

EGCC Student Government Association 2023-2024

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

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Special Orders

Swearing in of Senators Kelly, Oushana, Quirarte, Robinson, Shipman, Timmons, and Walker.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Rogers at 8:10pm EST.

Attendance

Rogers	X
Boyer	X
White	X
De la Cruz Romero	X
Kelly	X
Montgomery	--
Oushana	X
Quirarte	X
Robinson	X
Shipman	X
Shown	X
Timmons	--
Walker	X

Present:

Absent:

Quorum is: 10 Majority is: 8

Reading of the Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting on July 12, 2023 were provided via email from Advisor Twyford for your review prior to this meeting.

Approved via voice vote.

Officer Reports

Rogers: Welcomes new members

White: No report

Boyer: No report

Committee Reports

Student Feedback Survey (Boyer, White)

White: Keep same survey from last time, add a few new questions to keep it simple. This includes “would you still stay at EGCC?” and “are you looking for scholarships and how are you paying for what’s remaining?”

Rogers: Do you need any help on that committee?

White: Yes, we’d welcome assistance for it.

Rogers: We got good feedback from last year’s survey, finding out student concerns. Please make sure new senators have access to Discord so we can continue to collaborate outside of regular meeting times.

Advisor Twyford will send Discord invites to all new members.

White: Hoping to get survey out in the middle of October (after first 8 weeks is over, before 4th 8 weeks starts).

Senators Quirarte and Shipman volunteers

Oushana: Please let me know about what activities we’re doing so I can plan time accordingly

Governing Documents Review Committee

Twyford: Suggests uploading these documents to Discord for everyone to review.

Rogers: Most of changes were suggested to eliminate duplicity of language between Constitution and By-Laws. However, some of the things aren’t explicitly stated. It may not hurt to have some of the language duplicated in both documents, and if the changes that were proposed eliminate things that aren’t duplicated, I’m not in favor of that. It may have been an effort to reinvent the wheel by members who are no longer on SGA. I don’t want to eliminate anything that’s **not** in both documents.

Old Business

1. Review of Student Grievance/Complaint Language

This comes from the motion to wait until the 7/26 meeting to hear from Cabinet regarding the new wording, which has now been provided (see attachment in email).

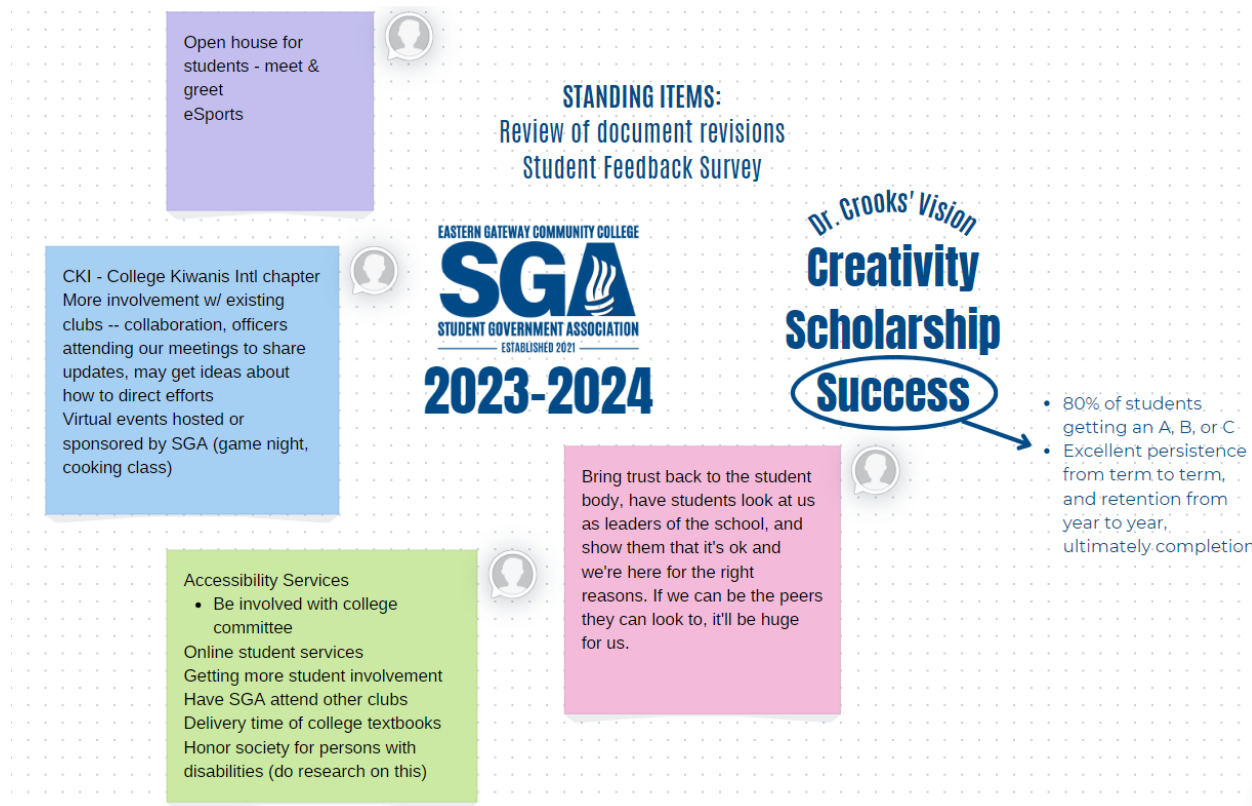
Rogers: Language/wording was approved by Cabinet may be in place on the EGCC website at this point. Dr. Crooks brought it before SGA at prior meeting.

Twyford: Shared infographic about appeals/complaints process, included link for updated Student Grievance Procedure

<https://catalog.egcc.edu/content.php?catoid=7&navoid=409#student-grievance-procedure>

Senator Robinson will assist in completing infographic.

New Business



Rogers: Would like to see SGA do its work more closely with other clubs and organizations. Under the Constitution/By-Laws, we're supposed to have an officer from other organizations attend our meetings at least once a semester. I'm sure we can get that done, we have PTK representation. Book Club, IT Club, Black Student Union, other active groups, we'd like to have them participate with us. I have recently reached out to a member of the local Kiwanis Club in Steubenville about forming a CKI – College Kiwanis International. I'm a member of the local chapter, and was a member of Key Club in high school. College member of Steubenville Kiwanis is Chris Hoover (Director of Enrollment). Let's get together with other student groups since there is power in numbers.

Quirarte is member of Book Club, Walker is member of BSU.

Walker: Promoting and SGA engagement

Twyford: Variety of outlets for these things – Facebook groups, Instagram, LinkedIn, use of Student Activities emails to share “Big 3”

Walker: Hot button issue is financial aid. Things have been vague, we need to be able to give some kind of guidance.

Rogers: I do know they have lowered the tuition for out of state student to be one dollar higher for students living in Ohio. If you look at any state school, this OOS tuition can be 2-3x what in-

state is. In an effort to help students, EGCC has taken that action. There are plenty of scholarships available, and everyone ought to look for them, they're out there.

Robinson: I'm in Cleveland, and they just announced anyone who attends Cleveland Public Schools, once they graduate high school and enroll in college in Ohio, it's free. They're trying to establish more schools to be in that program, they want to increase college access and completion for post high school grads. For me, something like that would have been exceptional, but now that FCB is over, you have to come up with other strategies to fund your education. There are a lot of scholarships available, especially if you're in PTK. They encourage research on other colleges, but the effort may deter some people.

Walker: As a member of PTK they do a great job highlighting scholarships. I get information all the time.

Gallery Remarks

No gallery.

Announcements and HLC/DOE Updates

All members must complete the Collin's Law Anti-Hazing virtual training module. If you've already completed it for another group this past spring, just send the certificate of completion again.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 27 at 8pm EST.

Motivational Quote from Senator Shown:

If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude. – Maya Angelou

Never, never, never, never give up. – Winston Churchill

Nominates Senator Quirarte to share motivational quote at the next meeting.

Closing Remarks from Advisors

Adjournment

At this time, I would entertain a motion to adjourn...

Motion: De La Cruz Romero Seconded by: White

This meeting is adjourned at 9:17pm EST.