HIRAM COLLEGE STUDENT SENATE

May 3rd, 2022 MINUTES

Roll Call: We had all 5 Executive Board members present, our Advisor, and 12 Senators present, Barnes (zoom), Blackmore, Bernhardt, Bolton, Fritz (zoom), Galecki (zoom), Mongold, Murphey, Pittman, Travis (zoom), and Yang.

Those senators absent were: Moore, Miller, and Cambareri
1 Student Guest was present

Presidential Announcements:

President Johns expressed her excitement for the upcoming school year. She told senators that the executive board will be meeting over summer so they can be easily contacted. She also mentioned that strategic marketing is hosting a focus group tomorrow and if senators are interested, they may join.

Advisor Announcements:

Advisor Okuma announced that Alumni and Development is looking for students to hand out programs at the presidential inauguration. Senators were asked to see Advisor Okuma after the meeting if they were interested.

Executive Board:

President Johns swore in the rest of the executive board. The students in these positions are Mackenzie Flaherty for Vice President of Activities, Rafah Hussain for Vice President of Communication, and Mason Cebulla for Vice President of Finance.

New Business:

President Johns swore in senators for the 2022-2023 school year. Expectations for senators over summer break were described. Senators were asked to check emails regularly over summer break to check for Senate updates as well as updates from Hiram college.

VP Streator discussed the Hoedown committee. This year, Senate will be hosting a hoedown party at the start of the new school year and are looking for senators who are interested in being a part of this committee. Senators Blackmore, Murphey, Travis, and Fritz have showed interest in this committee.

VP Hussain gave a social media update for the summer. During this update, she let senators know that she will be reaching out to senators over break asking for photos, pronouns, major/minors, t-shirt sizes, etc which will be featured on the Senate Instagram. She also talked about the Senate TikTok and how that will be more active next year.

Senators did an icebreaker activity that asked for their name, position, major, and were asked if they were to discuss a topic of interest for 30 minutes what that topic would be.

Senators were given an anonymous questionnaire that consisted of questions that they may answer about Senate. This questionnaire will be used to gauge executive board discussions over the summer. One Senator discussed the concern with the difficulty senators have with joining via Zoom. Suggestions for alternatives included Skype, Twitter livestream, and Microsoft Teams. Another senator mentioned that guidelines for voting for constitutional revisions should be clearer. The executive board agreed that these guidelines will be better specified.

VP Streator also encouraged Senators to attend the Presidential inauguration.

The meeting was adjourned at **8:21 pm** by *VP Streator*.