

Student Government Association
Assembly Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2009

Executive Members Present: Student Body President Mason, Student Body Vice President Flaherty, Student Body Executive Director Bixby, Secretary of Public Relations Dogic, Secretary of Programming Zerfas, Secretary of Governmental Relations Yancey, Secretary of Information Technology Tortoriello

Assembly Members Present: President of the Assembly Spialek, Vice President of the Assembly Krug, Secretary of the Assembly Sullivan, Parliamentarian Lund, Senator Davis, Senator Miller, Senator Spiek, Senator Merth, Senator Thornton, Senator Fettner, Senator Carnahan, Senator Abdalla, Senator Hochhauser, Senator Dumelle, Senator Long, Senator Owens, Senator Colaric

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

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes 3/18
 - A. Abdalla moved to approve; Hochhauser seconded
- III. Approval of Minutes 4/1
 - A. Abdalla moved to approve; Owens seconded
- IV. Approval of Minutes 4/4
 - A. Spiek moved to approve; Dumelle seconded
- V. Executive Officers Report
 - A. President Mason
 1. Academic Senate. The current Association need to go next week, but not until 7 p.m. New Senators will have orientation in the Founder's Suite from 5:30-7 p.m.
 2. I have a meeting tomorrow with President Elect-Spialek and incoming On-Campus Senators to go over the renovations to the dining center in Watterson.
 3. Tomorrow night is the community forum about "party behaviors in the neighborhood." Thanks to Senators Thornton and Owens. It is from 7-8:30, but we will be leaving at 8 so we can make it to Mock Awards. Let me know if you are also interested in going.
 4. Transition with President-Elect Spialek. We have 3 more meetings between tomorrow and Friday.
 - B. Student Body Vice President Flaherty
 1. Shirt-swap at Springfest.
 2. Questions:
 - a) Lund—Springfest, do we have a location and a sign-up and shirts will be there?
Zerfas—We have 2 booth that are near the center of the quad somewhere around UPB.
 - b) Speik—Where is the spot for if it rains? *Lund—Redbird Arena*
 - C. Student Body Executive Director Bixby
 1. Passing of the Gavel. Please let me know if your RSVP plans have changed. I am submitting the final count tomorrow.
- VI. Assembly Officer Reports
 - A. President of the Assembly Spialek
 1. Transitioning.
 - B. Vice President of the Assembly Krug
 1. Transitioning.
 - C. Secretary of the Assembly Sullivan

1. Bill for Legislative Bylaws tonight. Please email me with any grammatical corrections.
2. I need your reports, please.
3. Please email me your resolution corrections.

VII. Cabinet Members Reports

A. Secretary of Student Fees Cahanin

1. No Report

B. Secretary of Public Relations Dogic

1. Worked on the bulletin board in the Bone.
2. Wrote a press release for Bring it Back to Normal and Shirt Swap, but I still haven't seen anything in the *Vidette*.
3. I created a facebook event for Shirt-swap. Please be sure to search for it and invite all of your ISU friends.

C. Secretary of Programming Zerfas

1. Evita went really well. Thanks to all who attended and helped to set-up, pass out food, and clean up.
2. Community Clean-up is continuing well.
3. Springfest 2009. This Saturday from 12-6:30 SGA will have a booth set-up on the quad. Everyone must attend and work one hour. A sign-up sheet will be passed around tonight and will be placed at the front desk in the office for those who don't sign up tonight.

D. Secretary of Governmental Relations Yancey

1. Transition Report is finished.
2. I attended the Town of Normal Sustainability meeting. We will likely be making recommendations to the Town's 2030 Plan. We also discussed how the plan once written will be communicated to the public.

E. Secretary of Diversity Cail

1. No Report

F. Secretary of Information Technology Tortoriello

1. Composite. After a major hassle with Walmart, it is finally in.
2. Individual composites are ready.
3. New pictures from Evita/Cabinet member dinner.
4. No one else has sent me pictures for the slideshow. Last chance.
5. Ex-officio bylaws updated on site
6. Clicker Test
7. Questions:
 - a) Spiek—deadline for pictures? Afternoonish? *Yes*.

VIII. Advisor Report

- A. Listserv transition, please allow a few days for it to switch over before you send an email.
- B. Met with 6 SGA members. If you have not scheduled, please do so.

IX. Committee Reports

A. Civic Engagement (Senator Lund)

1. No Report

B. Finance and Allocation (Senator Spiek)

1. No Report

C. Policies and Procedures (Senator Long)

1. No Report

D. Programs and Recognition (Senator Davis)

1. The Mock Awards party is Thursday from 8-10 p.m. Those who are 21 can drink, but it will not be on SGA's tab. We will have appetizer type food. Hope everyone is there.

X. Senator Coordinators

A. Off-Campus Senators (Senator Miller)

1. No Report

B. On-Campus Senators (Senator Abdalla)

1. The On-Campus Senators completed their final Constituent Contact event on 4/14. The current and forthcoming Senators handed out 170 ice cream sandwiches and talked to students about SGA.

C. Underrepresented Senators (Senator Hochhauser)

1. No report

XI. Ex-Officio Reports

A. ALAS

1. We have a full new exec board.
2. Our annual formal is April 18th. Doors open at 6 and dinner is at 7. There will be 3 cultural performances.
3. ALAS and APAC BBQ is April 28th at the Diversity Advocacy building.

B. APAC

1. Our Cultural Dinner 'East Meets West' is Sunday 6 p.m. April 19th. The new executive board will be there and several other major local Asian organizations.
2. APAC/ALAS BBQ is April 28th.
3. New APAC website will be going up sometime in the next couple of weeks.
4. APAC will be registering with MASA (Midwest Asian Student Association).

C. ARH

1. Passing of the Gavel is on Saturday April 18th at 3 p.m. Thank you for RSVP-ing and we're excited to see everyone.
2. Thanks to Senator Thornton for attending our G.A. meeting two Sundays ago. It was the longest G.A. meeting in our history! Thanks for your patience.
3. Elections will be taking place on Sunday, April 19th at 7 p.m. in the Escalante Room.
4. We will be ratifying the constitution this Sunday at our G.A. meeting.
5. We rewrote the bylaws and are going to work on those on Sunday.
6. NACURH delegation was chosen (8 delegates). Our communication director and the advisor. On Memorial Day weekend we will be bidding for three awards—Student of the Year, School of the Year, and Commitment to Diversity.
7. Cultural Dinner is next Monday, April 20th at 5 p.m. in the Prairie Room. Guest Speaker is Sylvia Earle. If you would like to purchase a ticket still, please contact me.
8. ARH is considering changing its logo and is meeting with the UHS Marketing Director to discuss possible logos.

D. BSU

1. We are currently interviewing candidates for open positions on our exec board tomorrow and Friday. Hopefully we'll have the new board by next week. We have our Passing of the Gavel on April 30th. And I will email the Secretary of the Assembly with location and time of the event.
2. We had a very successful Spoken Word event last night in honor of poetry month.
3. Our annual BBQ is on May 2nd, so we welcome you all to come out. I'll email the Secretary of the Assembly the time and location.

E. Pride

1. Our day of silence went really well. We had a poster that people could sign in support of and we had to eventually turn it over because of all of the signatures.
2. Tonight is bowling and reflecting on the day.

F. Student Trustee Bagnuolo

1. I met with Athletics about a program to boost student involvement in athletics (especially the under-attended sports). Contact me if you want to give input before I have another meeting.

Mason moves to add “Birds in the Burbs” as Information Item A; Krug seconded

XII. Information Items

- A. “Birds in the Burbs”. ISU paraphernalia goes to a classroom with special education students. They are matched with two pen-pals who not only write to them, but also visit. Athletics is asking for \$675 for the bus to go up there.
 1. Abdalla—I will not be voting, because I am a pen-pal. But I can answer any questions you might have. *Mason—I covered everything.*
 2. Miller—Where is the school. *Whittly Elementary School in Hoffman Estates.*
 3. Mason moves to Action Item C; Speik seconded

XIII. Action Items

A. Legislative By-laws.

1. Sullivan moves to approve; Mason seconds.
2. Debate:
3. Vote: Passes 16/1

B. Secretary of Sustainability.

1. Mason moves to approve; Fettner seconds
2. Debate:
 - a) Long—When it was first brought it up, I didn’t think it was necessary. But now I think it would be beneficial position. Encourage you to vote yes.
 - b) Thornton—Friendly Amendment: remove Line 24 and 25 because it contradicts 27-30. *Accepted.*
 - c) Abdalla—vote yes. I was mixed, but since Enid Cardinal has been here twice, it seem like it would help the relationship on campus.
 - d) Bagnuolo—I was not at caucus, but sustainability is important across the globe and it is something that would be beneficial.
3. Vote: Passes 15/2.

C. “Birds in the Burbs”

1. Mason moves to approve; Long seconds.
2. Debate
 - a) Lund—Vote yes, I am familiar and it has a profound effect on the students at this school.
3. Vote: passes unanimously.

XIV. Passing of the Gavel

XV. Adjournment

- A. Bagnuolo moves to adjourn; Bixby seconds