

Student Sustainability Council
Meeting Minutes
[9/22/2024]



Taken by: Leila Dawson

1) Beginning of Meeting

- a) [4:00pm] - Reading of the Preamble and Introductions
- b) [4:05pm] - Yes for Parks Presentation
- c) [4:15pm] - Sierra Club Sustainability Manufacturing Request

2) Proposal Presentations [4:20pm]

a) [4:20pm] - "Symposium on Dis/Ability and Debility in Appalachia" Proposal Begins

- Symposium held to discuss the intersectionality of issues between environmental health justice, sustainability, and debility.
- Free attendance and free food, local sustainable practices through partnership with Papi's Mexican Restaurant and Bar.
- Total Requested: \$1180

b) [4:30pm] - "Symposium on Dis/Ability and Debility in Appalachia"

Presentation Ends and Q&A Begins

- Will there be guest speakers? Yes; half of the presenters are people with specializations. There will be disability activists, organizations tabling, speakers specialized in sustainability. Students will present artwork and research.

c) [4:35pm] - "Symposium on Dis/Ability and Debility in Appalachia" Q&A

Ends

a) [4:35pm] - "Mycology Club" Proposal Begins

- Mushroom Inoculation Event with Forestry Club: about 30 attendees, inoculating both logs and toilet paper rolls with mycelium. Students take home what they make.
- UV light foray project includes hiking at arboretum and potential nighttime hike for continental bioblitz. Identifications will be submitted to bluegrass mycology society.
- Food and snacks will be provided
- Total Requested: \$310

b) [4:45pm] - "Mycology Club" Presentation Ends and Q&A Begins

- What is the total of your two projects? \$310
- Last year you had 30 people show up and now you are partnering with the forestry club. This year, how many people are you expecting to show up? 30-50 people
- Why wouldn't flashlights on people's phones work? Phone doesn't produce uv light.
- Are the logs kept at the forestry building? Last year logs were too small so they did not retain moisture.

c) [4:47pm] - "Mycology Club" Q&A Ends

a) [4:47pm] - "HON 352" Proposal Begins

- Passion project in ecotourism: 3 week immersive trip, travel to different ecosystems in Costa Rica to observe wildlife, learn about the carbon economy, and students reflect on their personal environmental

impacts.

- Would like to offer 4 scholarships. One funded by ssc, one funded by Lewis Honors College. Total Requested: \$16,000.

b) [5:03pm]- "HON 352" Proposal Ends and Q&A begins

- How many years have you been doing this program? Second year with 13 students and one chaperone.
- Is the Honors college the only outside funding sought? Funding has been discussed with woman philanthropy and we are working with K Johnson fund for experiential learning.
- How will you be choosing your students? Qualtrics form that asks if students have ever traveled abroad before, financial need, and pell-eligibility. Scholarships and award committee will be making the decision.
- Where did the majority of funding come from last year? Students paid their own way. Some received study abroad grants. Students will know by the end of finals so that they can go home and talk to their families and possibly get a job.

c) [5:07pm]- "HON 352" Q&A Ends

a) [5:12pm]- "CATS for Ghana" Proposal Begins

- Purpose of the club is to serve as an additional resource to help students in Abotanso village succeed in school. Help students to do well in the education system so they can do well in the workforce.
- No American values imposed, help them to succeed in their own Ghanaian school system.
- Total Requested: \$7500

b) [5:18:pm] - "CATS for Ghana" Presentation Ends and Q&A Begins

- What are your future plans of visiting this community? I have already been there, and board members will meet with the nonprofit on zoom.
- Will you break down what the money will be used for? Mostly internet, computers, smartboard, microphone for speaking to instructors, and security cameras.
- Can you elaborate on the partnership with your nonprofit? My dad and friends started this program.
- Once the internet service is installed, who is responsible for paying for the internet? Access Point will be able to sustain the internet in the village for 5 years.
- How will you choose tutors? We have a club of 20 people interested who will work in pairs.
- How will you know what the tutors will be teaching? There is a principal who will send the syllabus and board members will break it down.

[5:23pm] - Motion to extend by 2 mins (Shaun)(Kauner)

- Why aren't you paying for tutors there? I would like people to learn about my culture and believe that UK has intelligent faculty.
- If you do not receive funding what would you do? I am working with people who are already willing to give. I am working with a nonprofit.

b) [5:25pm] - "CATS for Ghana" Q&A Ends

a) [5:26pm] - "AASHE Scope Change" Proposal Begins

- Previously approved \$12,000. Cost per student is about \$1500.
- Selection committee of 5 people who scored responses, application asks two

questions.

- Keep original funding and send less students or increase funding to send more students.

b) [5:36:pm] - "AASHE Scope Change" Presentation Ends and Q&A

Begins

- How many applications did you get? 24.
- To clarify, would it be an extra 6000 dollars? Yes.
- If you have people tied for scores, who do you choose to go? The Director of Transparency and Accountability would decide.

c. [5:44pm] - "AASHE Scope Change" Q&A Ends

3) Discussions **[5:44pm]**

a) [5:44pm] - Discussion of "Symposium on Dis/Ability and Debility in Appalachia" begins

b) [5:46pm] - Discussion of "Symposium on Dis/Ability and Debility in Appalachia" ends

[5:46pm] - Motion to vote (Sophia)(Kaylee)

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED/NOT PASSED Yes [15] No [0] Abstain [0]

a) [5:46pm] - Discussion of "Mycology Club" begins

- i) Mycology club does a great job with researching and being prepared. They came back and presented what they wanted to look for in the future and overall had a great student impact.

b) [5:47pm] - Discussion of "Mycology Club" ends

[5:47pm] - Motion to vote (Alycie)(Kauner)

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED/NOT PASSED Yes [15] No [0] Abstain [0]

a) [5:47pm] - Discussion of "HON 352" begins

i) One of these scholarships is the equivalent of 1000 students' fees from the semester.

ii) Half of the students get fully funded, and the other has to seek funding elsewhere.

[5:49pm] - Motion to amend proposal (Shaun)(Ari)

"We will fund \$8,000 towards the experiential learning trip under the stipulation that the scholarships and awards committee may distribute the funds however they like, prioritizing those with the most financial need."

[5:50pm] - Motion to vote on amendment (Sophia) (Kaylee)

[5:50pm] - Amendment Passed

b) [5:50pm] - Discussion of "HON 352" ends

[5:50pm] - Motion to vote on proposal as amended (May)(Kayla)

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED/NOT PASSED Yes [15] No [0] Abstain [0]

a) [5:50pm] - Discussion of "CATS For Ghana" begins

i) All funding would be distributed by nonprofit, vetoed, must go through UK office, not clear answer.

ii) Proposal needs more elaboration on legality and where money is going. Council worried about the future of this project, needs more communication, and needs a list of faculty that are interested.

b) [5:50pm] - Discussion of "CATS For Ghana" ends

[5:52pm] - Motion to vote (Kauner)(Alycie)

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED/NOT PASSED Yes [1] No [13] Abstain [0]

a) [5:52pm] - Discussion of “AASHE Scope Change” begins

i) Fear of people not attending events, and it’s hard to keep people accountable
in larger numbers.

b) [5:55pm] - Discussion of “AASHE Scope Change” ends

[5:55pm] Motion to vote (Kauner)(Sophia)

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED/NOT PASSED Yes [3] No [11] Abstain [0]

[6:03pm] Motion to adjourn (Shaun)

PROPOSAL #1 VOTING RECORD, “Symposium on Dis/Ability and Debility in Appalachia”

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
Shaun Lavin	Y	Sophia Cahill	Y
Parker Schimpff	-	Finley Haight	-
Darren Tosh	Y	Phoebe Brown	Y
Samantha Dukes	Y	Ari Almeida	Y
Leila Dawson	Y	Sophia McKay	Y
Brandon Bolf	-	Eli Ort	-
Alycie Caya	Y	Kaylee Bliss	Y
Kauner Shacklette	Y	Samantha Gentry	Y
Mallory Sparks	Y	Kayla Payne	Y
Mary Hanna	Y	Ella Brachter	-

Sophia Hahn	-	Caity Weaver	Y
Kyle Heffernan	-	Morgan Knutsen	-

a) Amount requested: [\$1,180]

b) Amount approved: [\$1,180]

PROPOSAL #2 VOTING RECORD, “Mycology Club”

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
Shaun Lavin	Y	Sophia Cahill	Y
Parker Schimpff	-	Finley Haight	-
Darren Tosh	Y	Phoebe Brown	Y
Samantha Dukes	Y	Ari Almeida	Y
Leila Dawson	Y	Sophia McKay	Y
Brandon Bolf	-	Eli Ortt	-
Alycie Caya	Y	Kaylee Bliss	Y
Kauner Shacklette	Y	Samantha Gentry	Y
Mallory Sparks	Y	Kayla Payne	Y
Mary Hanna	Y	Ella Brachter	-
Sophia Hahn	-	Caity Weaver	Y
Kyle Heffernan	-	Morgan Knutsen	-

c) Amount requested: [\$310]

d) Amount approved: [\$310]

PROPOSAL #3 VOTING RECORD, “HON 352”

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
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Shaun Lavin	Y	Sophia Cahill	Y
Parker Schimpff	-	Finley Haight	-
Darren Tosh	Y	Phoebe Brown	Y
Samantha Dukes	Y	Ari Almeida	Y
Leila Dawson	Y	Sophia McKay	Y
Brandon Bolf	-	Eli Ortt	-
Alycie Caya	Y	Kaylee Bliss	Y
Kauner Shacklette	Y	Samantha Gentry	Y
Mallory Sparks	Y	Kayla Payne	Y
Mary Hanna	Y	Ella Brachter	-
Sophia Hahn	-	Caity Weaver	Y
Kyle Heffernan	-	Morgan Knutsen	-

e) Amount requested: [\$16,000]

f) Amount approved: [\$8,000]

PROPOSAL #4 VOTING RECORD, “CATS For Ghana”

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
Shaun Lavin	N	Sophia Cahill	N
Parker Schimpff	-	Finley Haight	-
Darren Tosh	N	Phoebe Brown	N
Samantha Dukes	N	Ari Almeida	N
Leila Dawson	N	Sophia McKay	N
Brandon Bolf	-	Eli Ortt	-
Alycie Caya	N	Kaylee Bliss	N

Kauner Shacklette	N	Samantha Gentry	N
Mallory Sparks	Y	Kayla Payne	N
Mary Hanna	N	Ella Brachter	-
Sophia Hahn	-	Caity Weaver	N
Kyle Heffernan	-	Morgan Knutsen	-

g) Amount requested: [\$7500]

h) Amount approved: [\$0]

PROPOSAL #5 VOTING RECORD, “AASHE Scope Change”

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
Shaun Lavin	N	Sophia Cahill	N
Parker Schimpff	-	Finley Haight	-
Darren Tosh	N	Phoebe Brown	N
Samantha Dukes	N	Ari Almeida	N
Leila Dawson	N	Sophia McKay	Y
Brandon Bolf	-	Eli Ortt	-
Alycie Caya	A	Kaylee Bliss	N
Kauner Shacklette	Y	Samantha Gentry	N
Mallory Sparks	Y	Kayla Payne	N
Mary Hanna	N	Ella Brachter	-
Sophia Hahn	-	Caity Weaver	N
Kyle Heffernan	-	Morgan Knutsen	-

i) Amount requested: [\$18,000]

j) Amount approved: [\$0]

ATTENDANCE

Name	P/A	Name	P/A
Shaun Lavin	P	Sophia Cahill	P
Parker Schimpff	A	Finley Haight	A
Darren Tosh	P	Phoebe Brown	P
Samantha Dukes	P	Ari Almeida	P
Leila Dawson	P	Sophia McKay	P
Brandon Bolf	A	Eli Ortt	A
Alycie Caya	P	Kaylee Bliss	P
Kauner Shacklette	P	Samantha Gentry	P
Mallory Sparks	P	Kayla Payne	P
Mary Hanna	P	Ella Brachter	A
Sophia Hahn	A	Caity Weaver	A
Kyle Heffernan	A	Morgan Knutsen	A