

## October 6, 2006 Student Government Meeting

Meeting called to order at 4:01 p.m.

### **Roll Call:**

Executives: Marcus Vigil, Heather Vigil, Crissy Counsellor, Joanna Reusser

Senators: Lori Bryant, Alma Galicia, Teresa Granados, Vince Huseynli, Erkki Kochketola, Benjamin Peak, Misty Perrin, and Mitchell Royer

Advisor: Marvin Rasch

Judicial: Chuck Norton, Jessica Hanning, and Sharin Raval

Cabinet: Mindy Troxel

Guests/Constituents: The Preface, Teresa Santos, and David Romero

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Misty motioned to approve the minutes for Sept. 22, 2006. Lori 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Motion passed with the president's amendment about the constitution committee.

### **Executive Reports:**

President: Marcus said the Gulu walk is Oct 22. Planners are looking at starting it's registration at Potawatomi park. Marcus would like to see everyone in the SGA there. The walk will end at IUSB. The event will raise awareness of mistreated children in Uganda. He would like to see the presidential bylaw passed in new business today.

ZooBoo is taking place October 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>. It is a safe environment for children to trick-or-treat in. The Student Alumni Association will volunteer on the 27<sup>th</sup>. The SGA could cover the 28<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup>. Marcus asked which senators had been contacted by their academic committee. Four senators raised their hand.

Vice President: Joanna requested that everyone send their committee reports to her. She has only received one, and she needs those submitted as soon as possible.

Secretary: Heather had nothing to report.

Treasurer: Crissy updated the budget. There is \$8778.85 left in the budget, but that does not include the Leadership Training Day funding. It will be updated by next Friday. There were roughly 52 clubs that signed up for Leadership training day.

### **Judicial Report:**

Chuck said the Club Council Committee is suspended until Tuesday. PDF and hard copies will then be given out.

### **Advisor Report:**

Marvin said that the SGA needs to decide who will have access to the SGA email address. Students approached Marvin at the LTD in regard to the use of the SGA's color copier. This issue needs to be looked at. Marvin said that the SGA needs to get back to representing the students, and that personal vendettas/grudges need to be eliminated.

Marcus stated that he will be presenting a Presidential State of the SGA address next Friday.

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

Misty motioned to discuss new member election. Erkki 2<sup>nd</sup>.

*(Mindy entered at 4:15)*

After Cynthia entered the room, Erkki motioned to open the floor to constituents and table the motion to new member election.

Cynthia came to explain where the Djembre Orchestra issue stands. She stated she is not the primary contact for this event, but rather the contact that approached the five clubs to approach the SGA, to help fund the Djembre to come and play at campus. Dr. Johnnie Griffin has been working with the Office of Fundraising and Development for over two years on this issue. The SGA gave \$1500 to help get the visas for these people last year. The money was given to them and they are working on getting their visas right now. In two years time, the band has changed its name to Fabula. IUSB is checking that the band has most of its main members left. Cynthia hoped that March would be the month to bring them here. There is no complete guarantee this event will happen. The only money spent so far out of the \$10,000 total, is the \$1500 that the SGA gave. The SGA needs a confirmation that the band members are indeed working to get their appointments. Cynthia is willing to try and get a letter/confirmation for the \$1500.

Misty motioned to reopen the table to discuss the election. Erkki 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Misty asked the President to go into the executive meeting. The President obliged.

Closed session started at 4:34p.m.

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The Vice President called the meeting back to order at 5:09p.m.

Erkki moved to vote on the candidates. Mitch 2<sup>nd</sup>.

*Voting went as follows:*

Lori: David Romero, Teresa Santos, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, and Mphatso Jumbe

Erkki: David Romero, Mphatso Jumbe, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, and Kim Muncie

Mitch: David Romero, Mphatso Jumbe, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, and Catherine Vogel

Teresa: Mphatso Jumbe, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, David Romero, and Teresa Santos

Alma: David Romero, Mphatso Jumbe, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, and Catherine Vogel

Ben: David Romero, Mphatso Jumbe, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, and Teresa Santos

Vince: Kim Muncie, Teresa Santos, Mphatso Jumbe, and David Romero

Misty: David Romero, Mphatso Jumbe, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, and Teresa Santos

The new senators are: David Romero, Teresa Santos, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, and Mphatso Jumbe

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**New Business:**

Erkki moved to discuss the SGA nameplates, shirts, and nametags. Misty 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Erkki said the committee recommends the same shirt style as last year. It will cost \$193 for shirts. The committee recommends keeping last year's names plate, and having only names, not positions, on the plate. They recommend one name plate for the Cabinet and one for the Judicial branch. The price for

this is \$216. The committee recommends not selling nameplates to its members, because they can be reused. There is no decision regarding nametags, but will be at the next meeting.

Misty thought that selling the nameplates should be a personal decision. Marcus agreed. Ben didn't like the idea of nameplates at all. Marcus thought that after initial investment had been made for the plates, the SGA should continue to utilize the plates at minimal cost.

*(Alma left at 5:24pm)*

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Misty motioned to table the issue and send it back to the committee. Ben 2<sup>nd</sup>.

In favor: Lori Bryant, Teresa Granados, Vince Huseynli, Benjamin Peak, Misty Perrin, and Mitchell Royer

Opposed: Erkki Kochketola (Alma Galicia-absent)

Abstentions: None

Motion passed.

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Misty motioned to discuss the SGA stipends. Erkki 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Misty said the stipends are a good thing and she really appreciates hers. Erkki agreed with Misty, and said it is further incentive to attract people to the senate.

Vince was concerned that IUSB is the only campus that pays the student government. He said stipends make up about 45% of SGA budget. Marvin said that assumption is incorrect. For example, IU Bloomington pays its SGA. Marvin said it is an individual choice to receive stipends, and if someone doesn't want to receive a stipend, they don't have to. Marcus said that SGA's are paid in different ways. Usually the senators are not paid, but the executives are. They are sometimes paid in books, tuition, etc. He said the Executive boards are almost always paid.

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Mitch motioned to talk about the Presidential Cabinet bylaw. Misty 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Misty said "Chief of Staff" would be a new position. Marcus said the Director of the Academic Senate was important to keep. But the Chief of Staff would be a more general person to help the president with internal/external affairs.

Erkki thought the title to be misleading, because the Chief of Staff wouldn't have a staff. He would like to have it elaborated as to why the president needs this position. Vince suggested instead of having a cabinet, to give those duties to the senate.

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Erkki moved to table issue. Vince 2<sup>nd</sup>.

In favor: Erkki Kochketola, Teresa Granados, and Vince Huseynli

Opposed: Lori Bryant, Ben Peak, Misty Perrin, Mitch Royer, and (Alma-absent)

Motion failed.

Misty stated Marcus is just asking for a name change and extra help.

Erkki withdrew his comments.

Lori said the Chief of Staff position will not have power toward the senate. Marcus agreed.

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Misty motioned to approve the Presidential bylaw. Lori 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Erkki made a friendly amendment to change the enumerations.

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Mitch motioned to call for vote. Misty 2<sup>nd</sup>.

In favor: Lori Bryant, Teresa Granados, Vince Huseynli, Erkki Kochketola, Benjamin Peak, Misty Perrin, and Mitchell Royer

Opposed: (Alma Galicia-absent)

Abstentions: None

Motion passed.

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Misty motioned to discuss the electronic submission of Issue/concern and Funding Request forms. Erkki 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Marvin said students could click a computer link, enter their student login, and then the form would open. They press the submit button, and then they would be given the option of putting in their name and contact information in. Some people like to be anonymous. The form will go to SGA's email address. IT could have this done by mid-October. Who's Who among students could also be online with those forms.

*(Mitch left at 5:50p.m.)*

Vince suggested a legislative email.

Misty motioned to discuss SGA email address. Ben 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Misty said she is willing to check it, but Marcus told her the password had changed.

Ben said the President and Chief of Staff could check it.

Joanna recommended appointing a senator so all branches will have access.

Erkki stated the SGA email could forward its contents to all of senate's email addresses.

Marcus suggested a committee.

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Misty motioned to talk about Allopak funding and club registration after Leadership Training Day. Lori 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Joanna wanted thoughts about clubs getting Allopak money after the deadline.

Teresa and Ben thought they should still be able to receive money.

Marcus agreed, stating Ben's motto to "Keep it real for the students".

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Joanna called to vote: to not have clubs get money after the Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> deadline.

In favor: Erkki Kochketola

Opposed: Lori Bryant, *Alma Galicia (absent)*, Teresa Granados, Vince Huseynli, Benjamin Peak, Misty Perrin, and *Mitchell Royer (absent)*

Motion failed.

Joanna moved to the good of the order. She said the other issues in New Business can be addressed at next Friday's meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.