

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

STUDENT SENATE GENERAL BODY MINUTES

March 14, 2016

1. FORMAL CALL TO ORDER: 8:03pm
2. ROLL CALL: Personal introductions
3. OPENING DEVOTION: (Included in personal introductions)
4. FORUM OF CONCERNS:
 - a. Tuition increase: Talk with Parliamentarian Hughes if you would like to get involved with increasing the university's transparency with the increase.
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion to approve agenda passes
6. SENATORS' REPORTS:
 - a. Senator Schlosser:
 - i. Want to ensure groups request their budgets correctly
 - ii. College Republicans and Democrats will have an open forum about the upcoming election from 7-8:30 on Wednesday in the Cafe
7. ADVISORS' REPORTS: No Report
8. PRESENTATION: VUTV
 - a. Budget line request of \$11,565.00 for a camera module attachment (and data connection fees) that allows live-streaming of video from anywhere with a cellular data connection. After the one-time purchase of the equipment, data charges per year after that would be roughly \$3,000
9. NEW MEMBER OATH OF OFFICE
10. OFFICER REPORTS
 - a. PRESIDENT: Maura Jonas
 - i. Be welcoming to new members
 - ii. Committee chairs please look at numbers
 - b. VICE PRESIDENT: Nura Zaki
 - i. Finding new time to make a Read Poster for the library

- ii. Talked with Stacy Miller about cake and coffee event with campus student leaders and learning from each other
- c. PARLIAMENTARIAN: Zachariah Hughes
 - i. Committee chairs are welcome to participate in discussion
- d. SECRETARY: Micah Topel
 - i. Send in suggestions on secretarial duty suggestions (more/less detailed minutes, a Google Calendar, etc.) to micah.topel@valpo.edu
- e. PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR: Jacob Williams
 - i. Working with people in IT to update the Senate website
 - ii. Potentially interested in putting short bios/interviews to be published on the website
 - iii. Send any suggestions/ideas to jacob.williams@valpo.edu
- f. EXECUTIVE & ASSISTANT TREASURER: Kyle Crawford & Brandy Gabe
 - i. Meeting with Finance Office to establish a deadline for organizations to turn in forms

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. EXECUTIVE
 - i. Executive meeting at regular time/place at 10am on Friday in the Board of Directors Room
- b. ADMINISTRATION
 - i. No Report
- c. FINANCE
 - i. List of organizations that haven't turned in budgets (due on March 12) and accepted several over March 13 and 14
 - ii. Potential reduction of funds for groups that turn their budgets in late
 - iii. Ryan Taylor accepts nomination to Finance Committee, approved 17-0-1
- d. COMMITTEE ON MEDIA
 - i. Looking for someone to take over Committee on Media chair position for next year, email aaron.hallenberg@valpo.edu if you're interested
- e. SCREENING
 - i. One new seat just opened and will be the last one that will be filled this semester
- f. COMMUNITY SERVICE & PHILANTHROPY
 - i. Café Manna this Thursday
 - ii. Can put together a team for APO Bed Push, money donated to charity
 - iii. Dance Marathon team
- g. VUSSOLISA
 - i. Three applications so far, due next Monday, March 21
 - ii. Only available to juniors (in their third year of college, not just a junior credit-wise) and above

h. ELECTIONS

- i. Currently putting out information to apply to be president and vice president
- ii. Final deadlines to apply and election day will be sent out soon
- iii. Looking into an electronic ballot system for those studying abroad

12. OLD BUSINESS

a. SR-002-SP16

- i. Motion to eliminate stipulations (points 1-3) passes 19-0-0
- ii. Motion to approve SR-002-SP16 as it has been amended passes 19-0-0

13. NEW BUSINESS

a. Liaisons

- i. Liaisons will be assigned to new senators

14. FORUM OF CONCERNS:

- a. Parliamentarian Hughes: If an SR regarding late budget request penalties is approved during budget season nothing will be able to be enforced this year

15. POSTMORTEM:

- a. Nura said thanks to new members

16. ADJOURNMENT: 9:16pm