

**Student Government Association
General Assembly Meeting
October 19th, 2011
7:30 pm**

Executive Members Present: Student Body President Owens, Student Body Vice President Von Qualen, Student Body Executive Director Davis, Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik, Secretary of College Affordability Eschenbaum, Secretary of Diversity Affairs Mackins, Secretary of Public Relations Gill, Secretary of Information Technology Kramer, Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin, Secretary of Programming Murphy.

Legislative Members Present: President of the Assembly Larson, Vice President of the Assembly McMahon, Secretary of the Assembly Collins, Senator Adams, Senator Olszewski, Senator Elliott, Senator Ehmen, Senator Holzworth, Senator Gallagher, Senator Molidor, Senator Ford, Senator Rolando, Senator Gibbons, Senator Mittons, Senator Manno, Senator Farrell, Senator Souk.

Also Present: Advisor Olshak, ALAS, APAC, ARH, Student Trustee Palmer, BSU, Pride.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes from October 5th, 2011
 - A. Motion from Vice President of the Assembly McMahon
 - B. Second from Senator Rolando
 1. Vote
 - a) Minutes are approved
- IV. Executive Officer Reports
 - A. Student Body President Owens
 1. Report
 2. Questions/Comments
 - B. Student Body Vice President Von Qualen
 1. Report
 2. Questions/Comments
 - a) Senator Farrell- Is the College of Education Dean Search Committee filled yet?
 - (1) Student Body Vice President Von Qualen- Yes.
 - b) Senator Adams- Are you doing a mentor/mentee program with ELP?
 - (1) Student Body Vice President Von Qualen- No, it hasn't been successful in the past because of inconsistent participation. It would be better to have more ideas from a group discussion.
 - c) Senator Mittons- What time is ELP meeting tomorrow night?

(1) Student Body Vice President Von Qualen-
7:00pm in the SGA office.

- C. Student Body Executive Director Davis
 - 1. No Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
- V. Assembly Officer Reports
 - A. President of the Assembly Larson
 - 1. Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
 - B. Vice President of the Assembly McMahon
 - 1. Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
 - a) Secretary of Programming Murphy- Can we wear a costume for the Office on the Quad for Halloween week?
(1) Vice President of the Assembly McMahon- Yes, as long as it's appropriate.
 - C. Secretary of the Assembly Collins
 - 1. No Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
- VI. Advisor Report
 - A. Advisor Olshak
 - 1. Report
 - a) Midterm one on one survey will be coming out at the beginning of November
(1) You will have 2 weeks to fill it out
 - b) Midterm meetings the week following Thanksgiving. More information will be sent out electronically. A link for the survey will be sent out electronically as well.
 - c) We will be taking photos tonight for anyone who needs one taken. You can retake photo if you would like to.
- VII. Cabinet Member Reports
 - A. Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik
 - 1. Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
 - a) Student Body President Owens- You can use iCampus for proof of address.
 - b) Vice President of the Assembly McMahon- Where do you have to be registered to be a deputy registrar?
(1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- Anywhere in the state of Illinois.
 - c) Senator Farrell- Do I need to re-register?
(1) Secretary of Governmental Relations- Only if you have moved since the last time you registered.
 - d) Senator Adams- What time are we going to Springfield?

(1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- 8:30am we leave from the bone and we will arrive back between 3:00-3:30pm.

e) Vice President of the Assembly McMahon- Are Ex-Officios and the Vidette invited?

(1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- Yes.

f) Senator Mittons- If I voted in the last election and I have moved into a different apartment do I have to re-register?

(1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- Yes.

B. Secretary of Programming Murphy

1. Report

2. Questions/Comments

C. Secretary of Public Relations Gill

1. Report

a) Got access to the website, update SGA in the news and press releases

b) Got one key to the Bone bulletin board

c) Sent press releases about the Tree Campus event, sustainability forum and tobacco use revision policy.

2. Questions/Comments

D. Secretary of Diversity Affairs Mackins

1. Report

a) Diversity Week programs have been planned and finalized.

b) Meeting with potential co-sponsors for events starting next week.

c) Next meeting is October 31st @ 6:00pm in SGA office.

d) Diversity Summit will be held at the Alumni center Friday, November 11th from 9:00am-4:00pm. There is a \$30 fee if anyone wants to attend. Email me for the form.

2. Questions/Comments

E. Secretary of Information Technology Kramer

1. Report

2. Questions/Comments

F. Secretary of College Affordability Eschenbaum

1. No Report

2. Questions/Comments

G. Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin

1. Report

a) Sustainability forum on Monday was a success; we had a strong turnout.

b) Thanks to Emilie Gill, we will have a Vidette article coming for Tree Campus USA on Monday

c) I will be moving a resolution to the floor tonight to co-sponsor 'EV Night'; an event highlighting electric vehicles that is being hosted by the Renewable Energy Society.

2. Questions/Comments
 - a) Student Body President Owens- When are Sustainability Fund applications due?
 - (1) Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin- January 30th.
 - b) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- What time is the mayor talking at the Electric Vehicle Night?
 - (1) Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin- 7:00pm

VIII. Committee Chairperson Reports

- A. Membership and Outreach Committee (E. Gallagher)
 1. Report
 - a) Planned marketing plan for Graduate Senator position and textbook exchange website.
 - b) Planning to work on the winter retreat and Thanksgiving potluck.
 - c) Discussed Homecoming pros and cons.
 2. Questions/Comments
- B. Finance and Allocation Committee (A. Manno)
 1. No Report
 2. Questions/Comments
- C. Civic Engagement Committee (A. Souk)
 1. Report
 2. Questions/Comments
- D. Policies and Procedures Committee (K. Farrell)
 1. Report
 2. Questions/Comments
 - a) Senator Ford- Can we ask for certain documents related to SGA to be taken out?
 - (1) Senator Farrell- Yes, as long as you give me a time frame because we have documents that go back to 1917.

IX. Senator Group Coordinator Reports

- A. On Campus Senators (B. Adams)
 1. Report
 2. Questions/Comments
- B. Off Campus Senators (C. Molidor)
 1. Report
 2. Questions/Comments
- C. Academic Senators (K. Farrell)
 1. Report
 2. Questions/Comments
- D. RSO Senators (J. Holzworth)
 1. No Report
 2. Questions/Comments
- E. Graduate Senators (M. Olendzki)
 1. No Report- not present
 2. Questions/Comments

- X. Ex-Officio Reports
 - A. ALAS (J. Magana)
 - 1. No Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
 - B. APAC (L. Tran)
 - 1. Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
 - C. ARH (A. Miranda)
 - 1. Report
 - a) Charity Bash
 - (1) December 1st, 7:30-10:30
 - (2) Reaching out to other Ex-Officios
 - b) Some of our students will be attending the Great Lakes Aff
 - 2. Questions/Comments
 - D. BSU (R. Georgia)
 - 1. Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
 - E. Pride (V. Salaka)
 - 1. Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
 - F. Student Trustee (S. Palmer)
 - 1. Report
 - 2. Questions/Comments
 - a) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- Where does the Board of Trustees meet?
 - (1) Student Trustee Palmer- Old Main
 - b) Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin- What are the plans for the renovations of Capen Auditorium?
 - (1) Student Trustee Palmer- Carpet, seats, acoustics, new screen (projector), new curtains. The project will cost approximately \$1.5million.
- XI. Special Items
 - A. Senator Appointment of Neo Chung to RSO Senator
 - 1. Student Body President Owens introduces Neo Chung
 - a) Neo Chung delivers a short speech
 - b) Question and Answer Session
 - c) Student Body President Owens move to approve the candidate
 - d) Debate
 - e) Vote
 - (1) Neo Chung is appointed as RSO Senator
- XII. Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin moves to make Resolution Supporting 'EV-Night' Information Item H
 - A. Second form Secretary of Programming Murphy
 - B. Vote

1. Passes; Resolution becomes Information Item H
- XIII. Information Items
- A. Amendment to the Executive Branch By-Laws, Article 3, Section 2: External Committees
 1. Senator Adams introduces the amendment
 - a) What this is basically doing is changing up the membership.
 2. Questions
 - a) Student Body President Owens- Will the secretary be elected by the members?
 - (1) Senator Adams- Yes.
 3. Senator Adams moves to make Information Item A Action Item B
 - a) Second from Senator Ehmen
 - b) Vote
 - (1) Passes; Information Item A becomes Action Item B
 - B. Resolution Authorizing Student Government Association Participation and Co-sponsorship of ISU Veteran's Day Ceremony
 1. Senator Ford introduces the resolution
 - a) There has been an event in the past like this, but with low student turn out. With SGA's co-sponsorship we're hoping to have more student turn out.
 2. Questions
 - a) Senator Farrell- Will we be assisting in the set up of the program or is it highly recommended for us to attend?
 - (1) Senator Ford- We will be advertising and attending.
 - b) Student Body President Owens- How much money are you asking for?
 - (1) Senator Ford- \$20
 - c) Student Body President Owens- Is ROTC ok with our logo on the advertising materials?
 - (1) Senator Ford- Yes.
 3. Senator Ford moves to make Information Item B Action Item C.
 - a) Second from Senator Elliott
 - b) Vote
 - (1) Passes; Information Item B becomes Action Item C.
 - C. Resolution Authorizing SGA Participation in Deputy Registrar Training
 1. Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik introduces the resolution
 2. Questions
 - a) Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin- Will the date and time interfere with Lobby Day?

- (1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- No, we will be back in time for the training.
 - b) Senator Manno- To clarify, if we can't make the time of training do we have to contact the County Clerk's office to make an appointment?
 - (1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- Yes.
 - c) Senator Gallagher- Is this mandatory?
 - (1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- Yes.
 - d) Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin- I think a few people are already deputized, do they have to go as well?
 - (1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- No, as long as they are still a registered voter.
 - 3. Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik moves to make Information Item C Action Item D
 - a) Second from Senator Farrell
 - b) Vote
 - (1) Passes; Information Item C becomes Action Item D
- D. Resolution Authorizing SGA Participation in Lobby Day
1. Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik introduces the resolution.
 - a) Civic engagement and college affordability are both very important to our organization, and this event will cover both of those.
 - b) The more people we can gather to explain to senators that this is an important issue, the more likely we will prevent the supposed reductions of the MAP grant.
 2. Questions
 - a) Senator Gallagher- Will we be excused from class?
 - (1) Kubik yields to Student Body President Owens
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 - (a) Student Body President Owens- We will be getting letters by the end of the week.
 - b) Senator Manno- What is the \$500 budget for?
 - (1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- The cost of the busses, but we will be coming in under budget.
 - c) Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin- Will we have printed information to go off of when speaking with representatives?
 - (1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- Yes, we are attempting to get scheduled meetings and will try to do walk-ins.
 - d) Senator Adams- Have you picked a venue for lunch?
 - (1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- It will be an "on your own" basis because we will be working with small groups.

- e) Senator Farrell- When will they be having the actual vote?
 - (1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- It is not on the schedule but I don't think we'll miss it.
- f) Senator Chung- Last time we did this students were signing a petition, are we doing that this year?
 - (1) Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik- No, I did not circulate a petition this year.
- 3. Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik moves to make Information Item D Action Item E.
 - a) Second from Senator Holzworth
- 4. Vote
 - a) Passes; Information Item D becomes Action Item E
- E. Resolution Establishing the Common Sense 101 Campaign
 - 1. Student Body President Owens introduces the resolution
 - a) This campaign has been done in the past by SGA. It wasn't really pursued because it was during transition time. When this was actually underway, we got a lot of positive feedback. We have a couple hundred posters left over from the old campaign so we won't have to spend any money.
 - b) The campaign is split up into three focuses: public urination, trash in people's yards, and noise levels.
 - 2. Questions
 - a) Senator Ford- Can we do this for Office on the Quad?
 - (1) Student Body President Owens- Yes.
 - b) Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin- Can we add something about recycling?
 - (1) Student Body President Owens- Yes, but it would require funding so we will have to come up with creative advertising to include sustainability in future campaigns.
 - c) Senator Ford- If this is successful, would you like to see it become an SGA tradition?
 - (1) Student Body President Owens- If it is successful and students respond well to it then yes.
 - 3. Student Body President Owens moves to make Information Item E Action Item F
 - a) Second from Senator Olszewski
 - b) Vote
 - (1) Passes; Information Item E becomes Action Item F
- F. Resolution Encouraging Full Funding for the Monetary Award Program
 - 1. Student Body President Owens introduces the resolution
 - a) We will be bringing this down to Lobby Day and it is the basis of why we are going to Springfield

2. Student Body President Owens move to make Information Item F Action Item G
 - a) Second from Senator Molidor
3. Vote
 - a) Passes; Information Item F is now Action Item G
- G. Resolution Revising University Property Where Alcoholic Beverages are Permitted
 1. Student Body President Owens introduces the resolution
 - a) We have been working on this for a while and have come up with edits to the policy.
 - b) The resolution itself says that this proposed policy will go through the Academic Senate in the appropriate manner.
 - c) I will be writing a cover letter to the academic senate including research and statistics
 - d) The cover letter will also be sent out to University Officials
 - e) This policy is only “recommended”, so the Academic Senate has the final say.
 - f) We came up with this from benchmarking other institutions.
 - g) On campus senators have collected good feedback from their constituents.
 2. Questions
 - a) Senator Ford- Was there any research as to the history of drinking in cardinal court?
 - (1) Student Body President Owens- Yes, but the student population will be vastly different in Cardinal Court next year.
 - b) ARH- will SGA be proposing any way of evaluating the policy to academic senate?
 - (1) Student Body President Owens- No
 3. Student Body President Owens moves to make Information Item G Action Item H.
 - a) Second from Senator Rolando
 4. Vote
 - a) Passes; Information Item G becomes Action Item H
- H. Resolution Supporting ‘EV-Night’
 1. Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin introduces the resolution
 - a) The mayor will be speaking and explaining the electric vehicle initiative.
 - b) Students will be able to meet town leaders, learn about the vehicles, and possibly test drive a couple.
 2. Questions
 - a) Senator Mittons- What time on Tuesday?
 - (1) Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin- 7pm in the Brown Ballroom.

3. Tomlin moves to make Information Item H Action Item I
 - a) Second from Senator Farrell
4. Vote
 - a) Passes; Information Item H becomes Action Item I

XIV. Action items

A. Bill Establishing the Student Government Association's Off-Campus Student Association

1. Student Body President Owens reintroduces the bill
2. Student Body President Owens moves to approve the bill
3. Debate
 - a) Students who live off campus will be able to voice their opinions more directly.
4. Vote
 - a) Passes unanimously; 18 votes

B. Amendment to the Executive Branch By-Laws, Article 3, Section 2: External Committees

1. Senator Adams introduces the amendment
2. Adams moves to approve
3. No Debate
4. Vote
 - a) Passes unanimously; 18 votes

C. Resolution Authorizing Student Government Association Participation and Co-sponsorship of ISU Veteran's Day Ceremony

1. Senator Ford introduces the resolution
2. Senator Ford moves to approve
3. No Debate
4. Vote
 - a) Passes unanimously; 18 votes

D. Resolution Authorizing SGA Participation in Deputy Registrar Training

1. Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik introduces the resolution
2. Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik moves to approve the resolution
3. No Debate
4. Vote
 - a) Passes unanimously; 18 votes

E. Resolution Authorizing SGA Participation in Lobby Day

1. Secretary of Governmental Relations Kubik reintroduces the resolution
2. Kubik moves to approve the resolution
3. No Debate
4. Vote
 - a) Passes unanimously; 18 votes

F. Resolution Establishing the Common Sense 101 Campaign

1. Student Body President Owens reintroduces resolution

2. Student Body President Owens moves to approve the resolution
 3. No Debate
 4. Vote
 - a) Passes unanimously; 18 votes
- G. Resolution Encouraging Full Funding for the Monetary Award Program
1. Student Body President Owens reintroduces the resolution
 2. Student Body President Owens moves to approve the resolution
 3. No Debate over resolution
 4. Vote
 - a) Passes; 17 Yes 1 No
- H. Resolution Revising University Property Where Alcoholic Beverages are Permitted
1. Student Body President Owens reintroduces the resolution
 2. Student Body President Owens moves to approve the resolution
 3. Debate
 - a) There will be less instances of drinking tickets in wet halls.
 - b) In general, people will be less resistant to the rules because they are more friendly
 - c) We must look into our constituent's views, and most of them are upset about a "dry" policy.
 - d) We are expecting a much younger student population within the residence halls making the policy easier to enforce with less students of legal age.
 4. Vote
 - a) Passes; 16 Yes, 1 No, 1 Abstain
- I. Resolution Supporting 'EV-Night'
1. Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin reintroduces the resolution
 2. Secretary of Sustainability Tomlin moves to approve the resolution
 3. Debate over resolution
 4. Vote
 - a) Passes unanimously; 18 votes
- XV. Passing of the gavel
- XVI. Senator Adams moves to adjourn
- A. Second from Senator Chung
- XVII. Adjournment at 9:10pm