**SGA Meeting Minutes
September 13th, 2016**

At 7:00PM, the meeting commenced. Tommy McBride led the invocation, and Teddy Palmer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Officer Reports:**

**Matthew Harry, Treasurer**

Matthew informed the body that the Budget and Finance committee decided that all reallocations and allocations for clubs would be due on October 10th.

Matthew informed the body that the SGA Account Balance is $14,788.18

**Kassie Jones, Secretary**

Kassie asked the body to review the minutes. The minutes passed as typed.

Kassie informed the body that all club and organization standings were posted on the SGA VikingWeb page. She showed students that if they log onto Viking web, go to the community tab, and click on SGA – then students can access the volunteer/event wufoo form and updated standings. She stated that if anyone had any questions about standings to please email her.

Marcus Ghee won the SGA Prize of the Week.

**Valerie DeWandel, Vice President of Service**

Val announced that grounds crew won the Monthly Campus Service of the month and that they would be receiving a cookie cake for all their hard work and commitment to Berry.

Val informed the body of the SGA Baked Goods program. She stated that students could order honeymoon baked goods through SGA and have them delivered to other students or themselves.

Val informed the body that this year she would be leading the Special Projects Committee and that if any students had any ideas or questions to please come talk to her after the meeting or email her.

**Preston Putnam, Vice President of Administration**

Preston gave his weekly weather report. Wednesday will have a high of 93 degrees and a low of 68 degrees.

Preston moved to vote on two Faculty Advisors for SGA. The body voted between Dr. Michael Bailey, Dr. Christopher Mingone and Dr. Michelle Haney. Before voting, Preston encouraged students to elect professors from different schools. Dr. Bailey received 37 votes, Dr. Mingone received 30 votes, and Dr. Haney received 22 votes. Teddy appointed Dr. Michael Bailey and Dr. Christopher Mingone as this year’s SGA faculty advisors.

Preston then closed nominations for Freshman Class Officers. He said that campaigning will close on September 20th at SGA, and voting will not open until September 21st. Alex Killingsworth and Ben Walker were nominated for President. Madison McGarrah, Branson Mann, and Farhad BostanAli were nominated for Vice President. Kelsi Nichols and Anna Katherine Drew was nominated for Secretary. Tanner Adcock, Robert Kreps, and Brianna Binns were nominated for Treasurer. Preston reminded the body the Freshman Class officer speeches would take place on Septembers 20th at 11 AM in the Krannert lobby.

**Tedric Palmer, President**

Teddy informed the body that the SGA Executive Team will be creating a Dining Hall improvement committee. He stated that there will be 10 members on the committee and 4 of the members will be class officer secretaries. He informed the body that Kassie Jones will be leading the committee and that if anyone would like to be placed on it, please contact SGA.

Teddy reminded the body that he is always looking for more speakers for SGA. He stated that next week Gary Waters would be coming to speak at SGA about the new financial aid process for students. If any students have any other recommendations for speakers, email Tedric.Palmer@vikings.berry.edu.

**Old Business**

Marcus Ghee inquired about the reason behind why there were not condoms in the Ladd Center. Teddy responded that he had a meeting with President Briggs about the matter.

John Catton inquired about the Roany the Pony grave. Teddy answered that he contacted physical plant about cleaning it off and had not heard back yet.

**New Business**

Caroline Stiles announced that a previous dining hall worker should be on the new dining hall Committee. She stated that they might be able to inform others of the behind the scene process of the dining hall.

Alexi Bell inquired about the possibility of putting Dairy Free and Gluten Free labels on the food in the dining hall.

Adrian Lopez stated that the sewers outside of Evans needed to be cleaned. He stated that they were leaking and had a strong odor coming from the area.

Dominic Miller inquired about the possibility of the Library opening at 12 on Sundays instead of 1. Momo commented that SGA should look into opening Java City earlier as well.

**Class President Reports**

Senior Class President Whitney Kirkpatrick announced that the senior class officers and honors student union were going to host a live streaming of the football game in the Krannert underground on Mountain Day. She stated that more information would be available in coming weeks. Junior Class President Adrian Lopez, and Sophomore Class President Dominic Miller had nothing to report.

**Committee Reports**

Preston Putnam and Caroline Stiles presented the academic council report from September 8th. Preston stated that the council was looking to allow students to change from their current academic catalog to the Foundations Curriculum. Caroline informed the body that the proposal is geared towards freshman and sophomores using a catalog earlier than the 2016 catalog. Preston added that the proposal does no restrict juniors from changing their catalogs but it would most likely be highly unadvised by the Registrar. The deadline for this proposal will be extended from November 30th. Kassie Jones asked if the point of this was to allow students to change from their current catalog to the Foundations one. Preston responded yes and that he attached a sheet to the back of the minutes that shows where you and your advisor need to sign and agree on the switching of catalogs, major requirements, etc. Preston added that if students decided to change catalogs, they could not be reversed. He stated that if anyone had any questions, they could contact him or Caroline Stiles.

**Announcements**

Krista Zalewski announced that KCAB will be hosting Finding Nemo on Saturday, September 17th at 9 PM in the Clara Bowl. Students can drive up in their cars, bring couches, chairs, etc!

Marcus Ghee announced BCTC will be hosting Easy Baked Improv’s “Come Play With Us” event on Tuesday, September 13th in the Krannert Ballroom. Easy Baked Improv will also be hosting auditions on Thursday, September 15th at 9:30 PM in the Evans Auditorium.

Whitney Kirkpatrick, with a second from Alexi Bell, moved to adjourn at 7:30PM.