WCSA Minutes from 10/28/14

Riley Svikhart, Michael Deiena, Abby Gritter, Andrew Boyd, Caroline Sunshine, Angela D’Amour, Tori Ippolito

October 28th, 2014

7:15 – It’s on Us Video

Caroline: the video shoot is going to take place with Doug Conrad from 3:30 to 6pm on Thursday. The video is already prescribed for the most part and so Caroline added that she is not too worried. Caroline adds that executive board members should be in the video if at all possible.

7:20 – Communications board

- Tim Wilson, Friday November 5th from 4-5pm
- Tim wants Riley to send somebody from WCSA to meet at this time to represent WCSA’s interests. Andrew agrees that he will go to the meeting.

7:22 – Pickle Tree Lighter

Jose Velaszquez, Westmont Groundskeeper, 1972-pres. Board members agree to pay for a dinner for Jose and his family in the DC that night.

7:25 – Leadership Lunch

Upcoming leadership lunch is going to be led by WCSA. WCSA agrees to attend, sending all board members and approximately 5 senators to man the table at the event.

7:30 – Getting our bearings: Where we’ve been and where we’re going.

New senate is off to a wonderful start. The elections were successful and it is beneficial for the dorms to have a representative to represent their interests. Hi Leonard. Mike adds that our administration has been transparent and available for students. “We are making leaps and bounds”. We have a lot left to get accomplished but we can make it happen.

“What objectives can we work on going forward?” Riley added. We will be transitioning into a new WCSA administration in March meaning we only have a few meetings left. “Let’s give the senators some leadership”. Riley reminds the board to focus on a pet-project. We have proven that we are capable and now we need to get things done.

Caroline asks Abby about our current budget to which she replies that everything is “in limbo right now” and so we will only get word on this once transactions have been processed.
Abby, Caroline and Angela all consider the possibility of using surplus funds at the end of the year to hold optional fitness classes aside from required PE courses.

All executive board members talk about the possibility of a cinema class at Westmont College. Talk about the mission of a liberal education and how the prospect of a film class might be in contrast.

Riley talks about the importance of ongoing relationships between current students and alumni.

Riley urges the board members to sponsor legislation more often. “Let us remember, we are a government.”

7:50 – **Entertaining Edee** – Dr. Edee Schulze

All board members introduce themselves to Edee Schulze.

As needed – Points of tactical necessity

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*Meeting adjourns*
AGENDA FOR MEETING OF THE WCSA SENATE

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8:10 – OPENING PRAYER/ANNOUNCEMENTS (2 min.)

- Edee Schulze was present for prayer, announcements and lightning round/committee reports

8:12 – QUORUM CALL/LIGHTNING ROUND/COMMITTEE REPORTS – All (20 min.)

8:32 – VIEW CURRENT BILLS/VOTE ON CURRENT BILLS – All (10 min.)

- Bill 1: WCSA New Job Descriptions
  o Author Presentation (2 min.)
  o Discussion/Amendments (7 min.)
  o Roll Call Vote (1 min.)

- This was an overview of the bill that will be officially presented to the Executive Board next week for them to vote on

- The Senate voted to adopt the new job descriptions unanimously

8:42 – OPEN FLOOR/IMPORTANT FUTURE ISSUES – All (60 min.)

- WCSA is hosting the Leadership Lunch on November 4th

- Issue 1: Hall Council set up and progress

- Issue 2: It’s On Us campaign video discussion (Thursday VL108)
  o working on the one minute video campaign

- Issue 3: Funding for sports teams charitable initiatives
  o Baseball and Basketball - pledge X amount of dollars for each win of the season

- Issue 4: Direct deposit payments (for K Hopps and for finance discussion)

- Issue 5: Email notifications for packages (Discussed with Kevin Hess)
  o this would be a fairly easy process so we are moving forward with this

- Issue 6: Possibility of funding for IT (not likely)
  o there are nre access points being set up to increase function and efficiency of Wifi throughout campus
  o setting up one access code for every 2-4 rooms
  o this switch will take about 1-2 years to institute

- Issue 7: PE Credits for Athletes
  o Dr. Docter and Dr. Smith are in favor of this and they are spearheading it in the Academic Board

- Issue 8: Increasing Involvement for Alumni and Mentoring
  o come up with ways to do this
  o topic of discussion for Tuesday’s Leadership Lunch
- Issue 9: Requirement: Life Skill Class (Ties into Issue 8)
  - this suggestion was approved by everyone
- Issue 10: Future Alumni Fundraiser Idea
  - improving alumni involvement and student interaction with Alumni
- School Color Change - have an open forum with Beebe to explain the purpose of the change(?); is this what students want?

9:42 – **PREPARATION FOR NEXT MEETING/REVIEW** – Michael (3 min.)

- more bills to pass next week

Use EMS to book rooms for Hall Council meetings because it is more convenient for RDs to know

9:45 – **ADJOURNMENT**