

Orange County Community College
Student Senate
Minutes of regular meeting on October 31, 2019

Meeting called to order at 11:08 by President Danna Nieves

Present:

President Danna Nieves	Vice President Christopher Durzak
Treasurer Isabella Zayas	Secretary Mia Deserto
Senator Brianna Einhorn	Senator James Reily
Senator Jeffrey Manapat	Senator Giovanna Cala
Senator Stanley Jacques	

Absent:

Vice President Christopher Durzak	Trustee Aaliya Patterson
Advisor Steve Harpst	Adrienne Victor

Club Recognition

A. MultiCultural Club recognition

- Motion to approve MultiCultural Club passed unanimously
- Promote cultural diversity to bring the campus together
- Use the club as a platform as an educational device so students can learn from each other
- Dia de Los Muertos event and watch Coco
- Black history month will recognize african americans who are not well known
- Plans to work with Newburgh

President Report

A. ICC meeting

- Wednesday the 13 in Middletown: 12:30-1:30
- Wednesday the 13 in Newburgh: 2:30-3:30
- President Danna wants senators to get in touch with their clubs
- Senator Giovanna's PTA Club cannot attend
- Review official club emails
- Social Media accounts to advertise the clubs

B. Safety and Security Open Forum

- When: November 21 11-12
- Where: Rowley room 10
- Instead of having a meeting, Senate is hosting an open forum
- President Danna Nieves is creating the flyer and must get approved by the safety security

- The flyer must contain phrases like “do you feel safe on campus?” or “do you have any concerns”
- Senator Giovanna feels like this is a smart way of advertising so no one has any bias starting off
- Senate will run the open forum and Safety and Security will answer questions
- The open forum will start off by asking students if they feel safe on campus

C. SAGA

- Alisha brings a proposal from SAGA to have menstrual products in every bathroom
- Students will use the honor system of taking one and bringing one back the next day
- There will be a certain day of every week where people bring menstrual products
- Each club will take turns filling/ refilling bathrooms
- SAGA wants senate to help promote this idea
- Treasurer Isabella has concerns with people rigging menstrual products (insert drugs or alcohol) since OCCC is an open campus
- Senator Jeffrey has concerns with men on campus vandalising it
- Treasurer Isabella says to be cautious because people can just empty the basket of menstrual products in their bags
- Senator Giovanna mentions that going to the health center to get a menstrual product is a long process
- Dispensers in the bathrooms don't work and are often not stocked with products
- Treasurer Isabella recommends putting a basket in the stalls for people who want privacy
- President Danna wants to know why Senate would be responsible for maintaining the idea
- Alisha responds by saying that Senate is responsible for the organization part of it ex:Senate will tell Psychology Club to take care of the bathrooms for the month of October
- President Danna asks what happens if the honor system doesn't work and Alisha responds by saying that's why we have the one day where people donate products
- Spread the word to other students and reach out to administrators if this idea fails

Secretary Report

- A. Approval of October 17 minutes passed unanimously with slight changes made

Meeting adjourned at 12:00