

NOTRE DAME STUDENT SENATE

Executive Summary

January 24, 2007

Notre Dame Room, LaFortune

I. OPENING BUSINESS

- A. Bill Andrichik called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
- B. Chris Labadie led the invocation.
- C. Ashley Wright, Lindsay Meyer, Luke Derheimer, and Kevin Gimber were absent.
- D. Swearing in of Matthew Lodwich, the new Dillon Hall senator.
- E. Drew Clary moved to approve the minutes. Jim Lockwood seconded.
The minutes from the January 17, 2007 Senate meeting were approved at 6:07 p.m.

II. PODIUM

- A. Angie Yugo Re: Office of Pre-College Programs
 - i. Angie said the pre-college programs are similar to academic camps for high school students. High school students come and spend two weeks on campus. They can participate in various areas of study. Angie handed out pamphlets. The pre-college program is looking for counselors to stay the duration of two weeks during the summer. The role of the resident counselor is to act as a role model and resource mentor. They serve as RAs and camp counselors. They organize field trips, dances, and community service nights. The pre-college office funds any ideas of the counselors. Spirituality is also a big part of the two weeks. It is a paid position. It includes housing and a meal plan. Applications are due February 24. Drew asked if this could be done while taking summer school. Angie said there is available time during the day, but they will look at applications in which students have more available free time. Oscar asked how many applicants they would take. Angie said 15-18. Maris asked if the program wants the senators to spread the information. Angie said they would like to keep the process more selective and it has usually worked to recruit by word of mouth.

III. OFFICER REPORTS

- A. Ms. Lizzi Shappell, Student Body President
 - i. Lizzi, Bill and Liz have been working with the committee chairs in preparing the Board of Trustees report. In this report, they will be highlighting four main areas including the community summit, alumni-relations, the college readership program, and the eating disorders conference. The report will be presented Thursday.
- B. Mr. Bill Andrichik, Student Body Vice President

- i. Bill said he has been working on the Board of Trustees Report. He has also continued his work in compiling the conduct awareness task force report on disorientations.
- C. Ms. Liz Brown, Chief Executive Assistant
 - i. Liz said she is continuing to work on the Board of Trustees report as well. She is also working on her projects out of CLC.
- D. Mr. Philippe Collon/Ms. Linda Sharpe, Faculty Senate Liaison
 - i. Faculty Senate is not meeting in January. Philippe will present updates after their next meeting in the beginning of February.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Committee on Academic Affairs
 - i. Jim said March 1 is the day for Majors night. It will held between 7-10 p.m. He asked senators to publicize this event.
- B. Committee on Community Relations
 - i. Josh said the community summit is moving forward. Josh met with Jackie to discuss the event. Lizzi and Josh will meet with her and Vicki Hernandez as well. They are also looking at ND downtown as a potential venue.
- C. Committee on Social Concerns
 - i. Sheena's committee compiled information to be put in the stall notes. The information includes country profiles. This new addition is part of their current initiative
- D. Committee on Gender Issues
 - i. Ashley said they are actively working on publicizing the conference and brainstorming ways to get representatives of every hall at the conference. They are working on advertising and finalizing the paper work. The website to register is www.nd.edu/~aweiss1. Bill said students do not have to pay but should still register if they plan to attend.
- E. Committee on Residence Life
 - i. Pat said they have been working on Alcohol Awareness Week. This week occurs before spring break. It will be held March 5-9. There are events every day and there will be a t-shirt giveaway on Monday. They also have been working on the resolution which is being presented tonight regarding domer dollars.
- F. Committee on University Affairs
 - i. Aly said they are working on Catholic Think Tank. They are currently waiting to hear back from possible speakers.
- G. Committee on Oversight
 - i. Chris said they will be meeting within the next few days to discuss the constitutional amendment that was debated last semester. He will also be working on the selection process for the two awards that will be presented at the end of March.
- H. Committee on Multicultural Affairs

- i. Destinee said the Native American resolution passed through CLC on Monday and now on it is on its way to Father Poorman. Her committee will also be working with the administration in the Arts and Letters Department to discuss the possibility of creating a Native American studies minor.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Election of the New CLC Liaison

- i. Bill asked for volunteers for the CLC position. He said volunteers must have an opening on Mondays between 3 and 4. Jim Lockwood and Emily Cooperstein volunteered. Jim Lockwood will be the new permanent member and Emily will be the alternate.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Proposal of Resolution SS-0607-16

- i. Pat introduced the resolution. He said his committee has structured the resolution after speaking with CLC and administrators first. Pat said everyone who would be affected by this resolution has been included in the discussion. Danny said he met with the various parties. Dean Winter liked the language. Danny also met with an OIT representative who didn't like how OIT was at the forefront so they switched the wording around so no one was displeased. The resolution will be put forward Monday, February 5 in CLC if the resolution passes in senate. The software company came in and looked at the domer dollar system after the meetings, but problems persisted so they decided to put forward the resolution. Brian Lan moved to vote. Jim Lockwood seconded. Maris asked what is intended by presenting the resolution in CLC. Pat said they would like the administration to review or determine the best way to fix the system through Dean Winter and Mr. Prentkowski's recommendations. Callie Pogge asked if they will look at machines that do not have domer dollars. Pat said they were just looking at the ones that take domer dollars. Sheena asked what the software representatives talked about. Danny said he met with Dave Prentkowski, Dean Winter, and Craig from OIT. They did not tell him until later that the company had come in to review the system. Dean Winter pushed hard to have that done. They just came in and inspected the system. There are constantly updates they send to adjust the system so it's a learning process but he didn't hear that much more about it. 24 yes. 0 opposed. 0 abstentions. 24 yes. 0 opposed. 0 abstentions. *Resolution SS-0607-16 passed at 6:27 unanimously.*
- B. Chris Beesley said three different students have approached him about parking issues on campus. Over Christmas break, one of the D2 lots reserved the 25 spaces closest to campus for maintenance vehicles. He had to park in the visitor's lot where he then received a fine. Mariana said she is the undergraduate representative on the ad hoc committee for parking. She said they were actually thinking about taking out the

whole D2 lot and reserving it for graduate students. She asked to keep the lot for the undergraduate students.

- C. Jim Lockwood said he has heard that they have been running out of the New York Times versus the Chicago Tribune. Lizzi said the original decision was based on their budget. The NYT is the most expensive. The college readership representative is coming in mid-February and they will discuss this then. Chris Harrison and she will be working on the review of the program within the next few weeks. Drew said there are leftovers at South so maybe they should reallocate papers at different locations.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Fisher Regatta will be on April 28.
- B. Brian Lan said this Friday at the DPAC the ND glee club will perform a concert with the Michigan Glee Club.
- C. Chris said the Keenan Review is one week from tomorrow. Tickets go on sale tomorrow and they are free.
- D. Alex French said this weekend at the DPAC is the student film festival.
- E. Pat showed the potential poster for alcohol awareness week.
- F. Welsh Family is hosting their dance fest. Every dance group will be dancing in this event. Tickets are available at Lafortune or at the door.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Mariana moved to adjourn. Kevin seconded. *The January 24, 2007 meeting of the Student Senate was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Martinez
Student Body Secretary