**STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**September 21, 2010**

1. **ROLL CALL**

President Shull called the meeting of September 21, 2010 to order at 8:45 p.m. Board members Bombach, Gau, Paiewonsky, Petrone, Rezaeian, and Stieber were present. Committee Chairs: Academic Affairs-Zimmerman, Allocations-Grau, Elections-Wickenden, Environmental-Schroeder, Governmental Relations-Jennings and Judicial-O’Leary were present.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of September 14, 2010 were approved.

1. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

President Shull commented that there will be a Green Room where miscellaneous items used by students can be recycled. Follow up information will be provided by Board member Schroeder’s report. Also, President Shull proposed bringing *The* *New York Times/USA Today* Collegiate Readership Program to campus. Approval is dependent upon the Allocations meeting tomorrow, September 22, 2010.

1. **SUBMITTED AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no Submitted Agenda Items.

1. **BOARD REPORTS**
2. **Zachary D. Bombatch**

Board member Bombatch reported *Paint the Panther* applications are available in the SGB office. They are due Monday, September 27 at 5 p.m.

1. **David Gau**

Board member Gau reported the Community Outreach Program is being finalized. The DVD Kiosk Project is still in progress. They are currently in communication with the bookstore to have a rental area for DVDs.

1. **Laura Paiewonsky**

Board member Paiewonsky announced she and Board member Rezaeian have a Food Committee meeting with Sodexho on Tuesday, September 28th, at 3:30 p.m. in the area of Market To Go, and it is open to anyone.

1. **David Petrone**

Board member Petrone commented on attending the first Alcohol Task Force meeting of the year. Incoming classes, marketing, and the Three Point system were issues addressed.

**Sam Rezaeian**

Board member Rezaeian also reported that the Food Committee meeting is on Tuesday, September 28th and is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. He thanked the students for attending the meeting.

President Shull commented that Sodexo is the food company the University uses and that Board members Rezaeian and Paiewonsky are liaisons and they hope to have a continuing good relationship on behalf of the students.

1. **Molly Stieber**

Board member Stieber reported that the members of the Student’s Sustainable Project Committee/Initiative were chosen. She is very hopeful for the members and encouraged students to submit any proposals to the SSPC or the Green Fund. The first proposal project is in the works for the second or third week in October.

The new charter will be available online at *thepittgreenfund.com* and the SGB website as well. Stieber mentioned a few meetings ago, that the Book Center would like a student based committee to help identify what students want. Board member Stieber is the person to contact.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Chair Zimmerman reported he met with the Campus Mentor Organization to further his project of having more general education requirements fulfilled. He will continue working with the organization over the next few weeks. He mentioned the upcoming first meeting for the Undergraduate Arts and Sciences Council. If anyone has questions/comments, talk to him after the meeting.

1. **ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE**

Chair Grau reported that Allocations meeting will be moved to Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. due to the conflicting Pitt vs. Miami game.

1. **ELECTIONS**

Chair Wickenden reported the Board will be voting on the Elections Code. Other changes Wickenden has made include paper trail campaign, candidate qualifications, and criteria of voting.

1. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Chair Schroeder announced they formed the Students Sustainable Committee, consisting of nine students who are going to manage the projects that are submitted to the Green Fund. There are funds for sustainable projects presented to make Pitt a more sustainable institution. If you have any ideas about projects, please talk to her.

1. **GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

Committee member John Hasley, who is filling in for Chair Jennings, reported that voter registration numbers are at 1,600 and growing. Additionally, he brought voter registration cards if anyone wanted to register at the end of meeting.

1. **JUDICIAL**

Chair Krzywonos had no report.

1. **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Chair O’Leary will have the new Student Government Board website released next week. He’s also looking for any students interested in Public Relations to join his committee if they have any design or journalism experience. If anyone wants OCC credit, see him after the meeting.

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

 **#6384 Engineering World Health-$600.00**

A motion was made to approve in full.

 The motion was seconded.

 The motion carried.

 **#6386 ESW-$1,011.33**

A motion was made to approve in full.

 The motion was seconded.

 The motion carried.

 **#6388 Panther Habitat for Humanity-$1,175.24** A motion was made to approve $950.42 and deny $224.82.

 The motion was seconded.

 The motion carried.

 **#6389 Pitt Club Baseball-$1,327.62** A motion was made to approve in full.

 The motion was seconded.

 The motion carried.

 **#6395 Student Dietetic Association-$1,925.84** A motion was made to approve $1685.82 and deny $240.02.

The motion was seconded.

 The motion carried.

 **#6396 Lady Panther Soccer Club-$1,620.16** A motion was made to approve in full.
 The motion was seconded.
 The motion carried.

 **#6397 Lady Panther Soccer Club-$1,263.48** A motion was made to approve in full.

 The motion was seconded.
 The motion carried.

1. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
2. The Board heard the request for Students for Justice in Palestine which was postponed from the September 14th meeting.

**Request#6371 Students for Justice in Palestine- $552.30**

The motion was to approve in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

1. **Formula SAE Budget - $16,920.00**

A motion was made to approve in full.

The motion was approved.

The motion carried.

1. A motion was made to approve the 2010 Elections Code with new changes.

The motion was seconded.

There was no discussion and the motion was passed.

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1. **INTERVIEWS**

President Shull welcomed a motion to suspend the meeting to conduct the Board interviews for the two Board vacancies. President Shull questioned the following candidates on behalf of the Board on allocations policy and student leadership experience: Maria Bruno (Junior), Halim Genus (Sophomore), Waqas Malick (Junior), Kieran O'Leary (Senior), John Hasley (Junior), Pooja Patel (Freshman), Andrew Thompson (Senior), and Anthony Trucco (Junior).

 The Board resumed the meeting. President Shull thanked the candidates for applying and recognized the stress involved but congratulated all applicants. He also encouraged those not selected to continue pursuing involvement in Student Government Board. President Shull noted that the Board will deliberate over the candidates privately and have a selection made by the end of the night, or tomorrow morning.

1. **OPEN FLOOR**

A representative from Career Services and SEPA spoke on the services of their offices. Also, a representative from *Sleeping for the Homeless* encouraged students to participate in their initiative.

1. **PRESIDENT’S REMARKS**

President Shull noted that he invited all the students from the Activities Fair-signup to attend tonight’s meeting. Therefore, he asked that the Board members and committee chairs stay after the meeting to speak with interested students on how to become involved with the Student Government Board.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:11p.m.

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