

Notre Dame Student Senate  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
October 31, 2001  
Notre Dame Room, LaFortune

**I. OPENING BUSINESS**

- A. Call to Order  
Vice President Brian Moscona called the meeting to order at 6:02.
- B. Invocation  
Tim O'Malley led the invocation.
- C. Roll Call  
Everyone attended.
- D. Approval of the October 3, 2001 Minutes  
Under New Business A.  
The "to" first "Therefore" clause should remain. The second "To" should have been deleted from the last "Whereas" clause. Thanks Meghan for pointing this out!  
Under Old Business  
Mary Mullen said that the committee has not been formed.  
The Executive Summary for October 17, 2001 was approved unanimously.

**II. REPORTS**

A. Officer Reports

- 1) Ms. Brooke Norton, Student Body President
  - ♣ November 5- Last Lecture Series hosts Hugh Page Jr. in Pasquerilla East's basement at 7pm.
  - ♣ November 11- Teach-in week
  - ♣ November 10- LSAT/GRE Review from 10AM to 3:45.
- 2) Mr. Brian Moscona, Student Body Vice-President
  - ♣ Steering Committee's last meeting was Tuesday due to Fall Break.
  - ♣ Each week Senate members will receive minutes from the Steering Committee meeting. A rotating member of Senate will take these minutes.
  - ♣ There are now committee binders in Brian's office. Please keep track of what your committee has discussed and worked in these binders. By keeping these binders updated, the Senate session after this will be able to reference what was worked on the year before.
- 3) Ms. Tai Romero, Student Union Secretary
  - ♣ Tai had nothing new to report.
- 4) Mr. Jonathan Jorissen, Chief of Staff, Office of the President
  - ♣ Sexual Assault Awareness Week begins 11/4
  - ♣ Multicultural Fair is 11/15. There are 17 groups hosting this free food and information extravaganza from 6:30-9. From 9 to 1AM, LaFortune Ballroom will host a salsa dance.
  - ♣ Blood Drive on 11/28 in the ND room from 9AM to 3PM. If you are interested in donating please call Nancy at 1-7668 to make an appointment.
- 5) Mr. Adam Russ, Hall Presidents Council Liaison
  - ♣ Adam had nothing to report.
  - ♣ The color of the shirt to wear for the Tennessee game is still unclear. Look for signs around campus and check your email.
- 6) Ms. Erin Casey, St. Mary's Representative
  - ♣ To educate students on the issue of violence against women, a committee is being formed.

B. Committee Reports

- 1) Committee on Academic Affairs, Pat Hallahan
  - ♣ Thanks for attending the Richard Light lecture. The Dean of First Year of Studies was pleased with the turnout.
- 2) Committee on Diversity Affairs, Nikki McCord and Elizabeth Lenn
  - ♣ The next committee meeting will be Thursday at 5:30.
- 3) Committee on Ethics, Jennie Flannery
  - ♣ Nothing new to report.
- 4) Committee on Gender Issues, Jeanine Valles
  - ♣ The committee members are working on individual projects.
  - ♣ Next meeting is Sunday at 5PM.
- 5) Committee on Oversight, Jim Ryan
  - ♣ A new attendance policy is coming next week.
- 6) Committee on Residence Life, Matt LaFratta and Aldo Tesi
  - ♣ Joe Schellinger, Director of Academic Space Management, has said that new clocks will not be installed in O'Shag because clocks were stolen repeatedly in the hall. He has said that he will see about getting three-hole punchers, staplers, and pencil sharpeners around campus.

- ♣ The next dining hall roundtable discussions will be on DH issues.
- 7) Committee on University Affairs, Jesse Flores and Mark Roland
  - ♣ Dr. Utz from the counseling center has been receptive to the idea of briefing the committee on issues surrounding the counseling center and how it can be better publicized.
  - ♣ The committee's next meeting is Thursday at 7:30 in the basement of LaFun.
  - ♣ The committee is working on its mission statement.

### III. PODIUM

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

SS0102-10 Amendment Regarding the Specifications of the Planning of the Celebrating Diversity Workshop

- ♣ Nikki McCord presented the amendment with new changes. There should still be two workshops with at least one being mandatory in April to show the importance of holding a workshop at the beginning of a senator's term.
- ♣ All new senators shall attend a Celebrating Diversity Workshop as coordinated by the Senate Committee on Diversity Affairs. This event will take place twice yearly, with at least one during the month of April. Attendance is mandatory for at least one session.
- ♣ This amendment was passed 24-1-3.

### V. NEW BUSINESS

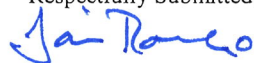
### VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♣ Please pick up flyers for "Beyond Our Borders," a discussion.
- ♣ Thanks to those of you who helped out with Keenan's Great Pumpkin event.
- ♣ November 9<sup>th</sup> (7pm?) Manor Unplugged will present the talented men and musical stylings of Morrissey.
- ♣ Friday, November 2- FASO presents a rave (without the drugs) from 10PM-2AM at the CSC.
- ♣ Black Images Talent Show Tickets are on sale for \$5 in LaFun's Box Office. The Player's Ball will follow the show in the LaFun Ballroom.

### VII. ADJOURNMENT

Steven Garcia motioned for adjournment at 6:36, and this motion was approved unanimously. The next session of Student Senate will be at 6:00 on November 7, 2001 in the Notre Dame Room, LaFortune.

Respectfully Submitted,



Tai Romero  
Student Union Secretary  
October 31, 2001

SINCE I HAVE PLENTY OF SPACE....DID YOU KNOW...?

- ~Yogurt intake among North Americans has quadrupled in the past 20 years.
- ~A starfish doesn't have a brain.
- ~The only man-made structure visible from space is the Great Wall of China.
- ~A piece of paper can be folded no more than 9 times.
- ~The RAM required to run WordPerfect for Win95 is 8 times the amount needed aboard the space shuttle.
- ~Humans spend a third of their lives sleeping.
- ~The billionth digit of pi is 9.
- ~The life span of a taste bud is ten days.
- ~Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning.
- ~The first one-hundred digits of pi are: 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288419716939  
9375105820974944592307816406286208998628034825342117067
- ~A group of twelve or more cows is called a flink
- ~Alligators cannot move backwards
- ~Flamingos can only eat with their heads upside down
- ~A gold fish's memory span is three seconds
- ~The average North-American will eat 35,000 cookies in during their life span
- ~Canada imports approx. 822 Russian-made hockey sticks on an average day
- ~The common garden worm has five pairs of hearts
- ~Alfred Hitchcock didn't have a bellybutton
- ~Apprx. 16 Canadians have their appendixes removed when not required everyday
- ~97% of Canadians say they would not borrow a toothbrush if they forgot to pack their own
- ~Your brain is 80% water