Student Senate Minutes

March 21, 2013

Guests:

Carly Robinson

Josh VanLeer

Corey Ross

*Call to Order at 11:03am*

V.P. Lowe:

* This meeting is now called to order.
* We have no minutes to approve, so we will move into Officer Reports.

**Officer Reports**

V.P. Lowe:

* Seeing as we have no Officer Reports, we will move into Committee Reports.

**Committee Reports**

S. Holmer:

* My committee is going to meet with S. Koreis after this meeting for as long as we can stay.

S. Flores:

* Elections committee work is pretty much done. Still be checking your email for some miscellaneous things. We also might be helping out Executive Cabinet with some things.

V.P. Lowe:

* Are there any more Committee reports?
* We will move into Old Business.

**Old Business**

V.P. Lowe:

* If we have no Old Business, we will move into New Business.

**New Business**

S. Koreis:

* I move to bring to the floor a Bill. [second]

“Game Table Donation Act of 2013”

V.P. Lowe:

* Are there any questions on the Bill?

S. Flores:

* How far does the $1,000 stretch?

S. Champlin:

* Where exactly are the tables going?

S. Koreis:

* To answer both questions, I will read my planned budget. This is after talking to the RDs and them talking to their RAs. Replacement foosball tables for Tyler, AO, and repairs for ELH and Mabee, Ping Pong Tables for T3, Tyler and repairs for Penn 2, and parts for Pool tables on 41, Tyler, D2, Dorm 4, and KZX.

V.P. Lowe:

* Is there any debate on the bill?
* All in favor of approving the bill? All opposed?
* Bill is approved.

S. van der Hoeven:

* I move to bring to the floor a Bill. [second]

“Intersociety Council Funding Act of Spring 2013”

V.P. Lowe:

* Are there any questions on the Bill?

S. Crittenden:

* We have a campus formal?

S. Overstreet:

* It is something that we are trying to make an annual event.

S. Flores:

* $1,200 is a lot. My understanding is that we are not trying to set a precedent. At what point does this become a Senate endeavor?

S. van der Hoeven:

* I am not interfering with his events.

S. Overstreet:

* We are going to be giving shout-outs to Senate. We won’t just be taking your money.

S. Flores:

* If we aren’t trying to set a precedent, Senate should have participation in it.

S. Holmer:

* Is the Intersociety Committee contributing money also?

S. Overstreet:

* Yes, we are. And, if anyone wants to help, they can.

S. Penner:

* Did we ever find the Senate banner? We could possibly hang the banner at the different events.

S. Flores:

* I think that it would make me feel better if maybe we had the banner and two Senators present at each event.

V.P. Lowe:

* S. Flores, would you like to help out at these events?

S. Flores:

* Certainly, if I am able to, I would love to.

S. Willard:

* What was the total amount of the Bill?

S. van der Hoeven:

* $1,200.

V.P. Lowe:

* Is there any debate on the Bill?
* All in favor of approving the Bill? All opposed?
* Bill is approved.

Corey Ross:

* Just to clarify, we may not use our funds at any event that involves dancing. It cannot be a club or floor event. Funding from the school cannot be connected in any way to events that include dancing.

V.P. Lowe:

* We will now move into Open Forum.

**Open Forum**

V.P. Lowe:

* We have a presentation from our illustrious Treasurer.

Treasurer VanLeer:

* Here is what we are looking at for the rest of the year. For Senate, the leftover is where the $1,200 will come from. We still have roughly $2,000 unallocated for Senate to spend this semester on events. After taking out the $1,000 from the Senate project funds we still have $1,400 from Senate and the Executive cabinet is willing to donate $2,000 towards a Senate project as well. So if you have any ideas for a $3,400 Senate project please bring it to the floor in the next few weeks. Most of YAC’s left over money will be going to Hootenanny, mystery bus tour, and midnight breakfast.

S. Flores:

* What does the projection look like for next semester?

Treasurer VanLeer:

* After you take out the $1,200 and the $2,000 of unallocated funds, we will start next semester with $5,000. Also, we will still have the funding that we will receive from the fall and we always have more students in the fall than in the spring.

S. Willard:

* Have we passed the funding bill yet?

S. Champlin:

* I move to have S. Flores read a Bill. [second]

“The Student Senate Club and Organization Funding Act of Spring of 2013”

V.P. Lowe:

* Are there any questions on the bill?

S. Penner:

* Did you ever send out an email to meet with the clubs?

S. Champlin:

* I ran out of time. I had Josh look at it. We wouldn’t have messed with it much anyways.

S. Broda:

* Who is Engineering Water Solution and why do they get so much money?

S. Holmer:

* It is a Senior Design group in its first year. This includes start-up funds.

S. Champlin:

* The amount of money also depends on what they are using it for.

V.P. Lowe:

* Is there any debate on the Bill?
* All in favor of approving the Bill? All opposed?
* Bill is passed

V.P. Lowe:

* Corey, could you talk about the IMPACT retreat?

Corey Ross:

* Yes, I sent everyone a request asking who is planning on being back next year. Please let me know if you are so that you have the opportunity to attend the retreat this weekend. Friday night at 6:30 we will be having dessert in the Education building. You will get an overview of the weekend as well as a chance to do some fun activities with a coupon. Saturday we will be at Grace Crossing United Methodist Church all day. The chapel speaker tomorrow will also be our speaker on Saturday. He works with high school and college students as well as with churches. We would love to move forward with something official on your floor to make you official as Senators so that you can also attend our Celebration event in April and get a book for the summer. We will also have about 45 minutes on Saturday with just Senate.

S. Koreis:

* The person who is replacing Thomas Feirick is Logan Turner.

Corey Ross:

* We are also moving forward with ice machines. We have gotten quotes and are working with Residence Life and Facilities on specific locations. We are looking at the Thomas Laundromat and the New Student Center.

S. Ramirez:

* We did decide to go with the hotel style, correct?

Corey Ross:

* Yes, we did.

S. Lowe:

* We still have money in our Senate Project fund if there is something else that we would like to do. Keep thinking about ideas.

S. van der Hoeven:

* New vacuums would be nice.

Corey Ross:

* That is a Res Life thing. Talk to your RDs and they will be replaced over the summer.

S. Holmer:

* By the way, I read your [V.P. Lowe] email all the way through. [Me too, me too, me too, etc.]

*Meeting Adjourned at 11:30am*