

# VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

## STUDENT SENATE GENERAL BODY MINUTES

March 27, 2017

1. FORMAL CALL TO ORDER: 8:01pm
2. ROLL CALL: Excused: Senators Waisnora and Baker. Unexcused: Senators Felty, Conrad, and Pandey
3. OPENING DEVOTION: Senator Donarski: be thankful for your friends
  - a. Treasurer Gabe next week
4. FORUM OF CONCERNS: None
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion to put Election Committee report under "Executive Committee" passes unanimously. Motion to approve the amended agenda: passes unanimously
6. SENATORS' REPORTS:
  - a. Senator Cabaya
    - i. Dance Marathon Miracle Monday was today
      1. Event is this Saturday, donate to your friends if they are dancing!
7. ADVISORS' REPORTS: No Report
8. OFFICER REPORTS
  - a. PRESIDENT: Nura Zaki
    - i. Christopher Center is soliciting students for feedback about the library, see the email that was sent within the last week or two
  - b. VICE PRESIDENT: Sam Macy
    - i. No Report
  - c. PARLIAMENTARIAN: Lauren Tehan
    - i. No Report
  - d. SECRETARY: Micah Topel
    - i. No Report
  - e. PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR: Mark Young
    - i. Admin will send list of orgs to PRC by Wednesday or Thursday

- ii. All candidates will have time on the Valpo Snapchat on April 2 between 3-5pm
- f. EXECUTIVE & ASSISTANT TREASURER: Brandy Gabe & Clayton Hatfield
  - i. Officially transitioned to Clayton now, but "Expect a precipitous drop-off"
  - ii. April 10 deadline for all finance requests (fourth quarter stipends, encumbrance requests, etc.)
  - iii. Senators need to pass information reviewed at Senate meetings on to their organizations. Several organizations have been trying to do things they can't do or have done things that senators should have informed them about. *\*\*Said in an animated tone of voice\*\**

## 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. EXECUTIVE: Nura Zaki
  - i. Meeting Wednesday at 3:30pm in the Helge Center
    - 1. VUSSALISA Committee Chair will attend as well
- b. ADMINISTRATION: E.J. Dubinsky
  - i. Voting on recognizing National Society of Black Engineers
    - 1. Have funding from the engineering department on campus as well as their national organization
    - 2. Admin voted 5-0-0. Senate motion to approve as a new organization: passes 18-0-0
  - ii. Voting on re-recognizing PRSSA as a new organization due to their lack of organization with completing necessary tasks (they were a tier 2): passes 17-1-0
- c. FINANCE: Miller Conrad
  - i. Presenting Tier 3 on April 3, voting April 10
  - ii. Presenting Tier 2 on April 17, voting on April 24
  - iii. Presenting Tier 1 on April 24, voting on May 1
  - iv. Budgets for Tier 3 have come in except Circle K
  - v. Line item shift for Tau Beta Pi of \$250 from Regional Conference to TED Week: passes 18-0-0
  - vi. Line item shift for Women's Club Ultimate Frisbee of \$370 from one tournament to another tournament: passes 18-0-0
  - vii. Line item shift for SALT of \$350 from Spring Break trips to Color 4 A Cause: passes 18-0-0
  - viii. Cap-Ex Request from WVUR for replacement of portable broadcast mixer for \$1,377.50 (over \$9,500 will be left in Cap-Ex): passes 18-0-0
- d. COMMITTEE ON MEDIA: Vacant
  - i. Still looking for Committee on Media chairperson, email Senator Donarski if you're interested
  - ii. Still need applications for the Beacon Editor in Chief position (a lot of returning staff that could help)

- e. SCREENING: Chinny Emeka
  - i. Deadline for Parliamentarian, Secretary, and PRC applications is this Wednesday at midnight
    - 1. Would like posted on our social media pages
- f. COMMITTEE ON RESIDENCE: Katareina Vincent
  - i. No Report
- g. ELECTIONS COMMITTEE: Ben Tiemann
  - i. Elections will officially be online this year (Google Form monitored by IT)
    - 1. Likely will have laptops set up in Chapel View Lounge
  - ii. Open debate will be on Wednesday in the Duesenberg Recital Hall at 6pm
  - iii. First election will be next Monday, April 3

#### 10. OLD BUSINESS

- a. None

#### 11. NEW BUSINESS

- a. VUSSALISA Scholarship Committee (given to juniors who have shown leadership around campus)
  - i. Newest Senators will be members (Senators Campbell and Apel). Also Senators Garner, Donarski, Sanchez, and Bandovich
  - ii. Have \$1,000 to either split or give to one person
- b. SR-003-SP17 by Chinny Emeka
  - i. Proposing that experience in Senate be required to run for the office of President of the Student Body. This would not apply until next academic year.
- c. SR-004-SP17 by Chinny Emeka
  - i. Proposing that experience in Senate be required to run for the office of Vice President of the Student Body. This would not apply until next academic year.
- d. Mr. Valpo Discussion
  - i. APO is looking for someone to be in their Mr. Valpo pageant on April 21 at 8pm in the Ballrooms
  - ii. No fee for participants, \$2 for attendees, part of Greek Week
  - iii. Miller Conrad, Christian Bandovich, and E.J. Dubinsky nominated

#### 12. FORUM OF CONCERNS:

- a. None

#### 13. POSTMORTEM:

- a. VUSSALISA Committee Meeting after the meeting
- b. Your responsibility this week to tell people about the debate on Wednesday at 8pm as well as the election on Monday

14. ADJOURNMENT: 9:02pm