

Student Activities Committee

April 14, 2017, 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Pine Room, Student Center

Members present: Kelly Cross (Student Involvement Coordinator), Ameet Doshi (Faculty), Brian Doyle (GR), Michael Evans (Faculty, Secretary), Eric Feron (Faculty Executive Board Liaison), Leanne Francis (UGR), Christophe Ippolito (Faculty, Chair), Decker Onken (UGR), Jody Thompson (Faculty)

Members absent: None

Meeting Minutes

1. Introductions of attending members
2. Student Foundation
 - a. Purpose
 - i. Philanthropic organization encouraging students to give back to campus and to related projects
 - b. Constitution review
 - i. Miscellaneous typos: II.A, IV.2.A, VIII.A
 - ii. Article V, Officer Elections: “elected” should really be “selected” in references to Committee Directors. Update to include “Board of Trustees” rather than “Executive Board.”
 - iii. Advisor shall “guide” or “advise” meetings.
 - iv. Replace “President” with “CEO.”
 - v. Clarify acronyms used for officer positions in the definitions of officer positions.
 - c. Motion to approve pending changes
 - i. Approved
3. Student Alumni Association
 - a. Purpose
 - i. Facilitating interactions between students and alumni; enhancing the Georgia Tech experience.
 - b. Constitution review
 - i. In the purpose, “promote the interests of the Georgia Institute of Technology”: too broad? Problematic in representing the Institute? Portion of dues will be returned to the Institute to promote its interests. Add “through the philanthropic process” to clarify this.
 - ii. Small edits to IV.IV for clarification.

- iii. IV.III: “and Board Members”—strike. Should it be “Leadership Team”? Reorganize article IV to separate Leadership Team and Executive Board.
- iv. Edit outlining format for consistency throughout the document (capital letters, etc.).
- v. Many specific duties for officers that would normally appear in by-laws. Already in by-laws, so no need to include in the constitution in so much detail.
- vi. Pull VP Operations item about Presidential absence up higher in the list.
- vii. Is the order of officers listed in the constitution succession order? Presumably yes.
- viii. V.Applicants.II: Applications “excluding the President.”
- ix. Can shrink V.Applicants.III since conditions appear in the evaluation rubric.
- x. V.Applications.II, setting a deadline for applications in March is too specific.
- xi. Issues with Selection Criteria when only one (other minimum? Two? Three?) person is not seeking reappointment. Open to Committee Chairs.
- xii. Article IX. Overly specific information about dues. Question about “dues” being the appropriate term since the money does not go to SAA. Could call “membership donation” or “membership fee.”
- xiii. VII.III: Any “officer *or member*” can be selected as a committee chair.
- xiv. XI.II: Change “Preamble” to Purpose.
- xv. XIII.I and II: Leadership Team instead of Executive Board.
- c. Motion to approve pending changes
 - i. Approved

4. APICS

- a. Purpose
 - i. American Production and Inventory Control Society. A student chapter of a national organization to help students understand and appreciate the Supply Chain and Logistics concentrations.
- b. Constitution review
 - i. Membership limitation to undergraduate students is problematic. Mission can be to educate undergraduate students without limiting membership. Edit to remove membership restriction.
 - ii. 6.B: “person” > “petition”
 - iii. 5.C typo.
 - iv. 8.B. Change semester-ly reappointment of Advisor to once a year.
- c. Motion to approve pending changes
 - i. Approved

5. Enchanted Encounters

- a. Purpose

- i. Outreach club for reaching out to local hospitals and volunteering as fictional characters
 - ii. Promoting community involvement among Georgia Tech students
 - b. Constitution review
 - i. Strike II.B.
 - ii. If you want to allow members to not volunteer, can edit to not require a background check.
 - iii. Broaden event-planning requirement for VP External Affairs.
 - iv. Strike “PCGB events.”
 - v. Fundraising and Finance Coordinator: can strike “and Finance.”
 - vi. Strike the word “active” from V.C.
 - vii. Standard edits to Article IX (Dues).
 - c. Motion to approve pending changes
 - i. Approved
6. ECE Ambassadors
- a. Purpose
 - i. Departmental organization for ECE
 - ii. Mentoring programs, tours for prospective students, service to the community of ECE students and faculty. Building community within ECE.
 - b. Constitution review
 - i. Updated wording in III.C to clarify that a student becomes a member only upon being selected as a tour guide or mentor. Strike C and expand D.
 - ii. IV.3.C: strike references to undergraduates to keep events broadly accessible.
 - iii. Remove requirement for President to be on the Executive Board.
 - c. Motion to approve pending changes
 - i. Approved
7. Hellenic Society
- a. Purpose
 - i. Promoting Greek culture and language; connecting Greek students on campus.
 - b. Constitution review
 - i. III.V: clarify that attending one meeting each in fall and spring is all that’s needed.
 - ii. Reorganize Presidential duties to bullet-point them more evenly.
 - iii. Why the Presidential term limit? To encourage more people to be active.
 - iv. Article VII.IV and V: change President to any officer and “must” to “may” send a final reminder.
 - v. Minor typos.

- vi. The limit on spending in X.I of \$100 is probably too low. \$500 is probably more reasonable.
- vii. Article XIII: better to put in our standard language and just not charge dues, instead of codifying that dues will not be charged.
- viii. Strike XV.I to accommodate situations where multiple amendments are required. Other stopgaps (OSE, SGA reviews of amendments) exist.
- c. Motion to approve pending changes
 - i. Approved

8. DREAM

- a. Purpose
 - i. Increase the number of underrepresented minority students in STEM through team-based competition and mentoring.
- b. Constitution review
 - i. Design with Real Engineers and Mentors = DREAM.
 - ii. II.A: clean up wording in purpose to be consistent with first line.
 - iii. Clarify that Head Mentors do not have to be officers but Board members are expected to be Head Mentors.
 - iv. V.D.a: all Board members not seeking Pres., VP, or Treasurer can help select new Pres., VP, or Treasurer.
 - v. V.E: clarify that no two *officer* positions can be held by the same person.
 - vi. Need a name for Pres., VP, and Treasurer. Leadership Team? Officers?
 - vii. A few small typos.
- c. Motion to approve pending changes
 - i. Approved

9. Constitutions from Kelly Cross

- a. Industrial Design Project Fund
 - i. Support and identify opportunities to fund ID students, and to build community within ID.
 - ii. Approved
- b. Scheller Entrepreneurship Club
 - i. Educate members on how to be an entrepreneur. Create opportunities to share ideas. Make connections to local entrepreneurship organizations.
 - ii. Tabled pending clarification of their relationship with Scheller.

10. SGA Budget Review

- a. FY17/18 budget approved

11. Planning next week

- a. Friday, April 21, 10:00 am