**Official Meeting Minutes - St. John’s Senate January 31, 2022**

**Call to Order – 8:00 p.m.**

* Land Acknowledgement – Senator Laughlin
* Blessing – First Year Representative Popoca
* Roll Call - Executive Assistant Otto

**Approval of Minutes – 8:04 p.m.**

**Approval of Agenda – 8:07 p.m.**

* Motion to amend to read: Up to $575.00 for the Valentine’s Day initiative.
* Motion to amend to read: Up to $1,117.48 for the DLS Conference.

**Open Forum – 8:07 p.m.**

**SAAC Fighting Hunger Partnership – Logan Edwards & Julian Mares - 8:07 to 8:20 p.m.**

* The Student Athletic Advisory Committee chose to partner with Kids Fighting Hunger. 300 SJU students, including the SJU Senate, packed more than 110,00 meals in 2019. The goal for the year is to provide 100,000 meals and additional donations for area food shelves and for humanitarian relief. Any type of donation or support the Senate could provide would be beneficial leading up to the packing event in March. Past supporters include rotary clubs, spectators, and area organizations.
* Senator Laughlin: How much has the Senate donated in the past?
	+ Answer from Logan Edwards: $2,500.00.
* PR Assistant Fisher: Who is involved historically? Student athletes? How do you promote?
	+ Answer from Julian Mares: It is student driven but a community driven event. Word of mouth is effective too.
	+ Answer from Logan Edwards: It is focused on building a community. We go through our connections within student organizations like Campus Ministry and SALD.
* Chairman Kirchner: I know I’d be happy, as well as many others, to support in any way. A motion will be made to donate within new business.

**Delta Sigma Pi – Senator Loeb - 8:20 to 8:28 p.m.**

* Requesting funding for the business fraternity to attend a networking and professional conference with a variety of nationally renowned speakers. For 7 Johnnies, it will cost up to $1,117.48 for travel, hotel, and registration costs. Students will arrive by car in Chicago, IL from March 4-6.

**Mask-Up SJU – FYR Belisle - 9:31 to 8:36 p.m.**

* There will be drinks, goodie bags, and a photo booth at a tabling session on Monday, Feb. 14. The boba tea will be sourced through a Bennie-owned business. Requesting $557.21 from each Senate but created an up to amount just in case.

**CSB Senate Update – Trustee Kaluza – 8:36 to 8:37 p.m.**

* The CSB Senate has been collaborating with IWL and the CSB lacrosse team.

**New Business – 8:37 to 8:47 p.m.**

**Motion to allocate up to $1,117.4 for the DSP Conference – Loeb**

* ***VOTE: 15:0:3 (Motion Passed)***

**Motion to allocate up to $575.00 for the Valentine’s Day initiative – D. Thompson**

* ***VOTE: 19:0:0 (Motion Passed)***

**Motion for a money transfer of $2,500.00 for SAAC Kid’s Fighting Hunger – Kirchner**

* ***VOTE: 19:0:0 (Motion Passed)***

**Board Reports:**

**President’s Report (Kockler) 8:47 to 8:53 p.m.**

* The President gave several remarks:
	+ The recent election was tied exactly. We can expect an upcoming run-off between the two leaders. Each received 58 votes.
	+ As the spring semester ramps up, please get out into the community and attend events.

**Vice President’s Report (Cabellero Gonzalez) 8:53 to 8:56 p.m.**

* Spring retreat and required DEIJ training are this weekend. Watch out for an email.
* Like A Boss: Senator Scanlon
	+ Senator Scanlon: I stayed in the library for five hours.

**Advisor’s Report (Connolly) 8:56 to 9:06 p.m.**

* MDI will be hiring a student director and setting goals for the upcoming semester and year.
* The Pandemic Planning Committee will meet this week with the primary goal of discussing the events policy. Buses are back but dependent on drivers.

**Committee Report (Cleare) 9:06 to 9:07 p.m.**

* No report.

**Budget Update (McMahon) 9:07 to 9:08 p.m.**

* Our budget is $26,990.00.

**Question Time 9:08 to 9:10 p.m.**

* Senator Adam: I had a conversation with other senators about the recording posted on the BIPOC page. As a Senate, I don’t think we should respond because it is clear that’s what they want. Let’s make sure we attend events.

**Announcements 9:12 p.m.**

**Adjournment 9:14 p.m.**