Student Council Meeting  
Missouri University of Science and Technology  
Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 06:30 PM  
Meeting via Zoom  
MINUTES

EXECUTIVES PRESENT:
President Amanda Aiken, Vice President of Engagement and Outreach Chase Johnson, Vice President of Operations Arnold Nguyen, Vice President of Academics Kate Fabac, Campus Infrastructure Lead Naman Desai, Student Activity Finance Board Chair Chandler Cairatti, St. Patrick’s Board President Elliot Sutalski, Advisor John Gallagher

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Total: 78
1. **Call to Order**

President Amanda Aiken called the meeting to order at 06:30 PM.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Chandler Cairatti motioned to approve the agenda. Megan Sly seconded. The agenda was approved.

3. **Approval of September 14, 2021 Minutes**

Chandler Cairatti motioned to approve the minutes. Kyle Boyle seconded. The September 14, 2021 minutes were approved as published.

4. **New Business**
   a. **Committee Form and Assignments**

Chandler Cairatti motioned to open discussion. Jared Caldwell seconded.

Joining a committee is REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENT COUNCIL VOTING MEMBERS! If your name is not on the figure below, fill out the Google Form (https://forms.gle/Xqg2b2jUMPmd3FELA) so you can be a part of a committee.

No vote required for this agenda item.
b. **Vice President of Student Services Nomination/Election**

Lauren Horn was nominated.

Chandler Cairatti motioned to close nominations. Maryemma York seconded. Nominations were closed. Election will be on October 12.

c. **SAFB Membership Confirmation**

Hailey Hicks was considered for SAFB membership. Hailey Hicks was approved for SAFB membership (votes hidden by request).

d. **SAFB Campus Events African Gala Night Event Budget**

Chandler Cairatti presented the budget: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1a2i-7m_RSd4xjWfuZFE80tqxZB4zfR1vUjTAOborgRc/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1a2i-7m_RSd4xjWfuZFE80tqxZB4zfR1vUjTAOborgRc/edit?usp=sharing)

SAFB recommends funding $6,400.00 which is 50% of the cost in compliance with SAFB Code.

Chandler Cairatti motioned to approve the funding for African Students Association’s African Gala Night budget as presented. Jared Caldwell seconded.

Chandler Cairatti stated: “The African Students Association is applying for their Africa Gala Night which is the biggest event of the school year for them. They are expecting around 200 guests, and mainly, it's an event to experience a typical African dinner with diverse performances. It is a fusion from various African countries and is usually a very big event and has happened quite often in the past and we are very excited to see it again. This is the budget. Everyone's already looked at it before. Is there anyone from the African Student Association here? I guess...”

Joy Amponsah, ASA stated: “Can you hear me?”

Chandler Cairatti stated: “Yes, we did have one question of whether or not that $150 per award is for a single award per person or if it is for multiple pieces per person so is it a single award that 150 dollars is going towards?”

Joy Amponsah, ASA stated: “Yep… more like a plaque and then some... maybe some... a gift card or something.”

Chandler Cairatti stated: “Oh, okay. It includes a gift card. That's what we were concerned about. One hundred fifty dollars just for a plaque or just for a trophy seemed a little bit high, but as long as there is a little bit extra on to that and not just one big trophy per person, that's what we were a little concerned about. Is there any discussion or concern regarding the SAFB recommendation of 50% funding for this event?”
Kyle Boyle, UCHA in chat stated: “Does the date conflict with the date of Snowball? I'm not quite sure when Snowball is planned.”

Joy Amponsah, ASA stated: “Is that question for me?”

Chandler Cairatti stated: “I have not heard about anything with Snowball.”

Julia Goodman, HvZ in chat stated: “Snowball is also the 12th.”

Joy Amponsah, ASA stated: “I can just clarify something quickly. So we actually planned that for the 12th, but when we spoke to John, we're looking at maybe moving into the Saturday which is the 13th or the Sunday which is the 14th. So it can be 12th, the 13th, or the 14th. So the one that we submitted on Engage has the three dates, and we'll see which one is best. I don't know what I don't know when Snowball is as well.”

Amanda Aiken stated: “Alrighty, we will look into that. Thank you for bringing that to our attention.”

John Gallager in chat stated: “13 or 14th will be most likely due to kitchen access.”

Jackson Barry in chat stated: “How many students (numerically) get to attend? $6,400 seems like a lot for 150 students (ticket price) it's a net loss of $43 per person from SAFB.”

Joy Amponsah, ASA stated: “Because of... normally I hear previously they've had over 300 students, but because of COVID, looking at the venue we're trying to get some parts abc we are looking at getting around 250 students.”

Kyle Boyle, UCHA in chat stated: “If it's planned to take place after Snowball, I'm concerned with how many people would be able to attend both events.”

Joy Amponsah, ASA stated: “I have no idea when Snowball is, but I know Gala Night is one of the very big events that happen on campus then we are sure to get a lot of students to attend. Maybe if we know when Snowball is, we'll probably know what's going to happen. I haven't heard about it so...”

Connor Keefe, RHA in chat stated: “Snowball is definitely on 11/12.”

Chandler Cairatti stated: “Historically, this event has also been common to happen and has drawn its crowd um That's what i'll add to that.”

Lavanya Bhargava, Underwater Robotics in chat stated: “Is the Gala for students who aren’t African as well?”

Joy Amponsah, ASA stated: “Yeah, it’s for everybody. The Gala is for everybody. The point is to bring everyone around the world to come and experience African culture and eat African food and kind of learn what we do in Africa. So it's like bringing Africa to you.”
African Students Association’s African Gala Night budget was approved as presented (69 ayes [90.79%]; 7 nays [9.21%]).

e. SAFB Pro Projects 2021-2022 Budget

Chandler Cairatti presented the budget:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1T66yr7TjSAkZ4Yn1zO1NN_2mYG8PhISfg9vtWu3J5Tg/edit?usp=sharing

All SAFB recommendations are in the spreadsheet link above.

Chandler Cairatti motioned to approve the SAFB Pro Projects 2021-2022 Budget. Megan Sly seconded.

Chandler Cairatti stated: “Okay so just to go into it quickly, we had a total amount available... pot available of about $162,000 which has been given out fully. There are some zeros. About four. Those have been determined based off of starting account balances have gotten pretty high due to COVID, and we are just adjusting for that to try and make sure everyone is, at most, funded as much as we can, and those groups that were given a zero dollar recommendation were... that was based off them having enough money to cover this year while still having a decent surplus left... for those zero dollar recommendations. There are two subjects that have been brought up and that we need to go into directly to talk about. The first one will be... let's start with... the Rocket Design Team Liquid project has a current project... current involved with the Mechanical Senior Design. There are students working on it that are part of Rocket Design Team that are receiving class credit that will go towards their degree that this money will go towards that project that they are working on and help finance the project that they are working on. For background information, any senior design projects are normally financed by outside companies coming in, giving a project, and giving them the money to prototype and/or build and etc. Design teams do occasionally do this. We have not had one do it in a while nor request SAFB funding for it as far back as i'm aware. SAFB had a concern that this is tiptoeing into academic funding areas because students are receiving class credit for it that will go towards their degree, therefore it's not necessarily student activity at that point, however it is to build a test platform for water flow to test engine performance, fuel performance for the Rocket Design Team which is a student org. and student activity. SAFB deemed to restrict this item pending StuCo GenBod’s decision to either keep it restricted or remove that restriction and allow SAFB funds to be spent on that.”

Hardik Patel motioned to amend the SAFB Pro Projects 2021-2022 Budget by removing the red lines in the Rocket Design Team Liquid budget with the line item “Water Flow Test Stand Materials”, one row being $1,500 (Row 22) and the other $200 (Row 23). Andrew Hoag seconded.

Hardik Patel, RDTL stated: “The water flow test stand is not a senior design project, but for the Rocket Design Team. It's gonna serve the team for about four to five years while the senior design team will only be using it partially. It was not assigned by the senior design as it was already being worked on by the Rocket Design Team and its member. And for anyone wondering, the water flow test stand is going to be used to test out new injectors for engines and making sure that our old injectors work well.”

Jackson Barry stated: “Hello everyone, my question is very simply: so there's the choices, you know, approve or like we can unredline it or not. What happen... if we take this off of red line and then it's later
determined that that is not okay, say a week down the road, what happens? Does that money just get retracted and then stay and get reallocated the following year by SAFB?"

Chandler Cairatti stated: "Essentially... well okay. First off SAFB now just gives a general amount of money to each group that applies, and then based off their line items, they can apply it however they wish. They just cannot apply their funding to restricted items. That being said, John has said that as far as he's aware, this should not break any rules. It's just kind of a gray area. If it is later determined that it is a no-no, that should be determined hopefully before the end of the year in which case they could reapply the funding to something else. If it's after that fact, it would have to become a discussion with the SAFB and StuCo executive and Student Involvement as to how to deal with that situation. It would be a very unique situation."

Jackson Barry stated: "Another question. We're not asking to... this doesn't change their total allocation. Like they're still... we're still going to be voting on unless something happens like a new motion is made later on in this meeting. This isn't changing their total allocation. All that's happening is it's getting unredlined. That's the entire motion. Is that correct?"

Chandler Cairatti stated: "Yes. Yes, it's just unrestricting it for them to be able to use SAFB funding on them which might... are on those items which might make it easier to use other funding sources elsewhere that they might get direct funding for in that. The big reason that SAFB brought this up was that, you know, if StuCo... whatever StuCo decision is made, that's what we want to go with. Since it's a gray area, we went to just get the student general body opinion on this and let them make the decision of whether or not it should be allowed to be... allowed to have student activity funds spent on it or not, but overall, the... it would not change the overall allocation amount."

Jackson Barry stated: "That answers every question for me."

Kyle Boyle, UCHA in chat stated: "I feel as though it's a good idea to unrestricted. It will last a long time, and it will benefit further student activities in the future."

The motion to amend the SAFB Pro Projects 2021-2022 Budget by removing the red lines in the Rocket Design Team Liquid budget with the line item "Water Flow Test Stand Materials", one row being $1,500 (Row 22) and the other $200 (Row 23) was approved (68 ayes [93.15%]; 5 nays [6.85%]).

Chandler Cairatti stated: "SAFB will remove the restriction. Okay, the second order of business is a request by the Motorcycle Design Team. They were one of the groups that it was determined that they are... their beginning account balance which is about $10,000 was too large in comparison to their total cost to warrant receiving student activity fee money, mainly on the fact that they did not lay out any reason as to why they were saving that large amount of money. For background, design teams do save large amounts of money for their own mini contingency funds, travel, just fluctuations, and small projects that has been noted in a lot of the design team tabs. Motorcycle has requested that they receive around $3,000 from SAFB, however SAFB has said that they need to present a plan as to where we will pull that money from. Is a representative for Miner Motorcycle here to state their case?"

Alex Rozycki, MMDT stated: "Hi. Alex Rozycki, Miner Motorcycle Design Team. So the original plan was to use the $4,500 that was the main... the main money that we wanted to receive for competition as in:"
organization costs, but we've been doing some thinking and the ten thousand dollars, we can maintain
that balance and run off of that due to the fact that competition won't be for another year. Also, it's just a
way to give more money to other organizations that need the money sooner, so it's not really a big deal
for us to not get the money. We kind of decided that as a team.”

Chandler Cairatti stated: “Based off… [Zoom failed to record further sentences].”

Alex Rozycki, MMDT stated: “…so at this time we don't. Yes, correct.”

Chandler Cairatti stated: “On that, do you want to retract that amendment?”

Alex Rozycki, MMDT stated: “Yes. If that is the correct thing to do, then yes, I would like to retract the
amendment.”

There was no further discussion.

SAFB Pro Project 2021-2022 Budget with the amendment that removed the red lines in the Rocket
Design Team Liquid budget with the line item “Water Flow Test Stand Materials”, one row being $1,500
(Row 22) and the other $200 (Row 23) was approved (72 ayes [97.30%]; 2 nays [2.70%]).

f. SAFB E&C Request for Formula SAE Telemetry System

Chandler Cairatti presented the budget:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DGQqfZQyrpEPVifZDOGf5W63zBBW8mA6/view?usp=sharing

SAFB recommends funding $9,487.00 which is 100% of the cost.

Ryan Highfill motioned to approve the SAFB E&C Request for Formula SAE Telemetry System. Sarah
Bogel seconded.

Chandler Cairatti stated: “This is for the equipment and contingency fund which, right now based on the
amount of money that will be put into it this year, not necessarily just this semester, we should be sitting at
around $131,000 just for that overview. The equipment and contingency fund is for organizations, student
organizations, to request pieces of equipment that fall outside of what is reasonably affordable for them
with their active budgets. SAFB has determined that this does fall outside of Formula SAE's reasonable
affordability of their budget given that it would take away from many of their extremely important operation
expenses. However, it will help the team compete better and just overall perform better and get better
placements at competition and generate better experience for their members. Therefore, SAFB has
recommended that a full funding of this equipment be applied, and it is open for discussion.”

Andrew Hoag, Delta Tau Delta stated: “Question about the funding. So is this... if we were to say: deny it,
would that mean that they would get zero funding for that or could we approve partial funding of it?”

Chandler Cairatti stated: “You can approve zero, partial, however much percentage partial. You would
want a motion. It would have to be a motion then voted on to amend it and then vote on to approve the
balance.”
Andrew Hoag, Delta Tau Delta stated: “Okay, thank you.”

Amanda Aiken stated: “And just to clarify, this is the... it comes from the E&C fund so it doesn't affect anybody’s club money at all or anything along those lines.”

Jackson Barry stated: “May I ask a question about E&C allocations not specific to this one, just like in general?”

Chandler Cairatti stated: “Yes.”

Jackson Barry stated: “Are they only to be asked for in the Fall or you know...? I know they're not super common compared to pretty much all Professional Project's requests almost every year. Is it only a Fall application or can a given Professional Project apply for these sorts of things in the Spring?”

Chandler Cairatti stated: “They can be applied for at any time. There is no deadlines on them. Obviously if you apply in the middle of Winter Break or middle Summer Break, you're going to pretty much have to wait until things start moving again during the semester, and they're open to all organizations, not just Pro Projects. However, Pro Projects tends to apply for it the most. I am talking to another group that has asked about this fund. It is kind of a first come, first serve thing, and the other group that's asking about it is not a Pro Project, and we're in kind of in the information phase of that and getting the information from that so there might be another one coming up soon, but yeah, this can be applied for basically at any time.”

Jackson Barry stated: “Thank you.”

SAFB E&C Request for Formula SAE Telemetry System was approved as presented (70 ayes [92.11%]; 6 nays [7.89%]).

5. Reports

President

Amanda Aiken reported:

- We will be in person for our next meeting in McNutt 204!!!
  - Meeting will start at 6:30 so please make sure you show up early to get settled in and get a clicker
- Reminder that we have positions open please check out the form on our website to apply
- Hammocks are at the library and ready for check out
- Good luck for the rest of career fair and through interviews

Hailey Hicks, SVA in chat stated: “Will it be possible to still attend via Zoom or in person?”

Amanda Aiken stated: “If you do need a Zoom accommodation for any reason, please feel free to reach out to stuco@mst.edu, and we will set up a Zoom call for those who are unable to attend in-person, but it
is discouraged. We will only be making those accommodations for people who very much need them so in that email, please make sure you do give a reason why you cannot attend in-person."

Marissa Spencer, Council of Graduate Students in chat stated: “Will we get the clickers at the meeting?”

Amanda Aiken stated: “You will get clickers at the meeting so you do not need to have any sort of subscription or anything for classes or anything along those lines.”

**Vice President of Engagement and Outreach**

Chase Johnson reported:
- Committee When2Meets will be sent out soon
- If you’re interested in leading any of the committees, email me or bring it up at the first meeting for that respective committee

There were no questions.

**Vice President of Operations**

Arnold Nguyen reported:
- No office hours
  - September 30, 2021
  - October 5, 2021
- Good luck at Career Fair, Day 2 and 3!
- Have a good Fall Break!

There were no questions.

**Vice President of Academics**

Kate Fabac reported:
- Dr. Northcut is creating an advisory committee for academic support
  - Reach out to her if you are interested

Xavier Forte, Chess Club in chat stated: “When will we receive notification on committee placements?”

Amanda Aiken stated: “Those will be in the minutes. If you just filled out the form, Chase when can we expect to see those committee placements by?”

Chase Johnson stated: “I can email anybody that submits it, like, after this meeting. Other than that, I can also email out that Google Form that already has everybody that was placed before tonight.”
Amanda Aiken stated: “If you still have any questions about what committee you are on after that, give us... If you haven't heard anything by middle of next week, please email stuco@msst.edu. Are there any other questions?”

Lavanya Bhargava, Underwater Robotics in chat stated: “Can you explain the purpose of this advisory committee?”

Kate Fabac stated: “It'll basically just be to advise the academics support centers and basically just give Dr. Northcut an idea of how she can improve some of the resources we have on campus to support students to their academics. That's the best kind of broad answer I can give you.”

Amanda Aiken stated: “So this would include like the Student Support Center and... what other things did it include?”

Kate Fabac stated: “Her department, writing center is under it, yeah. She also mentioned just taking advice on any of the other... like Library, tutoring sessions, LEAD, any of that because she'd also be able to take those thoughts, concerns, questions, or whatever and like relay them to the accurate sources.”

Amanda Aiken stated: “It's also advising Student Success and SDELC suggestions so thank you John for further information, and this would be more of like a sounding board panel rather than a true committee just so that it's more: student voices are heard by administration.”

Advisor

John Gallagher reported:
- Happy Career Fair Day 1!
- ~64% of campus is vaccinated
- Vaccination encouraged
  - Oct/Nov worst months for infections
  - Not a high rate right now, but still

There were no questions.

Campus Infrastructure Lead

Naman Desai reported:
- Had meeting with Amanda about future plans
- Have meeting with Mark next week
- Have meeting with John next week
- Still working on getting crosswalks done
- Need to start conceptual Havener design
- Had Student Leaders meeting last week with Kate
- No office hours next Tuesday

There were no questions.
Community Liaison
Adam McTigue reported:
  ● If you to host a blood drive in May and June, contact me amm825@mst.edu.

There were no questions.

Student Activity Finance Board Chair
Chandler Cairatti reported:
  ● Join SAFB!

UPCOMING DEADLINES
- Direct Student Funding Requests
  ○ September 29th | 5:00 PM | THAT’S TOMORROW
- Club Appropriations
  ○ October 15th | 5:00 PM
- Club Sports
  ○ October 29th | 5:00 PM

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS
- Club Sports
  ○ October 15th | 4:00-6:00 PM
  ○ Via Zoom

There were no questions.

St. Patrick’s Board President
Elliot Sutalski reported:
“THERE’S ONLY 170 DAYS UNTIL THE 114TH ANNUAL BEST EVER ST. PAT’S!!! LET’S GET FIRED UP!!!”
  ● Friday, October 8 at 3 p.m is sweatshirt reveal
    ○ Reveal at University Book and Supply: 1107 N. Pine Street, Rolla, MO 65401
  ● Flyers on St. Pat’s Instagram and Facebook
  ● Friday, October 8 at 4 p.m is the Puck dedication
    ○ Dedication at the Puck in front of Toomey Hall and Parker Hall

There were no questions.

Executive at Large
Zane Stobie had nothing to report.
ASUM (Associated Students of the University of Missouri)

Ryan Highfill reported:

● What’s Happening Now?
  ○ Legislative Intern Applications
    ■ Due by 5:00pm Friday, October 1st
  ○ Havener Tabling
    ■ Registered to Vote?
● Informational Flyer
  ○
● Intern Applications
  ○
● What’s Up Next?
  ○ General Body Meeting
    ■ Thursday, October 14th, 6:00pm, St. Pat’s C
  ○ Waffles & Wellness
    ■ Waffles with Miner Wellness
    ■ Thursday, October 7th, 11:00am

There were no questions.

RHA (Residence Hall Association)

Connor Keefe reported:
  ● Tunnel Painting Submissions are Open for UC/RC and TJ tunnels!
There were no questions.

**SUB (Student Union Board)**

Anisa Ripp reported:

- Homecoming Week starts on October 4th
  - We have 16 total Candidates!
- The Outdoor Activities & Rentals office will be closing regular hours for the season towards the end of October/early November, you will still be able to make appointments until the spring the office over email once it is closed.
- We had over 600 students come out for the Fall Concert with Plain White T’s!

There were no questions.

**Council of Graduate Students**

Marissa Spencer reported:

- Upcoming Events
  - CGS Poster Competition
  - Leadership Award
  - Fundraising Event
  - Workshop on Job Hunting
  - Workshop on Campus Resources & Services
● Plan to meet with the Provost to discuss several topics including insurance, graduate student bill of rights, and additional needed policies

There were no questions.

6. Say Anything

Jackson Barry stated: “I don't know. I was just thinking. There's a handful of people that I was talking to in the line today for Career Fair and having tests on the same day as Career Fair: sub-optimal. So the line wasn't really my gripe, it's just like the fact, and I was lucky it's not my problem, but there's a lot of people that had tests on Career Fair day. That could be avoided, and then like subsequent question: you think that in the future, and I'll be graduated so it's just like a general comment, maybe we could have Student Council meet on the alternate week that's not Career Fair? Basically scheduling things like tests that impact students and then also Student Council meeting not on Career Fair week. I think it could be something that would be valuable.”

Amanda Aiken stated: “That is definitely something we can look into.”

Arnold Nguyen in chat stated: “HW assignments due during Career Fair is bad as well.”

Xavier Forte, Chess Club stated: “Any updates on the transition away from Engage to the new website/program?”

John Gallagher stated: “We are likely going to be transitioning to Campus Groups in March right around Spring Break. So there will be plenty of time, and probably in the next meeting, we'll be talking... I'll have taken the suggestions you had from the first meeting about potential names for this platform, and we'll have a process that we can run through and hopefully generate some student interest in an actual name for this thing, and we'll be soliciting some folks to sit on a committee to help guide us through implementing this new platform.”

7. Announcements

Organizations may advertise through KMNR’s Town and Campus https://kmnr.org/townandcampus.

There were no announcements.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 07:25 PM.