**Official Meeting Minutes - St. John’s Senate November 15, 2021**

**Call to Order – 9:20 p.m.**

* Land Acknowledgement – Senator Laughlin
* Blessing – Senator Loeb
* Roll Call - Executive Assistant Otto

**Approval of Minutes – 9:23 p.m.**

**Approval of Agenda** - **9:23 p.m.**

**Open Forum – 9:23 to 9:33 p.m.**

* A student expressed thoughts that the Senates should work on fixing hand soap machine in Tommy Hall and that rugby should have more funding.
* Johnnie Spotlight & Senator of the Week: Trayias Bowe & Chairman T. Thompson
* Trustee Cleare: Secret Santa is on December 13th.

**Society for Applied Anthropology Conference – 9:34 to 9:39 p.m.**

* The conference is an opportunity to apply different human behaviors on world events. Several CSB/SJU students will present on topics like healthcare responses to COVID-19, telehealth, and native seeds. They will learn and promote anthropology uses on real-world issues.
* Requesting $625.00 for one Johnnie in attendance, including travel costs, promotion, and meals. It will provide accessible and equitable professional opportunities for students. Not all students have the funds to pay for the trip themselves. Other sources of funding will be pursued.

**Tundra Ice Rink Discussion – Senator Mattson - 9:40 to 9:39 p.m.**

* The ice rink is typically out in the middle of the tundra. Typically, the rink costs the Senate $7,000.00. With cuts, students will be responsible for all snow removal. The grounds crew will assist with flooding as time allows. No repairs, requests, or modifications are factored in.
* Advisor Connolly: It looks like a large part of the cost is labor. I could tap into other places for extra lighting, if the Senate gets it in place.
  + Senator Mattson: It looks like all they took out was the snow removal and lighting.
* Treasurer McMahon: We spent $20,000.00 last year on the rink, including purchasing. We had really great success last year, but flooding the rink is a lot of work. Physical plant workers are getting $71 an hour for this. Are there any other avenues for payment besides Mike?
  + Trustee Cleare: ResLife and Student Activities can both use the rink for events. The goal is getting bigger departments involved for programming.
  + Advisor Connolly: Club Hockey and the OLC are both great sources. I can find money for the repairs if need be.
* Senator Mattson: Can should we do the shoveling?
  + Treasurer McMahon: We have to do it on fresh ice, so right after they flood it.
* Senator Scanlon: This is our ice rink; physical plant shouldn’t have to do anything. As long as they can make sure we are doing it right.
* Trustee Cleare: They did it over Christmas.
* Advisor Connolly: You are asking all the right questions, but it would be better if you sat down with physical plant.
* Vice President Caballero Gonzalez: How many ice rinks do we have on campus? Do we have equipment?
  + Senator Mattson: Two on the lakes.
  + Senator Moonen: One at CSB with a warming hut. Already in the process.
  + Treasurer McMahon: Lots of skates at the OLC and pond hockey goals.
* Chairman T. Thompson: We have lots of Christmas lights we could use as extra lighting.
* Senator Fisher: Ask around. We can’t ask Club Hockey because it’s not regulation and has no walls. Have a Johnnie Labor Day, like when the athletes put up the dome. It’s not appropriate to act like we can put up a hockey rink by ourselves.
* Senator Moonen: We have a rink too. Your student activity money is in the skates and goals from last year, it should be used.
* Trustee Cleare: We should try really hard. After we see what we can raise, we can get a little creative on the student labor.
* Senator Mattson: We need get this up pronto. Hopefully, the weather will be good.
* Chairman Kirchner: Let’s make a little team for this ice rink. Hold the lower RA group accountable to the equipment they requested last year.
* Senator Sanchez Romero: I’ve never heard let’s go ice skating, but clubs will help promote.

**CSB Senate Update – Senator Moonen – 10:15 to 10:17 p.m.**

* Take care of yourselves. You all are doing a great job.
* The current budget stands at $311,111.41

**New Business - 10:18 to 10:27 p.m.**

**Motion to allocate $262.50 for the Coming Together for the Planet Gala (Fisher).**

* Chairman Kirchner: This a great example of students coming together.

***VOTE: 20:0:0 (Motion Passed)***

**Motion to allocate $625.00 for the Anthropology Conference (Caballero Gonzalez).**

* Vice President Caballero Gonzalez: We create different things and it is important to highlight how our lives are impacted by cultural norms. It is a great opportunity for a SJU student to represent our community.
  + Trustee Cleare: I like how they are bringing back what they learned at the conference.
  + Senator Heimer: I don’t see the benefit for all the students, I see it for one student. This is the student activity fee. I’ve never heard of them presenting afterwards.
  + Trustee Cleare: We’ve done this before and we should this again.

***VOTE: 18:2:0 (Motion Passed)***

**Board Reports:**

**President’s Report (Kockler) 10:27 to 10:37 p.m.**

* The President gave several remarks:
  + It is Disability Awareness Week. I think it is great that ETL is promoting this topic and we should learn what we can.
  + Please fill out Basecamp! Handing out cookies for the last three weeks.
  + Con Review is next week. Please read the packet before the meeting.
  + Sending out goal sheets soon. A personal meeting will follow.

**Vice President’s Report (Cabellero Gonzalez) 10:37 to 10:40 p.m.**

* Submit student ID numbers for stipends by Friday.
* Like a Boss: Senator Mattson.
  + Answer from Senator Mattson: I was playing with my sister’s kitten, CeCe, over the break.

**Advisor’s Report (Connolly) 10:40 to 10:42 p.m.**

* Thank you for funding the tickets and bringing important issues forward during the meetings. As much work happens inside the meeting as it does outside.
* Evan, thank you for your promotional work.

**Committee Report (Cleare) 10:42 to 10:44 p.m.**

* Most of the work we do can be done after the meetings. Please be an active and innovative senate.

**Budget Update (McMahon) 10:44 to 10:46 p.m.**

* Our budget is $38,868.48. We are right where we want to be.

**Question Time 10:46 to 10:58 p.m.**

* Senator Fisher: The gala is this Thursday in Brother Willie’s. I will be presenting in the library on Wednesday.
* Senator Laughlin: This weekend is Mung New Year; event will be in the MCC.
* Senator Mattson: Senate pictures are on December 12th.
* Trustee Cleare: Secret Santa will be closer to that Friday. Senate Social.
* Advisor Connolly: Part of the IWL’s demands were that student leaders need to take additional training. Put the date in your calendar for after break.

**Announcements 10:58 p.m.**

* The St. John’s Senate will meet next on Monday, December 6, 2021, in Sexton 200.
* The St. Ben’s Senate meeting will be on Wednesday, December 1, 2021.

**Adjournment 10:59 p.m.**