

# VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

## STUDENT SENATE GENERAL BODY MINUTES October 30, 2017

1. FORMAL CALL TO ORDER: 8:00PM
2. ROLL CALL:
  - a. Excused: Vice President Dubinsky, Secretary Vincent, Senator Zaki
  - b. Unexcused: N/A
3. OPENING DEVOTION:
  - a. Senator Pimental: "The greatest thing you can do is take the talents you have been blessed with and bless other with them."
  - b. Next Week: President Shahine
4. FORUM OF CONCERNS:
  - a. Vice President of African Student Association
    - i. Credit card policy clarification; email Treasurer Hatfield if an organization need to use the credit card
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
  - a. Unanimously approved
6. SENATORS' REPORTS:
  - a. Senator Funk: Fellowship of Christian Athletes consistently has 30-45 members and is lining up guest speakers and teaming-up with Valparaiso High School in the near future
  - b. Senator Brown: Sigma Tao Delta has initiation for new members coming up; Athena Society has a fundraiser coming up
  - c. Senator Donarski: College Mentors for Kids just had a fundraiser at Panda Express and received \$90 from said fundraiser
  - d. Senator Caldwell: African Student Association has several events coming up within the next month
  - e. Senator Felty: PRSSA had issues with last year's budget and are currently working to rectify that issue, speakers came into their meeting to discuss Handshake and public relations, organization is taking a trip to a public relations firm; E-Sports Club is holding several tournaments this semester and is planning a League of Legends tournament; Women's Soccer Club is officially recognized and is currently discussing their budget
  - f. Senator Behnke: WAAVES "What's up with Water" event on November 1st where there will be free pizza and discussion of how engineers can stop the water crisis
7. ADVISORS' REPORTS:

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- a. HRC Accreditation Survey: There is a site visit team coming on November 12th and hosting meetings on November 13th and 14th, Students, faculty, and staff can meet with the committee members directly
- b. Dean Jenkins is looking for student leaders for topic oriented sessions and open sessions with four criteria: Mission - Integrity; Ethical and Responsible Conduct - Teaching and Learning; Quality, Resources, and Support - Teaching and Learning; Evaluation and Improvement; Sessions 1 and 2 are at 9:45AM and Sessions 3 and 4 are at 2:15PM in Harre Union Ballroom A

## 8. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. PRESIDENT: Hussein Shahine
  - i. Non-senate members Sean Stevens, Jake Landgraf, Melissa Avila, Taylor Piotruvski have been nominated for University Council
  - ii. Library Advisory Council has the Information Literacy and the Arts Grant through CIC for the library resource expansion; Open education resource initiative for free curriculum resources
  - iii. University provided \$15,000 for cultural affairs, Senate usually matches this amount, Dean Jenkins will provide that form to finance for processing
  - iv. Liaison Reports: Be proactive and reach-out to organizations that you are not actively in and broaden your horizons, while doing this represent Senate well
- b. VICE PRESIDENT: Eric Dubinsky
  - i. Nominations for the Discount Card Committee need to be done
  - ii. Phones and laptops cannot be out during Senate meetings unless it pertains directly to the meeting
- c. PARLIAMENTARIAN: Brandy Gabe
  - i. Suspending rules of order to bypass 7-day review policy requires  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote and is in place for senators to discuss policies outside of Senate meetings
  - ii. Every officer and committee must have a report
- d. SECRETARY: Katareina Vincent
  - i. Please clean your drawers in the Senate office
- e. PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR: Mark Young
  - i. Names and information are on the Senate website
  - ii. Google Form will be released to guide organizations through encumbrance request process
  - iii. Updating organization list online
- f. EXECUTIVE & ASSISTANT TREASURER: Clayton Hatfield & Jamie Dykstra
  - i. All forms should go in the Senate drawer in the hallway

## 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. EXECUTIVE: Hussein Shahine
  - i. Executive board meeting this Wednesday at 8am in the Helge Center
- b. ADMINISTRATION: Alex Winter
  - i. Turning Point USA is an economically conservative, libertarian student organization that is not affiliated with political parties or candidates
    - 1. Approved 21-0-1
  - ii. Tier III Re-recognition meetings will take place in the second week of November

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- c. FINANCE: Carlos Cabaya
  - i. Tier III organization budgets are due November 1st and they will be voted on during the last general assembly meeting before Winter Break
- d. COMMITTEE ON MEDIA: Annika Brown
  - i. Working with Screening Committee to make an application with 3 students on committee
- e. SCREENING: Brandon Hansen
  - i. Developing application with Committee on Media
- f. COMMITTEE ON RESIDENCE: Adam Apel
  - i. Thank you to everyone who attended Stranger Scheele

10. OLD BUSINESS

- a. University Council Members Sean Stevens, Jake Landgraf, Melissa Avila, Taylor Piotruvski
  - i. Approved 22-0-0
- b. S.R. 002-FA17 with stipulation that it will be approved the beginning of the school year
  - i. Approved 20-0-2
- c. Discount Card Committee nominees Senator Winter, Senator Behnke, Senator Hollis
  - i. Approved 21-0-1

11. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Oath of Office for new Senators
  - i. Senior Senators
    - 1. Jerry Liu
    - 2. Nimra Fatima
  - ii. International Senator
    - 1. Quinten Kleijngeld

12. FORUM OF CONCERNS:

- a. N/A

13. POSTMORTEM:

- a. Email Parliamentarian Gabe with any new information for next meeting

14. ADJOURNMENT: 8:42PM