

The Minutes of AUA Student Council Meeting
September 27, 2003
(Started at 12:00 a.m.)
Small Auditorium, American University of Armenia
Yerevan, Armenia

Presided:

Armen Abelyan, President, Student Council (SC)

Attendees:

1. Sergey Arakelyan, IE1 Student, Vice-President/SC, *Public Relations Coordinator*
2. Irina Baghdasaryan, MBA1 Student, Member/SC, *Elections Coordinator*
3. Yelena Baghdasaryan, IE1 Student, Member/SC, *Web-Page Editor, WSC*
4. Anush Gevorgyan, PH2 Student, Member/SC, *Treasurer, TC*
5. Narine Hayrapetyan, MBA1 Student, Member/SC, *Campus Wide Events, Director*
6. Luise Manukian, MCLS1 Student, Member/SC, *APP Coordinator, CSC*
7. Garegin Yegoryan, IE1 Student, Member/SC, *Secretary, EISC*

Agenda

1. Welcome/Announcement
2. Approval of Minutes of 20 September 2003
3. Agenda Review
4. Others
5. APP Students concerns
6. Graduation Events
7. "Look at the Future" Conference
8. Results of vote on Student Council Amended Constitution
9. "MufClub" of AUA
10. Next meeting
11. Adjourn

1. Welcome/Announcement

No announcements were made.

2. Approval of Minutes of 20 September 2003

The minutes of 20 September 2003 were approved as written.

3. Agenda Review

The preliminary agenda was reviewed and accepted as presented.

4. Others

A new activity named “**MafClub**” is initiated by the Student Council taking place in AUA Cafeteria once in two weeks. More details about this activity are written in point-9 of these Minutes.

5.APP Students concerns

Armen Abelyan initiated a discussion about the problems and concerns that APP students might have. They announced their acknowledgments towards APP instructor Galust Mardirosyan about his having appropriate teaching methods, which could stimulate students to have relevant study progress. They displayed their desire to have Galust Mardirosyan come back again. For this reason Armen suggested that the Student Council might write an acknowledgment-letter about this on behalf of APP students. Then a discussion was expanded among the students about the class attendances related with the sickness. Sergey Arakelyan reported that before being absent from the classes the students should give a written notice to Elisa Kekejian about such situations in advance in order not to have any problem pertained to their grades afterwards.

6. Graduation Events

Armen Abelyan stressed about the forthcoming activities related with Graduation events. He reported that the Graduation Ceremony will take place on Sunday, October 5, at 5:00 to 7:00 p. m. in AUA Large Auditorium. He said that during the opening of Graduation Ceremony the entrance of 3 standard bearers into the Auditorium are needed. For this reason 3 male-representatives were chosen to help in this issue. It was decided to invite those representatives to the Student Council office on Monday, September 29 for preparations and initially to inform Armen Petrosyan about that. Also, for organizing the reception of coming guest to AUA and for fulfilling the supervising activities during the Ceremony 4 and about 15 girl-representatives were chosen respectively. Each procedure of the Graduation Ceremony as well as representatives’ responsibilities and doings was explained in details and accurately. Then a schedule was made for each of the representative to fulfill their responsibilities in those days.

7. “Look at the Future” Conference

Sergey Arakelyan reported about the developing events related to the forthcoming “Look at the Future” Conference, which will take place in Yerevan – Dilijan, Armenia from October 7 to October 13. Armen Abelyan reported that this membership will enable to develop future academic and educational plans as well as exchange of students’ views between AUA and AAICU throughout the world. Sergey reported that the links between those American Universities are gradually increasing. He mentioned about the invitations sent to all of those universities expecting to host two representatives from the Student Organization of each of those University/College- member of AAICU to participate in International Conference of Student Organizations from European, CIS and Baltic countries. He reminded about the invitations sent to all of those universities. Sergey Arakelyan reported that 2-representatives from Paris, 3-from Egypt, 1-from Thessalonica and 2 from Lavern have already informed about their initial agreement to visit to Armenia. It was decided to prepare a presentation about AUA Student Council activities, its life and its achievements during the Conferences “Look at the Future”.

8. Results of vote on Student Council Amended Constitution

Armen Abelyan stressed about the results of vote on Student Council Amended Constitution. He reported that the voting process was running appropriately as considered to be and that the majority of AUA students have voted in favor of the Constitution's admission.

9. MufClub of AUA

Armen Abelyan reported that a new activity was initiated called "**MafClub**", which is run in English in the AUA Cafeteria twice a week among AUA students. He said that the preliminary game was already run on 26 September in the Cafeteria and that many students participated in. Anush Gevorgyan said the students appreciated this activity and announces their wish to enlarge it. A discussion was arisen around this issue. Several discussions and suggestions were made about the rules of the game, and it was decided to announce the students via email about the game, its rules and procedures and new developing perspectives.

10. Next meeting

It was decided to have the next meeting on Saturday, October 18, at 12:00 p. m., in the Student Council office.

11. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p. m.

Submitted by Garegin Yegoryan