Student Senate Meeting 4 February 2013 Absences: Senator Groch Senator Alexander Senator Zamboti

- I. Formal Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Opening Devotion Senator Rojas Martinez
- IV. Forum of Concerns
- V. Approval of Agenda
- VI. Senators' Reports

Senator Rojas-Martinez - World Banquet international students where food and performances will be taking place and available to all VU students. Saturday at 6pm buy tickets at front desk in the Harre Union.

Senator - Phi Mu Alpha is having a Gala for Chris Patterson, served and died in Afghanistan, formal banquet tomorrow at 6:30 to raise money for their scholarship in his honor

VII. Advisors' Reports

Dean Jenkins - 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Career and Internship fair is this Thursday, the 7<sup>th</sup>. It will be in the Ballrooms. Dress is business casual.

- VIII. Officer Reports
  - A. President Thank you to senators who worked hard on motions for tonight. Lots of options for VUSSO LISA, elimination is also an option. Please make sure senators are doing office hours.
  - B. Vice President Card access by Thursday if you do not have it now, shoot an email if you still have trouble getting into the Student Senate Office.
  - C. Treasurer no report
  - D. Public Relations Coordinator no report

#### IX. Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee – Thursday meeting room 231 in the Union. Confirmation Email to be coming.

- B. Administration
  - 1. Women's club soccer as a new org as 4-0-0. Previously recognized by rec sports, no longer recognized. Looking to become an organization in order to receive funding. Postponed until next week. Motion to postpone passes 18-0-1.
  - 2. IDEAS as a new organization. National sustainability organization, Alexandra Thompson heads of committee and contacted Admin committee to be recognized. Motion by Senator Dolley for the organization to be recognized as non-funded by the university because they are said to be nationally funded. Senate discussed and voted on this matter. Organization also deemed as too similar to the "Earthtones" organization by some senators. However, due to their larger national backing, other senators feel that the organization could bring more awareness to the organization than that of Earthtones. Discussion over funding and its recognition ensued prior to voting. Non-funded status passes 10 8 1. Organization 16 0 3

# C. Finance Committee

- 1. Amin Committee should not meddle into finance committee matters.
- 2. Budgets sent out 2/25, due on 3/25, please be here in April to vote on these matters.

Your vote counts, so please be here!

# 3. Line item shifts

\$200 shifted ASE polos to be shifted from design 19-1-0 \$499 Line item shift from events-Diwali Food and drink to Chicago Trips, moved to go to china town after Diwali money was left over. Passes 19-0-0

# D. Screening

One Senior seat open -88 credits to be considered a Senior cleared up by office of Registrar.

Aaron Hall freshman seat, revote 4-0-0 by screening committee. Motion passes 19-0-0 Leisel Martin for other freshman seat. Revote 4-0-0. Motion passes 18-1-0.

# E. Residence

Email regarding confirmation about living on campus, then selecting room on campus. Also emails regarding applications

F. Media – Interviews this Thursday, ending at 6:30

#### G. VUSSO LISA

Applications sent out February 1<sup>st</sup>. Only for juniors, sent out in Student org list serve. Working on getting it sent out by everyone. To be eligible, Junior status, 2.5 GPA, must not hold position where compensated by student activity fees. Must be involved in one campus activity. Resume to be included. Leadership encouraged, as well as community service participation. 2 essay response questions included in applications.

# X. Old Business – Senate Resolution 146

Powerpoint presented by Senator Dolley. Goals are better visibility, higher attendance, higher and positive public opinion. Working on having our meetings core approved. Provision D to be edited already, please let Senator Dolley know about those changes or concerns by next Monday. Discussion ensued, perhaps term advisor to be changed to liaison for all terms 'advisers" in this document by Senator Carroll. Motion to strike clause 4H from Senator Uryga.

#### Motion(s)

- 1. Clause D amendment vote: 19 0 0
- 2. Adviser to "liaison" vote: 18-0-0
- 3. Strike section H vote: 17 2 0
- 4. Approval of SR 146 as amended 19 0 0

All motions pass.

#### SR 147 – 151 VUSSO LISA

147: Adding the term VUSSO LISA to the end of the document, motion passes 19-0-0 148: Undergraduates Motion to strike out the words "here" and then "sophomore, juniors, and transfers" also striking seniors cannot apply to now read "ineligible" 19–0-0

Approval of amended 148 passes 19-0-0

149: "Not Senators" applicable to apply for VUSSO LISA, motion passes 19-0-0 150: 1000 dollars, now changed. Motion to strike "chair of" and add committee at the end of VUSSO LISA, in parentheses "majority vote". Motion passes for language changes 17-0-1. Motion for 150 19-0-0.

151: Changes to language in 151, striking significant portion in regards to clerical errors after the words "volunteer programs". Motion in favor of SR 151 19-0-0.

# XI. New Business

Motion to open up floor for discussion for the elimination of VUSSO LISA. Concern over paperCut not working.

XII. Forum of Concerns

XIII. Postmortem