

UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME DU LAC

STUDENT SENATE

Executive Summary

February 18, 2015

- I. Opening Business
 - A. Matt Devine called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.
 - B. Brian Mukhaya led the invocation.
 - C. 10 were absent; 0 were late.
 - D. Jake Wittenburg moved to approve last week's minutes.
 - i. Grant Humphreys seconded.
 - ii. Minutes approved.

 - II. Officer announcements
 - A. Lauren Vidal, Student Body President
 - i. Not in attendance.
 - B. Matthew Devine, Student Body Vice President
 - i. Thank you to all who attended the Town Hall on Monday.
 - 1. There were some great questions
 - C. Shannon Montague, Chief of Staff
 - i. No updates.

 - III. General Orders
 - A. SS1415-14; Kathryn Peruski, *Judicial Council President*
 - i. A resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body on the election and term of Off-Campus Council Officers.
 - ii. Zach Waterson moved to close discussion.
 - 1. Kevin Bond seconded.
 - iii. David Krohn moved to vote.
 - 1. Ryan Rizzuto seconded.
 - 2. 24 in favor, 1 abstained by hand vote. Resolution passed.
 - B. 2015-2016 Judicial Council President Appointment; Kathryn Peruski, *Judicial Council President*
 - i. Kathryn offered her support in favor of appointing Zach Waterson as the Judicial Council President for the 2015-2016 term.
 - ii. Ashley Calvani moved to vote.
 - 1. Marissa Taylor seconded.
 - 2. 24 in favor, 1 abstained by hand vote.
 - 3. Congratulations to Zach, the incoming Judicial Council President for the 2015-2016 term.

 - IV. New Business
 - A. Jake brought up a concern about the utilization of the O'SNAP Program.
 - i. There have been issues with NDSP dispatch and complaints from drivers about the number of riders.
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- ii. Jake suggested opening a discussion about efficiency of dispatch and when it is appropriate to call O'SNAP for a ride.
 - iii. Ryan brought up the gender discrepancy in willingness of O'SNAP to pick up students.
 - iv. Anecdotally, dispatch is more likely to send O'SNAP pick-ups for female students who are alone than male students who are alone or groups of students.
- B. Chris DeSapio brought back feedback that students have requested dining hall burrito nights to be moved to Saturday during Lent.
- C. Ryan brought up a question that was asked at Town Hall about dorms being torn down. Alumni want to come back and visit their old dorms, so it is important to be aware of what the University's policy is on tearing down old dorms.
- D. College Readership
- i. We are currently getting 700 papers per day between the Wall Street Journal and the New York Times. However, only 100-200 papers get picked up daily.
 - ii. Advocated for by Student Government
 - 1. If no one else advocated for it, that money would be available to be allocated to other branches of the Student Union
 - 2. FMB has discussed whether this should be Student Government's responsibility to continue the program or if it should be within the dorms or through some other avenue.
 - iii. Another issue arises with the logistics of having a delivery person.
 - iv. Discussion
 - 1. Brian Cimon asked about online subscriptions.
 - a. We can only get a digital subscription if we order paper copies as well.
 - 2. Kathryn noted that some students pick up papers and return them to the stack so other students can read them afterwards.
 - a. Elle Huang added that she also reads the paper in the morning and then puts it back in the stack.
 - 3. Jimmy McEntee noted that he has a personal online subscription to WSJ. He suggested working with Mendoza to subsidize personal online subscriptions for students.
 - 4. Zach suggested getting students involved in a campus dialogue by putting up notices that we are looking into the possibility of discontinuing physical paper deliveries.
 - v. Students tend to have habitual paper-reading habits. Perhaps, we could look into individual prescriptions instead of a bulk drop. This would be more expensive, but could be something to consider.

V. Announcements

- A. Please remember to vote today for Class Council elections.
 - B. Hall election information sessions should have already happened. Those elections will be on Tuesday, so please remember to vote.
 - C. There are still spots open in the Washington D.C. program for the fall semester. The program is open to sophomores and juniors. This is not just open to political science majors. There are opportunities for all majors, including science and engineering.
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Classes are taken for academic credit and students will also be placed in an internship position.

- D. Hall of the Year Review will be March 20, 21, and 22. HPC is looking for 2 senators to sit on that committee. Please email hpc@nd.edu if you are interested.
- E. There are 66 days until the Fisher Regatta.
- F. Miss ND is March 4.
- G. Next Tuesday, February 24 at 7:30pm in the Sorin Room, SUB is celebrating National Tortilla Chip Day. There will be free Chipotle.
- H. The SUB movie is Horrible Bosses 2.
- I. Thank you to everyone who came out to the Keenan Revue last weekend.
- J. Love Your Body Week is kicking off with a flash mob on Monday. Practices will be on Friday and Sunday.

VI. Adjournment

- A. Brian Mukhaya motioned to adjourn.
- B. Ryan Rizzuto seconded.
- C. Meeting adjourned at 6:43pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine L. Wood
Student Union Secretary
