

Student Senate Agenda

Wednesday, April 11, 2007

Campus Center Room 220

I. Approval of Minutes
Minutes Approved

II. Dustin Comments

Dustin: There were a couple things I would like you to act upon. 1st there were three Tiffin University students in a bad accident. One died yesterday, so is there something that we should do to show our support to that college?
2nd Student Choice Grants: You all know you will be losing money in your Financial Aid if you are a student from Ohio going to college in Ohio. You will be losing about 900 dollars. We were asked if we would have Heidelberg representation. Usually the student government would respond, and you will see a lot of schools represented on the 17th if there are people that are interested in going. It is important to show the state of Ohio where Heidelberg as students stand on this.

II. Treasurer's Report – Not in Attendance.

- a. Balance
- b. Finance Committee Report
- c. Budget Requests

III. Standing Committee Chair Reports

- a. Elections Chair – We will be having elections for our new senate coming up, so that the new senate can take their positions by May 2nd.
Also, Welcome PT is our new senator.
- b. Publicity Chair – Last night in Executive Council we discussed restocking the poster room and it should be 200 dollars. So, I don't know how everyone feels about spending that money?
Carol: Do we have it???
- c. Liaison For Student Organizations Chair – Dustin wants student senate to sponsor the involvement fair for old and new students. They would like senate to put this together. We are not doing an event don't freak out, but we will learn more next week.
- d. Campus Concerns Chair
 - i. Food Focus – Karen and Denis hadn't been contacted about Late night breakfast or Battle of the Bands about food, chairs, ect... They are not happy about people stealing the Ketchup and Mustard, but theft has gone down. Also when they started in January, all the cup racks were full now, 240 cups have been stolen.
KB: Should I write a threatening article?
Aaron: Everyone should remember that the more that is stolen the more increase in our meal plan.
Brett: They are not going to take away to go boxes, but they are discussing different ways of doing it. We are having a Cinco De Mayo celebration on the 2nd with virgin daiquiris, ect... Starting on May 14th the Hoernemann renovation starts. The duck pond will be gone, the check in will be somewhere else (possibly the doors that go into the side room), the drink station will move to pasta, pizza

will become a pizza oven, and that will be where the salad bar is now, and the ventilation system will be redone so we no longer smell like Hoernemann.

KB: Is she ok with this going in the newsletter?

Brett: They will be putting up a big sign with all of this on it in Hoernemann.

ii. What's Your Beef?

IV. Special Committee Reports (Vice President Eric Hauff)

a. Task Forces : Eric: We have asked for your reports, and didn't receive any, get off your butts and get it done.

i. *Academics* :Keenan, Maryann, Zaia, Heather, Shannon

ii. *Technology*: Brett P., Eric, Luke, Alyssa, Carol

iii. *Student Involvement*: Ben, Sara, Phil, Beth

iv. *Campus Center Improvements*: Brian, Corin, Todd, Meghan

v. *Residence Halls/Buildings on Campus*: Whitney, Tito, Ali, Michelle, KB

Faculty Committee Reports

CRC DC EPC FDC IRC RCL

DC

Holly: We met on the 29th, and discussed the survey information and we are looking into researching options presented to us with the surveys. Dustin recommended looking into student voice, the main hurdle is it is 1200 dollars for a school our size. Right now everyone is researching those possibilities. We have a step Competition Secured, we are also looking into a baseball competition, an Indian dance group, and a dinner in a dark where you eat a meal as if you were blind. They are also looking into changing the name of the week to make it seem like we are interested in diversity for more than a week.

IRC

Ali: They are discussing research over the summer. That is about it.

CRC

Tito: It is hard for us to send a report, so is it ok if I report? I brought up changes to the Sexual Harassment policy and they said they didn't think it was the right committee to take care of that, so we need to figure out where else to present that. We also came up with a schedule for Summer Orientation, and it wasn't accepted so we are re-working that. They are trying to make it so that the OLs will be in a class with them and work with them outside of class but not all of the teachers want to do that.

V. Old Business

a. Health and Wellness Center – Since they came in we haven't heard from them and haven't met, so the questions haven't been answered.

Aaron: I would check in with Troha.

b. TU Survey – Corin: The report I gave to you. But Carol helped...

Carol: I have to read some of these. <<Read some funny comments received>>

Aaron: That committee sent in their report with Tiffin University results, and then I drove back up here for a meeting with the Mayor over the results of the survey. One of the things that came up is respect from police. They asked what they mean (the problem comes from getting hassle for walking drunk instead of driving drunk). Other than that, as far as businesses go, they actually want us to form a committee of a few Heidelberg students

with Tiffin University students and Entrepreneurs about what will be successful in the downtown. That will be for next year.

Carol: Were their results similar to ours?

Aaron: Yeah, but they were more neutral with just about everything. The majority of students at TU complained about not having a place to cut hair/do hair.

Ben: That is probably because they have a higher African American population, and they can't get their hair done around here.

Corin: As far as restaurants?

Aaron: I will get the results to you guys but it correlated well.

c. 24 Hour Computer Lab – Eric: I met with Troha, what is going to happen is they want to put in a 24 hour computer lab. They want this done immediately, so they are going to set up a 24 hour lab around finals time now. Also, they are discussing making this a 24 hour building, and putting computers in the game room because you can have a printer, meeting rooms, and security all right in this building. They also discussed leaving the snack and coffee area open until 1 am. That is something they will start working on if we think it is a good idea. They are going to push for it over the summer. What are your thoughts?

Beth: The one concern is that we have High Schoolers that come into campus center all the time and use our computers. How would that be monitored?

Ben: Where are these computers coming from?

Eric: They would order new ones.

Ben: As long as we still had that space here, it would be good. But, we want to keep the air hockey table and such...

Keenan: Tell them to make the printers Wi-Fi, so that we don't have to be logged on to use the printer.

Eric: They also said they planned to increase the buildings capabilities as far as Wi-Fi.

Aaron: There were also questions about the resident halls being wireless as well?

Eric: We talked about that, there is a possibility of putting that in lounges and such but that will be in our final report.

KB: During or before finals?

Eric: I need to double check, but I think it is before. That is the plan.

Shannon: As far as computer use in the lobbies, it is good because using them is limited because we can't do our homework.

d. Planners – Sara: We turned everything into Peggy already and know what we are doing and we were trying to put a picture of our senate on the back.

Aaron: Peggy needed to know, when we were meeting in the log. Which brings up the issue about knowing when our meeting is, and having to be available at this time.

Luke: Since we didn't have a full week last week, we have to wait until next week.

Aaron: My recommendation is that anyone who holds offices should try to get your schedule to Holly for next semester as soon as you know it. Then Holly find a blank time and mark that. Once marked it is set in stone. You will need to know it before Monday. Also, it has to do with the retreat but I will talk to you (Luke) about that after this meeting.

Luke: The only people who know they will be on senate are officers, so you will base this just on them?

Aaron: Yeah

- e. Mascot Committee – Zaia: We have a couple designs of more threatening student princess and we talked about changing the name. A lot of people were interested in the Royals. I will show you the designs we have and I want you to mark a vote on what you like best. <<Showed samples>>
Aaron: I feel that it would be best to come up with a few questions such as: do you want to change the name of these images, which would you prefer and then go to the president with these results.
Eric: Have you guys received any literature about the survey?
Senate: No.

VI. New Business

Senator of the Year Selection: Aaron: I was just told by Peggy that we need to select a Senator of the year.

KB: I nominate Beth Goodenow.

Amy: This wasn't done last year, but a number of years ago we tallied up the votes and whoever received the most got it.

Senate: Lets do that.

Aaron: There was a one vote difference between the top three and bottom three. So do you want to consider all 6 or just the top 3?

Senate: All 6

Aaron: <<Named those 6>> ok, I will pass the gavel. Will those who I named please step outside.

Now we are not supposed to reveal who this is until Friday I believe.

TU Issue

Aaron: As soon as I found out about the passing of the student, I sent an e-mail on behalf of students at Heidelberg with our condolences. So, do we need to do more to reach out to Tiffin University? There was an accident that involved 3 TU students, and the driver passed away.

Ben: When did they say the funeral was?

PT: Not the funeral, but they are having something for him on Campus.

Ben: I move to send a card and Flowers up to 50 dollars.

Keenan: Second.

Ben: I will be willing to do this.

Carol: I know we didn't discuss this, but is their something more sentimental than flowers?

Ben: Maybe a TU Beanie or pen?

Amy: In the past when a Heidelberg student died, they have planted a tree with a plaque in front of it.

Carol: I would like to make a friendly amendment to make something larger than flowers but smaller than a tree.

Ben : I accept with the condition that we still buy flowers.

Aaron: Now we are voting to give them something smaller than a tree, but something bigger than flowers and flowers and a card.

Motion Passed

Lobby Day for Student Choice Grant

Aaron: This is April 17th and it is going to be at the State house.

Carol: I believe we should send students and voice our opinion, because this is a lot of money that will disappear, and as a governor who promised to better our schools he is not doing what he needs to.

Shannon: I agree and I would be willing to go.

Ben: I echo that, and feel that senate should provide transportation.

Aaron: We could get flyers out and get this to the students.

There isn't more information on this at this time though.

Beth: Is there a time?

Aaron: No, it's discussing methods of getting the word out.

Heather: Dustin said that many colleges send their student senates. So, do to time constraints, wouldn't it make more sense just to send student senate members to represent Heidelberg?

PT: What she said is a great idea, I think we should let anyone know and then make ourselves available for them to give us as much information.

Holly: That is a great idea because it would be a nightmare logistically to include all of campus.

Beth: How many are willing and ready to go some time on Tuesday. (4 or 5) So we would just need a 7 seat van to get this done.

Luke: Another possibility is to have people carpool and have them sign up.

Beth: I move that we send senators to the state office on Tuesday to report on the Ohio Choice Grant.

Carol: I have a friendly amendment to reimburse any driver.

Holly: I make a friendly amendment that we actually provide transportation.

Aaron: ok, the friendly amendment is turned down so we have to discuss it.

Holly: I know that as a treasurer, having random receipts that one can't verify won't work. I feel that this would be very problematic.

Eric: Just reading this whole thing, they want a lot of people there and to have as many students form the state down there. So, the more the merrier. They are encouraging doing more personal things such as Facebook as well. They want as much help on all levels. I feel a bus would be easier. I mean if every one of us puts flyers around two or three people would go.

Beth: It is only 6 days away, bus and vans cost a lot of money, and people back out all the time. I don't know that we can get enough commitment with the time.

Holly: How do we plan on verifying all the information of those driving separately?

Whitney: It also brings up the issue of liabilities and what happens if people get in an accident.

Eric: On Beth's point of sending senators in a van. There is the issue of representing student support.

Ali: Question: the motion is for senators only?

Yes

Holly: the amendment is withdrawn.

Ben: I would like to make a friendly amendment that it is open to all students through car pool. Each driver will receive 25 dollars in gas money, also that everyone who goes wear Heidelberg college apparel.

Beth: I decline.

Discussion:

Aaron: So, we allow people to go, how do we know they actually went?

Amy: Give them the money when they get to the Columbus parking lot.

Luke: Why don't we talk about logistics later?

Aaron: Because I feel it is vital to know how this is going to be carried out uncorrupted.

Amendment is now friendly.

Motion: I move to open Lobby day to the entire student body through car pool, each driver will receive 25 dollars for gas money, and everyone needs to wear Heidelberg apparel.

Beth: Is there some one willing to coordinate this, hang sign-ups and gas cards?

Ben: I can.

Eric: I will help.

Motion Passed

Other New Business:

Keenan: The Heidelberg Correspondent will change. We are only going to do it every Thursday, so that they remember that they need to be there. Also, I signed up to be in Heidelberg in heals.

I move that Senate sponsors more for Heidelberg In Heals.

?: What do you want?

Keenan: Your endorsement.

Aaron: Any further discussion?

Beth: You have some pretty big shoes to fill after Davey.

Keenan: Call to Q

Motion Passes

Senate Picture

Sara: I need to take a picture of senate in their shirts, so bring/wear your shirts next Wednesday.

VII. Comments and Suggestions

a. The Weekly Prince

Zaia: Did my mascot thing get around.

Holly: Can I see next years Executive board.

Carol: Do we have a contact for Wednesday?

Ben: I am going to ask Shannon to be the contact.

Keenan: I would like to give a weekly prince to PT for showing up.

VIII. Advisor's Remarks

a. Dean Dustin Brentlinger

b. Dr. Amy Berger – There were 11 nominees for senator of the year, and that is a tremendous coodoes for working so hard.

IX. President's Remarks

Aaron: When we started this year I wanted us to accomplish a lot, and I feel that we have accomplished more than any other senate has accomplished in one year. Please wrap up all unfinished ends, and get reports to us. I need to have a report toward the end of the month to give to the Board of Trustees. I hope you all had a great Easter break.

X. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned 5:20 pm