

WCSA Senate Meeting Minutes 1/23/18

**Senators bring small amounts of DC food to the meeting and share a bit.

Introduction and Prayer

- Peter's humble petition
- Ben's lovely grandparents join the meeting, smiles abound

Old Business

- Update on Chapel Card Donations: Joy, "848 students mark the chapel card for the united way donation". Ben: "This was for the Thomas fire initially. Is there any way we could add this to the flood." Response: "It is a United Way fire and flood fund". United Way website confirms the existence of this fund.

New Business

- 5:18pm Group Photo
 - Mark: "New Group Photo? Is this a rule, do we want to do it?" Joy: "The new members need headshots at some point". Mark volunteers to do the shot.
 - Mark will take the group photo, next meeting on January 30th.
- 5:22pm Kennedy's appointment
 - Ben: Kennedy sent out her letter to you all about stepping into the new position. The process for Kennedy's induction was meant to be open and was to an extent, however it needed to be more expedient to bring her on and let her get started.
 - Senators take vote on Kennedy's appointment: 6-0 the motion passes.
- 5:28pm, Trae begins an update on the budget meeting. Checks will be in by the end of the week. YTD spending is \$25,200 leaving about \$23,000 left to spend for the year. Might be slight fluctuation here.
 - Next year: Student fee dollars will increase by \$5 per semester
 - What are we spending towards this year that has changed?
 - Trae: Additional positions, unintended costs incurred (emerson fountain), stipends went up
- 5:38pm, Mark brings up the lack of lights on the path down to the GLC
 - Nolan emailed Dan Taylor to no avail
 - Mark: Can someone contact the physical plant about this?
 - Trae: Westmont has a light capacity
 - Mark will send Trae an email about the exact location of the needed light
- 5:40pm, Mark: Bill and Funding Proposals
 - Jenna brings the "What the constituents want" bill
 - The Bill is seconded
 - Jenna: This bill seeks to address a desire for a ping pong table in OV
 - The purpose: Not only a pastime for OV residents, but also a reason to use the OV lounge. This could help develop OV community strength and bring students together.
 - The bill will cost approx. \$380

- Nolan: In the past \$800 has been spent on ping pong equipment
 - Peter: VK might have an extra ping pong table for the OV lounge
 - Nicci: Can we name the table after you Jenna?
 - Jenna humbly accepts a sticker of recognition
 - Angela: These kind of proposals need approval from Residence Life
 - Nolan motions to move this bill to the next meeting after more information is gathered
 - Mark: Take a poll to verify the demand for the request
 - Senators agree to table the bill
- 5:48, Mark brings up “the absolute necessity act”
 - Nolan seconds the motion
 - Jenna: The bill intends to purchase a printer, paper, and ink for OV residents. This printer would be compatible with the Paper cut accounts from the library.
 - Jenna refers to Section 3, “Statement of policy and sustainability framework.” Bill would be executed during this WCSA administration and sustained by future ones.
 - Ben: It could work if the RD would be willing to sustain this. Jenna will find more information for next meeting.
 - The bill is tabled until next meeting
- 5:58pm, Mark: Table at community picnic?
 - Ben: Let’s go forward with it. Who can man this table?
 - Mark volunteers as tribute
 - Need flyers, banners, flags, and cupcakes
 - Bring plaques and name tags
- 6:01pm, SCRT meeting
 - Next meeting this week to discuss potential options for SCRT activities
 - Ben: 279 students signed up to volunteer. At this point just figuring out what to do.
- 6:03pm, Thank You to the E-Team
 - Ben: Is there a way we can thank the E-team of the administration
 - Kennedy: How and when would we introduce it?
- 6:05pm, Open discussion
 - Kevin: Ready to be back from break. Interaction between transfers and non-transfers as well as administrators. The bill for the dinner turned into \$500. I wrote a bill for the event to cover the cost, can we talk about the bill during the next meeting?
 - Mark: We may have overlooked the bill. Let’s go back and check it out.
 - Ben: Should be a funding proposal
 - Nicci: This Saturday is The Next Step workshop, it would be a worthy pursuit to make some sort of appearance at this or other similar events.
- 6:12pm, Prayer
 - Joy’s dad’s surprise birthday!!
 - Nicci’s cats from the vet, healing. Also job interview.
 - Mark: Grateful to have prayer for anxiety.
 - Kennedy: Job interviews coming up.

WCSA Executive Council Meeting Minutes
1/23/2018

Introduction and Prayer

N/A

Old Business

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New Business

6:26, Conversations that Matter

- Joy: Difficult getting the Senator at the moment

6:27, Elections

- Elections are March 6th
- Ben: Can we change the elections?
 - Others: The need more time to shadow the current administration
 - Ben: What about the 27th of March, the week after Spring Sing?
 - Angela: The Senate and the Executive council elections will be too close in timing to each other
 - Ben: I will go talk to Shannon
 - Joy: I would lean toward the usual way. Executive Council in March, Senators in April
 - The potential new plan: Everyone on campus votes for all positions at the same time.

6:43, Conversations that matter (Revisited)

- Topics
 - Missions: Short Term, Long Term (Trae and Mark)
 - Collaborate with the Westmont missional organizations
 - Climate Change
 - Israel/Palestine (Sam and Hendrik)

Open Discussion/Parking Lot

6:53, Ideas

- Organization leaders dinner, thank you to other organizations
- Olympics Viewing Event

6:57, Adjourned