

SPJ meeting minutes (11/17/17)

Present at start of meeting: M. Castillo, J. Fiorino, A. Evans, S. Douglass, N. Hirshon, D. Popoloski, Y. Ruiz

Arrived after start: M. Zuniga, R. Doyle, J. Loennecker

Absent: J. Corton, G. Jorge, C. Pierce, C. Torres, B. Borgenson

New non-board members attending meeting: C. Jaramillo, T. Doyle, J. Alfaro

- I. Evans motioned to approve the minutes from 11/3, Popoloski seconded, vote passed.
- II. Last week (11/10/17) there was no proper meeting. The final meeting will be held on Dec. 8.
- III. Dec. 1 Community Service Project – Book Drive
  - A. Any books, including coloring books, from K-8 are appropriate to donate to Dawn Treader Christian Academy in Paterson. The SPJ will go to the school in the morning on Dec. 1 and stay either up to or through the regular meeting time of 1 p.m.
  - B. Fiorino commits, Evans commits, Douglass wants more definitive information.
  - C. Zuniga will make a box to leave in Hobart Hall for people to donate books.
  - D. Later in the week the book drive was extended to Dec. 8. The SPJ will go on that date instead.
- IV. Movie Night Discussion – open discussion about Nightcrawler.
- V. Ruth Reichl Event – open discussion.
- VI. Tablecloth
  - A. Converted logo to a vector graph so the logo resolution wouldn't change based on the scale.
- VII. Future Speakers
  - A. Currently deciding on a final speaker for the spring 2018 semester.
  - B. Potential last speaker will be someone from the APP who has a son who is a very talented writer.
- VIII. Box for book drive

- A. Putting posters up on campus would require going through the SGA.
- B. Use word of mouth and social media to spread the word about the book drive.

IX. Future Events

- A. In order to gain attraction to the SPJ for future members, leave some of the events open to all people like the Reality Check series and the rarer events like sitting in the press box at a sporting event or having a one-on-one discussion exclusive to SPJ members.
- B. Open discussion about future shadowing events: movie reviews, theatre criticism, baseball, hockey, soccer, and talk show.

X. New Hobart Council

- A. Zuniga will represent the Society of Professional Journalists.

XI. Ornament Drive

- A. Buy an ornament and the proceeds go to a children's foundation. Takes place on Monday, Dec. 4 from 7 to 8 in Hobart.

XII. Final Reports

President, Maynor Castillo: no further reports.

Vice President, Maria Zuniga: Apparel – a collection where people buy their own hoodie, each member pays for their own.

Secretary, John Fiorino: Glen Rock High School's journalism teacher is willing to have SPJ come in and talk about what exactly it is. Must send a formal email with what we intend to say and go over.

Treasurer, Alex Evans: halfway over our goal of the GoFundMe page.

Publicity Chair, Sara Douglass: no further reports.

Fiorino motioned to adjourn, Douglass seconded. Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.