

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

STUDENT SENATE GENERAL BODY MINUTES November 14, 2016

1. FORMAL CALL TO ORDER: 8:01pm
2. ROLL CALL: Excused: Senators Clarke, Conrad, and Funk
3. OPENING DEVOTION: Senators Emeka, Sanchez, Winter Vincent, & Cabaya
4. FORUM OF CONCERNS: None
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Unanimously approved
6. SENATORS' REPORTS:
 - a. Senator Clarke
 - i. Spoke with the President of Fellowship of Christian Athletes at their weekly meeting. They are currently looking for a guest speaker to bring in this spring. Last year they had former Detroit Lions kicker Jason Hanson and this year hope to get another athlete
 - b. Senator Dubinski
 - i. Met with PRSSA this week, they are going to a conference soon where they will interact with large PR firms
 - ii. Will be looking for funds to send a member to larger conference
 - c. Senator Cabaya
 - i. Dance Marathon
 1. 40 people ran the FT5K for Dance Marathon
 2. Over 150 dancers registered the first day
 3. 206 registered from 20 orgs so far
 - d. Senator Hansen
 - i. Pre-med Club meeting went well; leaf raking fundraiser this Saturday, diabetes awareness event, other events coming up
 - e. Senator Garner
 - i. Participated in Great American Race with President Zaki to promote study abroad programs
7. ADVISORS' REPORTS: Wish us a very happy Thanksgiving week as well as safe travels

8. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. PRESIDENT: Nura Zaki
 - i. Welcome to new members
 - ii. Will be putting together a new #OneValpo video about promoting campus unity after the election at 10am on Wednesday on the grass in front of the Helge Center. See email sent earlier today for more details
 - iii. Thanks to those who came out to the Thanksgiving dinner
 - iv. Ice skating can be our next social event in December
 - v. Thanks to the media orgs for quickly stepping in whenever we ask
- b. VICE PRESIDENT: Sam Macy
 - i. Come to the video, it will be a great thing for Valpo!
- c. PARLIAMENTARIAN: Vacant
 - i. Vacant
- d. SECRETARY: Micah Topel
 - i. Due dates submitted to the SOS newsletter/calendar (December 5 for encumbrance requests)
- e. PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR: Zoe Kelm
 - i. Share Senate posts
- f. EXECUTIVE & ASSISTANT TREASURER: Brandy Gabe & Clayton Hatfield
 - i. Happy with Finance Table turnout last week
 - ii. Encumbrance requests due by December 5
 - iii. Be sure those with budgets know what they are and have access
 - iv. \$11,000 left in the Cap-Ex fund (not as much as it sounds) so be cognizant when talking with orgs about it
 - v. Treasurer Gabe will meet with orgs to physically see item they want to repair/replace
 - vi. Just a couple stipend requests outstanding

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. EXECUTIVE: Nura Zaki
 - i. Secretary Topel will send Google Doc in place of actual meeting on Friday
- b. ADMINISTRATION: E.J. Dubinsky
 - i. Vote to approve Vu-Vox as a new organization: passes 18-0-0
 - ii. Vote to approve 5 Year PA Club (P-Pac) as a new organization: passes 18-0-0
 - iii. Vote to approve Gamma Theta Upsilon (Geography Honors Society) as a new organization: passes 18-0-0
 - iv. Vote to move Pi Delta Chi from non-funded to Tier 3: passes 18-0-0
 - v. Vote to move Science Olympiad from non-funded to Tier 3: passes 18-0-0
 - vi. New senators: email Admin committee about orgs that you would particularly like to represent

- vii. If a Tier 3 org would like to request more than \$500 or Tier 2 more than \$10,000 have them talk with Admin or Finance committee. Also talk with them if they are requesting significantly below their Tier cap
- c. FINANCE: Miller Conrad
 - i. Line item shift request from Sigma Alpha Iota to shift \$115.40 from Alumni Breakfast to National Convention: passes 18-0-0
 - ii. Line item shift request from MESA (Music Enterprise Student Association) to shift \$1650 from Music Festival Venue to Conference Hotel Fees: passes 18-0-0
 - iii. Line item shift request from University Christian Fellowship to shift \$81.05 from Welcome BBQ to Freshman Breakfast for Intervarsity Fellowship: passes 18-0-0
 - iv. Line item shift request from UPC to shift \$1565 from Trips & Service to Special Events: passes 18-0-0
 - v. Presenting spring budgets at the next meeting
- d. COMMITTEE ON MEDIA: Hannah Laatsch
 - i. No Report
- e. SCREENING: Chinny Emeka
 - i. No Report
- f. COMMITTEE ON RESIDENCE: Katareina Vincent
 - i. Next meeting is 11/29
 - ii. Reminder for all those that live in a dorm to get ready for Thanksgiving break room closing procedure
- g. DISCOUNT CARD COMMITTEE
 - i. Meeting earlier today
 - ii. Send restaurant/store suggestions to Senator Mark Young

10. OLD BUSINESS

- a. None

11. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Oath of Office

12. FORUM OF CONCERNS:

- a. None

13. POSTMORTEM:

- a. Have a safe trip back home next week

14. ADJOURNMENT: 8:45pm