

**Senate Executive Summary**  
December 7, 2005  
Notre Dame Room, LaFortune

**I. OPENING BUSINESS**

- A. Lizzi Shappell called the meeting to order 6:06 p.m.
- B. Dave Baron led the invocation.
- C. Steve Tortorello, Andrew Beatty, Philippe Collon, Brad Tucker, Suj Pandaya, Sarah Liu, Dan Bowen, Chris Garibaldi, and Jacques Nguyen were absent.
- D. Dan Bowen moved to approve the minutes; Libby Hopp seconded. *The minutes from the November 30, 2005 meeting of the Student Senate were approved at 6:09 p.m.*

**II. PODIUM**

**III. OFFICER REPORTS**

- A. Mr. Dave Baron, Student Body President
  - i. Dave Baron said that at CoR they approved a series of budget allocations. FMB makes sure that the money is being spent and at the middle of the year, groups can come forward and ask for money. They will look into doing a monthly review to make it more efficient
  - ii. At CLC, they passed a resolution asking Campus Ministry and Student Affairs to provide more information about non-Catholic opportunities to hall staffers next fall and this spring. Secondly, they looked into incorporating the cultural competency requirement.
  - iii. Hopefully, within the next week, they will meet with the building manager of Turtle Creek and will be meeting with them about the ordinance.
  - iv. The letter from James Leito and the Judicial Council has details about the elections that are coming up for hall governments, class councils and student body elections. Take it back to your dorm because it goes through the processes that will be used if there are violations in the election. It will be your responsibility to have a meeting for people who are interested in being your dorm's Senator.
- B. Ms. Lizzi Shappell, Student Body Vice President
  - i. Lizzi Shappell said that you need to know about the election violation rules because candidates can appeal to Senate. She encouraged people to bring new senators or people interested to the meeting.
  - ii. Dave and Lizzi will be meeting with a business school professor and student about student involvement within the Development Office.
- C. Ms. Liz Kozlow, Chief Executive Assistant
  - i. Liz Kozlow announced that Judge Pryor will be speaking here in January in the Catholic Think Tank Series.
  - ii. Stay tuned for stall notes next semester.

- iii. All of the Senators will get an e-mail about a Senate retreat next semester which will probably be on the first Sunday we get back from 1-5 p.m.
- D. Mr. Philippe Colon, Faculty Senate Liaison
  - i. Philippe was absent.

#### IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Committee on Academic Affairs
  - i. Chris Harris said that there was not much to report.
- B. Committee on Diversity Affairs
  - i. Sarah Liu was absent.
- C. Committee on Gender Issues
  - i. Ali Wishon said that she will be meeting with a women faculty and student group on Friday about health issues.
- D. Committee on Residence Life
  - i. Mark Seiler promised that signature charities will go up on hall profiles soon.
  - ii. He said that they will work with Food Services and with Ali Wishon's committee on Alcohol Awareness Week next semester.
- E. Committee on University Affairs
  - i. Matt Walsh said that he met about GLBTQ issues and there will be a report done by mid to late January.
- F. Committee on Oversight
  - i. Suj Pandaya was absent.
- G. Committee on Community Relations
  - i. Nick Guzman said that he met with Peggy Hnutusko about incorporating a community aspect into Freshmen Orientation. They will work with TRANSPRO about getting tours on that Monday.
- H. Committee on Minority Affairs
  - i. Rhea Boyd said that she presented the Cultural Competency Requirement to Faculty Senate last night. They will present again on February 1 and hopefully they will vote on it then.
  - ii. At the next meeting, they will have letter about Native American affairs.
  - iii. They are looking at Spike Lee as a speaker for Black History Month.

#### V. OLD BUSINESS

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS

#### VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Blake Jackson woefully revealed that he has gone the whole semester without a mailbox. However, this has recently changed and he strongly encouraged Senate members, as well as the entire student body, to leave him notes, personal challenges, love notes, novellas, or anything else in written form. Blake

announced that he, in fact, he has two mailboxes: one for regular mail and one for serious mail (use your own discretion).

B. Rob Lindley wished everyone a good trip home and a Merry Christmas.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

A. Rob Lindley moved to adjourn; Christina Lee seconded. *The December 7, 2005 meeting of the Student Senate was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted,

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