Student Government Association Executive Board Minutes
Date: February 11th
Time: 3:30-5:30

Executive Initiative Director (Evans)
- Senator Carrino & Outlaw met with ImpactX regarding wifi hotspots
  - Needs SGA support for the project
  - Issues with funding (possibly apply as a student organization)
    ■ Secretary Collins: Is the ImpactX team trying to become an organization?
    ■ Director Evans: no, they were just looking for a way to raise the funding for the hotspots
    ■ Secretary Collins: they can’t apply as an organization but you could possibly use SGA initiative funding if we wanted to.
    ■ Director D. Thompson: hotspots can not be funded due to multi use purpose and restrictions with funding
    ■ Senator Pace: Impact X project may not be the most effective way to get hotspots around CHS, thinks that a better route could be for SGA to fund the project (Senator Outlaw attended the meeting & suggested this information)
    ■ Director R. Thompson & Communications Director Bartlett: both can be helpful sources for contact info regarding ImpactX
- Senator Broome reached out to Director Pace regarding the transfer student initiative

Executive Initiative Director (Donohue)
- Senator Rosso is planning to send a resolution today
  - Received an email from Jen Wright stating that she can be an advocate for this initiative (waiting on her approval/final say before proceeding)
- Senator Queen
  - Met with Deronda regarding NPHC housing
  - Next steps: reach out to President Bush and raise awareness for multicultural buildings on campus
- VP Desai: looking to create an SGA joint committee to go to the house and look into what needs to be fixed/improved
  - Honor code meeting with MD next week
- Senator Dorking
  - Looking into an initiative to push for reusable supplies among student popular restaurants
- Morgan
  - Still interested in grade forgiveness
  - Wants to complete some quick initiatives
    - VP Desai: there is a list of initiatives that need to be done, a better choice may be to look into the initiative status update sheet and find things that can be knocked out
- Annelise Heathcote
  - Interested in MUSC initiatives
  - Diving into finding her passion regarding initiatives to work on
- Senator Flynn
  - Interested in advocating for the horses used for carriage rides
  - Isn’t sure if this is something that can be completed as an initiative
    - Chief of Staff Kronsberg: Senator Maresh is also interested in working on the carriage service initiative
    - Director R. Thompson: SGA has passed a bill in the past relating to this issue but is unsure of the specific details, we need to look into our records in order to determine what was done
  - MD: not aware of any previous initiatives regarding carriages

**Executive Initiative Director (Pace)**
- Senator Cook
  - received a block on further continuance of the free STD/STI testing from Lee Penny
  - Will think of new initiative ideas & reach out to Director Donhue regarding mental health ideas
- Senator Outlaw
  - looking at partnering with RAD Defense Training & Instagram collaboration with SGA
  - Also looking into hotspots after attending the ImpactX meeting
- Senator Dickson
  - continuing work on GNB initiative
  - Idea of partnering with other clubs to make a student garden in Stern
■ Unsure of when to start this process, but good idea for more green spaces
■ VP Desai—there is a club that gardens in stern currently, there are various gardens around campus and honors engaged greenheart, she will need to find something else to do
■ Eileen: main concern was the location of various gardens (not very accessible), may be able to make students more aware of where the gardens are located, believes students can use the veg
■ VP Desai: see if any vegetables from the gardens go to Cougar Pantry or dining halls, may be able to find an efficient streamline of vegetables as a solution, reach out to Center for Sustainable development & Stephanie Visser
  ● Senator Shestko
    ○ Interested in getting SGA office hours initiative rolling
    ○ There has been other Senator interest in this initiative
  ● Senator Maresh
    ○ Met with Senator Lasso about the automatic lights
      ■ Next step is to email John Morris
        ● Director Pace: who should we contact about excessive screens and lights remaining on?
        ● MD: John Morris
    ○ Also has an idea regarding compost bins
      ■ Believes that John Morris should also be contacted about disposal methods on campus
      ■ Wants to work on signage for waste containers
        ● Director Donohue: CofC made compost cups and utensils but did not provide bins alongside the move towards sustainability, will reach out to Senator Maresh to see if he wants to pair with her committee members
        ● VP Desai: are we sure John Morris is the right person or is it the dining services staff?
        ● Director Pace: not sure as to who would be better
        ● MD: John Morris would be the best contact point as he is over sustainability services now, Aramark may be another viable option for dealing with staff of dining halls, if focus is on staff related concerns, contact Amy Orr prior to reaching out to Aramark
    ○ Resolution in opposition of SC abortion ban
      ■ VP Desai: not to censor anyone but that is not a good idea
- Director Pace: should I bring these kinds of topics to the Board?
- MD: yes, it is always good to inform and decide on an intended outcome
- VP Desai: yes bring it to Board but explain that the probability of it passing is not likely

- Concerns:
  - Freshman Committee & why it is a thing?
    - Chief of Staff Kronsberg: it is required by the bylaws
    - VP Desai: thinks it is important to visit this in bylaw review because new sophomore, junior, and senior Senators do not have this requirement
    - MD: created to increase freshman Senators confidence, special attention to this group was thought to provide a foundation for their experience in SGA, did not start out in the bylaws
    - Chief of Staff Kronsberg: will look into this during bylaw review
  - Approval of Exec. to send an email regarding an initiative
    - Believes it is inefficient when trying to contact administration
    - Creates a lagging period
      - MD: this occurs every year, idea is based upon professional courtesy and hierarchy
      - VP Desai: if everyone just individually reached out to administration, it would get chaotic and redundant
      - MD: communication is collaborative, vetting allows for higher credibility, prevents leaders being surprised
  - Fundamental design of committee’s
    - Concern about the groups being broken down by director rather than topic
      - President Turner: used to have committee’s based upon special parts of campus, turned out to be a mess, lack of actually accomplishing things, restricted the members to working on 1 topic rather than branching out
      - VP Desai: with only 5 committee’s, it limits us to 5 different topics which is restrictive, encourage committee members to set up meetings outside the required time
      - MD: drive for initiative committee breakdown was to empower and diversity students and be more impactful in creating change
Executive Initiative Director (D. Thompson)
- Email has been sent to Amy Orr about Kosher/Halal foods
  - Waiting to receive a reply to determine next steps
- Angel Shot/Pell Program
  - Currently looking into establishing an advisor for the Program
  - Hoping to get the Pell Program through SOR soon
  - Still looking into the Angel Shot implementation within local bars
    - Secretary Collins: feel free to contact her with any questions concerning SOR
- Right to Shop initiative has been placed on hold
- Has also placed the political resolutions on hold as a result of Senate
- Wants to bring the Constitution changes group back into focus
  - Has been reluctant to start this group due to hearing people are uncomfortable speaking up and can be influenced by others opinions
  - Has been having 1 on 1 meetings to obtain ideas
    - VP Desai: there was mention regarding creating a committee, is that still happening?
    - Director D. Thompson: yes, he will get onto that soon
- Senate Feedback
  - Reports of people changing their vote on bill were made as a response to the “bigot” comment
  - Suggesting of VP Desai & Director R. Thompson publicly apologize in the Senate GroupMe to show that the Executive Board understands we are not above the rules
  - Goal is to make Senators feel more comfortable within Senate
  - If a censure bill is brought up against VP Desai & Director R. Thompson Director D. Thompson will support it

Executive Initiative Director (R. Thompson)
- Senator Eades will be joining our committee
- Senator Lassoe would love to join the initiative regarding lighting around campus
- SGA Early Registration proposal will be completed this week with DCoS Wright
- Matt Roberts has said that the TD Arena initiative was not an attainable idea for right now
- Meeting with Amy Orr will be next Friday the 19th

Executive Communications Director (Bartlett)
- Updates are being made to the website regarding initiatives
MyCharleston minute updates
- Current minutes are uploaded by administration rather than SGA itself
- President Turner: elections used to be on MyCharleston under a SGA page, the idea for MyPortal may have come from that, may be a good idea to discuss the possibility of linking the SGA website to the MyPortal page

Treasurer Zimmer
- 3 contingency approvals ($2,000)
- Cistern Yard is working with us on the videos regarding budgets
- Change of requests from Charleston Miracle was approved
- May reopen the student outreach fund
- 2nd phase of liaison emails will be sent out soon

Secretary Collins
- 2 clubs were approved by SOR
  - Yoga Club (notifying campus rec.)
  - Cougar Community Connect (working to maintain sustainability of this club)
    - VP Desai: Yoga club seems super cool
- Wants to make sure that Senate is as accurate as possible
  - Will be watching the recording to type line by line for this meeting
  - Hopes to get them out by Sunday
- Liaison emails
  - Wants to send another set of emails around the 18th
  - Looking into club spending in order to determine if the emails are needed

Deputy Chief of Staff Wright
- SGA Early Registration Initiative
  - Proposal has been constructed
  - Final edits are to be made during committee meeting today
  - The document is in the initiatives folder if anyone wants to view it
- Presidential Advisory Board
  - Chief of Staff Kronsberg and I met on Wednesday to discuss possible ideas on how to improve our meetings
  - Examples: picking a topic of discussion for meetings, switching who leads/takes minutes (to provide different perspectives), beneficial activities, have conversations with the members about what they hope to accomplish, creating a written agenda
o We will meet again before our next meeting at the end of this month to go over new template

Chief of Staff Kronsberg
- Any ideas for the Presidential Advisory Board are welcome
- Attendance
  - Directors please fill out the attendance sheet for this week (even if there were no absences)
  - Will be attending Director R. Thompson’s committee tonight
- Bylaw review
  - Discussion will be about endorsements
  - Proposals have been received

Vice President Desai
- Google Calendar
  - Deputy Chief of Staff please include links on all calendars
  - Place all events on the Senate and Exec. Council calendars also
- Historical Review Task Force
  - Filming of the videos will be taking place tomorrow & Saturday
  - Hopes to get them completed during Black History Month
- Period products
  - Need to determine information for distribution plan & the budget has been started
    - MD: there has not been a written plan on numbers regarding products by Student Affairs
    - VP Desai: was it specific to Stern or were more buildings involved?
    - MD: 14 buildings were taken care of under the plan
    - VP Desai: Treasure Zimmer can you send the list of approved vendors?
    - Treasure Zimmer: I have sent the list
- Grade forgiveness
  - Set a meeting time for next week between President Turner and DCoS Wright
- MyPortal meeting
  - Shooting for next week to discuss widget interactive maps for GNB
- Senate Feedback
  - Encourage committee members to slow down and allow time for questions
Will do her best to facilitate pauses to increase participation from Senators

President Turner

- Virtual Town Hall meetings are underway
- Historical Review taskforce meetings will be up & running next Thursday
- Accessibility Audit
  - Only 2 people have reached out stating they wish to attend
  - This is not acceptable, there needs to be more participation
    - Secretary Collins: message in the groupchat to clarify
    - VP Desai: when is the accessibility audit?
    - President Turner: April 2nd
- International Club
  - President Bezaire emailed Chief Searson this morning about masks
  - Idea of creating a student/public safety mask taskforce to enforce the rules
    - VP Desai: are we still setting a meeting time with Chief Searson?
    - President Turner: we are waiting on the full list of complaints
    - VP Desai: will create a doc for complaints to be added
    - MD: articulation of purpose of campus police roles may alleviate some of the grievances/concerns
- SGA T-shirt
  - Deputy Chief of Staff Wright will need to begin working on these
  - Collab with Director Donohue and Communications Director Bartlett
  - With the minute send out, include asking everyone for T-shirt size