

Student Senate Meeting

Wednesday, November 3rd 5:00 pm || Pearson Alumni Center

1. Roll Call and Approval of Proxies
 - A. Senators Benzmilller, Zaug, Dennis absent
 - B. No proxies
2. Approval of the Agenda
 - A. Approved
3. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Approved
4. Open Floor Guests
 - A. Dr. Spindle: We have been trying to bring our policies up to speed with the BOR policies. We did not have a GAF policy, so we put one together. We already had a good SOAP policy. The idea is to be more transparent, not less. Our goal is not to take anything away from the Senate. Membership: CFO Emery, five students appointed by Senate, three employees from university (one NFE, one CSA, one on faculty Senate), Dean Dlugos and myself (non-voting and participatory). We are mimicking the way other schools have this set up. I saw the Athletic resolution and I think it's fine. I am here to make sure you have anything you need about the budget. Another committee I am setting up is the Budget Advisory committee for the university itself. We don't have a transparent committee for the whole budget. It will have a student on it and representatives from around the campus.
 - i. SA Chair Harroun: What is the NFE and CSA council?
 1. Dr. Spindle: NFE are the professional staff and CSA are hourly employees. They both have councils and faculty has a senate.
 - ii. Dean Dlugos: Do you want to talk about your deadline?
 1. Dr. Spindle: By the end of the month, we want to put this together so we can use it for next year's GAF process. If you know anyone who wants to be on it, talk to President Jurrens.
 2. President Jurrens: It is open to all students; they don't have to be senators.
 - iii. SA Chair Harroun: How do you plan on picking the students on the council?
 1. President Jurrens: We want to see what the interest is first and then move from there.
 - iv. Senator Marshall: Can we be assured that our SOAP allocation for total SOAP will stay consistent?
 1. Dr. Spindle: Yes. I like the fact that you all get to make these decisions. You have a lot of say in how money is being used. My job is to make sure you can see everything we are doing and if you have thoughts on anything, I want to hear them.
5. Unfinished Business
 - A. Resolution 21.F.009
 - i. Constitution Chair Hagel motions to vote
 - ii. Senator Tomac seconds
 - iii. Motion passes
 - B. Resolution 21.F.010

- i. Senator Fischer: I have concerns because it doesn't benefit the students in any way. While it would provide an awesome service to the community, it seems funky to have something being paid for by the students without benefiting them.
- ii. Senator Nix: I tutored for them last semester and it does benefit students as a resume builder and experience in leading other people. The amount they are asking for isn't that much for their website.
- iii. Senator Marshall: I would bring up other orgs like Circle K where it isn't monetarily benefiting the students directly but indirectly benefiting the students with community service hours.
- iv. SA Chair Harroun: I don't think benefiting the students is a guideline to make an org, this is something they are passionate about. They have adequate interest and they went through all the steps so I think this club should be an org.
- v. Senator Tomac motions to vote
- vi. Senator Nix seconds
- vii. Motion passes

C. Resolution 21.F.011

- i. VP West: I found some information about how they picked and maintained the trees. Jarelyn Roberts told me we purchased back in 2013 a software called Tree Works – every tree on campus is noted, the health, type, height. Their strategic plan is to plant 2-10 trees per year and maintain those with bad health.
- ii. SA Chair Harroun: Would this allocation go to this program or was it a one-time purchase?
 - 1. VP West: She said, “We have a software called Tree Works that SA helped purchase. We are currently working on getting the data to our GIS map”. So, they don't have to keep paying the maintenance fee. I think they have it budgeted already. The tree fund is used to purchase and plant trees. They are using student help to get the information over to the GIS.
 - 2. Senator Fischer: Thanks for looking that up. It's good to see where all the money is going.
- iii. SA Chair Harroun motions to vote
- iv. Senator Tomac seconds
- v. Senator Dumont dissents
- vi. Motion passes

D. Resolution 21.F.012

- i. VP West: Have there been any changes/updates?
- ii. Senator Marshall: No
- iii. Senator Quizon motions to vote
- iv. SA Chair Harroun seconds
- v. Senator Naufal: Before we vote, friendly amend the date from 21 March to 27 October.
- vi. Motion passes

E. Selection of December Commencement Speaker

- i. Dean Dlugos: We need to nominate a December graduate commencement speaker; we are sending around the list. Please vote if you have not already.

6. New Business

A. Resolution 21.F.013

- i. SA Chair Harroun: Did they submit an itemized list?

1. CFO Emery: Yes. It was some salting tools, a heat gun, and some startup things. It will not be a recurring expense. They are applying for SOAP in the spring.
 - ii. Senator Marshall: Within the SOAP constitution, new orgs are allowed to apply for \$750 in new venture funds.
- B. Resolution 21.F.014
- i. Constitution Chair Hagel: Friendly amend, Rocker Car Club did reregister, strike their name.
 - ii. VP West: If you see a group up here that is still going, please talk to them.
 - iii. Senator Marshall: None of these clubs have attended SOAP workshops.
7. Open Discussion
- A. Senator Nix: Can we make the King Center red, blue, and yellow parking? A lot of basketball players are having issues with getting tickets because they park up there for practice. We talked about making a special parking pass for athletes, but could we make that parking lot red, blue and yellow?
- i. CFO Emery: I have been on the Parking committee for the last two years. I don't think the chief of police will change it. I don't remember what his reasoning was, but it won't happen.
 - ii. GR Chair Else: We had a Parking committee meeting two weeks ago and I brought it up and they said they made the Ascent lot yellow. I don't think anyone knows that though.
 - iii. Constitution Chair Hagel: The ascent parking lot fills up fast, it's very small. Yellow parking gets two spots on opposite sides of campus.
- B. PR Chair Frazer: Last Thursday, Environment Health and Safety had a meeting. They wanted to ask whether a safety-walk or a safety round table discussion would be better. I think a safety walk would be better.
- i. VP West: Is Margaret Smallbrock part of that?
 - ii. PR Chair Frazer: Is a safety walk or round table discussion better?
 - iii. Constitution Chair Hagel: I think it would be beneficial to have a safety-walk followed up with a meeting to talk about the feasibility of everything.
 - iv. CFO Emery: I agree, the last safety-walk was split into three groups, and it would be nice to have a discussion afterwards.
- C. Senator Braaten: Can we have a sign that says when we have office hours, so students know when we are in there?
- i. Senator Marshall: I see the blinds down all the time, and you can't tell if anyone is there or not.
 - ii. SA Chair Harroun: I think a sign would be very beneficial.
 - iii. VP West: That can be something to add to our rebranding.
 - iv. SA Chair Harroun: SA will do it.
- D. Senator Naufal: Regarding the threat, have we figured out who did it?
- i. Director Headley: Not yet - it is still under investigation.
 - ii. VP West: Anything we know at this point is what President Rankin is aware of. Any updates will be shared as they come forward.
 - iii. Senator Nix: Do you know if there will be a survey for complaints or suggestions for students?
 - iv. VP West: I think most of the complaints have been expressed and the process to fix those things is in the works.

- v. Dean Dlugos: Last I knew, Bryce Nussbaum is working on a survey to send out to at least residential students.
 - vi. Senator Nix: There are about 1000 kids on campus and the school only had to house about 150 so 85% of our students had somewhere to go. I think that's a pretty cool community aspect to our campus.
8. Chief Financial Officer's Report
- A. The Casting club supplemental. I emailed all the students a reminder for SOAP apps.
9. Vice President's Report
- A. We got samples for the shirts. I like the polos; button ups not so much. If you don't like what you ordered, please email me. Rebranding has gone out. We have seven applications right now. Please spread the word out.
 - i. Senator Braaten: Do you know when they will get here?
 - ii. VP West: No. Let me know tonight so I can order tomorrow.
 - iii. Director Headley: If a particular project is \$4000 or above, the org must come with three quotes, that is state policy. We are making sure they've paid their licensing fees and if they haven't, put them in touch with Rocker Shop.
 - iv. SA Chair Harroun: How could this cost more than \$4000?
 - v. Director Headley: We are talking specifically about the trailer wrap for Concrete Canoe.
 - vi. VP West: Trailers are probably the only things that will cost that much. We want the orgs to work with the vendors and in the end will be approved by Marketing and Communications.
10. President's Report
- A. Last week we met with Student Fed and elected a new executive director and chairperson. They are asking us to send our school's feedback on the new opportunity centers. If you have any input, please let me know. The GAF proposal - I will send out an email to all students to find people who want to be on that council.
 - i. Senator Quizon: Is this about the center for inclusion?
 - ii. Senator Marshall: It's a new format. They are wanting to condense a lot of different resources together. January 1st is the deadline to switch over to it.
 - iii. Dean Dlugos: The Inclusion Office is going to stay the same. The Opportunity for All will go into effect January 1st. All six state institutions have to participate. Think of it as an umbrella term. Any office or service we offer on campus, every student can use it. Like with WiSE, even men can use it. Any office can use the Inclusion office. It emphasizes equality and everyone can have access to services.
 - iv. Director Headley: Most of the offices are already housed in Surbeck. The rest will be in the library. It isn't changing a lot for us at this point.
 - v. Dean Dlugos: It is more controversial in other schools because they had Diversity offices and Multicultural offices. Those offices don't have a place in the Opportunity for All because their mission is more exclusive. Whereas our Office of Inclusion is everyone. That's why we are hearing more complaints from across the river. But give President Jurrens your feedback if you want Student Federation to hear from SD Mines.
 - vi. Senator Quizon: Do we want to say you can't be part of the new GAF committee and the Athletic GAF committee we formed?
 - vii. President Jurrens: I don't think there is any reason you can't be on both.
 - viii. CFO Emery: The GAF allocation committee must have a graduate student on it.

11. International/Veteran/Graduate/Non-Traditional Senator Report

- A. International: None
- B. Veteran: Chili cookoff, we need more chilis. We have 17, need some more. Raffle tickets are a dollar each. Veteran's Day Salute on the 10th. We are participating in the Veteran's Day parade downtown.
- C. Graduate: I found out how to talk to graduates.
- D. Non-Trad: None

12. Committee Reports

- A. Constitution: We have a few more constitutions to get through before SOAP apps are due.
- B. Public Relations: I was looking through the constitution, I noticed that SA is supposed to cover student discounts. There has been progress on the Discount Program.
- C. Governmental Relations: We finally got a hold of Steve Froohman and he said our concerns aren't possible. In reference to the bling spots, he says addressing this is feasible, but only by prohibiting parking on the full length of the block on St. Joseph's St. I think this would take away parking, but I think safety is more important.
 - i. Senator Tomac: in terms of parking, the lot between Main and St. Joe's. Could we use that for parking?
 - ii. VP West: Talk to Paul Krueger.
 - iii. Senator Nix: Currently that area is coned off so one can park there, and I park over there normally, and parking hasn't been an issue. It has been nice to be able to see the road when you are pulling out.
 - iv. Senator Maag: I heard from some of the professors that there might be a building going there in the next four or five years, so it wouldn't be a permanent solution for parking.
 - v. Director Headley: It would be worth talking to Paul and asking if we could use that space in the interim.
 - vi. Senator Braaten: Can we mark off one or two spots, do we need to get rid of the whole length?
 - vii. GR Chair Else: I was going to ask about that. He said the full length, but I don't know if we need that.
- D. Student Affairs: Reminder to committee, we have a meeting right after this. Senator Braaten is working on hammock poles. I met with Senator Marshall about material selection. The Hygiene Drive just ended. We will be taking inventory so we can get the Hygiene Bank restocked. We will work on the sign for the office.
- E. Campus / Ad Hoc Committees
 - i. Athletics: Sent out an email for interest about the committee. If you are interested, please let me know. I hope to meet with CFO Emery by the end of the week about membership. I anticipate working closely with both the Finance committee and SAC Ad Hoc committee.
 - ii. Financial Aid: We met last week, I talked to Monica Darrow, she said they used to have someone on Senate who was part of the work study program. I don't know if that was a specific position or if it just happened to work out like that.
 - iii. SAC: There is a meeting tonight at 8 PM.

13. Upcoming Senate Business

14. Announcements

- A. Senator Marshall: 4.43e¹² microseconds until Christmas.

- i. Senator Nix: When you draw your name, fill out the wish list so people don't have to guess what to get you.
 - B. SA Chair Harroun: Parade of trees. It is the job of the freshman to make our tree.
 - i. Director Headley: The event is December 1st, 2nd, 3rd. The week before Thanksgiving, you can start setting your trees up.
 - C. Dean Dlugos: Nomination is Shelby Rose Guthrie.
 - D. GR Chair Else: AOE and ADPi are having a menstrual hygiene drive next week. Bring any unopened tampon, pad or liner boxes to upper Surbeck from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM.
 - E. Senator Tomac: Hardrocker Drama club play this year is Much Ado About Nothing in Surbeck Ballroom Thursday, Friday, Saturday at 7:00 PM.
- 15. Adjournment
 - A. SA Chair Harroun moves to adjourn
 - B. Senator Tomac seconds
 - C. Motion passes