



Concordia University, St. Paul

Student Senate

Meeting Minutes 11/06/2011

1. Attendance

- a. Present: Adam Ave-Lallemant, Alex Wright, Caralyn Tignanelli, Danielle Fehrman, Dustin Christen, Greg Kaszubowski, James Peterson, Joanna Johnson, Leah Timm, Lieve Snellen, Meghan O'Neill, Moses Huerta, Nicole Klimek, Paige Joosten, Shon Hasstrup, Thomas Flack, David Johson, Ashley Leiding, Ben Berteau, Austin Ertelt, Sara Peterson, Kyle Sorkness, Jackie Wiebold
- b. Excused: Anna Shaw, Hope Baker, Latashia White

2. Call to Order at 4:00pm

3. Approve Agenda

- a. Approved

4. Approve Minutes

- a. Approved

5. Reports of officers, boards, and standing committees

- a. V.P. of Finance and Organization
 - i. See Budget Report Document
- b. C.A.B.
 - i. This week
 1. Blood Drive Wednesday in the Cross of Christ Fellowship Center from 12:45-4:45pm
 - a. The time shifted 15 minutes to avoid interfering with chapel. CAB will be contacting students if there are any changes to appointment times.
 - ii. Next week
 1. November 17th - Coffeehouse at 7:30 in Tier Zero
- c. Standing Committees
 - i. Elections
 1. Senate nominations were due last Tuesday night, but none were received
 2. The deadline for signature sheets has been extended to this Tuesday, elections will follow

- ii. Fact Finding
 - 1. Game Room Survey is closed, results are being compiled
 - 2. Are developing a procedure for releasing results
 - 3. Working on preparing a survey for the Union
- iii. Health and Wellness
 - 1. November 17th, Smoke-Out Day, 11:30am-1:00pm to promote a Smoke-Free campus
 - 2. Working on a proposal to install more hand sanitizer stations on campus
- iv. Food Service
 - 1. Looking into complaints regarding the cereal dispensers
 - 2. Comment cards are up in the dining hall, will be up in the Union soon
 - 3. Art Department is working on artwork to display in the DH
 - a. Winners announced at Moonlight breakfast
 - 4. Thanksgiving week
 - a. November 14th thanksgiving dinner, 23rd commons will be open, 24th-26th food services are closed, 27th board dinner only
- v. Residence Life
 - 1. Talked about cleaning Holst Hall, washers/dryers that aren't working in Holst Hall laundry room, sharing microwaves in Luther, student workers in Luther, absence of front desk workers in Holst Hall
 - a. Currently working to problem solve
- vi. Constitutional Concerns
 - 1. Continuing to meeting, working on overcoming large problems
- vii. Communications Committee
 - 1. Working to develop the system
 - 2. Questions currently being addressed:
 - a. Will everyone receive the same information, or can individuals customize the information they receive, etc.
- viii. Parking Committee
 - 1. Brian Weyers did not accept the nomination
- d. V.P. of Public Affairs
 - i. What the Executive Board talked about this week
 - 1. Can Senators be asked to send non-Senate emails to constituents

- a. We will only ask Senators to send out non-Senate announcements in the regular weekly email to constituents. Beyond that Senators may use their own discretion.
- 2. Checked in with Senators about absences
- 3. Extended deadline for Senator nominations to this coming Tuesday
- 4. Change to proposal deadline
 - a. Proposals are now due to Ben by Friday at midnight
- 5. Discussion of Executive Board payroll

6. Unfinished Business

- a. Mission Talk With Austin
 - i. Themes that emerged from our mission brainstorm session last week
 - 1. What is Student Senate
 - a. A group that improves student life
 - b. A group elected by peers
 - c. A group that makes decisions/enacts changes for Student Body
 - 2. What does Student Senate do?
 - a. Improve student life
 - b. Respond to issues brought up by Students
 - c. Liaison to faculty/staff
 - d. Promote student involvement in clubs and events
 - e. Control and allocate student funds
 - f. Leadership for student body
 - g. Change policies for students
 - 3. Additional comments
 - a. Do we want to recognize that we're part of a Christian university in our mission statement?
 - 4. Next step
 - a. Developing a first draft of our mission statement

7. New Business

- a. Changes to Master Calendar
 - i. UAPC has proposed a 2012-2013 academic calendar
 - 1. has been approved by UAPC and Faculty Senate
 - 2. Classes would start a week later than they do now (8/30) or on Monday (8/27 at 5pm) following a weekend welcome week
 - a. A concern was raised that a two-day welcome week wouldn't be adequate for all of the welcome week programming
 - b. There are classes that meet once a week on Mondays before 5pm. If the 5pm time is meant to allow once a week classes

to meet earlier in the semester, it might need to be reevaluated in light of these classes

- c. Concern raised about moving finals closer to Christmas
3. Second Semester would start a week earlier
4. To comply with federal regulations, each of our equal length trimesters need to finish before the next one starts
 - a. There is currently an overlap between first semester and cohort classes that does not comply with this federal regulation. This proposed calendar would ensure compliance with this regulation.
- ii. A 2013-2014 Calendar has also been proposed
 1. Would include changes from 2012-2013 calendar as well as a weeklong Thanksgiving Break in November
- b. Game Room Supplies Proposal
 - i. Paige Joosten moves that Senate purchase four new pool sticks for the pool table in the Game Room. The pool sticks would stay in the game room and would be available for use anytime students would like to play pool. There is a set of four pool sticks for sale for approximately \$79.99 +free shipping through amazon.com
 1. Danielle Fehrman seconds
 2. Austin moves to amend the proposal to purchase four sticks instead of five
 - a. Caralyn Tignanelli seconds
 - b. Motion passed, the motion has been amended
 - ii. Danielle Fehrman motions to table this proposal until the next meeting so Senators can discuss the proposal with their constituents
 1. Shon Hasstrup seconds
 2. Motion passed, the proposal has been tabled

8. Announcements:

- a. CAB Blood Drive November 9th, 12:45-4:45
- b. Winter Formal - December 10th from 8:30-11:30 at the SeaLife Aquarium in the Mall of America
- c. Senator Elections Wed-Friday (50 Signature Sheets due Tuesday at 11:59 in SLC)
- d. November 17th 11:30-1:00 Smoke-Out Day
- e. November 17th at 7:30 in Tier Zero, Coffeehouse

9. Adjourned at 4:52pm

- a. Motioned by Shon Hasstrup
- b. Seconded by Danielle Fehrman