth by Dr PM)

Next Meeting March 18, 5:00pm.

Closing Prayer