

Student Senate: Minutes
October 26, 2007

1. Prayer/Minutes/Roll (H. Walsh)
 - 1.1. Absent: C. Escue, D. French, W. Grogan, S. Lamb, A. Mailen, K. Meyer
 - 1.2. DeRosa motions to approve minutes.
 - 1.2.1. Muth seconds
2. Executive Reports
 - 2.1. President's Report (C. Molitoris)
 - 2.1.1. This was an exciting week! Midnight Madness had a great turnout. The Office Convention started today with a bang! This weekend will live in our hearts and minds forever. Look forward, Senators, to working in connection with all of us. I want to welcome Michelle and Mary Heather who are observing us today. We also have C.J. video taping today's meeting.
 - 2.1.2. Director of Technology's Report (E. Speelman)
 - 2.1.2.1. I'm getting the website up to date. There will be a contact sheet uploaded soon. I also plan on putting up committee reports. The script for the newsfeed is under progress.
 - 2.1.3. Treasurer's Report (J. Beech)
 - 2.1.3.1. You can find the report after the minutes in today's packet. The report is pretty standard and the budget looks fine.
3. Senate Standing Committees
 - 3.1. Academic Affairs (D.Jones)
 - 3.1.1. I have nothing strictly to add for Academic Affairs Committee but I do have information for the Summer Courses Committee. We are working on surveys for the classes. Nicole Thomsen met with Dr. Welsh. The surveys will be out by Thanksgiving. Please let me know if you would like to help. We will eventually need students for focus groups
 - 3.2. Appropriations (J. Beech)
 - 3.2.1. We did not meet.
 - 3.3. Ignatian Awareness (M. Searles)
 - 3.3.1. We are in tip top shape. Everything is found in the report.
 - 3.4. Residence Life and Dining Services (D. Mooney)
 - 3.4.1. We discussed ideas for the new student center.
 - 3.4.2. C. Molitoris: How did the Dining Services event go on Thursday?
 - 3.4.3. Mooney: Messy but good! We got our faces out there.
 - 3.4.4. C. Molitoris: Why messy?
 - 3.4.5. Mooney: The cotton candy.
 - 3.5. Safety and Crime Prevention (C. Cervi)
 - 3.5.1. We had the Public Safety Forum. Escue took notes and I came late due to class. Escue had an idea to have a forum for off-campus students so that they can know their rights. We will work on this forum for next semester.
4. Senate Forum
 - 4.1. Meet and Greet
 - 4.1.1. Cervi: It was originally planned for this coming Tuesday but we moved it to Tuesday, November 6. We plan on needing \$75 for the coffee. We talked

to Jon about the budget. We also want to have music. The card we will hand out has the Senators with their committees on the front and the executives are listed on the back. The event will go from 11:30 to 1 pm.

- 4.1.2. McShea: Where will this take place?
 - 4.1.3. Cervi: Gunster Patio.
 - 4.1.4. McShea: Be careful about the volume of the music because you will be near St. Thomas.
 - 4.1.5. DiLeo: Someone suggested having emails on the cards. I don't think we can fit both the Senators' and the Executives' emails. Does anyone have a preference for which ones to include?
 - 4.1.6. Hayden: Put the Executives' emails.
 - 4.1.7. Beech: The Executives are in the corporate directory. They could search for us. You could put a note on the bottom.
 - 4.1.8. Cervi: Email me the flyers and any other ideas.
- 4.2. Public Safety Escort Service
- 4.2.1. McKeaney: This topic was given to me as properly written legislation; however I decided to put in the Forum to see your views. Working at the hospital, I do know that they have a taxi service. Public Safety has a problem giving escorts because of staffing issues. They give escorts on a case by case basis.
 - 4.2.2. Cervi: Chief Pomager was in favor of this idea in principle. But the staff has to decide what's more important, the safety of one or many?
 - 4.2.3. Searles: This is an important issue that I understand because I am an RA. One AC is looking for a taxi service for the University. There are many freshmen in the hospitals not knowing how to get back.
 - 4.2.4. C. Molitoris: Sometimes Public Safety will pick up students. They weigh the safety of the campus versus the safety of one person. If it is not safe on campus they cannot send a vehicle to the hospital. My resident broke his foot last year. This was not an emergency but he did need the hospital. He didn't want to spend the \$350 for an ambulance so a taxi service would be great.
 - 4.2.5. DeRosa: Does Public Safety know how often this issue occurs? I understand the issue of jeopardizing the campus, but it sounds to me like they are saying it's impossible. If they could make it possible it would be a great service. We need to put pressure on Public Safety. I was in the hospital with a resident who slit his hand. I think that taking on a taxi system would cost a lot of money for a few incidents.
 - 4.2.6. McKeaney: You want numbers but you should wait to charter a bill until you get the numbers.
 - 4.2.7. Hayden: What about wellness? Can't they go to them?
 - 4.2.8. Searles: My understanding is that the University has a contract that the students must receive ambulatory services to the hospital, so why not extend that to a ride back?
 - 4.2.9. McShea: The University doesn't pay for the ambulatory service but for a contract for focus on us. Families can pay a little a year so that they don't have to pay the ambulance fee.

- 4.2.10. C. Molitoris: A taxi service is currently not in the contract so we were considering doing vouchers. Pat Vacaro from Community Outreach is thinking of providing vouchers to students at no cost. I don't think vouchers could be under the contract.
- 4.2.11. McKeane: Any more suggestions for DeRosa or the bill?
- 4.3. DeRosa: When are we meeting next semester?
- 4.4. McKeane: Friday at 3:15 pm.
- 4.5. C. Molitoris: We are looking for prime locations to have meetings in DeNaples.
- 4.6. Searles: Can we go back to Thursday meeting times?
- 4.7. McKeane: No, there are too many conflicts.
- 4.8. Cervi: Can we continue to do submitted committee reports?
- 4.9. McKeane: Chairs, what do you think?
 - 4.9.1. Chairs all agree.
- 4.10. Cervi: For the Senate contact email are we doing a personalized or mass email?
- 4.11. McShea: We never finalized on that
- 4.12. Mooney: Can you just send the contact list that was created?
- 4.13. McKeane: Yes that sounds good.
- 4.14. McShea: I want to thank everyone for their participation thus far in the Office Convention. Remember that you are representing the University this weekend. This morning's coverage was great and so was your spirit.
- 4.15. Searles motions to adjourn.
 - 4.15.1. Jones seconds.