Friday January 22, 2015
Called to order at 9:04am.

Attendance

Present:
Executives: President Van, Vice President Kassem, Treasurer Wagner, Secretary Early

Senate: Bhagat, Bogard, Cagle, Cope, H. Klopfenstein, L. Klopfenstein, Roach, Salisbury, Santos

Cabinet: Chief Justice Johnson

Absent: Atem, Redman

1) Voice of Constituents
   a) Marketing Club
      i) The marketing club is requesting funds for February 17th for their trip to American Advertising Federation Mosaic Career Fair.
      ii) The club raised $1800 from their biggest fundraiser this year before subtracting expenses.
      iii) Club members explain that their goal is to network, meet professionals, and create opportunities; hopefully this will allow doors to open to offices in Chicago and New York.
      iv) Total budget breakdown in provided packet; the club is paying for transportation to Chicago as well as food.
      v) Alberto says they are requesting as much as SGA is willing to give toward the grand total of $6020.
   b) Question & Answer
      i) Senator Salisbury suggests asking the Dean to match an amount.
      ii) Alberto says they will be speaking to the Dean about funding in more detail.
      iii) Senator Salisbury says they found excellent prices for flights and a hotel.
      iv) Senator Bogard asks if they would like to cover the cost for all students fully or if they will be required to pay a certain amount toward the trip.
      v) The Marketing President says they would really like to get the trip covered in order to avoid excluding anyone for financial reasons.
vi) Senator Cagle asks prior to asking the Dean for funding how much of the total cost do they have covered right now.

vii) Alberto says it is hard to put an exact number on it but they will divide out of pocket the remaining amount following funding from the Dean and SGA.

viii) Senator Salisbury asks if the plane tickets and lodging have been booked yet.

ix) The club is waiting to secure funding before booking.

x) Senator Bhagat motions to extend time 10 minutes.

xi) All in favor, so moved.

xii) Senator Bogard asks if Air B&B allows booking and cancelling two weeks prior to the trip.

xiii) Marketing President says they do but it includes a cancellation fee.

xiv) President Van says due to the timing and transition period Air B&B is in they are refunding if necessary and really focusing on customer service.

xv) Senator Bogard motions to fund up to $2,200 for accommodations and registration to Advertising and Marketing Club for the American Advertising Federation Mosaic Career Fair.

c) Discussion

i) Senator Bogard says this is a great experience especially for Juniors and Seniors; will be great for their careers and IUSB as a campus.

ii) Senator Santos says they did a great job organizing and planning an enriching trip.

iii) Senator Cagle says she supports the event.

iv) Senator L. Klopfenstein commends them for having so many students signed up to go.

v) Senator Salisbury commends their hard work and the opportunities that may be created for our students.

vi) All in favor: Senators Bhagat, Bogard, Cagle, Cope, L. Klopfenstein, Roach, Salisbury, and Santos

vii) Abstentions: Senator H. Klopfenstein due to conflict of interest

viii) Motion to fund the Marketing and Advertising Club up to $2,200 for accommodations and registration for the American Advertising Federation Mosaic Career Fair passes.

d) Fan Day

i) Vice President Kassem apologizes for not getting the budget written up for us to view, but the funding request is for up to $350 for pizza and pop for Fan Day.

ii) The last Fan Day served over 200 students.

iii) This time is a black out – wear black!

iv) Senator Cagle brings up whether or not it would be ethically okay to purchase pizza from Papa John’s rather than dining services

v) Senator Santos says she does know that dining services are being more lenient with organizations using other pizza than their own when events are later at night

vi) Sponsorship for up to $350 for pizzas and cans of pop

vii) Athletics department is paying for advertising and printing

viii) Senator Cope says students prefer Papa John’s

ix) Senator Roach motions to fund up to $350 for pizza and pop

x) Senator Cope seconds the motion

xi) All in favor, so moved.

xii) Volunteers:
2) President’s Report
   a) President Van says that last week we handled the Etext conversation well by voicing our opinions and speaking on things we think are important
   b) Chancellor Allison says Senator Cope did a great job with the search and screen committee and represented the SGA very well 😊
   c) Need appointments for another search and screen committee

3) Vice President’s Report
   a) Vice President Kassem says she met with BSU, they are working on upcoming events on campus and their first meeting of the semester is coming up
   b) Met with Karen White recently, she said disabled students are not taking advantage of their rights, or are not coming to disabilities office until its nearly too late
   c) April Lidinsky; Feminist Student Union and one other club are losing their club rooms
   d) Steve from Campus Fellowship; this summer they are visiting Mexico and are in need of any baseball supplies

4) Treasurer’s Report
   a) Currently have 40% of allocated budget but will soon be 79% when additional inactive club money is added soon

5) Secretary’s Report
   a) Office hours will continue with self-set hours documented on the sign-in sheet

6) Judicial Report
   a) Chief Justice Johnson says the Senate needs to approve the revised by-laws
   b) Cannot begin campaigning until after Spring Break

7) Committee Reports
   a) Please send updated internal or external committee reports to Vice President Kassem
   b) Town Hall
      i) Unofficial report: looking at February 23-24th, brainstorming ideas, need input from the senate

8) New Business
   a) Banded Tuition
      i) Senator Cagle thinks we need to discuss banded tuition and personally research it so that we can understand it ourselves and then help students to understand
      ii) President Van says this is a Board of Trustees decision and student input is extremely important; she has been pushing the issue and representing IUSB
      iii) Senator Cagle says she believes it is too late to change this for the Fall; however, student concern and voice is where the power lies – the more students that speak up, the more things get changed
      iv) Senator Cope says she has never seen banded tuition at a regional campus and it effects every campus differently
v) Vice President Kassem says this will put stress on students, force students to take more credit hours than they can handle, and negatively affect a lot of students

vi) Senator Bogard notes that it will encourage students to take classes that are easy and not relevant to their academics

vii) Senator Sailsbury notes that graduation rate is 6% and that this could help our students graduate quicker; he strongly suggests that we need to have administration present if we are to continue this conversation

viii) Senator Cope notes that we are forcing our campus to be more traditional

ix) Senator Cagle says this also affects 21st century scholars

x) Vice President Kassem explains how this negatively effects single parents and all non-traditional students

xi) President Van has been meeting with administration; based off of campus actions and consultants brought in the goal for 2018 is looking much more traditional

xii) Senator Bogard suggests pushing more non-traditional scholarships and program specific scholarships

xiii) Senator Santos says it is interesting to apply this to our campus when we have Notre Dame and Bethel surrounding us, maybe IU is trying to compete with them

b) Money Smarts
   i) Replaced Office of Financial Literacy
   ii) Moneysmarts.iu.edu
   iii) Paola in Bloomington helps with wellness, can set up Skype appointments
   iv) Contact Senator Salisbury with questions

c) WERC
   i) Wiekamp Educational Resource Center
   ii) Located in EA building
   iii) Great resource for presentations and projects

d) Library
   i) Librarians are here to help
   ii) Multimedia room is now the One Button Media room
   iii) Games, GoPro, drawing tablets, etc available for checkout

9) For the good of the order:
   a) President Van has a 12:00pm meeting with Dr. Bennion
   b) Vice President Kassem heard back from Brave Training coordinators; next Friday we will be training from 9:15am-10:30am
   c) Senator Cagle motions to adjourn the meeting
   d) Senator Bogard seconds the motion
   e) All in favor, so moved, meeting adjourned at 11:00am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00am.