

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

General Assembly 03/01/2021

1. FORMAL CALL TO ORDER: 8:30pm
2. ROLL CALL:
3. FORUM OF CONCERNS:
 - a. None
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
 - a. Motion: Sen. Pandey
 - b. Second: Sen. Behrens
5. SENATORS' REPORTS:
 - a. Senator Raimondi
 - i. MANY students have expressed stress and anxiety related to the management of the university-provided Covid testing;
 - ii. MANY students have expressed concern related to the immense rise in cases on campus due to the mandatory testing
 - b. Senator Vicari
 - i. Juniors: Concerns about communication from health center; delayed results and mix-ups
6. ADVISORS' REPORTS:
 - a. Ryan Blevins
 - i. Cases did increase significantly from surveillance testing
 - ii. 60-ish positive from 900 tests; consistent with Indiana's positivity rate
 - iii. Upper administration has been meeting to discuss results and their implications
 - iv. Email will come out tonight about the increase
 - v. Health center has had a very busy Monday; need to call all positive students
7. OFFICER REPORTS:
 - a. PRESIDENT: Kaitlyn Steinhiser
 - i. If constituents are reaching out to you, but their concerns do not have factual merits, you can clarify.
 - ii. Discount Card
 1. Nominations:
 - a. Bryce Jones
 - b. Motion to vote: Sen. Bakri
 - c. Second: Sen. McMillan
 - d. Motion passes 19-0-1
 - iii. Meeting with Jolie and Mark to make the Student Senate budget
 - b. VICE PRESIDENT: Jolie Foor
 - i. Quarter 3 Constituency Reports are due next Monday (March 8th) at 8pm. Senators are required to give a report for their constituency at some point this semester, so explaining your report is a great opportunity to fulfill this requirement.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/11X4T1Jvg95K74b_W_F9d1OeGfv3hJiS7gs40-cRUlms/edit?usp=sharing

- ii. Hopefully meeting with CCPC next Wednesday to discuss December graduation report issues.
 - c. PARLIAMENTARIAN: N/A
 - d. SECRETARY: Paige Meczyssine
 - i. Will mail Interim President Irwin-Knott her card! Thanks to all who signed
 - e. PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR: Chris Grimpe
 - i. Website Updates by Webmaster
 - 1. Slowly updating all bios as forms come in
 - ii. Social Media Updates
 - 1. Finished food drive ad
 - iii. Committee Work Updates
 - 1. Working on ad for open senate seats for screening committee
 - 2. Guidebook updates committee should be asking chairs questions
 - iv. Student Buzz
 - 1. What are the metrics for moving classes online?
 - f. EXECUTIVE & ASSISTANT TREASURER: Mark Lorenz/Owen Doyle
 - i. Stipends for Tier 1 orgs are due March 12th
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
- a. EXECUTIVE: Kaitlyn Steinhiser
 - i. Had a solid meeting, lots of legislation
 - ii. All are welcome to attend
 - iii. If you're bringing forth legislation, you have to bring it to e-board first
 - b. FINANCE: Allison Pariso
 - i. Tier 3 Budgets due March 3rd and presented March 15th. Tier 1 and 2 budgets due March 10th.
 - ii. Send finance emails/questions to me.
 - iii. Robotics line item shift: \$2,793.65 from Conference/Sponsored Retreats to Ongoing Organizational Functions
 - 1. Finance voted 3-0-0
 - 2. Motion to vote: Sen. Raimondi
 - a. Second: Sen. Hoeksema
 - b. Approved 19-0-1
 - c. ADMINISTRATION: Ian Chenoweth
 - i. Admin votes on re-recs
 - 1. 78 orgs applied
 - 2. Admin approved 75
 - ii. Admin votes on InterVarsity tier change
 - 1. Tier 3 to Tier 2
 - 2. Admin voted 3-0-0
 - 3. Motion to vote on InterVarsity tier change: Sen. Raimondi
 - a. Second: Sen. Jones
 - b. Motion passes 20-0-0
 - iii. Google Sheet with orgs up for re-rec, organized alphabetically and by tier can be found [here](#).
 - iv. Admin approved all organizations for re-recognition that have an advisor as a slate 3-0-0
 - 1. Motion to vote as a slate: Sen. Jones
 - 2. Second: Sen. Schneider
 - a. Motion to vote as a slate passes 20-0-0
 - 3. Motion to approve the 75 organizations passes 20-0-0

- v. 5 orgs have applied to be a new student org; will be meeting with these orgs, voting on them, and bringing them to gen. assembly
 - d. COMMITTEE ON MEDIA: Sophia Behrens
 - i. Applications are open
 - e. SCREENING: Emily Bakri
 - i. The email with open senate positions will be going out sometime this week!
 - f. COMMITTEE ON RESIDENCE: Aidan Byrnes
 - i. Meeting time established as every other Wednesday, 4-4:30 pm
 - ii. Our first meeting will be next week, March 10th, as there were scheduling complications for this week
 - iii. Issues now coming up revolving around quarantine housing
 - g. DINING SERVICES: Billy Robinson
 - i. Chris and myself are preparing the monthly dining statement that will be going out tomorrow. If anyone has any questions please feel free to email me.
 - h. DIVERSITY & INCLUSION: N/A
 - i. DISCRETIONARY FUNDS: Gwyneth Hoeksema
 - i. Proposal for renting giant tent for West Lawn
 - ii. The Union is requesting 5,558.63, be up by April 5th and here until after Commencement.
 - 1. Motion to vote: Sen. Pandey
 - 2. Second: Sen. Pariso
 - 3. Motion passes 20-0-0
 - j. PRESIDENTIAL REPORT: Paige Meczyssine
 - i. No report
 - k. REAPPORTIONMENT: Chris Grimpe
 - i. Senator Lersch will present the proposal on removing the Parliamentary position
 - ii. Will be presenting our final proposal next meeting
9. NEW BUSINESS:
- a. [BP001-SP21](#)
 - b. [BP002-SP21](#) [CA001-SP21](#)
 - i. Motion to move to old business: Sen. Lersch
 - 1. Second: Sen. Pandey
 - 2. Motion passes
 - c. [SR001-SP21](#)
 - d. [SR002-SP21](#)
10. OLD BUSINESS:
- a. [BP002-SP21](#)
 - i. Sen. Schneider made a motion to vote
 - 1. Sen. Pariso seconded
 - 2. Motion passed 20-0-0
 - b. [CA001-SP21](#)
 - i. Motion to vote: Sen. Jones
 - 1. Second: Sen. Pariso
 - 2. Motion passes 20-0-0
11. FORUM OF CONCERNS:
- a. None
12. POSTMORTEM:

13. ADJOURNMENT:

- a. Sen. Raimondi
- b. Sen. Hoeksema
- c. Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm