

Student Senate Meeting

Wednesday, January 19th 5:00 pm || Pearson Alumni Center

1. Roll Call and Approval of Proxies
 - A. Senators Melstad and Zaug absent, no proxies
 - B. Senator Marshall absent, proxy Raymond Daley
 - C. Senator Benzmilller motions to approve proxy
 - D. Quizon seconds
2. Approval of the Agenda
 - A. Approved
3. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Approved
4. Open Floor Guests
 - A. Dr. Kenner and Calvin Tohm
 - i. Dr. Kenner: I am working with CARA on the M Hill renovation project. We are going to replace the M. We have raised \$170,000. We are going to remove the plaques and repour new concrete. We want to use student orgs for removal and restoration of the plaques, cleaning and refilling joints on S and D and resealing the plaques, so they last longer. We hope to complete that by the end of March. Dr. Larry Simonson found all the missing names and we will put those names on three separate plaques. We will work with Larry and contact those people and make sure they want to be on the hill. I talked to the Foundation and asked how we support the students. They said hourly pay has to come through the school. We can do that, or we put on a party for the volunteers. I am open to either.
 - ii. Calvin Tohm: Tentative dates are 1/29 and 2/5, depending on weather and volunteer numbers. Cleaning days are 2/12 and 2/19. We are here to get student involvement. If you are interested, email Calvin Tohm or VP West.
 1. VP West: I don't think you'll have trouble finding help. You're putting new lighting up, correct?
 2. Dr. Kenner: Yes we are removing the old lights and there will be new LED lights that minimize light pollution.
 3. VP West: Will there be colored lighting?
 4. Dr. Kenner: No. All the lighting is donated by Brink and West River Electric.
 5. Calvin Tohm: If you are interested, let Jacob know. If you need me to present to orgs, I can give this presentation to them.
 6. Director Headley: The dedication of the new M will happen before we slide down at homecoming.
5. Unfinished Business
6. New Business
 - A. Resolution 22.S.004

- i. Senator Maag: They failed to budget for the competition on SOAP.
 - ii. CFO Emery: That's the other club. This is the same competition though. They kept it off their SOAP app so they could pull it out of the supplemental. It is a blade smithing competition. There is a subset for material advantage organizations that this club will be participating in.
 - iii. Proxy Daley motions to suspend the rules
 - iv. Senator Dennis seconds
 - v. Senator Quizon: If the competition isn't within a week there isn't a reason to suspend the rules.
 - vi. Senators Arens, Benzmiller, Espanet, Else, Fischer, Flinders, Hagel, Maag, McQuistan, Nix, Quizon, Rust, Schleich, Thooft, Tomac dissent
 - vii. Motion fails
 - viii. CFO Emery: None of these supplementals need to be passed quickly.
- B. Resolution 22.S.005
- i. CFO Emery: They are hosting a regional conference here in mid March.
- C. Resolution 22.S.006
- i. CFO Emery: After our last meeting before Christmas break, I got an email from Christopher Mercado saying that they forgot to put the competition on SOAP. I am confused because they said they forgot to put it on their SOAP app, but they accounted for three people going but they want five. Last semester they already exercised their supplemental to get the plasma table. I don't get to vote but I would say not to pass this.
 - 1. Senator Schleich: Has this happened before other than KTEQ?
 - 2. VP West: Since I've been here, there hasn't been anyone except KTEQ, but they had legal fees that had to be paid.
 - 3. Senator Quizon: Friendly amend to change "majority vote" to "3/4 vote". I also stand by Emery's statement. I don't want this to become a normal thing.
 - 4. Senator Tomac: This money is just for two more people to go?
 - 5. CFO Emery: Yes. I would understand if they were asking for a smaller amount, but this is almost half of what you can receive in two years for supplemental.
 - 6. Senator Fischer: This is the same competition the other group is going to? If the other group is using the plasma cutter, can't they just work together?
 - 7. Senator Maag: I think that's something the two orgs have to work out between themselves and it's not our decision to make for them.
 - 8. Senator Tomac: Did they say why they wanted to send five people?
 - 9. Senator Quizon: Because five people contributed. I don't think sending all of them is important since they are already sending three people.
- D. Resolution 22.S.007

- i. CFO Emery: They have a conference called SEEK. It is a lot more than \$750 but they did not apply for SOAP. They can cover the registration costs, but this is for travel expenses.

7. Open Discussion

- A. Senator Frazer: Is there a proper way to tell my professors that I am going to SHED in a way that they won't think I'm a liar?
 - i. VP West: I have sent Director Headley and Dean Joe our schedule and one of those offices will send emails to excuse you. Will that be by the end of the week?
 - ii. Director Headley: It is also your responsibility to talk to them about makeup work.
 - iii. Dean Dlugos: We will make sure you know when we send it so you can initiate the conversation.
- B. VP West: I am thankful for where things have been going in Senate in the last year.

8. Chief Financial Officer's Report

- A. Supplemental requests. I sent out the schedule for SOAP hearings. 2/19 CB 204 W, starts at 7 AM, get out hopefully at 4 PM. Then we will review them on Sunday.
 - i. Senator Frazer: How strict will you be on presentation time?
 - ii. CFO Emery: We have a timer. If the presentations get long, I will politely speed it up.

9. Vice President's Report

- A. BHSU dinner on Monday 1/24, people going are myself, President Jurrens and Senators Dennis, Minerich, Hagel, Maag, Dumont, Tomac, Schleich. Meeting at Senate office at 4:45 next Monday. I will be driving one of the school vehicles.
- B. You can get your senate polos from me tonight. If you are going to the dinner, please get yours. You don't have to pay me tonight, but I will trust that you will pay me eventually.
- C. There will not be an e-board meeting so please send me updates.
- D. SHED is 1/30 and 1/31. People going are myself, President Jurrens, Senators Else, Marshall, Schleich, Dennis, Tomac, Dumont, Melstad, Fischer, Maag, Rust, Frazer, Benzmilller, Quizon, Zaug, Nix. Please come talk to me if you have questions. I sent out an email with the schedule. We will be meeting at 8:30 AM at the Senate office and we are leaving at 9:00 AM. I don't know if you will have time to change at the hotel. I will arrange somewhere to put our luggage. We will give you money for both dinners. Keep your receipts. Tips not included. Make sure you look at legislation for anything that interests you. There is an anti-hazing law that would make hazing a crime in SD. We were asked to take a stand on that. I will send out the legislative tracking. There is a meeting every Thursday at 3 PM at O'Harra and we talk to BOR about legislation. If you are interested, I will let you sit in on Jurrens' spot because she has practice.

- E. Office hours - two hours a week you hang out in the Senate office. I will add new Senators to Teams and you can add when you can go to office hours. Please update your new hours. Then I'll print it out and people will know when Senators are in the office.
- F. I will get new Senators on committees.
- G. Sodexo is the new food service. They have a five year contract. I have the document for their propositions. If you have suggestions, this might be the one time you can get input in.

10. President's Report

- A. Mine's Day is 2/4 in Pierre at the capital. Senate will have a booth. I am not able to go. If you are interested in going, let me know. The President's office has a vehicle you can go in.
 - i. Senator Maag: What does sitting at the booth entail?
 - ii. VP West: Think of it as an org fair for the legislators. It's a showoff day for us.

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

- A. International: Cultural Expo is 3/31 and 4/2 in Surbeck Ballroom, expecting to host 400-600 people.
- B. Veteran: None
- C. Grad: Will be meeting with the president of the graduate club.
- D. Non-Trad: None

12. Committee Reports

- A. Constitution: We still don't have members solidified.
- B. Public Relations: In March, we start doing elections. We talked about org spotlight. Study Dakota is the org we picked for this semester.
 - i. VP West: 2/2 senate petitions will be available. They are due on 3/2. Elections are 3/9. Senator elections are 3/23. Transition meeting is 3/30. It is all on the Senate Calendar.
- C. Governmental Relations: None
- D. Student Affairs: I reached out to Jarelyn Roberts, they approved the hammocks. They just want one and instead of putting it in the quad, they want them near the dorms. I will have to ask for clarification about where that is and then we can start on quotes.
 - i. Constitution Chair Hagel: They made the decision to not have the hammocks in the quad?
 - ii. Flinders: Yes
- E. Campus / Ad Hoc Committees
 - i. Presence: When-is-good was sent out by Director Headley two days ago. Fill that out.
 - ii. Sodexo/Food Service: As soon as the contracts are solidified, the people who are on the food service committee will be taking over these meetings.

13. Upcoming Senate Business

- A. BHSU Dinner

- B. SHED
- C. Mines Day

14. Announcements

- A. Director Headley: Don't forget Leadership awards are due Monday 1/24 4 PM.
- B. Proxy Daley: Veterans club is trying to fundraise for Shoulder to Shoulder (an organization to help bring Afghani's and US citizens in Afghanistan back to the US). I would love to see support from the Senate, either monetary donations or involvement. We are working with Rush to set up a booth. We are trying to do our part.
 - i. Senator Frazer: If you want to get involved, talk to Ray or myself.
- C. VP West: New senators, meet me after this meeting. Those of you going to the dinner, you need to get your shirt.

15. Adjournment

- A. Constitution Chair Hagel motions to adjourn
- B. Senator Tomac seconds
- C. Meeting Adjourned