



# ASA Minutes

## 9:00 pm Haugo Room

### 4/16/2014

**Attendance: (25) Absent: (1)**

**New Business:**

*Funding Requests:*

*Seth V.:* 3 requests tonight. The first is from Debate Club, but they found funding through other venues so A&P recommends allocating nothing. They went through different administrators and got the funding needed to go to their event.

**Motion to allocate no funding to Debate club: Jesse Fonkert | Second: Katie Romano | Motion Passes**

*Seth V.:* The second request is to reimburse the Augustana College Peace Prize Forum for transportation to the 2014 Peace Prize Forum in Minneapolis. They submitted a request earlier and it fell through so A&P recommends reimbursing the group for \$600.

*Maggie D.:* Who is getting the money?

*Seth V.:* They asked for 20 from the students who were going and the students paid for their own food for. This Subsidised some of their expenses for the bus and the money is going back to the event for next year. Dr. Nesiba believes they are going to find alternative ways to get money next year.

**Motion to reimburse \$600 to the Augustana College Nobel Peace Prize Forum: Amanda Johnson | Second: Sam Hoskins | Motion Passes**

*Dan S.:* The other request is from Venture. They produce an artistic literary magazine and give awards to the best submissions. They requested \$288.00 and A&P recommends the full amount.

*Elliot B.:* Who sees this publication?

*Seth V.:* The students and alumni.

*Emily G.:* How much is left in the CDF account?

*Seth V.:* We still have \$1100 left.

*Crystal O.:* They usually have donations from professors to fund this publication.

*Dan S.:* They got did get money, and still need this amount to cover the rest of their expenses.

*Kofi G.:* Is ASA going to have any say over what is printed? Is the money being used responsibly?

*Krista Y.:* Faculty oversee the publication of the magazine and there is a large reception to honor those who were published.

**Motion to allocate \$288 to Venture: Same Hoskins | Second: Kirsten Titze | Motion Passes**

*New Group:*

*Seth V.:* There is a new group on campus, The Reproductive Justice League. They aim to promote education and healthy dialogue on topics of contraceptives, sex education, parenthood, etc.

*Emily G.:* Who is on their group?

*Krista Y.:* Jayna Fitzimmons is the faculty advisor.

*Joel H.:* I don't know why we would have this on a Lutheran campus.

*Maggie D.:* As a liberal arts campus you should be accepting diverse viewpoints.

*Scot M.:* This is the same conversation we had last year about the values of the college and the distribution of condoms in the Commons. This is not necessarily something we can sanction as a group.

*Jesse N.:* We have no proof of members submitted to us.

*Matt B.:* By doing this we are giving them \$150 without knowing who is leading or where the money will go.

*Kirsten T.:* Just because we are a Christian college doesn't mean we can pretend this doesn't happen.

*Jesse F.:* We don't know who is leading this group. Ten names must be submitted and they have not done this. Based on our constitution I don't think we can approve them.

*Ray A.:* I think we should hold back and wait until we have ten names.

*Amanda J.:* I just need to know that there will be people in that group.

Motion to deny the Reproductive Justice League's request for ASA recognition: Jesse Fonkert | Second: Sam Hoskins

**Amended motion to deny request until we receive more information about student involvement in the Reproductive Justice League: Jesse Fonkert | Second: Hanna Werling | Motion Passes**

*Committee Updates:*

*(Curriculum) Kat V.:* We are making a poster for the library so we can have a Library Recognition Day next Thursday.

*(Co-Curr) Emily G.:* For next year they are reorganizing the student services department so there can be more transparency between the students and Res Life. Leah and Brittany are planning on meeting with Jim to talk about laundry services and someone will attend the Board of Trustees meeting to talk with them. This would be a great draw for students, yes they should come here for their program, but the dorm life is also important.

*Brittany D.:* I had a Kitchen Cabinet meeting with four people this morning. This was a focus meeting and we came up with what we will ask on our next survey to see what students want to see changed in the Huddle. Questions will be something they like and if they were to add a food service what would it be. Our next survey will be more focused on the type of space and food.

*(P&D) Matt B.:* We got the donor appreciation video finished and it turned out great. Elliot let me borrow his GoPro camera and I went around campus and had some great interviews with students. Thank you to Elliot and Naras for all of their help. The Presidential elections finished up and thank you to everyone who helped. Please help work the table for senatorial elections.

*Housekeeping:*

*Krista Y.:* You got the email from Matt about the senate survey so please take the time to finish that, it goes quickly.

*Matt A.:* Have you had the chance to download the app on your phones? What are your thoughts? We want some time to troubleshoot things so when we release it to the public it works well.

*Elliot B.:* It's a good start.

*Matt A.:* The plan is to roll it out and do some minor updates. We are going to work with Bob Preloger and Peggy Kapusta to market the app correctly. This summer we hope Robert can work on larger updates for prospective students and alumni. It will help out once the overall website is updated. The portal side of things should also be aesthetically updated.

*Jesse F.:* Is the new website a responsive design?

*Matt A.:* Yes, it will respond to all mobile devices.

*Krista Y.:* It is going to be done well.

*Maggie D.:* Does the app have sporting events on it? I think for prospective students and students on campus students this would be helpful.

*Kat V.:* Is there a reason why Granskou, Stavig, and the GSC aren't labeled on the map?

*Matt A.:* Not that I know of.

*Ray A.:* Will there be a section for Admissions?

*Matt A.:* Nancy will be instrumental in helping with this.

*Krista Y.:* Right now we are focusing on current students and then we will start developing links for prospective students and alumni.

#### *Year in Review:*

*Matt A.:* Let's go around and talk about our year and the things you are proud of and the things you wish we would have done or can work on next year.

*Seth V.:* I am proud of revamping the entire budget and I'm proud of us and a whole senate. One thing I want to do going forward is look at how to finance larger projects.

*Kirsten T.:* Emily and I worked a lot with housing this year and one of the changes we helped with was apartment selection. We made progress and there is still work to be done.

*Naras P.:* I really like working with P&D and the Bone Marrow Drive. The video was really fun to make.

*Joel H.:* My goals were to get to know ASA more and come back next year. This year I'm proud of the budget and getting to know Dan. I look forward to helping Dan next year and allocating funds accurately.

*Aimée F.:* One of my main goals this year was to make ASA visible to the student body via social media and get to know the senate better. I was able to gain 300 followers on Twitter and over 100 on Facebook and I am excited for what can be done next year.

*Elliot B.:* I am excited about the budget and pleased with how we worked together on P&D to assign leadership positions next year. I'm excited about a lot of things and to figure out how we can better serve the students.

*Leah M.:* I had a really had a good time on Co-Curr. We were able to set a good foundation for things moving forward. Next year I would like to see ASA senators going to different types of events and seeing them on all realms of campus.

*Brittany D.:* I am proud of Co-Curr and starting up the kitchen cabinet. In future years we can build off what we've done. My main goal would be to start setting our goals and working on them right at the beginning of the year.

*Sam H.:* I am pleased with the budget and I would like to see an ASA complete a large project in the future.

*Crystal O.:* Last year the ice storm gave us a great service project, but the idea would have been nice to carry through. I am impressed with process of putting together the budget and with Emily's leadership on Co-Curr. I think she did a fabulous job.

*Maggie D.:* I think we reached out to the student body and kept them informed. It would be nice if the nacho cheese machine were back in the commons.

*Matt B.:* The highlight of my year was the bone marrow drive so I am really excited to see that again. I would like to see office hours taken more seriously. I think this is a great way for students to see us on campus.

*Emily G.:* I was really proud of Co-Curr for taking responsibility for projects they were interested in. I would like to see ASA hash out what a shared agenda means with other groups on campus. I think we are the best resource for every administrative group. It would be nice if all groups on campus knew who to come to and develop a better working relationship with administration.

*Katie R.:* I am also proud of Co-Curr. We weren't afraid to go after the really big topics. A lot of the issues with housing are cultural so trying to find balance between what we require and what we actually do is a struggle. That can be improved upon next year when we can sink our teeth into what we can do to solve the remaining issues. We have good footing of an idea of where we want to go.

*Dan S.:* I'm really happy with the budget changes. It is good to see the change from what it was and what it is now. I'm excited to see what happens next year. I would like to work out the kinks of the budget because I think there will be some problems.

*Kofi G.:* I was honored to serve with you this semester and thank you to making the transition easier for me. I'm not sure how much feedback we got on registration process and how those problems figured out.

*Ray A.:* Amending the Constitution was a hassle. I would like to see a transportation system next year.

*Jessica J.:* My favorite event was meeting with the administration and having a discussion about what they have for questions and what they are thinking. I am proud of P&D's deliberation on leaders for next year and having senators reaching out to the students. I think we need a service project next year.

*Amanda J.:* I love the new budget and I loved being part of P&D and reaching out to students. Getting the senators out and letting people know who they are. I would have also liked to see a service project.

*Jesse F.:* I am proud of A&P on the budget. We've worked hard on Co-Curr this year and next year I would like to work on battling student apathy toward the school and reevaluating the student handbook.

*Kale M.:* I really enjoyed working with P&D and doing the Bone Marrow Drive. I would like to see the laundry situation resolved.

*Taylor L.:* I was really happy with the budget process I am excited to see a big project next year or make a difference in the things we've been struggling to get done. I think it would have been cool to have Facebook features done on each senator.

*Katelyn J.:* The budget was a huge accomplishment. I think we should improve on our communication with the students by adding a small corner to the mirror and having senators talk to different students.

*Kat V.:* I'm proud of the mobile app. It took a long time to get done, but we have a good start. I think it would be good to have updated study spaces.

*Jesse N.:* One of the biggest things this senate did very well was making strides to be an open senate by making connections to the student body. This is a direction we want to keep going. I am still working on evaluations for private music lessons.

*Hanna W.:* We had some big accomplishments as we tackled a lot of big projects. I'm looking forward to seeing how the budget works and working with housing and administration.

*Scot M.:* I was proud of the work our committee did this year and the direction our projects are heading. I'm proud of the conversation we had this year, there are great opinions on the senate. We are all great leaders and have great opinions. I'd like to see the whole senate go to something together and show up as a group and socialize.

*Krista Y.:* My favorite thing was watching what you have all done because Matt and I could not have done it without you. Two people can only do so much. The budget is something I'm proud of and excited to see what that means next year. We are on the verge of something great. We are finally getting into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and opening doors to expand and set the next senate up for great things.

*Matt A.:* I've been reflecting a lot. You have all been working so hard this entire year. Being my fourth year on the senate, I've seen a lot of groups come and go and I'm so proud to have gotten to work with you all this year. The passion you have for Augie and leaving it a better place is inspiring. I love the way you take a project and run with it. It's been a blast working with such great people. It's been a blessing and something I won't forget. The communication between the senate and the students has been great. Aimée has done a phenomenal job of communicating via blog, Facebook, and twitter. We would not have accomplished half of this without her. It was a phenomenal Presidential election so thank you for showing how passionate about Augie you are. I hope to see the same energy going into next year. I would have liked to see us do a service project this year. I think seeing such an influential group get out and do service is something I would like to see in the future. I would encourage you to keep pushing for those goals and planning for the future of Augustana. I was talking to Thad this morning and reflecting on things. One of the things he said was you can't walk away from the work you've done and it's still an opportunity for us in the future.

*Jim B.:* This is the best part of the work that I do as the Dean of Students. I have opportunity to represent you and the entire student body so please know that I am open to your opinions and recommendations. I really appreciate your work. For those of you who are graduating or choosing not to continue, thank you for your service. I'm looking forward to working with all of you in the coming years. We are approaching the end of the academic year, good job to all of you.

*Matt A.:* Make sure to add Monday the 28<sup>th</sup> during chapel at 10am to your calendars for the inauguration of new senators. I thought it would be good to get an end of the year picture.

*Jim B.:* Next weekend is the Board of Trustees meeting. Because that will be Matt and Krista's last meeting with them, we will rely on you to ensure there are representatives for ASA there.

***Adjourn:***

**Motion: Naras Prameswari | Second: Katie Result: | Motion Passes**



SENATE MEETING MOTION SHEET  
FILED BY ASA DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AIMÉE FISHER

DATE 04/16/14 MOTION # 0416141

for \$0

REGARDING:

The Augustana College Debate Club is requesting a \$240 reimbursement for attending the NPDA (Parliamentary debate) at Northern State University on 4/11/2014. This event establishes Augustana a contender and solidifies the team's presence as an academic activity for future semesters. There has been an innumerable loss of opportunity for the school as students seeking to continue on with debate into our community have found themselves unable to. The most tangible benefit from the establishment of an intercollegiate, traveling team at Augustana is to no longer lose prospective students who prioritize an extracurricular that is offered at virtually all of our competitors – from USD and SDSU to other private colleges such as Carleton and St. Olaf.

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FURTHER ACTION:

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Matt Anderson  
ASA PRESIDENT

VOTING RESULTS:

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COMMENTS:



SENATE MEETING MOTION SHEET  
FILED BY ASA DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AIMÉE FISHER

DATE 04/16/14 MOTION # 0416143

For \$600

**REGARDING:**

(LDF Request) The Augustana College Peace Prize Forum will be renting a bus to facilitate student participation in the Peace Prize Forum in Minneapolis on Saturday, March 1, 2014. His Holiness the Dalai Lama will be the featured speaker and Sister Helen Prejean is the afternoon speaker. More on the Forum at <http://nobelpeaceprizeforum.org/about/>. To make a bus financially feasible, we are asking that the LRC subsidize students travel expenses at \$20 per student. We have purchased 30 student tickets. Thus, we are requesting \$600. In addition, participating students will be asked to pay \$20. This will cover their \$13.59 registration fee for the event and part of the bus rental.

Augustana students will be attending these presentations, participating in break out sections, and potentially meeting Nobel laureates and faculty and staff from participating colleges. Students and participating faculty will be able to interact with peers from our five sister Norwegian Lutheran College, listen to two world renowned speakers, and participate in break-out discussion sessions on subjects related to peace and peace-making. In short, they will be learning about leadership from peacemakers, educators, and other participants. Augustana College has had a 25-year-long relationship with the forum and we are eager to assist having 30 students and a number of faculty participate in what is becoming the pre-eminent conference on peace anywhere in the world. In addition to the Forum, Augustana College is able to select two students to participate in the Peace Scholars Program during the summer of 2014. Last year's Peace Scholars are Allie Hjerpe and Mallory Schulte. We will be selecting two new scholars to represent Augustana College in Oslo this coming summer. I'd urge those of you who are juniors and seniors, interested in peace and justice related issues to consider applying for this prestigious honor and opportunity to complete 6 credit hours at the University of Oslo this summer. Participating in Peace Prize Forum as a freshmen or sophomore signifies interest in these issues and enhances one's future application to be a Peace Scholar.

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FURTHER ACTION:

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Matt Anderson  
ASA PRESIDENT

VOTING RESULTS:

AYE 25 NAY 0 ABSTENTION 0

COMMENTS:



SENATE MEETING MOTION SHEET  
FILED BY ASA DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AIMÉE FISHER

DATE 04/16/14 MOTION # 0416142

for \$288

REGARDING:

Venture is requesting \$288.00 from the CDF account to award the winners of the Venture submission contest. Venture is the Literary and Artistic Magazine on campus. It is a publication that annually publishes the work of students on campus in both art and literature. Students get chance to have their work published and earn a little extra cash for it. This helps strengthen our artistic community among the student body. This also allows our school to have another student publication under its belt. This is a wonderful creative outlet for students and professors love seeing their student's work published.

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FURTHER ACTION:

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Matt Anderson  
ASA PRESIDENT

VOTING RESULTS:

AYE 25 NAY 0 ABSTENTION 0

COMMENTS:





SENATE MEETING MOTION SHEET  
FILED BY ASA DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AIMÉE FISHER

DATE 04/16/14 MOTION # 0416145

REGARDING:

Motion to recognize Reproductive Justice League as an official Augustana student group. —

Denied until more information regarding membership can be provided.

MOVED: 

SECONDED: 

FURTHER ACTION:

  
Matt Anderson  
ASA PRESIDENT

VOTING RESULTS:

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ABSTENTION 0

COMMENTS:

SENATOR	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Amanda Johnson	x		
Brittany Dardis	x		
Elliot Blue	X		
Emily Grandprey	x		
Emily Weber		x	
Hanna Werling	x		
Jesse Fonkert	x		
Jessica Johnson	x		
Joel Hermann	x		
Katherine Van Gerpen	x		
Leah Murfield	x		
Matthew Bell	x		
Naras Prameswari	x		
Taylor Lambert	x		
Dan Schmidtman	x		
Kofi Gunu	x		
Katelyn Johnson	x		
Kaitlin Romano	x		
Ray Asmah	x		
Crystal Ortbahn	x		
Kirsten Titze	x		
Scot Missling	x		
Sam Hoskins	x		
Maggie Dally	x		
Kale Merrel	x		
Jesse Nelson	x		

OFFICER	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Matt Anderson	X		
Krista Youngberg	X		
Seth Vogelsang	X		
Aimee Fisher	X		

ADVISOR	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Jim Bies	X		