

Indiana University South Bend (IUSB) Student Government Association (SGA)
Regular Meeting
February 29, 2008

The regular session of the Student Government Association was called to order by Vice President Matthew Lopez at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, February 29, 2008 in room SAC #225. Acting Secretary Aleah Wilburn, recording for Teresa Santos.

Roll Call

Executives: Ivan Blount, Matthew Lopez, Nathan Reinhold

Senate: Amanda Acosta, Obadiah Counsellor, Julio Cruz, Zach Duncan, Amelie Kanovsky, Aleah Wilburn, Rema El-Ammori, Benjamin Fries, Sineyda, Requeno, Isaiah Counsellor. (absent; Isabel Dieppa, Maria Granados [4:22]).

Judicial: Robyn Black

Advisor: Sam Centellas

Senator Zachary Duncan moved to change the minutes from last week. The motion passed.

Senator Zachary Duncan moved the minutes from February 22, 2008 be approved with the following changes:

(Senator Obadiah Counsellor) wants more information about the by-law recording, he wants more information regarding the by-law.

Senator Julio Cruz wants to be excused in the minutes from last week's meeting.

Senator Amanda Acosta was absent but was excused as well.

The motion passed.

Voicing of the Constituents:

None

Introduction of Senate Candidates:

Candidates for Senate step forward:

Rema El-Ammori, Junior Chemistry Major
Andres Paz, Junior Spanish Education Major
Sineyda Requeno, Junior Nursing Major
Ben Fries, Sophomore Secondary Education Major
Toby Cripe, Senior English Major
Isaiah Counsellor, Freshman Finance Major

Senator Amelie Kanovsky moved to go into Executive Session. The motion passed.

(Voice Recorder Off)

Senator Amelie Kanovsky moved to enter Regular Business at 4:03. The motion passed.

Election of New Senators.

Senator Zachary Duncan moved to elect Rema El-Ammori as Senator. The motion passed.

Senator Zachary Duncan moved to elect Benjamin Fries as Senator. The motion passed.

Senator Zachary Duncan moved to elect Sineyda Requeno as Senator. The motion passed.

Senator Zachary Duncan moved to elect Toby Cripe as Senator. The motion failed.

Senator Zachary Duncan moved to elect Andres Paz as Senator. The motion failed.

Senator Zachary Duncan moved to elect Isaiah Counsellor as Senator. The motion passed.

Newly elected Senators are as follows:

Rema el-Ammori, Benjamin Fries, Sineyda Requeno, Isaiah Counsellor.

Executive reports:

President

The Constitution Committee met during the executive session this week—updated on changes and recommendations for the Senators to look at.

Alternative Spring Break—email in regards to this. You have the option to participate but we have one member who would like to participate. There is a fee that is imposed for going on the trip: \$195.00 for one credit; \$15.00 to go. Can we get support from the SGA to have some sort of funding to help alleviate the cause for the member, which is good representation on our behalf to help the community in Nappanee, IN. Take this into consideration.

Vice President

Vice President Matthew Lopez read a letter to the SGA from Teresa Santos, announcing her step down from Parliamentarian. Santos will continue to fulfill her Executive responsibility as Secretary.

Lopez asked that everyone continue to help out with the tables for the Dance Marathon.

Secretary

None.

Treasurer

Treasurer Nathan Reinhold reported that the Budget Committee met yesterday and a timeline will be presented to the SGA for approval. The plan is to make the same, the budgets of Titan Productions and the SGA. Restructure the amendment for if Titan Productions needs money for a concert, and re-word this to say that budgets need to be equal.

President Blount stated, "the only thing that will change, will be leveling our budget with Titan Productions." Blount clarified the additional funding amendment that states that Titan Productions needs this clarified in the amendment.

Advisor Report

None.

Committee reports:

Election Committee

Admissions and Advising

Director of Academic Senate, Lokia Osborne reported that this committee is meeting today and she will be at the meeting. Vice-President Matthew Lopez serves on that committee and will report on it next week.

Justice Robyn Black reported that her committee will meet on the 5th.

Old business:

None

New business

Senator Obadiah Counsellor moved to approve Vice President Matthew Lopez' appointment of Senator Zachary Duncan as Parliamentarian. The motion passed.

For the Good of the Order

Dance Marathon

Julio reported that this committee has met and presented a letter that Center for the Homeless wrote that will go to the high school. He pointed out that there is an error that the letter states the SGA is receiving money. Julio said the SGA is not receiving money and that they (Anne McGraw) will send new letters to the high schools making those corrections. How can we involve the High Schools in the Dance Marathon? We need some help on this. How creative can we be? We need volunteers to go to the high schools.

Aleah reported that on March 15, 2008, they will be participating in the St. Patrick's Day Parade to advertise the Dance Marathon in South bend. She would like all SGA members on committees present at this event and it will be an awesome way to reach the community.

Senator Zachary Duncan moves to adjourn.

Adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Recorded by: *Senator Aleah Wilburn*

Date: *02/29/2008*

Secretary: *Teresa G. Santos*

Date: *03/27/2008*

Signature: _____

Date approved: *03/21/2008*