

Student Government Association Minutes for 5 September 2008

O. Counsellor called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.

Black called the role: Present: Blue, O. Counsellor, Richmond, Black, I. Counsellor, Duncan, El-Ammori, Fanno, Fries, and Centellas (3:40pm), Lopez 4:00pm).

Fries motioned to approve the 15 August 2008 minutes; Duncan seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Counsellor, I. motioned to approve the 29 August 2008 minutes: Fries seconded, motion passed unanimously.

There was no Voicing of the Constituents.

President's report: Blue met with Chancellor Reck and discussed the need to get flyers onto the residential housing bulletin boards. He was given the name of Housing Director Paula Smith. Blue called Smith to discuss the need for SGA to be able to inform residents of SGA activities. Smith said there is no policy in place, but an exception will be made for SGA recruitment flyers. Black added that Fries took the flyers to the Community Building for distribution by the RA's.

Blue is to meet Dean Russo of the Schurtz Library for lunch on 26 September 2008 to discuss the library working more with the student government this year.

There will be no SGA meeting on 19 September 2008 due to the Student Trustees meeting that Blue and O. Counsellor are attending.

Vice President's Report: O. Counsellor asked the Senate for a good time for a Senate meeting. Several times on 11 September were suggested, but 9 September 2008 at 7:30pm will work best for all senators but Duncan.

Secretary: Black asked the body to consider going to the 19 September 2008 Academic Senate Meeting since there would be no student government meeting that day.

Head of Treasury: Richmond reports the Allopak Committee has set a goal of \$50 per registered student club, which is a \$10 increase from last year.

Advisor: Centellas has set the deadline for club registration for 30 September 2008 since the Allopak funds will be distributed following a Senate vote at the 3 October 2008 meeting. Clubs may still register at any time during the school year, but any club registering after 30 September 2008 will not be receiving Allopak funds for the 2008-2009 school year. Centellas will make the final number of registered clubs available at the 3 October 2008 SGA meeting.

The American Cancer Society is interested in having IU South Bend sponsor a Relay for Life event. This event asks teams to collect pledges to the American Cancer Society, in exchange for making sure that one of their team members is walking at all time during the 24 hour Relay. This is a very large undertaking, although this event comes with an events manual which makes it easier to put it together than something like the Dance Marathon. Centellas invited the American Cancer Society to welcome week to see if they could get some student interest in bringing the event to IU South Bend. 70 people

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were registered during Welcome Week and the American Cancer Society is having an interest meeting. It would be important to find out when other walks are scheduled in our area.

Service orientated clubs have been mostly non-existent during the past 3 years since Community Outreach Office was closed.

If you would like to schedule a meeting with Centellas, please email a few brackets of time you are available that he can pick from.

Old Business:

Fanno motioned to discuss the funding request packet and I. Counsellor seconded the motion. Fanno asked Blue to know the goals of the new funding request packet. Blue responded that it is the goal of his administration to make the SGA more accountable in spending student activity fees and funding club events. Fanno moved to put the Funding Request Packet to Committee which would report back to the body in 7 days, El-Ammori seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

Requeno motioned to approve Richmond, Black, El-Ammori, and Fanno to the Funding Request Committee, Fries seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Counsellor, I moved to discuss the GuluWalk, Requeno seconded. Richmond states that GuluWalk happens on a National Day to raise money and awareness for the children orphaned by the 20 year long civil war in Uganda. This year the date is set for 12 October and the program lasts about 3 hours. Registration takes 30 minutes, the actual walk takes 30 minutes and then there will be a couple of educational speakers afterwards. The body was asked if anyone wanted to volunteer for a committee, but I. Counsellor moved to table the discussion of GuluWalk, Requeno seconded and the motion passed.

New Business: none

Good of the Order:

Requeno stated that clubs only have 11 days to register. Centellas pointed out they can register at any time, they just will not receive Allopak funding. Several clubs had already registered at the beginning of the semester.

Suggestions for SGA work to be done during your office hours: make sure you empty and read your mailbox, filing documents in your binder: go over the minutes and email the Secretary any changes or additions you find necessary. Prepare for your committee meetings. In general we need more participation.

Centellas said 4 to 5 applications for Senators had been turned in. He also encouraged the SGA to use their office hours to prepare for the next meeting.

Lopez suggests that if any funding requests are pending, that everyone take the time to review the old funding requests which are kept in binders in the back of the office.

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Fries motions to adjourn, Duncan seconds.

O. Counsellor adjourns the meeting at 4:08 pm.