**SGA Meeting Agenda**

**February 11, 2020**

The meeting was commenced at 7:03 PM. The Mission Statement was read by SGA President Anna Katherine Drew. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Anna Katherine Drew.

## Speaker: Debbie Heida, Chief of Staff

## Debbie Heida came to the SGA meeting to discuss the changes in the trends of the Campus bookstore. Last week they signed an e-books contract because students were more frequently purchasing their books online. They are planning on running a campus store under the supervision of a student enterprise. All the gear that is currently available in the bookstore will still be available in the new store. The changes will be implemented during the upcoming fall. SGA along with the student body will play a role in helping find a name for the campus store. They would like for students to help name the store. Debbie proceeded to open the floor for questions.

## A student of the body asked if the current staff will continue to work in the store. Debbie explained that there will be a new staff with a hired retail expert.

## Debbie Heida discussed the changes being made to the Lifeworks program. They have been reviewing what beneficial and meaningful work should look like, as well as addressing the minimum wage increase. They have decided that they would need to implement a pay increase following the spring of 2020. 5.4 million dollars is spent annually to pay student workers. With the need in pay raise, they had to look to the most desirable way to change the Berry work system to reduce costs. They have decided that cutting work hours would be the most beneficial way to meet the goals of cutting back on spending. There are certain areas of campus that have different priorities especially the areas in which student safety is affected. The maximum hours of work for first year students will be 10 hours a week and 16 for upper classmen. They are still in the process of planning amongst the departments to fully create the plans.

## A student of the body asked it one can you work full time in the summer. Debbie explained that yes, you can work 40 hours a week during the summer.

## A student of the body asked if there will there be cutbacks in Viking fusion staff/ hours.

## Debbie explained that it depends department to department.

## A student of the body asked if a student can have two jobs and still work 20 hours. Will they be able to apply to work over the 12 hours? Debbie explained that you would have to apply for exception. The selection would only be few, in order to reach our goal of cutting the amount spent on Life works.

## A student of the body asked how will having the Spires impact the work programs? Debbie explained that the Spires will bring revenue to Berry and that they will pay their workers.

## A student of the body asked if everyone will be guaranteed a job. Debbie confirmed that all students would still be provided with a job on campus.

## A student of the body asked if there would be any available hours for students to work if the program continues to cut cost by cutting hours. Debbie explained that this is only step one and that other things will have to be considered for their long-term goals.

## A student of the body asked how the hour limits will be enforced. Debbie explained that it will be dependent on the decision of the supervisor. She explained that there will be some weeks where you go over and some weeks where you go under.

## A student of the body asked if there will be exceptions made in the animal units. Debbie explained that they will most likely have to hire more students instead of approving students to work more hours.

**Officer Reports**

**Max von Schmeling, Treasurer**

Max announced that treasurer trainings are on the following dates: 2/12 from 3-4, 2/18 from 11-12.

Max informed the body that BFC Deadline is 3/17.

Max announced that the account balance is $10,873.

**Mary Ashford Hyde, Secretary**

Mary Ashford passed the minutes as presented with minor changes.

Mary Ashford announced that there would be an Outreach tabling event tomorrow, February 12th from 11-1 PM in Krannert.

Mary Ashford stated the weather report for Wednesday, February 12th as a high of 68 and a low of 56.

**London Elrod, Vice President of Service**

London announced that the upcoming blood drive will be on April 16th. This will be one of the last opportunities for an external credit.

London informed the body that the chair from Viking Furniture had officially been placed outside of the library. London asked that anyone with ideas about future special projects to please contact him.

**David Lindsey, Vice President of Administration**

David informed the body that the Student Organization Recognition Committee is still working on the best system to put in place. They have been researching other schools’ organizational system as well as asking club presidents their opinions regarding the matter.

**Anna Katherine Drew, President**

Anna Katherine explained that she would be running the elections from here on, considering David is running for office. Anna Katherine announced that nominations have officially closed.

Anna Katherine explained the executive election timeline. Speeches will be given on 2/18 with two days of voting that will follow.

Anna Katherine announced that the 10th annual SOUP Off will be on Tuesday, February 255:00- 6:30 PM. Clubs and Organizations are encouraging the enter the Soup contest with a $25 entry fee. There is a registration link that will be sent out over email.

**Old Business**

A student of the body asked about potentially placing more Eno posts around campus. Anna Katherine explained that she had done an audit on how often the Eno posts were used and came to realize that they were not used very often and that most students used trees.

A student of the body mentioned that some of the Eno posts are never used due to their inconvenient locations.

A student of the body asked if there were any updates regarding the Diesel heater. Anna Katherine explained that they were still working on what the best option is.

**New Business**

A student of the body expressed their frustration of the continual decrease in the size of the Togo boxes in the dining hall.

A student of the body mentioned the unusual placement of two toilets in one stall in the Women’s bathroom in Laughlin.

A student of the body requested that Viking court be open until 9 PM.

**Announcements**

Easy Baked Improvathon will be on February 14th 15th from 8PM to 8PM. Tickets will be sold for 5$.

KCAB will be hosting a comedian on Friday at 8PM in Krannert Ballroom and on Saturday from 8:30-10:30 PM KCAB will be hosting grocery bingo with many items to win! Coffee House Auditions will be held Wednesday, February 12th in Krannert 217 from 7:00-9:00PM.

Soul will be hosting a mountain film event, at which they will be watching nature films and there will be raffle ticket there on Wednesday, February 19th at 6:00PM.

PAWS is in need of donations! Berry College’s Pre-vet club is asking for your generous donations.

Bailey Dingley, with a second from Bryce Nethery, move to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 PM.