

January 26, 2007 SGA Meeting

Meeting called to order at 4:05p.m.

Roll Call:

Executives: Marcus Vigil, Joanna Reusser, and Heather Vigil

Senators: Alma Galicia, Mitch Royer, Mphatso Jumbe, Teresa Santos, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, Teresa Granados, (David Romero-4:09), and Misty Perrin (Ben Peak-absent)

Advisor: Marvin Rasch

Cabinet: Colleen Verduin and Mindy Troxel

Judicial: Joseph Spencer and Jessica Hanning

Constituents/Guests: Kristin Prichett, Ivan Blount, the Theater Guild, and the Preface

Approval of Minutes:

Misty motioned to approve the Jan. 12, 2007 minutes. Mitch 2nd.
Motion passed unanimously with those present.

Voicing of Constituents:

Misty motioned to open the floor to constituents. Mitch 2nd.
Motion passed unanimously with those present.

The Theater Guild came to ask the senate to give money to the South Eastern Theatre Conference. It's an event to network with other people in the business and bring new ideas back to IUSB. The enrichment that each person gets from going is very important to their individual concentration. Also, this event will help them in getting a future job.

They are asking for \$1860 to cover their hotel stays at SETC and USITT, and also the travel expenses for SETC and USITT.

Mitch didn't see the true benefit that IUSB would receive from sending six students to this event. Teresa Santos asked who their sponsors were. She asked if anyone was looking into this. Also, questions about where additional funding was coming from were brought up.

Executive Reports:

President: Marcus thought it better to just cover the fees from the Theater Guild. He said they are asking for too much money.

He is appointing Senator Peak to the Treasurer position. He asked for the senate's approval.

Get on the Bus is on Feb. 20th. He is passing around a sign-up sheet. The SGA will be a majority of the student leaders going from this campus. Student leaders will be set up with state legislators. State legislators will talk with the students to find out what the students are concerned about.

Anyone interested in being on the Affirmative Action Committee should contact him. If not, he will wait for new SGA members to put on that and the parking committee. Mitch is interested in the parking committee.

He said the dates for the Arts department were confused. He is in contact with members of arts faculty, and he will send out an email about this later in the week.

(Marcus left at 4:23p.m.)

Vice President: Joanna said that the Chad Pearson tickets are available. Kim Muncie is looking for volunteers for this dance.

She apologized for not getting back to some of the SGA emails. She had a flight fiasco at the airport.

Secretary: Nothing to report.

Committee Reports:

Teresa Santos, from the General Studies Committee, said that the chair hopes to have general program classes online and he hopes to make 2 visits a year to this campus.

Mphatso, from the Bulletin Board Committee, said that Marvin will have information later on the posting policy.

Ngaatendwe met with the IT Committee. They are trying to upgrade to the Vista program. They also talked about the long distance learning. They hope that by next fall there will be more available online classes. Also, the new logo on the IU webpage is being looked at.

Ngaatendwe referred to David for the Search & Screen committee. David said they are still on course for interviews. There are about 13 people that are interested in SGA positions.

Colleen went to the Academic Senate meeting. She said Chancellor Reck's housing plans were done. The building begins next spring. There was talk about outsourcing the book store. It is unlikely to have a labor studies program in the future. The budget committee reported that if students have a small balance on their bursar account, that they can have that waived, so they can register for future classes. They want the school to advertise that students can defer payments or have the option of paying a large amount, while attending class at the same time. The Library Affairs committee has not met currently.

Advisor Report:

Marvin said that on Feb. 2, the Campus Theme Committee is having a brain storming session. This year's theme is about *Campus Sustainability*.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Mitch moved to approve Ben Peak as Treasurer. Ngaatendwe 2nd.

They both thought he would be good for the position.

In favor: David Romero, Teresa Granados, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, Mitch Royer, Teresa Santos, and Misty Perrin

Opposed: Ben Peak (absent)

Abstentions: Mphatso Jumbe

Motion passed.

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Mitch motioned to discuss the proposal for Theater Guild. Misty 2nd.
Mitch didn't see the benefit for IUSB. Misty said it was too much money and there wasn't enough activity from club. Alma said they still have more time to raise money for this event because it isn't until March. David suggested that the SGA matched whatever funds they raised. Mphatso agreed it was too much money to be asking for.

Teresa Santos motioned to fund the \$885 for application fees as of now.
No 2nd.
Motion failed.

David motioned that we offer them the chance to match their raised funds up until two weeks before event, up to a cap of \$930. No 2nd.
Motion failed.

Mitch motioned to give them \$200, with an opportunity to come back at later date. Mphatso 2nd.
Mitch thought it was something we should give them for their time for coming to the SGA.
Mphatso agreed.
Motion passed in a unanimous vote of those present.

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Misty motioned to discuss the Club Council approval. Mitch 2nd.
Marvin said that the SGA approved money for the fall semester. It needed to be approved for spring semester or to be approved indefinitely.

Mitch motioned to approve Club Council indefinitely. Misty 2nd.

Marvin asked about continuing the incentive for meetings. He wanted to clarify the incentive for this semester. He said that otherwise the SGA is committing future money that isn't the SGA's to give.

Ngaatendwe made a friendly amendment to approve Club Council indefinitely and have an expiration date for \$15 per person incentive being at end of this semester.
Motion passed unanimously of those present.

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Mitch motioned to approve the Get on the Bus Initiative. Mitch withdrew his motion.

Misty motioned to discuss the Get on the Bus Initiative. Teresa S. 2nd.

Discussion was deferred to Marvin. Marvin didn't have information at this time. Jamie Metzger brought this up. The SGA will fund an incentive for students of student organizations and clubs to attend the event. The proposal will be the same as last years proposal: \$10/person/club with a limit of 4 people from a club, unless they have 6 or more. 6 people from the same club get \$100 (max at 10 clubs) and the club with 8+ will get an additional \$100, for a total of \$200.

Marvin suggested looking back at last year's incentive, and re-implementing that.

Misty motioned to table the discussion. Teresa S. 2nd.

In favor: Alma Galicia, Mphatso Jumbe, Teresa Santos, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, Teresa Granados, David Romero, and Misty Perrin

Opposed: Ben Peak and Mitch Royer-absent)

Motion passed.

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Misty motioned to discuss the Arts Department proposal. Ngaatendwe 2nd.

Discussion was referred to Teresa. Teresa said the meeting happened a week ago. They are waiting for further information on this.

Ngaatendwe motioned to approve Mitch for being on the parking committee. Misty 2nd.

In favor: Alma Galicia, Mitch Royer, Mphatso Jumbe, Teresa Santos, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, Teresa Granados, David Romero, and Misty Perrin

Opposed: Ben Peak-absent

Motion passed.

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(Mitch left at 4:47p.m.)

Misty motioned to bring back the Get on the Bus motion. Teresa 2nd.

Motion passed.

Misty motioned to reinstate last year's proposal as read by Marvin. Teresa S 2nd.

Teresa said that only one club made \$100 mark, so they ended up giving \$200 to that club.

Marvin agreed, and said all other clubs were four or less people in attendance.

He said that the chancellor funding buses is a great deal.

Ngaatendwe wondered how much we would be financing. Alma wondered how clubs register.

Marvin said there was a sign-up sheet.

Marvin reminded the senate that they would save around \$700 because of the buses.

In favor: Alma Galicia, Mphatso Jumbe, Teresa Santos, Ngaatendwe Mantiziba, Teresa Granados, David Romero, and Misty Perrin

Opposed: Ben Peak and Mitch Royer-absent

Motion passed.

Teresa motioned to continue the discussion of Get on the Bus. Misty 2nd.

She said that since the chancellor was encouraging people to go, some instructors require notes.

She wondered if we could have excuse notes made. Misty agreed. Marvin said no one can force the professors to make that decision. He suggested lobbying to not get penalized.

Misty motioned to move to the good of the order.

For the Good of the Order:

Joanna has a meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 1-2p.m. with Bill O'Donnell for setting the budget for next academic year. She encouraged people to go.

Mindy said that in regard to the Chad Pearson event, if you are interested there is a meeting on Feb. 3 at FOP lodge in Mishawaka from 10:00a.m.-11:30a.m.

Marvin said that the SGA is delinquent in establishing a budget committee. The budget hearings are to be reconsidered because of the Spring Break change. There is more leeway this year. We will get Ben working on this.

Meeting is adjourned at 5:00p.m.