Friday February 19, 2015
Called to order at 9:04am.

Attendance

Present:
Executives: President Van, Vice President Kassem, Treasurer Wagner, Secretary Early
Senate: Bhagat, Bogard, Cagle, Cope, L. Klopfenstein, Redman, Roach, Salisbury, Santos
Cabinet: Advisor Strittmatter

Absent: Chief Justice Johnson, Senators Atem and H. Klopfenstein

1) Approval of Minutes
   a. Senator Bogard motions to approve minutes from January 19, 2016.
   b. All in favor, so moved.
   c. Senator Bogard motions to approve minutes from February 5, 2016.
   d. All in favor: Bogard, Cagle, Cope, L. Klopfenstein, Redman, Roach, Salisbury, Santos
   e. Abstentions: Bhagat (due to absence)

2) Treasurer's Report
   a. Treasurer Wagner says we currently have 47% left of the allocated budget.
   b. With the tabled funding request amount taken out, remaining budget drops down to 31%.
   c. Remember that funding certain events and organizations can set precedence for future requests.
   d. Senator Bogard clarifies that departments funded from the student activity fee can be funded further according to the Constitution.
   e. Vice President Kassem points out that they just want us to consider what organizations are and are not student led.
   f. Treasurer Wagner notes to remember that sponsorships are possible.

3) President's Report
   a. President Van says she met with Chancellor Allison this week discussed banded tuition.
b. Thank you everyone for your hard work during this hard time in the semester.

4) Secretary’s Report
   a. Committee list has been updated please contact Secretary Early with any changes you see necessary.

5) Vice President’s Report
   a. Vice President Kassem says she will further discuss committee updates in the Committee Report.

6) Advisor’s Report
   a. Open House tomorrow at Civil Rights Heritage Center tomorrow from 10am to noon.
   b. Would love some SGA members to show up and help welcome prospective students.
   c. Super Mario Smash Brothers tournament this Wednesday, February 24th in Housing 6-8pm.
   e. SGA Applications available for next year.
   f. Award Nominations available.

7) Judicial Report
   a. Chief Justice Johnson is currently at Vision 2020 meeting.
   b. Senator Santos suggests we all to spread the word and encourage students to run.

8) Committee Reports
   a. Town Hall
      i. Senator Salisbury says this is going on Tuesday February 23rd from 11am-2pm.
      ii. Open house type environment, students can ask questions.
      iii. Possibly scheduling another Town Hall in the evening.
      iv. Senator Bhagat says they are working together to set up an agenda.
      v. Senator Bogard has made an event on TitanAtlas.
   b. Search & Screen
      i. Vice President Kassem says they will be meeting directly after today’s meeting.
      ii. Bringing in the four applicants.
      iii. Decide to put the two best applicants before the Senate.
   c. Awards
      i. Vice President Kassem says great job to everyone on this committee for communicating well through email this week.
      ii. Two parts: selection of winners and banquet.
      iii. If you have questions regarding selections and nominees, contact Senator L. Klopfenstein.
   d. Budget
      i. Meeting this coming week, budget should be finalized in the next week or two.
9) Old Business

   a. Legislation is to fund up to $2800 for Raclin School of Arts
      i. Senator Cagle motions to discuss the tabled request.
      ii. Senator Bogard seconds the motion.
      iii. All in favor, so moved.
      iv. Treasurer Wagner invites the constituents to comment or add information as we are discussing.
      v. Dr. Curtis says money funding the department from SGA is in a certain account and can only be spent in certain ways, not however they choose.
      vi. Two more students have joined for this trip.
      vii. Lindsay, organization treasurer, says there is definitely a student-led aspect to this trip; students ran all fundraising.
      viii. Another member adds that this is not a required trip, these are students who are putting in time outside of school and rehearsing on their own time to prepare for this performance.
      ix. Senator Bogard suggests focusing on how big of a role the students are playing in this situation.
      x. Senator Salisbury notes that this is a very reasonable request, each student needs $100 towards airfare; this is a huge event for our university.
      xi. Senator Cope asks for confirmation of remaining budget.
      xii. Treasurer Wagner says with this funding taken out we would have $7,662 left; however, more funding from inactive clubs will be coming into our account.
      xiii. Vice President Kassem suggests thinking about how most of the events we have funded thus far have been off-campus.
      xiv. Senator Bogard suggests remembering the precedence we have already set and how it will be difficult to say no to this request when we have already funded others that are similar.
      xv. Senator Bhagat motions to make a friendly amendment to fund Raclin School of Arts up to $2500 for airfare to Carnegie Hall.
      xvi. Senator Salisbury accepts the friendly amendment.
      xvii. Senator Salisbury mentions the emergency funds for SGA as well as the incoming funds from inactive clubs.
      xviii. Treasurer Wagner asks if Dr. Curtis thinks they will have this opportunity again.
      xix. Dr. Curtis explains that this is a rare occasion and the department was invited; unless budgets change in future years this opportunity may not happen again.
      xx. Senator Bhagat asks if IUSB is the only organization performing that night.
      xxi. Dr. Curtis says they have a solo spot (big deal!!) in the performance.
      x xii. All in favor: Roach, L. Klopfenstein, H. Klopfenstein, Bogard, Salisbury, Bhagat
      x xiii. Opposed: Redman, Cope, Cagle, Atem, and Santos
      x xiv. Motion to fund Raclin School of Arts up to $2500 for air fare for the trip to Carnegie Hall passes.
      x xv. Senator L. Klopfenstein motions for a discussion for 10 minutes.
xxvi. Senator Cope seconds the motion.
xxvii. President Van suggests allowing the funding requests to be presented and then move into a Senatorial Session.

10) Voice of Constituents
   a. Equestrian Club
      i. President of the club explains that last year this was a new club that started with 7 members and they now have 20 members with 15 competitors (3 qualified for regionals).
      ii. Club has done fundraising this year but most of it has already been spent on previous competitions.
      iii. Funding request for up to $700 to send the 3 competitors to regionals
      iv. Senator Cope asks who they compete against.
      v. Club President says they compete against other qualifying universities (including IU Bloomington, Ball State, Purdue).
      vi. Senator Bogard asks if we fund this event will the individuals have to pay anything out of pocket.
      vii. Club President says yes there are still costs that will be paid out of pocket.
      viii. Senator Bogard motions to fund up to $420 for trainer/trailer and class entry fee.
      ix. Senator L. Klopfenstein seconds the motion.
      x. Senator Bogard explains that she chose to fund these specific areas because the trainer fee is one of the bigger costs and the entry fee is why they are going.
      xi. Advisor Strittmatter says that the Equestrian Club may have received funding from the club sports account.
      xii. Senator L. Klopfenstein makes a friendly amendment that if they do receive the club sports funding we will not fund it.
      xiii. The motion on the floor is to fund the $420 if they do not get funding from club sports.
      xiv. All in favor, so moved.
   b. Senator L. Klopfenstein motions for a Senatorial Session for 10 minutes with the Senate, Executives, and Advisor Strittmatter.
      i. Senator Bogard seconds the motion.
      ii. All in favor, motion passes.
   c. Senator Cagle motions to extend the Senatorial Session for 10 minutes.
      i. Senator Santos seconds the motion.
      ii. All in favor, so moved.
   d. Senator Salisbury motions to extend the Senatorial Session for 10 minutes.
      i. Senator Cagle seconds the motion.
      ii. All in favor, so moved.

11) New Business
   a. Senator Roach motions to make a friendly amendment to the Special Senate Rule: 2/3 of sitting senators must be present to reach quorum and 51% of those present, including proxy votes, must vote “yes” for a piece of legislation to pass as stated in the Constitution.
i. Senator L. Klopfenstein seconds the motion.
ii. Senator Cagle suggests using the term "sitting" Senators for quorum.
iii. All in favor, so moved.

b. Senator Roach motions to sponsor Raclin School of Arts up to $2500 for the trip to Carnegie Hall.
   i. Senator L. Klopfenstein seconds the motion.
   ii. Senator L. Klopfenstein expresses concern about students inquiring about this during Town Hall.
   iii. Senator Salisbury says it sounds like we want to get them the money in some way, and that we should let the Judicial Branch deal with the grievances, should any be filed.
   iv. Legislation on the floor dies.
   v. Senator Cagle motions to adjourn the meeting.
   vi. Senator Salisbury seconds the motion.
   vii. All in favor, meeting is adjourned at 11:17am.

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