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GENERAL BODY MEETING Thursday, October 20th Student Center Ballroom C

PRESIDING: Anthony Eid

I. CALLED TO ORDER: 6:00PM

II. ROLL CALL

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LATE: (ALL EXCUSED – LESS THAN 10 MIN LATE)
Tarek Bazzi, Abbass Berjaoui, Sameen Akhtar, Abdul Suleiman
Chris Gregory

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Moved: Kelley Donnelly
Second: Kate Partington

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A. Moved: Daniel
B. Second: Alan

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V. BUSINESS

A. Dalia: Project Group Discussion



SENATE BUSINESS

BEGINNING LATE & NOT LIMITING DISCUSSION

- ▶ We will begin every meeting at 6PM (or as soon as quorum is present)
- ▶ Majority of work should not be done AT the meetings
- ▶ Speaker's List (only two times per discussion). We are trying to limit back and forth discussion that becomes personal.

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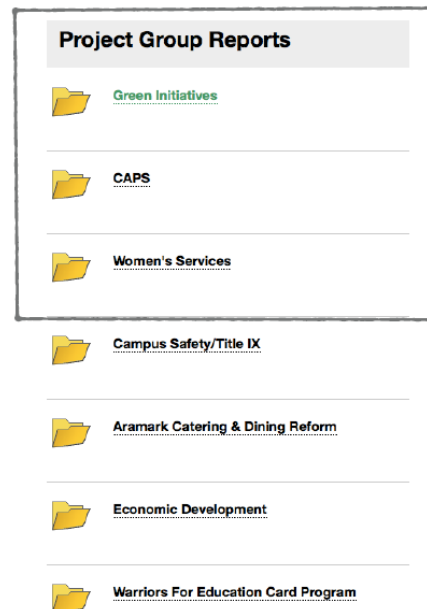
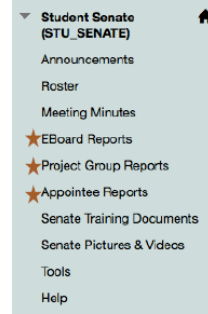
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REPORTS

- All reports should be in writing submitted to the secretary (Chris Gregory) no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting
- A report is not a statement from individuals or lengthy goals and aspirations. It is a report of factual evidence or progress.
- Avoid “the no report” report. You are expected to report when necessary, don't wait to be called on.



SOME TIPS

- ▶ Meetings must have **decorum** and **structure** to function effectively
- ▶ **All** sides of an issue should be discussed; someone may need to play “devil’s advocate”
- ▶ **One person** should be recognized to speak at a time
- ▶ Discussion should be about the **issue** not the personalities of the participants
- ▶ Discussion should alternate between **pro** and **cons**

Q: Could we get a sample of what is expected of project reports

Anthony: Reminder!! Discussion regarding guest speaker content should be directed towards Anthony, not towards other Senators.

B. Guest Speakers: Tim Michael/Emily Hauns (New Director of Dining Services)

Emily: With Aramark for 15 years, lots of prior experience

Performance survey: only 9’s and 10’s included in ranking

Annual survey: College survey

How they rank against other schools

Feedback

Housing market demand study survey

What board approved at Sept meeting for new apartment complex

2nd half 2019

Cash prizes for survey participation

Helps market trend understanding

Met Sept goal moving everyone out of hotel into main campus

Some still living in lounges in tours

4 people living in triples as quads

Brazilian students coming

Talking points

Housing

Corbeus partnership

\$300M borrowing

Maintenance

Sept board meeting

10 mos workup

Next 75 days spending 25 hours/week working on parts of agreement

Paying off other housing debts, Anthony Wayne Drive

Chatsworth closing for a year

10 year housing masterplan

Corbeus responsible for supervising staff

Most of the money spent in the first 10 years of project

Currently discussing metrics of maintenance

EVI survey/facility questions, KPI (Key performance indicators)

Anthony: 2 issues: Maintenance of facilities and space of partnership

Corbeus taking over next summer, what will be done in the meantime

Brian Fitzgerald – New associate director of housing

Anthony: Will the hiring of this position result in better timing of the maintenance requests?

Dining

\$3000/semester for dining

Freshmen, no choice

Last year: 60% range (didn't bring documentation)

If they rank a 9 or 10, Wow alert goes to Emily's phone

Halal Food:

A: REF: Chris Rayder

No reduction of Halal food

Tim Michael: Completed 2 year process obtaining Halal certification

Food sourcing

Currently only serving Halal Chicken

Halal beef is triple

Nouhran: (couldn't hear statement)

Tim: letters stating students don't eat certain types of halal, so he's learning more about Halal each day.

Ryan: What level of Halal

Abdul: Explaining different types of Halal and ethnic requirements

Abbass: Christian meat not high enough level halal

Giselle: What happened in Deroy, Work orders, Individual needs, Dining options

Abdul: Recommend Islamic society

Abbass: How they are served, how is ...certified?

Tim: Meats are certified, but handling isn't necessarily certified

Anthony: Recently, we have been able to get a Senator appointed to review Food Waivers with Andrea Gerber, but what we would like is to have a Senator assigned to review the Food Waiver requests sent to Aramark.

Tim: First there isn't a Food Waiver Committee

2 types of food waivers

Student Center

Aramark – Catering/Dining

This one mandated by Aramark/University policy

We get about 1 or 2 of these a month

We are not required to approve any of them, there shouldn't even be a waiver process

Anthony: Perhaps it's time for that policy to change

Kelley: Point of clarification: Do student orgs also have to use catering from Aramark if funds are used from University.

DS: Confirmed, yes, it has to go through Aramark.

Tim: If it is in the Student Center, it doesn't matter where the money comes from. Any and all catering must go through Aramark if it is in Student Center

Kelley: This policy and these rules prevent student organizations from having elegant and receptive events in the Student Center. We can't invite our parents, peers, and professional colleagues for a nice event at the Student Center because of these restrictions or the cost of your catering options.

Alan: Our organizations don't use University funding, funding comes from SBG, still bound by Aramark contract.

Chris: For the past 2 ½ years I have tried to work with the Aramark Catering/Dining Managers and Directors, past executive chefs, the prior Environmental Health and Safety Director (Scott Brown), and time and time again my requests for documentation have been ignored. They have ignored our correspondences and since Managers seem to leave every year or so, I assume they pass any and all documentation onto you, so we will not be holding the past managers accountable. We will be holding you, sir, accountable. If there is no follow through, it is because you are not following through.

Since you brought up the subject that many of these restrictions are based upon health and safety regulations, I would like to inform you that since student organizations are not provided with sternos or a heating source, food that is meant to be kept hot is not able to. After a short period of time, such food would be considered in violation of food and safety regulations. Same goes for cold foods provided to student orgs by Aramark Catering and Dining. I have even been provided the actual hotel pans from the kitchen, which I know is a violation. But what I would like to know is how the Mattheai Athletic Center was able to get out of the contract with Aramark.

Tim: It was done as part of the RFP prior to the contract being signed. ***

We would like to work with Senate in this Aramark committee. Hopefully we can make the changes that have been unaddressed. I didn't know there was such a committee.

Keira: Food, Service, Timing

How can we continue to charge these amounts when the service is a terrible, the food is scorched.

Dalia: What about the people who aren't here, how are you going to follow-up, how are you going to acquire their feedback? Why do freshmen need to buy a full meal plan

Tim Michaels: Matter of degree, we want people to develop a connection to the University.

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Starting discussions for next years food service plans. We are not unusual.

A: Start-up Aramark Committee

Let's work together to alleviate these issues.

Gallery: Shay: Suggest faculty join this committee

Daniel: Survey's, Do you have some way of surveying the students?

Tim: Food group that does intercept survey's, more active.

Security incident: Better security for student center at night.

Dr. Wittfield: Criticisms don't help, constructive efforts make things happen.

A: BOG Townhall (Nov 3rd)

Chris: Perception is reality, if we choose to limit it to just Dems and Reps, how does that make Senate look to those who are for a 3rd party or Independent party.

Daniel: Agrees on it being on Nov 3rd

Nikita: Ref: Mayoral campaign took very long time, against it, not enough time to plan accordingly.

David: Seconded Chris's invitation to all candidates

Ryan: Which candidates said they could come? Anthony: not sure

Seconded

Alan: No effect without media presents, wants all candidates here.

Tarek: Can you explain structure

Anthony: Nov 3rd, just like BOG townhall

Chris: Media, SAM

Gigi: Timeliness, not sure if all could attend on such short notice if only a couple are able to make it.

Ryan: Maybe SAM should be involved, MSU, United front

Tarek: A little all over the place...what are we voting on?

Timing issue, Gigi-Transparency....Anthony stating all candidates were invited

Look at it from a realistic standpoint.

David: If we pass it, what's next?

Vote: Didn't Pass (No BOG Candidate Forum)

Gallery: Support for Books Not Bombs

Raise money to support scholarships. 600 Signatures thus far to support the campaign.

Pass resolution to join National organization

Need Senate support to approach Administration

Anthony: Where would scholarship money come from?

DS: Who would vet the student eligibility of refugees?

DS will work with them to work on logistics, laws, regulations.

David: Online petition signed

Anthony: Sounds like a good idea

VI. Reports & Updates

Anthony: Sept 21st Academic Senate meetings: Fall enrollment, Business school dev and budget planning, MED SCHOOL FINANCES. Has been significantly reduced (32 to 16 million). How would this effect tuition in the future.

ASGA: Takeaways review

- Much larger amount of institutional power than others in comparison

- Marketing plan – Use of senate funds for professional marketing plan

- Structural changes – ASGA CEO laughed, should not have appointed positions

 - Number of Senators is low in comparison to student body population

 - Appointees should be elected not appointed by Deans

- Low Compensation in comparison to other Universities, it would bring more accountability, more effort, more motivation to Senate

- Transition Manuals – Need them for oncoming Senate positions

- Signature event – We're not a programming board. Discount card. Something that we can give to students with Senate branding.

- Training-Emphasized moving election forward to Feb or Mar so newly elected Senators can be trained prior to transition.

- Space-Senate office space is ridiculously small

Abbass: WSU does offer a lot of services for student orgs. Would a larger Senate budget
Take-away from other WSU services.

Daniel: Restructuring- stop talking about it and get it done!

Nouhran: (couldn't hear)

Kelley: Senate tailgate Nov 12th

DS: Kelley-talk to Larry

Dalia: Thank everyone for the opportunity to go to DC, Learned a lot.

Keira: Student Affairs committee (high program/survey)

Ryan: FSST committee

- Discussing new residence hall building plans

- Constitutional bylaw workshop

 - Ours doesn't meet our needs. It needs to be edited for it to be relevant. Adding seats (International) not priority, but change Charter/Bylaws to allow for it.

Nourhan: Womens Service Center

- Met with research committee for CSW (partnered with them)

- WSU used to have a Women's resource center

Trina: CAPS

- Ericka Johnson – National Depression Screening

- Oct 25th 11-2

- Volunteers need training

Natalie: College of Education

- Spoke with Dean

- Write in College of Education Newsletter regarding Student stated issues

- Applied behavior analysis

- New learning community for African American teachers

Abdul: CLAS council

- Working on how such a council would work within the CLAS

- Meeting with Dr. Hoffman soon

- C&IT – LMS committee – BB transition

 - Accounts set-up on different platforms

 - Faculty, Students, Staff, and C&IT on committee

Gigi: Res Life

- Reslife attachment

- Professional Development – Nov 6th

Green Initiatives:

- Fume hoods tabled due to Union conflicts

Anthony: Recycling is a great goal for this committee

Grace: College of Nursing

- Immersion program – Nurses have to do 200 hours of 1-on-1 work with a nurse

Alan: Dean Gable came to introduce himself to the student board of governors

- Candidates being interviewed soon to replace Dean Benson's position

- SBG Party

Curriculum and instruction committee meeting

- PPT for reform of Gen. Ed curriculum to 33 credits

- Subcommittees to be created

- Departments requested to provide input

- Goal – 2017 complete proposal

- Implement diversity within classroom experiences

- Hold-off on evaluation of online courses

DS: New website

- ORGSYNC

- Training coming

- Campus climate survey-going out on Monday

- Basic needs committee

 - Food pantry conference at UM-D

 - EMU food pantry

 - Mid-project report to investors in January

- Applied for a grant to develop a peer educational model

- Activity awards process: Current stipend (January and May)

- ASGA: Compensation increase “doable”

- Volleyball and Football

VII. Announcements

Anthony:

Make sure that what is said to SouthEnd
Women's Services – Sexual Assault Policy Review
Police pathway, Code-of-Conduct pathway

Kelley:

Nov 12th Saginaw valley Game Tailgate

Get there at 10am and start cooking up some delicious food before the game
Play some games, hang-out with fellow Senators and meet constituents from the Student Body
Help needed to set-up tents, grill, ect

Chris:

Student Organization Website Workshop provided by Heather Marks

Hosted by Engineering Student Faculty Board
Tuesday, October 25th 2pm
College of Engineering Hall of Fame (Room 1200)

International Delegation Visiting WSU

Delegates from Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Palestinian Territories, and Iraq will be visiting WSU to speak with student activists to discuss how student activism affects electoral campaigns and to find out what the political agendas of today's youth are.

Lunch will be provided
There are 25 seats of 42 available

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

8:28PM