



University of Iowa Student Government
GENERAL SENATE MEETING

November 29, 2011

A.) Call Meeting to Order(7:03)

B.) Quorum Call – Roll Call

C.) Public Access

D.) Presentations(7:05)

✓ Lindsay Jarratt from the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity

She spoke about doing a diversity training initiative with UISG. It is a NCBI and MyHawk collaborative training. Eight-hour session will be conducted in late January or early February on a Saturday.

They put on a lot of training initiatives. The University of Iowa is the newest school to be apart of NCBI. There are 30 trained leaders on campus that can lead training in being inclusive. The one day diversity workshop is very interactive. The workshop is about practicing skills. The basic premise is that every issue matters and every person belongs at the table.

✓ Greg Bal from Student Legal Services

Student Legal Services (SLS) meets with many students each year. SLS comes to UISG each year to get their budget approved. There is a need for a part time attorney. SLS at Iowa sees more students than any other Big 10 University but has the smallest budget.

The part time attorney will assist the full time attorney especially with a lot of outreach programs. The number of presentations has increased. The position will also provide assistance to the students. Duties include giving presentations, evaluating the programs and services, analyzing the data and development reports, help train the law interns. The desired outcomes as a result of the new attorney include: reduce the wait time for appointments, increase the number of clients seen/week, increase satisfaction with SLS Services, increase number of presentations, increase training given to law students.

Dr. Nelson explained the funding process.

E.) Old Business (7:26)

✓ S.S.B. 30 – ITS Student Focus Group

Sponsored by Senator Van Zant

Senator Van Zant said there will be changes on ICON and ISIS in the coming semesters. The Academic Affairs Committee wants to make sure there is as much student input as possible. This bill authorizes the Academic Affairs Committee to put together a ITS Student Focus Group. There are no specific dates for the group, it is on a need basis.

Horsfield motioned to previous question. Second by Kothari.

Vote to move to previous question—Passes

Vote on S.S.B. 30—Passes

F.) New Business(7:30)

✓ Lobbying Training

G.) Announcements

- ✓ Final Week of Office Hours will be Monday, December 5 – Friday, December 9.
- ✓ Next General Meeting January 24, 2012.

H.) Adjournment (8:30)



UNIVERSITY OF IOWA STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Student Senate

ITS Student Focus Group

Student Senate Bill 30

Submitted by: Senator Van Zant

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled

Date: November 15, 2011

AN ACT, relating to software developments at the University of Iowa Information Technology Service; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be ITS Student Focus Group; and

WHEREAS, Directors Mike Noel and Doug Lee presented information on Project MAUI to UISG on September 20, 2011; and

WHEREAS, MAUI will impact the capacity and ability of online student interfaces, such as ISIS and ICON; and

WHEREAS, ITS officials have expressed a desire for student input; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, University of Iowa Student Government supports the dedication of the University of Iowa, Information Technology Service, and Project MAUI to improving and updating the system; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Academic Affairs Committee will aide in making the software student-friendly by organizing focus groups upon the request of developers at ITS. UISG will notify the student body when opportunities to participate are available through email notifications, UISG members are encouraged to participate and represent students; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, funds to organize student focus groups will come from the UISG contingency fund, if necessary; and

THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, student focus groups shall be assembled by UISG in an effort to make online student resources the best they can be; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as SS - Bill - 30

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED _____, 2011

UISG PRESIDENT

Elliot W. Higgins