

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

STUDENT SENATE GENERAL BODY MINUTES November 13, 2017

1. FORMAL CALL TO ORDER: 8:00pm
2. ROLL CALL:
 - a. Excused: Treasurer Hatfield, Senator Funk, Senator Winter, Senator Felty
 - b. Unexcused: Senator Mihalich
3. OPENING DEVOTION:
 - a. Senator Apel: Be thankful for all that is around you
 - b. Next Week: Senator Donarski (after break)
4. FORUM OF CONCERNS:
 - a. N/A
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
 - a. Unanimously Approved
6. SENATORS' REPORTS:
 - a. Senator Steinhiser: Mock trial has a homicide case this year and is booking court rooms
 - b. Senator Waisnora: WVUR is rebranding and has a website coming up
 - c. Senator Brown: Earthtones had a food waste event this past weekend and are working rain garden approval and want to work on a Pepsi grant, Student Alumni Association is working on getting a bus
 - d. Senator Behnke: WAVES just finished elections and finished the Amazing Race
 - e. Senator Apel: VISA has a trivia event coming up
 - f. Senator Garner: VU Christian Intervarsity every monday from 6:30-7:30 Bible Study
 - g. Senator Cabaya: SALT has a game night tonight at 9PM
7. ADVISORS' REPORTS:
 - a. HLC sessions went very well, so thank you for showing up and make sure to thank your peers as they have a big impact as well
 - b. Bias Incident Response Protocol will be changing completely next fall and has a soft rollout going on currently
 - i. The changes are to make things more streamlined and accessible (ie: the link is going to be in multiple places online)
 - ii. The form is more comprehensive
 - iii. There will be clear teams to handle biases and more communication between VUPD and title IX
 - iv. Senator Steinhiser shows up Dean Jenkins by reading off the slide and getting the answer to his question right without him knowing that the

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answer is on the slide (Dean Jenkins proceeds to call Senator Steinhiser a "smartypants")

- v. Biases can become bigger than life if situations are not handled properly and are required to be addressed by law
- vi. Incidents that are not addressed can create the impression that a place is unsafe

8. OFFICER REPORTS

- a. PRESIDENT: Hussein Shahine
 - i. Town and Gown Committee meeting occurred
 - 1. Discussed how to create a "college-town feel"
 - 2. Crusader Cash is looking to expand to new businesses
- b. VICE PRESIDENT: Eric Dubinsky
 - i. Spring Senate Retreat is going to be January in the Helge Center room
 - ii. Please ask your organizations what their "big events" next semester are so we can create a calendar with all of these events
- c. PARLIAMENTARIAN: Brandy Gabe
 - i. New Robert Rules of Order sheet which you will turn in at the end of every meeting and a copy will be sent with the minutes (see attached items), this sheet will help during budget season
- d. SECRETARY: Katareina Vincent
 - i. The deadline for excuses is 4 hours before the meeting that you are missing (ie: 4pm on Monday)
- e. PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR: Mark Young
 - i. Liaisons should: attend 2 of their liaisoned organization meetings and make reports about these meetings, meet with an executive member prior to budget season, if contact has been attempted proof will need to be had that contact has been attempted and organizations have not responded (in other words, just try)
- f. EXECUTIVE & ASSISTANT TREASURER: Clayton Hatfield & Jamie Dykstra
 - i. No report

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. EXECUTIVE: Hussein Shahine
 - i. If you know you will be on the executive committee next semester please send President Shahine your class schedule for next semester
- b. ADMINISTRATION: Alex Winter
 - i. PRC Young has an updated list of liaisons and should be getting that out to everyone soon
 - ii. If new senators have any questions feel free to reach out to either Mark or I
 - iii. We are also working on creating a more organized and complete list of all organizations, their tiers, as well as contact information for all their officers that I will be cross referencing with Finance's records which will be sent out to senators once complete
- c. FINANCE: Carlos Cabaya
 - i. Earthtones
 - 1. Line-Item Shift
 - a. \$160 to event supplies (Passes 20-0-0)

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- ii. Men's Ultimate
 - 1. Line-Item Shift
 - a. \$725 to 3 separate tournament lines (Passes 20-0-0)
- iii. Alpha Phi Omega
 - 1. Line-Item Shift
 - a. \$402 to pledge dues (Passes 19-0-1)
- iv. Tier III budgets will be presented at next meeting and voted on the meeting after that
- d. COMMITTEE ON MEDIA: Annika Brown
 - i. Application for student members has been sent out and is due Nov 26
- e. SCREENING: Brandon Hansen
 - i. Working with COM with the application process
- f. COMMITTEE ON RESIDENCE: Adam Apel
 - i. No report

10. OLD BUSINESS

- a. N/A

11. NEW BUSINESS

- a. N/A

12. FORUM OF CONCERNS:

- a. N/A

13. POSTMORTEM:

- a. Thank you for your reports and a special thanks to E-Board

14. ADJOURNMENT:

- a. 8:57