Senate October 3, 2013

Roll called at 11:06

Minutes edited and approved

Officer Reports

Committee Reports

Old business

New business

Senator Turner presents a bill to floor about Marketing Funding Act, concerning $400 to be appropriated to the public records committee so that Senate can have a unified public image, effective on passage

Senator Carter: Why is this necessary? They already have access to general funds.

Senator Turner: This gives us freedom to work with individual committees.

Senator Ortiz: We have to buy things that will not go through the print shop, this would allow for the payment of those things.

Senator Carter: The print shop is just one part of the expenses that come out of the general fund, why can it not go directly to the Senate fund, without setting aside money specifically for the public records committee?

Senator Olsen: This way we can set money aside preemptively, so we don’t have to bring receipts in to get a refund, or make purchase orders, etc.

Senator Kim: this would be the same or similar to the process already in place, right?

Senator Vanderwiel: Everything needs to be accounted for anyway, this way they have a little bit of leeway so they can get what they need, without needing to clear everything by the financial committee first.

V.P. Koreis: This bill is mostly about accountability.

Senator Kim: So at the end of semester will we get a report of what they have spent?

V.P. Koreis: Yes, we will friendly amend this to say they will give a report.

Bill passes

Senator Vanderwiel brings bill to floor about Club and Organization Recognition, effective on passage

Senator Wagner: Isn’t it against the rules to dance?

Senator Carter: Yes, it is in violation of the student handbook.

Senator Mueller: This isn’t social dancing is it?

Senator Reynoldson: Its not social dancing, it is like ballet, which is totally different.

Senator Vanderwiel: This is to share God’s gift of dance, it’s a worship organization, not social dancing.

Senator Hussey: This was a club last year, it would have been stopped if it violated policy.

Senator Connor Phillips: what is Mu Epsilon Kappa?

Senator Carter gives explanation

Senator Nemati: What is progressive collapse?

Senator Ortiz: Senior design.

Senator Olsen: What is LARC, and what is the difference between MEK and MK?

Senator Vanderwiel: LARC is for the EE, MEP is missionary kids.

Senator Yammine: LARC is senior design.

Senator Vanderwiel friendly amends it to say international student club

Senator Shah: What is the difference between MEK and MK?

Senator Jacobson: MEK is about gaming, MK is missionary kids.

Senator Hussey: Can we vote on this now?

Bill approved

Senator Yammine brings a bill to the floor about fight song contest prize, $250 to winning individual or group, effective on passage

Senator Vanderwiel: What will happen if there are no good entries?

Senator Yammine: All funds will revert to Senate in that case.

Senator Ortiz: Number 3, is that a condition or, is it something that administration will allow us to do?

V.P. Koreis: It is both.

Senator Carter: How did we arrive at $250?

V.P. Koreis: $250 was proposed by Coach Dikey, no one was opposed last week.

Senator Nemati: There were second and third prizes mentioned, is that still in consideration?

Senator Hollis: There will only be one winner, so only one prize.

Senator Connor Phillips: How will we communicate that this will be a competition, and accept submissions?

V.P. Koreis: Carley and I will announce this in chapel, there will be posters and emails also.

Senator Connor Phillips: How will we get submissions?

V.P. Koreis: I don’t know.

Senator Shah: Is it possible to set it up so that submissions will be directly routed back to who submits?

V.P. Koreis: Why?

Senator Ortiz: I think what he means is that there will be an online location for submitting entries to, for the contest.

General hubbub

Senator Wagner moves to debate and vote

Act approved

Open Forum

V.P. Koreis: Josh Vanleer was going to have a presentation today; it will be next week, he had miscounted weeks. He thought this was the fourth week (when he is actually supposed to present) but that will not be until next week.

Senator Carter: Update on whiteboards, I would have brought a sample but I forgot it. They have frames on several of them, and they are working on fabricating them. The boards weigh a lot.

Senator Nemati: There has been desire to continue open forum after session is adjourned, as V.P. Koreis mentioned in email we should talk to committees more than open forum. I want to encourage people to compile contact info about their committees so that they can be accessed by people with questions and comments.

Senator Meadows moves to adjourn, motion seconded, Senate adjourned.