

Student Government Association
Assembly Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2010

Executive Members Present: Student Body President Spialek, Vice President Fettner, Executive Director Krug, Secretary of Public Relations Brewer, Secretary of Student Fees Cahanin, Secretary of Programs Green, Secretary of Governmental Affairs Preston, Secretary of Diversity Affairs Hall, Secretary of Sustainability Moore

Assembly Members Present: President of the Assembly Carnahan, Vice President of the Assembly Hochhauser, Secretary of the Assembly McMahan, Senator Thornton, Senator Pankow, Senator Ruedig, Senator Palmer, Senator Harris, Senator Monahan, Senator Owens, Senator Larson, Senator Marquis, Senator Yancey, Senator Kodman, Senator Rubashkin, Senator Volgman, Senator Colaric, Senator Mackey

Ex-Officios Present: ALAS, APAC, ARH, BSU, Student Trustee Bagnuolo

I. Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approved.

III. Executive Officer Reports

a. Student Body President (M. Spialek)

- i. State Your Art Program
- ii. Questions/Comments: none

b. Student Body Vice President (E. Fettner)

- i. Report
- ii. Questions/Comments: none

c. Student Body Executive Director (J. Krug)

- i. Budget
- ii. New Office Hours start next week
- iii. Passing of the Gavel invites
- iv. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. Is this sheet for ex-officios?- Carnahan
 - 2. I have a separate sheet.- Krug
 - 3. If we have our calendar updated on Outlook, do you still want us to write our office hours?- Colaric
 - 4. Yes, please fill out your office hours on the sheet.- Krug
 - 5. If we are not sure how many people for passing of the gavel, can we change it?-
 - 6. Yes, just let me know any changes.- Krug
 - 7. Can you leave the sheets in the office if we are unsure?- Hall

8. Yes, but please let me know of any changes as soon as possible.-
Krug
9. What is the date of passing of the gavel?- Green
10. It is either April 10th or the 11th. - Krug
11. It is 4-7 pm.- Olshak
12. Ours is on April 10th, and we would love to have everyone
participate.- ARH

IV. Assembly Officer Reports

- a. President of the Assembly (M. Carnahan)
 - i. One-on-Ones with On-Campus Senators are this week and next week. I will email you and send you the form.
 - ii. Questions/Comments:
 1. Are all the senators doing one-on-ones with you and Rick?- Palmer
 2. Yes, you have to do both.- Carnahan
- b. Vice President of the Assembly (A. Hochhauser)
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none
- c. Secretary of the Assembly (M. McMahon)
 - i. There is an APAC event that I know of coming up and Leadership Revolution, in which SGA has participated in. If you would like to make up an absence this is the best way to go about it. If you want to take these opportunities, please inform beforehand by email and submit proof that you were there in my mailbox. If you have any ideas on how to make up an absence, please feel free to ask me.
 - ii. Also, I have been hearing that there may be people who might be late or cannot attend the winter lock-in. If that is the case, please email me with the reason you are not coming or going to be late. It is easier to keep track and record absences when I have them in writing.
 - iii. I will be moving a bill to the floor later.
 - iv. Questions/Comments:
 1. Do you know the date for Leadership Revolution?- Bagnuolo
 2. It is February 13th.- Thornton

V. Cabinet Member Reports

- a. Secretary of Student Fees (D. Cahanin)
 - i. No Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none
- b. Secretary of Information Technology (M. Olson)
 - i. No Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments:
 1. The website says that I am Zach's position, can you look into that?- David

2. Mine is like that, too. – Colaric
3. I will look into it.- Olson

c. Secretary of Public Relations (S. Brewer)

- i. Report
- ii. Questions/Comments: none

d. Secretary of Programs (E. Green)

- i. Report
- ii. Questions/Comments:
 1. Does the 12-4 include the put up and take down time?- Marquis
 2. Not exactly because both will take minimal time.- Green

e. Secretary of Governmental Relations (S. Preston)

- i. Report
- ii. Questions/Comments: none

f. Secretary of Diversity Affairs (R. Hall)

- i. Diversity Week Planning is ongoing.
 1. Tuesday: Langston Hughes Project
 2. Wednesday: Post Secret
 3. Thursday: Blinded Diversity Discussion
- ii. Diversity Week Planning Meeting on Friday, January 29th at 3:30 PM
- iii. Ex-Officios are invited to attend the SGA Retreat
- iv. State your Art – Table Tents
- v. Questions/Comments: none

g. Secretary of Sustainability (D. Moore)

- i. Report
- ii. Questions/Comments:
 1. Can the results of the iCampus survey be accessed?- Larson
 2. Yes. Do you want them for yourself or across the board?- Moore
 3. Across the board.- Owens

VI. Advisor Report (R. Olshak)

- i. Midterm One-on-One Meetings
- ii. We will be doing standard beginning of the semester progress checks on academic and disciplinary standing of all SGA members. Information regarding the standing of all members will be shared with the Executive Committee.
- iii. Questions/Comments:
 1. What is the non-campus phone number?- Hall
 2. 309-248-2008- Olshak

VII. Committee Chairperson Reports

a. Programs and Recognition (B. Thornton)

- i. We have some exciting team builders and awkward games planned for the 09-10 Winter Lock-In. We will be reserving SSB 375 for extra space to play these games.
- ii. We have all the logistics hammered out. ISUPD, the building coordinator, and everyone in SGA have been notified and we have the thumbs up!
- iii. Don't talk to us about the superlatives because we want to tell you.
- iv. As a reminder, the event is set for Friday, January 22nd at 7:30 pm in the office.
- v. Look out for emails!
- vi. Ex-Officio's and ELPs are invited to attend.
- vii. We have chosen FreeStage as RSO of the Month for November.
- viii. Everyone is required to fill out a contract prior to the event.
- ix. Gondolas, snacks, and beverages will be provided. Everyone is welcome to bring something as well.
- x. Lastly, please let Mary know if you'll be late because the doors to the SSB will lock at 11 pm.
- xi. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. If you bring something, can we clarify that it cannot be alcohol related?- Spialek
 - 2. There will be liability forms that everyone has to sign, like what we had for the retreat before we begin.- Thornton
 - 3. Are you open to possible menu changes?- Krug
 - 4. Yes, but it will cost more.- Thornton
 - 5. We will talk more about it.- Krug

b. Finance and Allocation (Z. Owens)

- i. No Report
- ii. Questions/Comments: none

c. Policies and Procedures (A. Larson)

- i. No Report
- ii. Questions/Comments: none

d. Civic Engagement (E. Yancey)

- i. No forum because it happened 2 days ago and it was already planned before break.
- ii. We are focusing our efforts toward the April debate.
- iii. Invisible Children is coming back and we will likely be involved.
- iv. We are still in the process of a service project and I have been having trouble getting in contact with Harriet Steinbach.
- v. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. Is there anything in the works for the primaries, like voter registration or information drives?- David
 - 2. We haven't had that on table, but that is a great idea.- Yancey

VIII. Senator Coordinator Reports

- a. Off-Campus Senators (L. Ruedig)
 - i. We will be working on constituent contact ideas for the coming semester. As a group we are going to be working with the student attorney and the pre-law adviser on re-creating an ISU tenant's union. This will be the main off-campus initiative for this semester. It will result in a website with information on the apartment rental companies that can be easily compared. It will also result in an organization that will begin similarly to STOP, through SGA, but will eventually become a self-sustaining organization. Also, off-campus senators, I'll be sending out an email to see when you are all available so we can start having meetings next week.
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none
- b. On-Campus Senators (Z. Owens)
 - i. No Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none
- c. Underrepresented Senators (K. Colaric)
 - i. Underreps. met on Tuesday 1/12 to go over the final touches of our upcoming constituent contact event which will be held by the end of January.
 - ii. Immediately after this event, we will begin planning our next event which will revolve around the resolution that President Spialek moved to the floor tonight.
 - iii. We are currently working on bring back "Saw You in the News" which will help strengthen our communication and overall relationship with all of the RSOs on campus. Every day, one Underrep. will check the Vidette (on his/her pre-assigned day) and cut out any press pertaining to RSOs. After doing so, we will send out (hand written) cards each week that will include a personal message from that RSO's Senator and the article itself.
 - iv. Lastly, we are working with the Programs and Recognition Committee to make some necessary changes to the By-laws about "RSO of the Month." Because RSOs are our constituents, we (Underreps.) believe it is our right and responsibility to nominate and present the "RSO of the Month" each month. Making this change to the by-laws will allow us to create a better bond with our constituents and ensure that they understand that our sole purpose and overall desire is to support them and acknowledge their accomplishments.
 - v. Questions/Comments: none
- d. Graduate Senators (E. Yancey)
 - i. No Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none

IX. Ex-Officio Reports

- a. ALAS
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none
- b. APAC
 - i. New president for second semester: Jenny Wu

- ii. 1/19 – Korean Night SSB 314 7 p.m.
 - iii. 2/16 – Celebration of Chinese New year
 - iv. 2/20 – International Fair
 - v. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. What time is Korea night?- Mackey
 - 2. It is at 7pm.- APAC
- c. ARH
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. Where is your GA meeting on the 24th?- Mackey
 - 2. It is in Southside.- ARH
- d. BSU
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none
- e. Pride
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none
- f. Student Trustee (G. Bagnuolo)
 - i. Great graduation ceremonies
 - ii. Had an emergency BOT meeting on January 4th
 - 1. We approved \$600,000 for Strovd Auditorium project
 - iii. Questions/Comments: none

X. Information Items

- Spialek moves to make the Resolution Establishing Transparency for the Budget Review Recommendations as info item a, Hochhauser seconds.

- Hochhauser moves to make the Resolution Authorizing the Establishment of the campus Caucus on the Budget Review Recommendations as info b, Mackey seconds.

-Green moves to make the Resolution Authorizing SGA Participation in Winterfest 2010 as info item c, Rubashkin seconds.

- McMahon moves to make the Bill to Establish an Official SGA Alumni Newsletter and Amend the Executive Branch By-Laws: Executive Cabinet Members Authorities, Powers and Responsibilities (Article 2, Section 3B) as info item d, Marquis seconds.

- Thornton moves to make the Resolution Recognizing FreeStage for the RSO of the Month for the Month of November 2009 as info e, Kodman seconds.

- a. Resolution Establishing Transparency for the Budget Review Recommendations (M. Spialek)
 - i. Questions/Comments: none
 - ii. Move to make info item a, action item a; Yancey seconds.
 - iii. Motion passed.

- b. Resolution Authorizing the Establishment of the campus Caucus on the Budget Review Recommendations (A. Hochhauser)
 - i. Questions/Comments: none
 - ii. Move to make info item b, action item b; Colaric seconds.
 - iii. Motion passed.

- c. Resolution Authorizing SGA Participation in Winterfest 2010 (E. Green)
 - i. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. Is there a theme for this?- Marquis
 - 2. I can make flyers for campus caucus.- Hochhauser
 - ii. Move to make info item c, action item c; Palmer seconds.
 - iii. Motion passed.

- d. Bill to Establish an Official SGA Alumni Newsletter and Amend the Executive Branch By-Laws: Executive Cabinet Members Authorities, Powers and Responsibilities (Article 2, Section 3B) (M. McMahon)
 - i. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. How often would this be sent out?- Preston
 - 2. Once a semester.- McMahon
 - 3. This is a great way to “friend raise” and creates a connection with alumni. That way if they feel that they have a bond with the association, they can use any donations to the university towards the Student Government Association.- Olshak
 - 4. When would this start? -Rubashkin
 - 5. If passed, this semester.- McMahon
 - 6. How are we going to find out the addresses and how far back are we going and how much is this going to cost?- Marquis
 - 7. I have a list of SGA alumni that dates back as far as the 1960’s and we would be working with the Alumni Office to help mail out these newsletters.- McMahon
 - 8. This has cost about 500-600 dollars per newsletter in the past.- Olshak
 - 9. Will there a way to opt out or have it emailed to alumni?- Moore
 - 10. Is there a place where people can be asked to be contacted a certain way?- Colaric
 - 11. This gets more into the details of what would be contained in the newsletter. If this is passed, then all assembly suggestions would be considered. I am sure that in the future, this will be considered.- McMahon
 - 12. Would we have to amend the bill for email?-Preston
 - 13. Rather than going through that, you can offer a friendly amendment.- Olshak
 - 14. You can change the word mailed to sent instead.- Bagnuolo

- e. Resolution Recognizing FreeStage for the RSO of the Month for the Month of November 2009 (B. Thornton)
 - i. Questions/Comments: none
 - ii. Move to make info item e, action item d; Mackey seconds.
 - iii. Motion passed.

XI. Action Items

- a. Resolution Establishing Transparency for the Budget Review Recommendations (M. Spialek)
 - i. Spialek moves to approve, Hall seconds.
 - ii. Debate:
 - 1. I think that everyone should support this resolution. It gives all the senator groups involved.- Colaric
 - iii. Vote to move out of debate, motion passed.
 - iv. Resolution passed unanimously.
- b. Resolution Authorizing the Establishment of the campus Caucus on the Budget Review Recommendations (A. Hochhauser)
 - i. Hochhauser moves to approve, seconds.
 - ii. Debate:
 - 1. Friendly amending to lines 45 to 2010.- Thornton
 - 2. I accept.- Hochhauser
 - iii. Vote to move out of debate, motion passed.
 - iv. Resolution passed unanimously.
- c. Resolution Authorizing SGA Participation in Winterfest 2010 (E. Green)
 - i. Green moves to approve, Kodman seconds.
 - ii. Debate: none
 - iii. Vote to move out of debate, motion passed.
 - iv. Resolution passed unanimously.
- d. Resolution Recognizing FreeStage for the RSO of the Month for the Month of November 2009 (B. Thornton)
 - i. Thornton moves to approve, Volgman seconds.
 - ii. Debate:
 - 1. Thank you to your committee and all of the underreps should have sent an email to their constituents about this.- Colaric
 - iii. Vote to move out of debate, motion passed.
 - iv. Resolution passed unanimously.

XII. Adjournment

- a. Bagnuolo moves to approve, Mackey seconds.