

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME DU LAC

STUDENT SENATE

Executive Summary

April 30, 2014

- I. Opening Business
 - A. Matt Devine called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.
 - B. Matt led the invocation.
 - C. 7 were absent; 0 were late.

- II. Officer Announcements
 - A. Lauren Vidal, Student Body President
 - i. First Political Brew last Sunday
 1. About 25 people showed up and we had a great discussion.
 2. We are looking to continue Political Brew once a month
 - ii. We presented to FMB last night and we were approved to spend \$31, 670 to spend on 2 GEM carts.
 1. Initially, these will be used for on-campus use only, but they can be licensed for street use.
 2. Current name (pending approval) is O'SNAP (credit to Grant Humphreys).
 - B. Matthew Devine, Student Body Vice President
 - i. Lauren and Matt will both be on campus this summer, so if anyone has interest in working on Frosh-O, let them know.
 - C. Shannon Montague, Chief of Staff
 - i. If anyone is interested in working with Frosh-O, O'SNAP, or Quad Markets over the summer, let Shannon know.

- III. General Orders
 - A. Resolution SS1415-05: Revision of "The Shirt" Project Revenue
 - i. Kristen Parkinson, *Student Union Treasurer*
 - ii. Abbey Dankoff, *Vice President of The Shirt Committee*
 - iii. The Shirt benefits over 250 clubs on campus as well as Rector Funds and medical expenses for students who cannot afford it.
 1. The Rector Funds receives more requests than it can meet each year. This fund covers textbooks, football tickets, JPW tickets and many other crucial aspects of the Notre Dame experience for students who cannot afford them.
 2. The endowment to cover medical expenses is returning more money than is needed each year. This money is currently in an account that earns no interest. It could instead be put toward the Rector Fund or back into the endowment.
 3. The proposed solution is to put the excess growth of the charity endowment towards the Rector Fund.

4. Half of The Shirt's proceeds would go towards the Student Union and half would go towards The Shirt Charity Fund.
 - iv. Grant Humphreys moved to vote to bring the Resolution to the floor.
 - v. Scott Moore seconded.
 - vi. There was unanimous approval to bring this to the floor.
 - vii. Kevin Coleman moved to bring the Resolution to a vote.
 - viii. Grant seconded.
 - ix. All in favor of passing Resolution SS1415-05.
- B. Campus Life Council (CLC) Nominations
- i. Alex Coccia, *Student Body President Emeritus*
 1. The CLC was sanctioned by the Board of Trustees. It includes 6 rectors (appointed by Erin Hoffman Harding), 2 faculty, 1 staff member from Student Affairs, and student senators
 2. Looks at issues to proposed to the Board of Trustees.
 3. 3 Task Forces
 - a. Sexual violence and the implementation of prayer services
 - b. Dorms with high rates of rector turnovers and how that affects community building
 - c. Time and student scheduling
 4. The time commitment for Senators will be similar to the time commitment for any other department (about 1 hour per week).
 - ii. Email Matt if you are interested in applying for CLC. Appointments will be made before everyone goes home for summer break.
 - iii. There are 4 Senator positions, one of which will be filled by Off-Campus Senator, Peter Durbin.

IV. Announcements

- A. Grant thanked everyone who came out to the Fisher Regatta last weekend.
- B. Zach thanked everyone who came out to Berries.
- C. Christina Jeong and Marisa Taylor were nominated to do the Cold Water Challenge immediately after Senate today.
- D. Lauren gave an update on the readership program. We have contracts with the Wall Street Journal and the New York Times, and those are being processed.
- E. Remember to sign up for TeamND if you have not already. We will be back in time for Frosh-O if you are part of Frosh-O staff as well.

V. Adjournment

- A. Kevin McMannis motioned to adjourn.
- B. Kevin C. seconded.
- C. Meeting adjourned at 6:43pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Student Union Secretary