Student Senate Meeting

Wednesday, November 17th 5:00 pm || Pearson Alumni Center

1. Roll Call and Approval of Proxies
   A. Proxies: Engle for Senator Nix, Thorman for Senator Braaten, Beasley for Constitution Chair Hagel, Adhikari for Senator Minerich, Paulsen for Senator Rust
   B. Senator Tomac motions to approve the proxies
   C. Senator Quizon seconds
   D. Motion approved

2. Approval of the Agenda
   A. Approved

3. Approval of Minutes
   A. Approved

4. Open Floor Guests
   A. None

5. Unfinished Business
   A. None

6. New Business
   A. Resolution 21.F.015
      i. Senator Marshall: Is there urgency in this?
         1. President Jurrens: The deadline is Dec. 8th which is the next BOR meeting.
      ii. Senator Benzmillier: The sale is specifically for athletic events?
          1. President Jurrens: This resolution is only supporting to change the policy; it is not voting to allow alcohol sales. This specific policy only covers athletic events.
      iii. VP West: Has anyone heard any dissenting conversation about this?
   B. Resolution 21.F.016
      i. Senator Maag: Would she benefit if we suspended the rules now instead of waiting two weeks?
         1. Director Headley: It’s up to you, I won’t start the HR process until it is approved. I can start tomorrow or wait until Dec 1st.
      ii. Senator Marshall: Will there be any backpay?
         1. Director Headley: It covers what they felt she needs to be compensated for.
      iii. PR Chair Frazer: I have no problem with the resolution, but why does the Senate have the power to do this?
         1. Director Headley: Positions are funded through GAF.
      iv. Senator Maag motions to suspend the rules
   v. Senator Tomac seconds
   vi. Senator Fischer abstains
   vii. Rules suspended
   viii. Senator Tomac motions to vote
   ix. Senator Dennis seconds
   x. Motion passes unanimously
   C. Resolution 21.F.017
Senator Benzmiller: Were the members already approved by Rankin?
1. President Jurrens: No, we are going to him with the five that we recommend.

Senator Tomac motions to suspend the rules
Senator Quizon seconds
Rules suspended
Senator Quizon motions to vote
Senator Tomac seconds
Senator Schleich abstains
Motion passes

7. Open Discussion
A. Senator Benzmiller: I was informed that the freshmen were supposed to make a tree for the Parade of Trees. I was also informed that we did not get that done within the timeline, so there isn’t a tree for the Parade of Trees.
   i. President Jurrens: Maybe you could ask and see if they can still let you in.
   ii. Senator Benzmiller: One of the problems is that we also have to find a charity. We don’t know which charity would best represent the Student Senate, especially with our lack of knowledge of the local area.
   iii. Director Headley: It is up to you, we have 15 right now, we can find something for you. If you decide to, Nancy has some charities left that haven’t been taken.
   iv. President Jurrens: I think it would be good for you to try and get in.
   v. Senator Fischer: When is this happening? And what is it?
   vi. Director Headley: Parade of trees is an historic tradition on campus, it happens at the beginning of December. Orgs and departments on campus will put a tree up with a theme. The theme changed a little this year to be in the spirit of giving back to organizations locally. Orgs will be able to start putting their trees up next Monday afternoon and have to be finished by the following Monday. They are on display Dec 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.

B. VP West: We had passed on from Jen Hauf who is the Director for Dining Services - there is a Student Board of Directors for Aramark. You can apply for this. There are some perks from this, you have to go to their monthly virtual meetings but then in May of 2022, you will get an all-expenses paid trip to Philadelphia to go their headquarters where you will talk at their meeting. And you will get a complimentary meal plan next spring. You are required to submit a 3–5-minute video about your experience with the dining services at the University. They are trying to gather student input. If you are interested, let me know. We are sending this out to students.
   i. PR Chair Frazer: How soon does the video need to be submitted?
   ii. VP West: By Friday. I will forward this to everyone in Senate.

8. Chief Financial Officer’s Report
A. The supplemental for Nancy; no SOAP apps yet. I will send out a reminder tomorrow.

9. Vice President’s Report
A. We have about four more orgs for rebranding. We are in the process of getting our own rebranding stuff together.

10. President’s Report
A. More on the resolution, there is a letter sent to Director Maher expressing interest from all the Universities’ Student Senate presidents.

11. International/Veteran/Graduate/Non-Traditional Senator Report
A. International: Diwali, the Festival of Lights, is this Saturday at 5PM in Surbeck. Free admission.
   i. Senator Quizon: Is there a dress code?
   ii. Senator Naufal: There is no dress code.

B. Veteran: I talked to General Oster about Guard members at BOR institutions. We are pushing for 100% state tuition assistance. I found out from a contact in Pierre that there hasn’t been a bill made despite a task force being sent out. We are going to need the support of the Student Fed.

C. Graduate: None
D. Non-Trad: None

12. Committee Reports
A. Constitution: None
B. Public Relations: We updated the list of businesses that give discounts on SharePoint.
C. Governmental Relations: None
D. Student Affairs: We will be having an open student forum in the PAC Ballroom 5-7 PM Nov 30th. Refreshments will be provided. I presented the hammock poles to the Beautification committee, and they want us to build them one at a time. I am waiting for the Executive Board meeting to get approval. We have a sign made for office hours.
   i. Dean Dlugos: Do you want staff there?
   ii. SA Chair Harroun: I don’t see any reason why the staff shouldn’t be there.
E. Campus / Ad Hoc Committees
   i. Athletics: We met yesterday, and we want to put a poll together to gauge students’ interest and knowledge of GAF funding and athletic facilities. The goal is to send that out Friday morning. Hopefully, by the last meeting, we can present on that poll and use that as a starting point for next semester. If you have questions you would like to see on that, send them to me.
   ii. Campus Security: They should be getting the cameras purchased and demo’d.
      1. SA Chair Harroun: How long is the demo period?
      2. Senator Marshall: It will start as soon as we get them up.
      3. VP West: Are they going to be installed soon?
      4. Marshall: They will hopefully be installed by the spring.
   iii. Presence: We met earlier this week, want to come up with a name for the new platform. We are going to bring it up in the open forum.
   iv. Inclusion: Meeting this Thursday 2-3 PM in McKeel.
   v. Food Dining Services: Senators Benzmiller and Thooft, please get in touch with Jen Hauf.
      1. SA Chair Harroun: I heard the school re-signed the contract with Aramark?
      2. Director Headley: No. Whoever gets chosen will get announced.

13. Upcoming Senate Business
A. President Jurrens: SHED got moved to Jan 30th and 31st.
   i. VP West: I will be sending out an email to ask who is going to SHED. You will be excused from class, and we are paying for accommodations. You get a meal stipend as well.
   ii. SA Chair Harroun: My sophomore year, I was able to go to SHED, then didn’t and regretted it later.

14. Announcements
A. Senator Marshall: Christmas soon. Secret Santa is the last meeting.
B. Director Headley: There is free bowling at Robbinsdale tonight.

15. Adjournment
   A. Senator Tomac motions to adjourn
   B. Senator Quizon seconds
   C. Motion passes