

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

STUDENT SENATE GENERAL BODY MINUTES February 20, 2017

1. FORMAL CALL TO ORDER: 8:01pm
2. ROLL CALL: Excused: Senators Funk, Winter, Dubinsky. Unexcused: Parliamentarian Tehan, and Senators Hansen, Arredondo, Pandey, and Clarke
3. OPENING DEVOTION: PRC Young: Be who you want to be, don't have to be the same person. Senator Apel will be next week
4. FORUM OF CONCERNS: None
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: One "Nay", Senator Cabaya moves to move item 11-A to item 8 after Advisors' Reports: approved unanimously. Newly revised agenda approved unanimously.
6. SENATORS' REPORTS:
 - a. Senator Brown
 - i. Athena Society working on putting a display in the library for Women's History month in March
 - ii. National Residence Hall Honorary doing a service event at Golden Living, also Pie an RA, and Recognition Day for residence hall groups
 - b. Senator Behnke
 - i. Meeting with Berg RLC to potentially revamp J-board
 - c. Senator Tiemann
 - i. Yesterday was 75th anniversary of Executive Order to put Japanese in internment camps
 1. Must decide how Senate can work to fight injustices
 - ii. Going through Student Senate Constitution to outline roles and positions to work through transition process
7. ADVISORS' REPORTS: No Reports
8. NEW SENATORS' OATHS OF OFFICE

9. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. PRESIDENT: Nura Zaki
 - i. Warm welcome to new senators!
 - ii. First election information will be sent out on Friday
 - iii. Thanks to committees for the work you all do, especially for all the work the Admin committee put in this weekend
- b. VICE PRESIDENT: Sam Macy
 - i. Keep up your hard work, we appreciate it!
- c. PARLIAMENTARIAN: Lauren Tehan
 - i. No Report
- d. SECRETARY: Micah Topel
 - i. New Senator name cards will be done within the next two weeks
- e. PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR: Mark Young
 - i. Going to attempt to update the website soon
 - ii. Will be posting short video on Instagram thanking organization presidents (filming after today's meeting)
- f. EXECUTIVE & ASSISTANT TREASURER: Brandy Gabe & Clayton Hatfield
 - i. Today was the stipend deadline, should all be in before spring break
 - 1. Won't be accepting them past spring break
 - ii. All other requests due April 10
 - iii. New senators: send Brandy your email address so you can be added to the list serve
 - iv. Finance Tables info will be sent in an email soon
 - v. If you sit at the desk that Clayton and Brandy normally use, be mindful of things sitting around that computer so things don't get thrown out
 - 1. If students drop things off please don't set them on top of the treasurer or admin desk, put it in the drawer across from the workroom

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. EXECUTIVE: Nura Zaki
 - i. Meeting Wednesday at 3:30pm in the Helge Center
- b. ADMINISTRATION: E.J. Dubinsky
 - i. Re-rec this past weekend
 - ii. 26 orgs not recognized this weekend, so having a make-up time this Thursday
 - iii. Some orgs said they received no contact from a liaison so will be reaching out to those senators
 - iv. Approving Tier changes and new orgs as a slate next week
- c. FINANCE: Miller Conrad
 - i. Sigma Alpha Iota requests to shift \$100 from Alumni Tea to Spring Formal line: approved 15-0-2

- ii. Sigma Tau Delta requests to shift \$340 from Conferences and Sponsored Retreat to Organization Sponsored Events line: approved 16-0-1
 - iii. Tau Beta Pi requests to shift \$792.09 from Jeopardy to TED Week Activities and Banquet Event: approved 15-1-1
- d. COMMITTEE ON MEDIA: Hannah Laatsch
 - i. Meeting this week at 5pm
 - ii. Media Execs should be decided before spring break
- e. SCREENING: Chinny Emeka
 - i. Working on filling Parliamentarian, Secretary, and PRC positions for next year
 - ii. Recommending Benjamin Waisnora for Freshman Senator Position: passes 16-0-1
 - iii. Recommending Ben Tiemann for Elections Committee Chairman: Senate approves 16-0-1
- f. COMMITTEE ON RESIDENCE: Katareina Vincent
 - i. Recent Blood Drive had a great turnout, next one is during Greek Week. Be sure to make an appointment!
 - ii. Campus TV network is being updated to HD and gaining new channels
- g. DISCOUNT CARD COMMITTEE
 - i. Crossing off Applebee's after the meeting

11. OLD BUSINESS

- a. None

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Oath of Office for Freshman Senator Waisnora

13. FORUM OF CONCERNS:

- a. None

14. POSTMORTEM:

- a. Thanks for coming tonight

15. ADJOURNMENT: 8:32pm