**STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**April 19, 2011**

1. **ROLL CALL**

President Stieber called the meeting of April 12, 2011 to order at 8:45pm. Board members Gayman, Hasley, Hoover, Jentleson, Landreneau, Riehle, and Zimmerman were present. Board member Weber was excused. Committee Chairs for Academic Affairs, Allocations, Environmental, Governmental Relations, Judicial, Public Relations, and Webmaster were present. Committee Chair for Elections was not present.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of April 12, 2011 were approved.

1. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

President Stieber greeted everyone and spoke about the video made surrounding the white board campaign. She encouraged everyone to check out the video, because the more views the better. She also encouraged everyone to visit the district offices of legislators when everyone goes home to continue to make an effort concerning the budget cuts. The date for Panther Gold has been set. About 30 organizations will have to send their business manager and president, and if any organization would like to send representatives, they are encouraged to do so. This year the retreat will only be one night. She also thanked everyone for a great semester.

1. **SUBMITTED AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no Submitted Agenda Items.

1. **BOARD REPORTS**
2. **Ryan Gayman**

Board member Gayman greeted students and he reported that they have picked Kate Melkoff as the 2011 *Pitt Make a Difference Day* chair. They have been meeting with Kenyon Bonner and the other members that work on *Pitt Make a Difference Day,* as well as holding their first committee meeting last night with students. If anyone wants to get involved, please contact Ryan.

1. **John Hasley**

Board member Hasley reported he has talked with the chair of the History department, and he will be attending their next meeting on the 26th so he is able to talk more about his professor’s survey project. He has also been working with his intern and researching how they can implement more of the course cast technology where it is necessary.

1. **Emily Hoover**

Board member Hoover has been working with the Allocations Committee to complete a FAQ sheet for them. She will be sending this over to the webmaster before school ends.

1. **Lauren Jentleson**

Board member Jentleson reported that she is still talking to the department of Transportation about the GPS tracker and everything is looking good. She has also been collecting surveys from students regarding the Waterfront shuttle, and they will also be talking to businesses soon. She and Kyle Miller, the head of Governmental Relations Committee will be working on obtaining bike riding lanes in the city over the summer.

1. **James Landreneau**

Board member Landreneau reported that the OCC committee will be meeting with Dean Humphrey next Thursday during finals week. They are working to make OCC more reputable and get students more involved. Last week, he and Board member Hoover completed a “mystery shoppers” event with Sodexo. Finally, he has been talking to the Housing director and the Residence Life director about implementing an electronic swipe-in for the residence halls, and he will be here over the summer to continue to work on the project.

1. **Matthew Riehle**

Board member Riehle hoped everyone had a good semester, and wished them a better summer.

1. **Zach Weber**

Board member Weber thanked everyone for a great semester.

1. **Alex Zimmerman**

Board member Zimmerman reported that he and Pooja Patel met with the Sociology department last week to try to get them to offer more of their courses as general education requirements, and they agreed to take it to their undergraduate curriculum committee and they will get back to them over the summer. Please let me know if there are any classes you believe should fulfill general education requirements. He also received news that the Graduate Exam Resource will be going up this summer, and should be ready by this fall. Once the books arrive, they will be in the Cup and Chaucer on the ground floor of the Hillman.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Pooja Patel, the Academic Affairs Committee Chair, reported that she will be meeting with Dr. Michael Goodhart, who is the undergraduate director of the Political Science department. They will be discussing the International Relations major. She will also be meeting with the head of the Library system to discuss the possibility of extending library hours.

1. **ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE**

Allocations Committee chair Bane reported that the last Allocations Committee meeting will be this Thursday. If you do need anything this summer, please contact him or your allocations liaison.

1. **ELECTIONS**

The Elections chair, Kari Rosenkaimer, reported that if anyone is interested in running for SGB or has any questions about it, email Kari at sgb.elections@gmail.com.

1. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

The Environmental chair, Rebecca Schroeder, reported that *Recycle Mania* went well and that this Friday in the Ballroom the University is holding a Student Sustainability Symposium from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. where every environmental imitative will be discussed. They will also have a panel from the University administration to discuss what the University is doing regarding sustainability.

1. **GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

The Governmental Relations chair, Kyle Miller, announced that primaries are on May 17th and he encouraged everyone to go out and vote. He also encouraged everyone to talk to their legislators over the summer and to continue to fight against the budget cuts.

1. **JUDICIAL**

The Judicial chair, John Cole, reminded everyone that everyone has three minutes to respond to allocations during the meeting.

1. **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

The Public Relations chair, Alex Amati, discussed the event that was held at Nordy’s concerning the budget cuts. He also asked everyone to sign the petition for the budget cuts which can be found on Facebook.

1. **TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY**

The Transportation and Safety chair, James Snow, reported that their next project will be to secure a Pitt shuttle that goes down to the Waterfront one day a week. In order to accomplish this, they will need to have as many surveys filled out as possible.

1. **WEBMASTER**

The Webmaster, Matt Schroeder, wished everyone a great summer.

1. **NEW BUSINESS**
2. **Allocations Recommendations:**

**#6727 Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers - $2,731.20**

Allocations recommendation was to deny in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion did not carry.

The Board recommendation was to approve $1,000.00 and deny $1,731.20.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6728 Student Dietetic Association - $2,512.00**

Allocations recommendation was to approve $1,416.00 and deny $1,096.00.

The motion was seconded.

The motion did not carry.

The Board recommendation was to approve $1,884.00 and deny $628.00.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6756 Pittsburgh Taiko - $3,342.00**

Allocations recommendation was to approve $1,872.78 and deny $1,469.52.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6757 Panther Lacrosse - $3,015.92**

Allocations recommendation was to deny in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6760 Phi Sigma Rho - $659.00**

Allocations recommendation was to approve in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6761 Pitt Men’s Club Soccer - $726.60**

Allocations recommendation was to approve in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6762 Nrityamala - $1,191.20**

Allocations recommendation was to approve in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6763 Pitt SIFE - $2,999.56**

Allocations recommendation was to approve $2,887.80 and deny $111.76.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

1. **Budget Modification**

**#6743 NPHC- $2,000.00**

Allocations recommendation was to deny in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

1. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There is no Unfinished Business.

1. **OPEN FLOOR**

Hyla Wallis from the Career Development Office reported that the Career Development office will be open during the summer. Walk-in hours will be changed slightly, but the new hours will be on their website.

Alex Zimmerman thanked Hyla Wallis for being so involved in Student Government Board.

James Landreneau announced that this Friday, the OCC committee will be handing out free cookies starting at 1:00 p.m.

Emily Hoover also thanked Hyla for being the best RA, and wished everyone luck on finals.

1. **PRESIDENT’S REMARKS**

President Stieber thanked the Board members and the Committee members for all their hard work. She will be around this summer if anyone needs anything and she is looking forward to next year.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

cc: Student Government Board Members, Student Government Board Committee Chairs, K. Bonner, K. Humphrey, J. Giangarlo, T. Milani, L. Williams-Moore