

Minutes from the Student Senate meeting 02/19/14.

Call to order at 4:01, with the pledge of allegiance, there was a quorum present.

Attendance: Annie Kling, Ron Kling, Brad Shields, Molly Grubb, Brandian Liestman, Denise Brewer, Sarah Peterson, Kim Watson, Ashley Betzel, Wendy White, Luke Potter, Andrew Potter, Joe Vernon. Eric Neal was excused.

Old Business

- The old minutes were approved.
- We talked about the luncheon with Dr. Rugg and about how Dr. Rugg talked about changing the way we do advising on campus; we also talked about how Dr. Rugg has a lot of the same views as the senate, and is very focused on the student.
- We talked about the changes to the bylaws and how the changes are coming. We changed the date that the bylaws will be voted on from March 5th to March 19th.
- We talked about the issue of nursing students being unable to attend the career fair, this has been addressed. The nursing students will now have their own career fair that will work for their schedule.

New Business

- We talked about the lack of senators, and the possibility of sending them a letter telling them to come the senate meeting, and the possibility of officially terminating the senators who do not show up. We also talked about maybe doing a drive for more senators.
- We talked about the lack of student engagement, and the need to get faculty and staff to help with getting students involved in activities, and about how the Provost is in agreement with this.
- We also talked about the need for the bylaws to accommodate the senate when there is less members.
- We brought up the idea of getting a recruitment plan enabled for the senate, to make sure we always have enough members.
- We talked about how as the senate we need to be the leaders in student engagement, and go to the activities and bring friends.
- Annie talked about how we need to get some rules and regulations put into play for the upcoming elections, ones that stay close to the current bylaws, and that next week will be a work week figuring out these rules.

- We talked about how election registration will open before spring break for all positions, and after spring break the campaigning will start. We talked about it will be difficult for the senate to get the students involved in a debate, and other political activities, but that it will be worth it.
- We talked about how the minutes have been uploaded to the website, and how we need to get pictures taken and uploaded to the website also.
- We talked about the possibility of getting a packet made up for the incoming senate, which will provide them with all of the information they will need.

Committee/Club reports

- Ron is sending out the IOC letters to all of the clubs faculty advisors, even the ones who attend, so that he makes sure to send them to everyone.
- Annie talked about how a health promotion club is being started, and that the paperwork should be into Denise's office soon.
- Joe talked about how the recycling bins are now in, and if everything goes well should be in place Friday; we talked about the need to get the education done for it as soon as possible.
- Joe talked about how the Annual recycle highline meeting is tonight at triangle communication.
- Ashley talked about the skills USA bench being nearly done.
- Annie talked about a non-traditional student named Patricia who wants to work on getting gardens around campus, and get the greenhouse built.
- Sarah talked about a band that is going to be playing a concert after spring break, on March 18th, then the week after that there will be a comedian.
- Ashley said that on April 10th there is going to be a decade dance.
- Ashley said that the volleyball intramurals have been having few people show up.
- Denise said that a student asked about getting soccer or ultimate Frisbee intramurals put into play between floor hockey and softball intramurals.
- Molly talked about the possibility of getting a quidditch game together.
- Denis talked about how there will be a tennis tournament, when it warms up.
- Ron said that there are Basketball games coming up on Thursday and Friday, to attend if you are available.
- Ron mentioned that the POW WOW is coming up at the end of April, and if you would like to help with it, to let him know. He also mentioned that sweet grass society is raffling off a car, to help raise funds for the POW WOW.

- Ron said that there is a curator here looking at our Native American history collection, and that the curator had mentioned that some of the pieces we have are better than what the Smithsonian has.
- Meeting Adjourned at 5:09