

Notre Dame Student Senate  
**Executive Summary**  
September 20, 2006  
Notre Dame Room, LaFortune

**I. OPENING BUSINESS**

- A. Bill Andrichik called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
- B. Chris Wilkinson led the invocation.
- C. Chris Beesley and Jim Lockwood were absent.
- D. Luke Derheimer moved to approve the minutes. Tyler Langdon seconded.  
*The minutes were approved at 6:06 p.m.*

**II. PODIUM**

- A. None

**III. OFFICER REPORTS**

- A. Ms. Lizzi Shappell, Student Body President
  - i. Lizzi has been working with Josh on community relations. They have a meeting next Wednesday with the Common Council to go over the ordinance one year later and talk about concept of being better neighbors. They have met with Karen White and Bob Jones this morning. They will meet with South Bend PD officials as well. Her and Bill will also attend Alumni Board next Thursday.
- B. Mr. Bill Andrichik, Student Body Vice President
  - i. Bil said website software should be in soon. He and Aly met with Mark Burdel regarding student alumni receptions. First reception is set for Purdue game.
- C. Ms. Liz Brown, Chief Executive Assistant
  - i. Tomorrow, Liz has a meeting with Bill to talk about sexual assault awareness. Tomorrow is the deadline for applications on senate committees.
- D. Mr. Linda Sharp, Faculty Senate Liaison
  - i. No report.

**IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Committee on Academic Affairs
  - i. Jim said his committee met last night. They are currently working on coordinating 24 hour space on campus and majors night planning.
- B. Committee on Community Relations
  - i. Josh said his committee met on Monday and discussed plan for ordinance for review meeting. They also plan to meet with students that live off campus.
- C. Committee on Social Concerns
  - i. Sheena said DuLac does not include religion and sexual

discrimination and will follow up on this matter. For international education, they are also working with Campus Ministry to put together Theology on Tap.

D. Committee on Gender Issues

- i. Kevin and Ashley's committee is working on outlining specific points for the eating disorders conference.

E. Committee on Residence Life

- i. Pat said his committee has been working on the Technology report.

F. Committee on University Affairs

- i. Aly said she met with Mark Burdel. The first alumni reception will be from 3:30 to 5 p.m. right before the pep rally of the Purdue game. They will be raffling off tickets. There will also be free food and more information about this event will be coming.

G. Committee on Oversight

- i. Chris said they will meet next Monday and talk about the transition calendar.

H. Committee on Multicultural Affairs

- i. Destinee said her and Sheena said are finishing planning for the multicultural training. She is also meeting with various individuals on Friday to discuss cultural affairs on campus.

V. **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. None

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Proposal of Student Senate Resolution SS-0607-05

- i. Pat Knapp presented and introduced the Resolution. They only listed dorms that reported problems. The blank spaces are areas where there are no problems. They didn't put a whole lot of recommendations due to nature of technology. Jim Grace asked if the committee asked about downloading, etc. Pat Knapp said they didn't research into it but listed what students told them. He also asked about cell phone problems if they occurred after towers. Pat said yes. Chris Hollon asked where will this report go. Pat said CLC and then on to Father Poorman. Pat said we're bringing techno back. Mark Healy moved to PQ. Luke Derheimer seconded. *Senate Resolution SS-0607-05 was passed unanimously with 26 votes at 6:19 p.m.*

B. Information regarding Sexual Assault Poster in Bathrooms

- i. Liz Brown said she's meeting with Bill tomorrow to discuss sexual assault awareness. She asked who saw posters in their bathrooms. Liz asked for opinions on this issue. Sheena said posters are great, but she thinks posters up continuously may not be paid enough attention to and maybe it may be helpful to initiate a new poster. Lauren Cummings mentioned last year she had a friend that actually looked at the poster and contacted someone. Therefore, it

is accessible. Maris Braun said last year as a freshman, they never really told any students what to do after being sexually assaulted. She said maybe somehow get information to girl dorms. Danny Smith asked about putting posters up in Lafortune or DeBartolo bathrooms. Lizzi said they were up in DeBartolo at one point and can look into it. Lizzi gave background on origin of posters. They were fought for extremely hard to put them up her sophomore year as a resource that would become a constant in the residence halls about where to go. They tried under the Gender Committee to make sure they were in all the bathrooms. She wanted to clarify poster versus resource. She also wanted to emphasize the 24 to 48 hour window need to know about not going to the bathroom and not taking a shower. Greg said maybe keeping information outside RA's office because there is a good chance student would go to RA. Bill added that when they received their training, they pointed out that females sexually assaulted tend to go to a male friend before female friend. Tyler asked about bathroom issues and if that's why posters are there. Lizzi said the bathroom is high traffic and can be viewed alone versus public. Tyler asked about distributing pamphlet to freshman. Lizzi said during Freshman Orientation weekend, each freshman receives pamphlets. Tyler said when pillar give their talks, they may be able to give out information regarding sexual assault. Maris asked if posters make clear that if you are worried about breaking parietals that sexual assault trumps parietals. Bill said yes and there is a statement in bold regarding this issue. Danny asked about about gym class promoting awareness. Ashley Wright said ND puts PE textbook together and they should have a lesson about it in class. Sheena asked if there was a way to condense information to credit card size because people keep them. This may be more beneficial. Chris Wilkinson said PE is not the best solution because some freshman don't receive the classes during the spring. Danny said that is a good point and maybe doing it in Pillars and reinforcing in PE could be another good way.

## **VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Oscar Garcia announced NDTV premiere extravaganza tonight at 7 p.m.
- B. Josh said North East Neighborhood Counsel is having a picnic for ND students on Friday September 22 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Robinson Community Learning Center.
- C. Lizzi thanked Brian Coughlin for SAO T-shirts.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Danny Smith moved to adjourn. Brian Lan seconded. *The September 20, 2006 meeting of the Student Senate was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted,

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Student Body Secretary