

Student Government Association
Assembly Meeting Minutes
December 2, 2009

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 McGinty, Senator Palmer, Senator Harris, Senator Monahan, Senator Owens, Senator Larson, Senator Marquis, Senator Yancey, Senator Donnellan, 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. Thank you Secretary Hall for his work in coordinating “Get Pinned” for the World AIDs Day. My thanks also goes to the ex-officio organizations and UPB.
- ii. After last assembly meeting, I sensed frustration and concern from members of both branches in regards to the first few months of STOP. I understand where the frustration is coming from, and as President, I feel it is my obligation to set a vision and provide a direction so as to hopefully alleviate that frustration you are feeling.
 1. In regards to reporting numbers: the simple solution would not be to discuss this in meetings. I am doing this though because transparency extends not only to the student body but to you. I receive these numbers and you should know too. I could email them.
 2. This is also a legality issue. STOP is not “ratting people out?” They are doing their job. For instance, their jobs where you are a mandated reported. This should apply to STOP. Not only are they an RSO, but they are affiliated with the ISU Police. On the surface, drinking on the quad may seem like someone’s personal business, but when that person passes out on the quad or they get in a car and begin driving down Fell Ave, it becomes a campus issue and a

community issue. If this is traced back to STOP, it hurts their credibility issue and does not reflect well on ISUPD.

3. So, what do we do? First, don't get discouraged. Numbers should be higher than violations because they run into those. To escort someone, you need to call. I do not believe we should admonish them, it is not our place and I do not want to further an image of SGA's bullying organizations. We are different and frankly we are better than that. First we should begin using the system. The phone number is 309-438-8631. Second, outreach to them is important. Senator Colaric is doing this with ways to teach them to market themselves.

4. This can be a success!

iii. Questions/Comments:

1. I think that are things that I am disappointed with STOP and things aren't always going to turn out how I want them to be. Everyone expected this to be perfect, and it has never been in the past and won't be in the future. Everyone who I have talked to at the Department wants your opinion. I talked to Michael Gardner, from ISUPD, about our ideas and suggestions for next semester and he was thrilled. I will be working on some suggestions and ideas over winter break. I intend on meeting with them over break and after. I will be sending out an email and if you want to help make changes please let me know. - Colaric

b. Student Body Vice President (E. Fettner)

i. Report

ii. Questions/Comments:

1. Arlene is looking for an Off-Campus student for DSAC.- Owens

c. Student Body Executive Director (J. Krug)

i. No more highlighter on the time cards, but please still fill everything out.

ii. Confusion about the office reconfiguration resolution.

iii. SGA Member of the Month for October: Sheree Brewer

1. This person has done a lot to build a better image for SGA.

2. This person has built important relationships, specifically with campus media.

iv. SGA Member of the Month for November: David Marquis

1. Someone that does a lot of behind the scenes work.

2. Helps with other people's initiatives as well as many of their own.

3. Will make our office aesthetically pleasing.

v. Questions/Comments: none

IV. Assembly Officer Reports

a. President of the Assembly (M. Carnahan)

i. Report

ii. Questions/Comments: none

- b. Vice President of the Assembly (A. Hochhauser)
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none
- c. Secretary of the Assembly (M. McMahon)
 - i. Please let email me if you are not going to be able to attend Holiday Helpers and any other event. I have a lot of people coming to me telling me they cannot come, but I like to have it on record.
 - ii. Also, attendance does roll over into the next semester.
 - iii. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. Does this include ex-officios?- Owens
 - 2. Yes.- McMahon

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: none
- c. Secretary of Public Relations (S. Brewer)
 - i. I spoke with Andy Steckling about the article regarding the sustainability committee.
 - 1. The original news release was sent on October 30 and I emphasized the importance of having an article about this committee run.
 - 2. He informed me that the editors are looking for some filler stories and he will be mentioning this news release.
 - 3. I will be sure that this article is run.
 - ii. I have also already informed Andy that I will be sending a news release to him about the STATE your art program. I will be sending the release before break so we can have the article run the first week of second semester.
 - iii. I have scheduled a meeting with Deb Wylie for next week to learn how to access and use the new university events calendar.
 - iv. If you did not receive my email today, the “Born to Lead” game will be implemented during the first or second week of second semester, depending on when I receive everyone’s photo.
 - v. Everyone please stop showing your photos to one another this is supposed to be a game. It is not as easy as you may think to distinguish who you are. Also please try to remember your photos after winter break if you forgot over Thanksgiving.
 - vi. Questions/Comments: none
- d. Secretary of Programs (E. Green)

- i. I apologize for all the e-mails I sent today about Holiday Helper. I am really excited for the event, and it will still be mandatory. If you cannot attend, please let Mary know. The time and location have changed. I will send you an e-mail with the details tonight. It will now be at the Unity Community Center at 632 Orlando from 12-3:30pm. If the hour adjustment is a conflict, let me know. Otherwise, I will see you all there!
 - ii. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. Can you send the address to me?- Brewer
 - 2. Yes.- Green
- e. Secretary of Governmental Relations (S. Preston)
 - i. Attended council meetings. Nothing of great student interest had been of focus in recent weeks.
 - ii. Working with Senators McMahon and Marquis to partner with the Town of Normal Inspections Department in matters of “off-campus student housing” safety regulations.
 - iii. President Spialek and I are meeting with Assistant to the City Manager Geoff Fruin (Normal) to build a partnership in the town’s mandated 2010 Census to ensure students are recorded and included in the process.
 - iv. I’m forming a community student roundtable which will serve as an organized body for student voice across all campuses in McLean County. This will be an excellent tool to channel our united voice alongside those from neighboring institutions for issues where it’s needed most in this community.
 - v. Questions/Comments: none
- f. Secretary of Diversity Affairs (R. Hall)
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. What is the date?- McGinty
 - 2. April 5th-9th- Hall
- g. Secretary of Sustainability (D. Moore)
 - i. Attended the first meeting with the Town of Normal Sustainability Committee
 - ii. Met with Student Sustainability Committee student members
 - 1. We need one more member from SGA
 - iii. Questions/Comments: none

VI. Advisor Report (R. Olshak)

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

VII. Committee Chairperson Reports

- a. Programs and Recognition (B. Thornton)
 - i. Tonight I will be motioning two resolutions to the floor. The first one is regarding our choice for RSO of the Month for the month of October 2009. We have decided to choose Delta Sigma Pi. The second resolution deals with the long-awaited, heavily planned, and long talked about '09-'10

SGA Winter Lock-In. I will have more information about those two items in the information items later.

- ii. My second piece of information is regarding voting for superlatives. You will find a sheet of paper in your folders. I ask that you select no more than two people for each superlative. If possible, try to choose a guy and a girl. We will be tallying the votes and awarding certificates and mock gifts at the '09-'10 SGA Winter Lock-In.
- iii. Lastly, Secretary of Programs and I sit on the planning committee for Leadership Revolution. I just wanted to say that we are accepting program submissions on a rolling basis. So if you are interested in presenting or know someone who is, please see me after the meeting and I can give you more details. You may also register to attend the conference. It is free and will be held on Saturday, February 13, 2010.
- iv. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. Great job with coming up with the superlatives this year.- Spialek
 - 2. What is the date for Leadership Revolution?- Olshak
 - 3. February 13th, I believe.- Thornton

b. Finance and Allocation (Z. Owens)

- i. One thing I wanted to mention and this is more directed at underreps is that RSO program funding registration is open and will close in two weeks after we return from winter break. I will send out a reminder email to the underreps.

- ii. Questions/Comments: none

c. Policies and Procedures (A. Larson)

- i. Report

- ii. Questions/Comments: none

d. Civic Engagement (E. Yancey)

- i. Report

- ii. Questions/Comments: none

VIII. Senator Coordinator Reports

a. Off-Campus Senators (L. Ruedig)

- i. Report

- ii. Questions/Comments: none

b. On-Campus Senators (Z. Owens)

- i. Senator McMahon and I attended a safety and security meeting with University Housing; we appreciate the invitation from ARH.

- ii. We received questions from constituents about the Good Samaritan policy on campus, as well as petitions. On-Campus Senators will look into it with help from Secretary Preston.

- iii. Questions/Comments:

- 1. I would also like to look into that with you. – Carnahan

- 2. You are more than welcome to help us.- Owens

c. Underrepresented Senators (K. Colaric)

- i. STOP Awards Ceremony will be this Sunday at 3pm

1. If anyone is interested in attending, please email me and I can provide you with information.
- ii. Underreps will be meeting the first week of next semester to plan an immediate constituent contact event.
- iii. Questions/Comments: none
- d. Graduate Senators (E. Yancey)
 - i. No Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none

IX. Ex-Officio Reports

- i. ALAS
- ii. No Report
- iii. Questions/Comments: none
- b. APAC
 - i. Potluck with ALAS was great.
 - ii. Friday Executive Board meeting to plan second semester events.
 - iii. New representative from APAC.
 - iv. Thanks SGA for all your help.
 - v. Questions/Comments: none
- c. ARH
 - i. Wrapped up semester
 - ii. Exec Board is volunteering with gift wrapping and giving.
 - iii. Looking forward to next semester...
 1. Charity Ball
 2. IRHA State Conference
 3. Passing of the Gavel
 - iv. Safety and Security
 1. ARH, SGA On-Campus Senators, and Maureen Blair
 2. Received updates
 - a. Cameras, exterior safety features, guest registration (assessing options), education (whistles, house calls).
 - v. Committees
 1. Vision Beyond 2013: Cardinal Court
 2. Vision Beyond 2013: South Campus
 - vi. Thanks SGA!
 1. Congrats on your accomplishments.
 2. Looking forward to working together and seeing what we can all accomplish.
 - vii. Questions/Comments: none
 1. I have been seeing Showtime representatives to advertise us adding the channel, why is that? - Owens
 2. I am not quite sure because we already passed the addition of Showtime.- ARH
- d. BSU
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none

- e. Pride
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none
- f. Student Trustee (G. Bagnuolo)
 - i. Report
 - ii. Questions/Comments: none

X. Information Items

- Spialek moves to make the Resolution Authorizing Resolution Authorizing Additional Campus Master Plan Forum as info item a, Preston seconds.

- Spialek moves to make the Bill to Amend the Executive Branch By-Laws: Executive Cabinet Members Authorities, Powers and Responsibilities (Article 2, Section 3C) as info item b, Larson seconds.

-Thornton moves to make the Resolution Recognizing Delta Sigma Pi for the RSO of the Month for the Month of October 2009 as info item c, Marquis seconds.

-Thornton moves to make the Resolution Authorizing SGA Participation in the '09-'10 Winter Lock-In as info item d, McGinty seconds.

- a. Resolution Authorizing Additional Campus Master Plan Forum (M. Spialek)
 - i. Questions/Comments: none
 - ii. Move to make info item a, action item a; Colaric seconds.
 - iii. Motion passed.
- b. Bill Authorizing to Amend the Executive Branch By-Laws: Executive Cabinet Members Authorities, Powers, and Responsibilities (Article 2, Section 3C) (M.Spialek)
 - i. Questions/Comments: none
- c. Resolution Recognizing Delta Sigma Pi for the RSO of the Month for the Month of October 2009 (B. Thornton)
 - i. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. How many people applied?- Rubashkin
 - 2. Two RSO's.- Thornton
 - ii. Move to make info item c, action item b; Marquis seconds.
 - iii. Motion passed.
- d. Resolution Authorizing Student Government Association's Participation in the '09-'10 Winter Lock-In (B. Thornton)
 - i. Questions/Comments:
 - 1. Since this an overnight thing, will there be activities or will we need sleeping bags?- Kodman

2. I have a bunch of activities lined up, but it will be very up to who is attending on what we do. - Thornton
 3. Are we going to do a lot of activities on Saturday?- Colaric
 4. Most of it will be on Friday night. – Thornton
 5. When does this end on Saturday morning?- Krug
 6. Whenever everyone wants to end it. 9pm is the formal time.- Thornton
 7. What will be the minimal time, for the absence issues?- Spialek
 8. It would be a general consensus.- Mackey
 9. If you want to leave a 4 pm, you can. -Green
 10. Will this event be open to ex-officios too?-Hall
 11. I don't see why not, we were thinking of involving ELP too.- Thornton
 12. Can we please make it open to ex-officios?- Colaric
 13. It would proposed that we would be doing activities from 7:30-4am?- Yancey
 14. It will kind of be like the Fall Retreat. It is going to be somewhat planned, but we will be doing it as we go. – Thornton
- ii. Move to make info item d, action item c; Mackey seconds.
 - iii. Motion passed.

XI. Action Items

- a. Resolution Authorizing Additional Campus Master Plan Forum (M. Spialek)
 - i. Spialek moves to approve, Colaric seconds.
 - ii. Debate: none
 - iii. Vote to move out of debate, motion passed.
 - iv. Resolution passed unanimously. 18 votes.

- b. Resolution Recognizing Delta Sigma Pi for the RSO of the Month for the Month of October 2009 (B. Thornton)
 - i. Thornton moves to approve, Preston seconds.
 - ii. Debate: none
 - iii. Vote to move out of debate, motion passed.
 - iv. Resolution passed unanimously. 18 votes

- c. Resolution Authorizing Student Government Association's Participation in the '09-'10 Winter Lock-In (B. Thornton)
 - i. Thornton moves to approve, Colaric seconds.
 - ii. Debate:
 1. I encourage everyone to vote yes for this. We were able to scratch the winter meeting and do things during the lock-in. I could have filled another meeting, but it was unnecessary. –Krug
 2. Friendly Amendment to Line 20 to: doors will unlock time at 7:30 in the morning.- Mackey
 3. I do not accept.- Thornton

4. I picked 7:30 because it gives people time if they have to do something in the morning they have time.- Mackey
 5. I now accept.- Thornton
 6. Friendly Amending between 25 and 27: Where as it will be highly encouraged for ex-officios to attend.- Hall
 7. I accept.- Thornton
 8. Friendly Line 25: Where as it is mandatory until 10pm.- Larson
 9. I do not accept.- Thornton
 10. Friendly Amendment to line 20 to: doors will unlock at the 7:30, unless the association agrees otherwise- Hochhauser
 11. Point of Information- Would this open up potential for us to end at 10 or 10:30?- Preston
 12. No.- Hochhauser
 13. Friendly Amendment to line between 25 and 26: add ELP members are highly encouraged to participate. – Hochhauser
 14. I accept both.- Thornton
 15. I am really excited about this. This will be the Fall Retreat evolved. I think this will be a great way for SGA to collaborate and bond. – Mackey
 16. I also agree with Senator Mackey. This will be great to share ideas and suggestions.- Colaric
 17. It will not all be fun and games, there will be things that will benefit ourselves and other activities to bring us closer together to be more productive.- Thornton
- iii. Vote to move out of debate, motion passed.
 - iv. Resolution passed. 17 yeas. 1 nay

XII. Adjournment

- a. Mackey moves to adjourn, Preston seconds