

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

STUDENT SENATE GENERAL BODY MINUTES October 17, 2016

1. FORMAL CALL TO ORDER: 8:02pm
2. ROLL CALL: Excused: Senators Cabaya, Behnke, Laatsch, PR Chair Kelm. Unexcused: Senator Prahlow
3. OPENING DEVOTION:
 - a. Senator Funk: hard work will pay off
 - b. Senator Donarski will be giving opening devotion next week
4. FORUM OF CONCERNS: None
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Unanimously approved
6. SENATORS' REPORTS:
 - a. Senator Behnke
 - i. Liaison emails sent out Friday
 - b. Senator Young
 - i. The Lighter had their first coffeehouse event on Friday, good turnout
7. ADVISORS' REPORTS: Hope you have a nice fall break!
8. OFFICER REPORTS
 - a. PRESIDENT: Nura Zaki
 - i. This Past Weekend
 1. Coffeehouse went well
 2. Hispanic Heritage Month dinner was very good
 3. Relay for Life on Saturday very successful, raised over \$21,000
 4. Mr. Burns concluded on Sunday
 - ii. Civic Group invited Senate to attend the city council meeting next Tuesday, October 25 from 5:30-7:00pm
 - iii. MLK Day committee is calling for groups to do a session on MLK Day
 - b. VICE PRESIDENT: Sam Macy
 - i. Committee semester deadlines are due today

ii. Discussion Etiquette

1. Raise your hand to be called on before speaking
 2. Address the front of the room, don't turn around to speak
 3. Keep conversations civil/respectful
 4. When discussing a motion or amendment, ensure discussion is focused on what is currently on the floor
- iii. Look out for senator midterm report form
 - iv. Be sure to be putting in your two office hours per week
- c. PARLIAMENTARIAN: Vacant
- i. Vacant
- d. SECRETARY: Micah Topel
- i. Leave name tags at the end
- e. PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR: Zoe Kelm
- i. No Report
- f. EXECUTIVE & ASSISTANT TREASURER: Brandy Gabe & Clayton Hatfield
- i. Finance Tables to help orgs compile their budgets
 - ii. Stipends were due today
 - iii. All requests due December 5. If orgs are holding events after that date they must be in communication with Treasurer Gabe beforehand
 - iv. Still missing some Tier 3 contact information
 - v. If orgs can't get on their org email account, they need to contact IT. For the time being they should email Treasurer Gabe with a personal account

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. EXECUTIVE: Nura Zaki
- i. Discount Card Committee must be formed
 1. Vote on the Committee Chair to be Senator Young: passes 15-0-0
 - ii. Look out for an email regarding a Senate social event
- b. ADMINISTRATION: E.J. Dubinsky
- i. Send proof of first contact with liaisons to the Admin Committee
 - ii. If meeting time is during Senate, set up another meeting time with them
 - iii. If you're interested in writing an SR, contact the Admin Committee
 - iv. New orgs can apply any time, need to set deadline for re-rec ASAP
- c. FINANCE: Miller Conrad
- i. November 11: Tier 3 budgets due for next semester
 - ii. Motion to shift \$700 from Ongoing Functions to Sponsored Events for the Lighter: passes 15-0-0
 - iii. Motion to shift \$1240 from National Conference for Race and Ethnicity to Hispanic Heritage Month Dinner for Latinos In Valparaiso for Excellence: passes 15-0-0

- iv. Motion to shift \$2200 from four different stipend positions to a line to allow them to attend the National College Media Convention for The Torch: passes 15-0-0
- v. Motion to shift \$800 from Live View to Equipment & Equipment Maintenance for VUTV: passes 15-0-0
- vi. Motion to shift \$1800 from Live View to four various stipend positions and two different lines (advertising and digital director): passes 15-0-0
- d. COMMITTEE ON MEDIA: Hannah Laatsch
 - i. Meeting last Wednesday resulted in the recommendation of Michaela Doyle for the new WVUR station manager
 - ii. Vote to approve by senate: passes 15-0-0
- e. SCREENING: Chinny Emeka
 - i. Position application was closed today at 5pm
 - ii. 22 applicants for 6 positions, looking to get interviews done by the end of the month so that senators could start in November
- f. COMMITTEE ON RESIDENCE: Katareina Vincent
 - i. First meeting last Tuesday where Ryan Blevins spoke
 - ii. Events like trick-or-treating and Halloween decorating coming up
 - iii. First floor of Scheele will be a haunted house
 - iv. Pay attention to break housing policies

10. OLD BUSINESS

- a. None

11. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Interim Screening Committee Member
 - i. Miller Conrad nominated, motion passes 14-0-1

12. FORUM OF CONCERNS:

- a. None

13. POSTMORTEM:

- a. Enjoy your fall break
- b. Casual meeting may be coming up
- c. Football team had a big win this weekend!

14. ADJOURNMENT: 8:38pm