

Student Senate XXIII
Meeting #7 Minutes
November 2, 2010

ROLL CALL & MINUTES

Meeting began at 4:20pm. Minutes from meeting #6 were approved.

OFFICER REPORTS

President's Report: Claude Esposito

Thank you to all the senators that came to the Off Campus Forum last week.

Lehigh Valley Grand Prix trip will likely be incorporated in Spring Retreat.

Thank you for showing up to Founder's Day.

Reminder for external committee reps to update senate periodically during new business.

Alice Gast will have open lunches Thursday Nov 11 and Tues Nov 16th with students. They are at noon in upper/lower UC. Bill Steffens (Thursday) and Hilary Lewis (Tuesday).

Vice President's Report: Arthur Zhang. Nothing for now.

Secretary's Report: Caitlyn Lia

Senator of the Week: Jarrett for a great job with the Off Campus Forum and for putting senate in a good light with admin.

Treasurer's Report: Matt Breitel. Save for allocations.

Parliamentarian's Report: Michael Caffrey.

Bylaws Committee Meeting: Meet at the end of senate today to set up a meeting date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Standing Committees:

Allocations: Matt Breitel

SSR23AL020: New Event Request (Additional Funding) for th Association of International Students in the amount of \$62.50. Approved.

SSR23AL021: New Event Request (No additional funding) for the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers in the amount of \$20.00. Approved.

Club Affairs: Seth Fortney

SSR23CA009: Preliminary Recognition of the Real Estate Club. Approved.

SSR23CA010: Preliminary Recognition of the Music Box.

Public Relations: Jacob Silber, speaking for Mary Nunley.

They were working on the Community Relations forum. Today, they are passing around t-shirt designs, email Mary with your opinions. They are passing around t-shirt sign ups. They are still advertising the Thanksgiving buses through the announcements and flyers; the Brown and White did not run the ad. They are publicizing the FanVan. The committee is now in three sub groups; the FanVan PR (Sofi), Thanksgiving buses (Serene), and bulletin board use (Sarah T.)

C.L.I.P. Committees:

Academic Affairs & Advocacy: Bo Johns

They met with Allison from the OFYE to discuss the way orientation is run. Only 10% of schools have orientation right before school starts. The other 90% have a first year class they have to take, and have orientation during the summer. Next year they are starting a pilot program, LehighOne with 250 students. They looked at incorporating residence halls more into the orientation process. They also spoke about a mentoring program, which Allison felt would require training through Lehigh. She is at an orientation conference and will investigate these ideas further. AAA is split into mentoring/orientation process and study spaces/registration/book store sub committees. Discussion commenced concerning putting student's information in the student directory.

Campus Unity: Fiona Lee

Anyone can submit a design for the FanVan. The contest ends November 8th at 4pm. We will chose a winner by November 12th and by the 17th, have the bus painted. The bus will be used LehighLaf weekend on the 18th, 19th, and 20th. They have been working with Rich and are considering putting the bus in the field during LehighLafaPalooza. It will be used at the Wrestling match and during LehighLaf. Next semester they are going to be working on a Spirit Week, a

Minute to Win It, the LipDub, and coordinating programming with clubs.

Community Relations: Jarrett Herold

The forum went really well, thank you to everyone who came and to PR for all the help. Jarrett will help out any other committee that seeks advice on running/publicizing an event. They are going to work with CUNA, Green Action, and community cleanups in the future.

Emily Gumblevich motioned to consider **SSR23CR001**, a resolution concerning stop signs on the intersection of fourth street and Taylor street (to prevent car accidents and pedestrians being hit by cars). The resolution seeks to provide Senate's support of CUNA's initiative, and in return, CUNA will support Senate in its efforts to build a better relationship between South Bethlehem and Lehigh University. Approved.

Facilities & Transportation: Hilary Lewis

Bus tickets are still being sold this week in the lower UC on Wednesday/Thursday. In Friday, they will be sold in Upper UC if there are any left. So far, 40 have been sold (out of 56). A proposal for a bus to Wegmans was sent to Mark Ironside. They are hoping Wegmans will provide some sort of support for taking this bus. They are going to start a website so people can sign up to get on this bus to gauge attendance. This is going to be a pilot program that will go the week of December 6th. In the future, it may run once a week.

NEW BUSINESS

Social Policy Adhoc: Jake Kennon, in place of Marshall Zhang

Intended outcomes for the school's committee and any changes are to reduce the risk of students health and safety due to use and distribution of hard alcohol and to create a culture where students exhibit more respect. Nothing as of today has been changed. He is looking for feedback to bring back to the school's committee. The proposals for changing the committee include (all, some, or none of these may be implemented) no drinking games or drinking game paraphernalia, no common sources of alcohol, hard alcohol is only allowed in rooms, residence halls, or frats/sororities where all residents are over 21, any hard alcohol found in a room where a student under 21 resides will be considered in offence, hard alcohol in common areas with under 21 year olds will be a life safety violation, parties are allowed on Friday and Saturday nights and must be registered (in existing policy), all students entering must show an ID and receive a wristband and receive alcohol from the bar in single serving containers that are unopened, a monitoring team of students and staff will enter parties at random intervals and check to ensure the policies are being followed (this would replace existing policy that staff be present as registered), and student organizations are required to request immediate medical assistance for those under 21 under the influence in an emergency situation. Jake also listed what constitutes a life safety violation. Any student with two alcohol violations will be suspended, any student with three during one academic year will lose university recognition. Jake said the administration is very open to student input about these proposals, so please provide feedback. A timeline has not been mentioned for the changes.

Educational Policy Committee: John Brodish

John, Kristina, and Shayan are seeking feedback regarding course evaluations—do students take them seriously? They are a big deal for the profesors and TA's (especially in determing tenure and in TA portfolios). They are looking for suggestions on the distribution of, and feedback for questions on the form.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

Matt Breitel: Make sure to vote today!

Tiffany: Please skip a meal for a day for a day to donate to OXFAM!

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjorned at 5:31pm.