

Student Senate Agenda  
Wednesday, October 4, 2006  
Campus Center 220

- I. Role Call
  - Allie Crawford and Eric Hauff not in Attendance
  
- II. Approval of Minutes
  - No additions or corrections
  - Minutes Approved
  
- III. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Balance – Same as last week
  - b. Finance Committee Report – Brett: I talked to Barb today via e-mail, and our allocation will be approximately \$15,000.
  - c. Budget Requests – None

IV. Standing Committee Reports

- a. Elections Chair – Luke: we worked with the young republicans for absentee balloting. I am still finishing some details of that.
- b. Publicity Chair – KB: I need to see my committee afterwards to figure out what we are going to do with the poster room because we have to buy from staples now and it doesn't have everything we need.
- c. Senate Events Chair - Beth: We will discuss it in old business.
- d. Campus Concerns Chair –
  - i. Food Focus – Brett: For food focus there have been a lot of complaints for more signs and precautions in regard to what is in the food. Also, people want waffle mix at all meals: she said it probably won't happen because people are sloppy with it, but she will try to push for it. The mints were taken away b/c the custodial staff was mad about individual wrappers being everywhere. Suggestion of Senator: We could get a mint drop instead of wrappers or something like that to decrease the mess. Brett: They said there is no soft serve Sunday bar because the sprinkles get everywhere. The Raison Bran will be back instead of the cornflakes. If you have anything else, send it my way. We are working on getting publicity up.  
Phil: Someone had approached me about getting a purell dispenser in Hoernemen.  
Meghan: I was wondering how popular the screen name is? Brett: Well, my computer is not working, so it isn't up right now.  
Alyssa: Along with labeling food, I am allergic to seafood and they store things together or they add little bits of things to the food. We need to know what is in or on the food, and they need to store them separately.  
Shannon: Maybe they could have separate pans for those who are allergic.  
Eric: Also, about the stir fry bar, people want it more than once a month if possible.
  - ii. What's your Beef? – Brett: I have gotten in contact about adding hours to open and closing times of the library, and have not received a response yet. I am talking to the computer center staff to see if we could only do it around finals week. Instead of asking for the whole year right now, just finals.

## V. Special Committee Reports

### a. Task Forces

Eric: Do we have reports this week?

- i. Academics – Brett: We are just trying to get in contact with the correct individuals.  
Shannon: I talked to Ellen Nagy about computer programs and audits.
- ii. Technology – We have narrowed our focus down to printers in dorms run by the RAs, or something for those without printer, and flat screens with scrolling marquee.
- iii. Student Involvement - Mostly we want to figure out why people leave on weekends. We are going to do a survey to discover why.
- iv. Campus Center Concerns - Meghan: Our main goal is to fix the fitness center, and then after that we will tackle the activity room and try to get the blockbuster cabinet. Then if there is time, the commuter lounge.
- v. Dorms and Buildings – Michelle: We are coming up with a survey of changes that are needed and what buildings are of the most concern to students. It will also address lighting concerns.

### b. Faculty committee reports:

Eric: I only got one this week.

Carol: This week they talked about “soup days” as a way of seeing each other. But, we (student) never see faculty, so why don’t we do something like that? A brown bag discussions about academic dishonesty, faculty, off campus trips, measuring success, ect. They are also looking at getting feedback on General Education classes, and what the academic expectations are. They want senate to take it on. They are currently drafting a letter to the department heads about standards of the different levels of classes, and are being asked to report summaries when finished.

Eric: I know no one else has met yet, CRC is meeting Friday. I need two people for EPCs meeting tomorrow from 2:15-4:15 pm: Ben (will try), Sara, Zaia. They are meeting in the Bess room in the library.

Tito: CRC meets at 11, right? Eric: Yes

Luke: Are there anymore committee spots open?

Eric: The DC and RCL haven’t sent meeting times yet, but need I will need at least one more person.

Amy: EPC is the most powerful committee one campus.

Eric: Send me a report. Thanks.

## VI. Old Business

### a. Task Force Goals

Eric: You all have a piece of paper with a list of what was decided as most important last week for the task forces. The top three or four are the most important things that can be set up and knocked down rapidly. Those with asterisks can be worked on with other task forces as well, b/c some are interactive. This is your checklist to get done! These can all be done quickly. Choose what you are starting with first.

Brett: Under Dorms and Buildings it says library hours. Who should do it?

Eric: The two task Forces could co-work.

b. Presidents Letter

Aaron: The letter has been delivered to berg allies, but I haven't heard a response; however, we aren't looking for one.

c. Senate Events

Beth: You all got this piece of paper, I will be going over it point by point....<<paper explanation>> ...

Ben: We brought this up last night at Executive Board. It says here for the SOL chair: he/she will present all new organizations to senate. Our constitution, however, says that Executive board decides that, so is that being changed?

Beth: We would like to form a committee to get together and form the constitutional amendments necessary.

Luke: We could review them in executive board and then bring the valid ones to senate...so will we need to remove that?

Beth: I will tell you this, our committee discussed this part of the constitution, and we just decided we would do this. Are there any clarifications or Questions?

<<None>>

Beth: Then, I move that we create a task force called the Student Liaison Committee.

Aaron: Does everyone understand why we need to do this?

Discussion:

Alyssa: It's not a task force is it?

Aaron: This is a motion to create a task force which is a short term committee type group, so that the SOLs can begin working.

Sara: So, it is what we have until the amendment is written?

Aaron: Right. Any other discussion?

Motion Passes

### VIII. New Business

a. Aaron: We got a letter in the mailbox about a homecoming booth. Is this considered an event? Should we have an informational booth rather than a game booth? What do we want?

Maryann: I think that we should have an informational booth so that we don't take spot light away from other organizations.

Meghan: If we are a group we should still be able to participate.

Shannon: Two things: 1. The reason we couldn't have a game booth is because we don't have an events committee anymore?

Beth: We are talking about how we want to shy away from doing events.

Shannon: Couldn't we just create a homecoming committee?

Aaron: That is a possibility.

Heather: I do not think that there should be debate on whether we do this booth or not, we are not advertising for it, and we are not

sponsoring the event. We are simply supporting the event through having a booth.

Brett: Couple of things, I don't want to steal Brett Greens thunder, but I think we deserve to show school spirit too. By having an informational booth we are like trying to put ourselves a step above the other organizations by not doing something fun. I don't think we need a task force to do this. We just need people who have interest to set this up. We should have fun with this instead of being up tight about it.

Eric: For those of you that aren't aware all it is, is a table that is designed and decorated. It is a school spirit thing we should do, lets not over analyze it.

Phil: I tend to agree with Brett and Eric, we do still have a senate events committee. I move we have a fun festive homecoming booth created by our Senate Events Committee.

Discussion:

KB: I would like to make a friendly amendment that we make a homecoming task force that can use there discretion.

<<Declined>>

Discussion about the friendly amendment:

Luke: Since we are discussing the amendment, just because I don't think Beth's committee should be forced to do this b/c it is just semantics right now, we will have a better booth if people want to do it.

Shannon: I am also agreeing with Luke that with the pressures of everything they have to do already, why not let those who want to do it, do it.

Maryann: We should tear out a piece of paper and let people sign up and let them get it on.

Sara: I agree with Shannon.

Alyssa: I am the Vice President for France Hall Council, and I am already pretty involved. If I was doing this too, it would be hard. Whitney is also busy which leaves it on three to do the booth, and that it isn't fair

Eric: Call to question  
Amendment is added.

Now we will vote on the motion: A task force will be assigned to create a homecoming booth

Call to Q

Motion Passes

Please send around a sheet to have people sign up.

b. Veteran's Day

Beth: I move that we create a task force to do Veteran's Day under Brett greens discretion

Luke: 2<sup>nd</sup>

Meghan: Call to Q

Motion passes

c. Reports from Committees

Aaron: I will be meeting with the trustees at the end of this month, but tomorrow is the deadline for reports being mailed out. What I need is everyone to send me reports for taskforces and ad-hock committees, so that I can compile a report at the end of this month.

d. Other New Business:

-- Black lights - the campus center planning committee is having a black light party, but has no black lights. They would like to know if we will allow them to use our black lights.

Maryann: I move we let this group borrow our black lights

Brett: 2<sup>nd</sup>

Whitney: I would like to ask for a friendly amendment for them to sign a contract

Maryann: Accepted

Call to Question

Motion passes

-- Carol: I move that we create a task force to conduct a survey of students' expectations of academics in the classroom of 100 level classrooms.

Amy: I can't make a judgment, but Carol is doing this at the request of my committee, so I was wondering if academics could do it?

Maryann: I would like to make an amendment to hand it to the task force.

Approved

Call to Question

Motion passes

Eric: Academics has their first duty.

IX. Comments and Suggestions

- Meghan: I don't know if anyone will follow up, but are we going to try to pass this event off to someone else or are we just doing it?

Brett: This year we will be doing it and next we will look into another group doing it.

- Brett P: Tomorrow at nine o'clock I have decided to do Heidelberg Idol. I don't know how I feel, but come support.

- Luke: I would like to make an informal motion to, following the meeting, sing for Ben: Happy Birthday is sung.

- Maryann: Real quick, all of you are always welcome in Williard 207 especially Wednesdays. South park at ten and food.

- Beth: I just wanted to encourage committees to check your e-mails and if you are interested in helping us draft/do something with the constitution it will be on Mondays at nine.
- Eric: Chairs need to send me reports for task forces, faculty committees, and senate committees
- KB: Not only should you come out and support Heidelberg Idol on Saturday, but you should also watch Thunderbirds at 4 pm on CC lawn.
- Michelle: Dorms and Buildings need to meet.

#### X. Advisors Remarks

- a. Dean Dustin Brentlinger – Not present
- b. Dr Amy Berger - Thanks for tolerating my multi-tasking.

#### XI. Presidents Remarks

Aaron: Senator of the week this week is Shannon.

-- Also, Couple of things guys: 1. There have been a couple people showing up late a lot, please make sure you are here at the beginning of the meeting. If you are going to miss any part of the meeting, let the secretary know. I know some meetings can get frustrating, but I want to commend you for handling tonight well. Also, we need to be more tolerant if things are not going as wanted. We need to be respectful, and don't start packing up until Adjournment.

#### XII. Adjournment

Meghan: I move to adjourn the meeting.

Luke: 2<sup>nd</sup>