

Notre Dame Student Senate
ORDERS OF THE DAY
September 13, 2006
Notre Dame Room, LaFortune

I. OPENING BUSINESS

- A. Bill Andrichik called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
- B. Chris Labedy led the Invocation.
- C. Allison Steil and Tyler Langdon were absent.
- D. Luke Derheimer moved to approve. Drew Clary seconded. *The minutes from the September 6, 2006 meeting of the Student Senate were approved at 6:07 p.m.*

II. PODIUM

- A. Rich Fox Re: The Shirt 2006
 - i. Julie Campbell is the vice president of the shirt project and here on behalf of the whole committee. She is here to sum up how the project is going. She said it was clear this weekend that the shirt has been a success. She said this is good to the student body because all the money goes back to the student body. There is also a portion of the money that goes back to the rectors who can use the money for the students as well. The rest of the money goes to the students who have extra ordinary illnesses or injuries and don't have the means to pay for it. The other half goes to students also in that it supplements student activities' fees. She would also like to stress getting the students involved in the concessions stands. She talked about past years in which the shirt was sold at concession stands. This year, they aren't requiring students to pay for the shirts that aren't sold. She said without this student body, the project wouldn't have been as successful as it was. Lindsay Meyer asked to put the new number sold into context. She said last year was lower. Lindsey asked if we could exceed the year in which shirts were sold the most. Julie said yes that is possible.
- B. Mike McKenna Re: Rock the Vote
 - i. Mike McKenna is a junior and the coordinator for the rock the vote campaign. He talked about the 2004 election in which they got a majority to vote. They are trying to get people to register and get out the vote and make sure people are voting responsibly. He has postcards with link to website which has an online voter registration tool. He asked the Senate to be on board with CSC's efforts and give them the right to use their resources to get the vote out. He told senate to talk to their hall dorms about this effort. He said maybe show a political movie or political debate. His target is 1000 people. He says there are probably 2000 that are not registered. They have until the middle of October to achieve this

goal. Dan Fuss asked where voter registration forms are. Mike said through website link on form, people can print it out and send to CSC. His email is MMckenn4@nd.edu. They also have a schedule of different speaking events coming up. Mark Shields was here last week. They are having a debate about Iraq War on the 28th. They are also organizing a concert to literally rock the vote.

III. OFFICER REPORTS

- A. Ms. Lizzi Shappell, Student Body President
 - i. Lizzi said last week's meeting with Karen White went well. She also has been working on the Board of Trustees' report.
- B. Mr. Bill Andrichik, Student Body Vice President
 - i. Bill is still working on student alumni initiatives.
- C. Ms. Liz Brown, Chief Executive Assistant
 - i. Liz had one meeting with CLAP last week. CLAP is taking a new approach this year. This meeting went well and they will continue to meet throughout the year. She also had a meeting with people in the community regarding sexual assault. They talked about how to better educate students on this subject. She also said to talk to freshman interested in student government. Applications are on Nancy's desk. Brian Lan asked about time frame for applications. Liz said just have them come in to the office. The deadline is technically tomorrow, but she can work around it. Liz also passed out Hispanic Heritage Month posters.
- D. Mr. Philippe Collon, Faculty Senate Liaison
 - i. They had their first faculty senate meeting last week. Phillippe introduced Linda Sharp and said they may alternate weeks. Last week they set agendas. Three major points came up. One of them is questions of honesty. Another is safety on campus. The third point is the eating disorders project and how they can support this cause.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Committee on Academic Affairs
 - i. Jim said his committee will meet next Tuesday and continue working on Majors night.
- B. Committee on Community Relations
 - i. He met with Karen White and had good conversation with her. They are having a one year review of the Ordinance with other students. September 27th they will meet. His committee is working on various projects that are now in the beginning stages.
- C. Committee on Social Concerns
 - i. Sheena met with sociology grad students regarding various issues they will be dealing with this year. They are also working on the financial aid issue.

D. Committee on Gender Issues

- i. Kevin he met with gender studies today and will be meeting with psychology tomorrow. They are still working on integrating community support. They are working with coordinators to work on logistics.

E. Committee on Residence Life

- i. Pat said Seigfried now has printers. He said now guys don't have to go to PDUB. Big thanks to OIT and Karen R. They made some phone calls about domer dollars as well. As of this afternoon, domer dollars were 100% down in machines. They're working on fixing problems as to when these machines go down. He said to email/call him if any problem occurs. Lizzi and him have a meeting with John Affleck Graves regarding the College Town.

F. Committee on University Affairs

- i. Aly said they are working on Catholic Think Tank. She will meet with Bill regarding the alumni reception.

G. Committee on Oversight

- i. Oversight will meet next Monday at 8:45 p.m. Student Government will be working on elections and calendar with dates.

H. Committee on Multicultural Affairs

- i. This committee is supporting the campus program for Hispanic heritage Month. Destinee said she has a meeting next week regarding cultural ~~controversy~~. She is working with someone to develop survey. *Competency*

V. **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. None

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Approval of Fall 2006 Board of Trustees Topic

- i. Lizzi said this topic comes from Father Poorman and Chair of Board of Trustees. Technology and student networking such as facebook. They looked at how students are networking in different ways. These things may not be familiar with older people. They will be sending board introductory material about facebook. The actual format of the presentation will be a student panel with Bill, Liz, and herself to make it more as a conversation style as to how these issues affect student life. They will discuss subjects beyond facebook as well. Bill opened up the floor to questions to actual approval of the topic. Brian Lan moved to approve. Kevin Smith seconded. *The Board of Trustees Topic was approved at 6:25 p.m.*

B. Proposal of Student Senate Resolution SS-0607-02

- i. Bill introduced the resolution. Resolution is SS-060704-02. Luke presented Resolution. Bill opened floor for questions. Chris asked as to why the first clause is in it. Luke said it was in the original resolution and decided not to take it out. Ashley Wright was

wondering if Morrissey is really recognized as Morrisey Manor. Greg said they refer to it as Morrisey Manor. Luke said this doesn't have anything to do what the University has to say. It's for the student body only. Bill said please limit comments to new opinions not echoing others. Your opinion comes to your vote. He will not entertain motions to end discussion as long as there are new topics. Bill began debate with letter from Mark Healy. Mark says he believes its an accurate acknowledgement of the name of his dorm community. Bill opened for discussion and debate. Luke said the biggest thing is the fraternity type thing. He said he tried to kill this notion in the resolution. He mentioned alumni who has Greek lettering which could be associated with fraternities. He directed everyone to approval letter of co-chair of gender issues and Lizzi's reference to Zahm House. Chris said they've seen this before and he said first of all, he asked if there was any set time after which it can be brought again. Pat said three weeks. Chris said we should deal with this one time this year. He said if we deny it now, we will deal with it again in the future. He moved to to table the item at hand. Oscar Garcia seconded. *Discussion regarding postponement began at 6:28 p.m.*

ii. Luke pointed out this move is coming from Keenan Hall who therefore has a huge bias. He asked for senate not to support this. Brian Lan said the purpose of this is based on your own opinion. He said definitely listen to yourself about your own opinions. Bill redirected comments to postponement of discussion. Lauren Cummings said everyone deserves a chance to put this forth and putting a ban is not fair. Drew Clary said postponing is "chicken". Oscar said his reasoning is not so much running away but the topic will keep arising if they don't postpone. Maris moved to close discussion (pq). Danny seconded. Discussion was closed at 6:32 p.m. Bill reminded this is a majority vote. Eight were in favor of postponement. Sixteen opposed. No abstentions. *Motion to postpone discussion failed at 6:36 p.m.*

iii. Bill refocused to discussion/comments. Brian Lan asked if Senate voted on Morrissey and Sorin on renaming halls. They don't know that immediately. Jim Lockwood said Sorin College goes back to war time and Morrisey Manor looks like a Manor. He says might as well call it Zahm House because they will call it that anyways. Danny Smith said this is more for student recognition and does not go on University website as Zahm house and says its fair. Luke pointed out this is a curtesy thing he would extend to anyone else. Chris said he still has problems with first clause. He moved to amend first clause. Brian seconded. Now moved into debate on amendment to striking first clause. Luke prefers to leave it because Mark Healy's vote would not be counted if amended and it is too valuable to throw away on minor change. Brian Lan said

if this is minor amendment then why does the clause say it's too important. Bill limited discussion to 5 minutes. Oscar Garcia said not having Mark's vote is same as people being absent. Luke mentioned his letter. Drew said everyone has opportunity to send vote. Bill said proxy vote is null and void if any amendments are made to resolution. Marian Montes moved to PQ. Luke seconded. *Discussion to amend the amendment ended at 6:40 p.m.* Six were in favor to amend the amendment. Nineteen opposed. No abstentions. *Resolution failed to be amended at 6:42 p.m.* Moved back into discussion. Marian moved to PQ. Luke seconded. Now voting. Fourteen in favor. Ten opposed. *No abstentions. Resolution failed at 6:44 p.m.*

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Drew Clary announced Fisher's roofsit starting Thursday. They sit on roof for 50 hours straight leading up to game and raise money for scholarship funds and charity funds. Thursday, they are having a dodgeball tournament on the South Quad. After the pep rally, they are having a live band.
- B. Luke Derheimer said this Sunday is Zahm's football game at 2:00 at Stepan Field against Knott Hall.
- C. Liz announced next Tuesday when Cavanaugh plays Badin at 9:00 p.m. at Stepan Fields.
- D. Jim addressed topic in which freshman wanted to join student government but found it hard to find information. He said maybe we can do our best to help people get in contact with student government. Bill said over the next week, gather information from people in dorms who have concerns about accessability. It will appear on next week's agenda.
- E. Jim Grace said tomorrow is academic Forum at 1:15 p.m. at the JACC.
- F. Chris Labody said he's one of the Chaplains at Old College. Tomorrow is the vigil of Our Lady of Sorrows. There will be a mass and candle lit night prayer tomorrow night.
- G. Chris said go irish for this Saturday's game.
- H. Phillippe Collon mentioned mass tomorrow at the Basilica.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Danny Smith moved to adjourn. Callie Poggie seconded. *The September 12, 2006 meeting of the Student Senate was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Catherine Martinez
Student Body Secretary

