

Student Senate Meeting Minutes
Gustavus Adolphus College
Monday, December 12, 2011

I. Call to Order

- a.** Fox called the meeting to order at 19:00

II. Attendance

- a.** Excused: Bonnema, Thayer

III. Approval of Minutes from December 5, 2011

- a.** Minutes from December 5, 2011 approved

IV. Community Comment

- a.** No community comment

V. Co-President/Public Relations Report

- a.** Surprise
 - i.** Three senators are leaving to go abroad next semester
 - Fox gives Hahn, Fogelberg, and Halvorson notebooks in gratitude
 - ii.** Recess for Political Science Cookie Bake Off excursion until 19:25

VI. Finance Committee

a. Reds

- i.** Reds requested \$550.00 for travel and registration fees for the AFLV Conference. Finance Committee recommended they be funded in full. Discussion. Vote. Motion to fund Reds \$550.00 passed.

b. Circle K

- i.** Circle K requested \$682.50 for travel fees and refreshments for a Bone Marrow Drive event. Finance Committee recommended they be funded \$0.00. Discussion. Nigro moved to amend line item 32 to \$80.30. Hahn seconded. Discussion. Vote on amendment. Amendment passed. Discussion. Vote to allocate \$80.30 to Circle K. Motion passed.

c. Building Bridges

- i.** Building Bridges requested \$8260.32 for publicity, speaker fees, and speaker travel fees. Finance Committee recommended to fund \$6565.71. Discussion. Hahn amend line item 70 to \$130. Nigro seconded. Discussion. Gust called to question. Hoppe seconded. Vote. Motion passed. Vote to amend like item 70 to \$130 passed with a roll call vote 16:2.

- Afreh: yes
- Allen: yes
- Bonnema: not present
- Cabrera: yes
- Fogelberg: yes
- Goldstien: no
- Gray: yes
- Gust: yes
- Hahn: yes
- Henrickson: yes
- Hoppe: yes
- Ibrahim: yes
- Loose: yes
- Lundborg: no
- May: yes
- Nelson: yes
- Nigro: yes

- Olsen: yes
 - Thayer: not present
 - Yin: yes
- ii.** Discussion. Gust called to question. Nigro seconded. Vote to end debate passed. Vote to fund \$6435.71 to Building Bridges passed with a roll call vote 16:1.
- Afreh: yes
 - Allen: yes
 - Bonnema: not present
 - Cabrera: yes
 - Fogelberg: yes
 - Goldstien: yes
 - Gray: yes
 - Gust: yes
 - Hahn: yes
 - Henrickson: yes
 - Hoppe: yes
 - Ibrahim: yes
 - Loose: yes
 - Lundborg: no
 - May: yes
 - Nelson: abstain
 - Nigro: yes
 - Olsen: yes
 - Thayer: not present
 - Yin: yes
- iii.** Building Bridges explained all the speakers they will be bringing for their workshops.
- iv.** Prince is unhappy with the discussion that occurred in that it cut debate too early.

VII. Old Business

- a.** Faculty Reports were due last week; turn them in ASAP
- b.** Senate apparel will either be available in VanHecke's office one week from today or after break
- c.** Lundborg was contacted by a concerned constituent regarding the tobacco issue. Are the results of the survey available?
 - i.** Yes: the results show opinions of approximately 1400 people. A sampling:
 - 86.1 percent do not use tobacco, 13.9 percent do
 - 80.5 percent have experienced secondhand smoke, 19.5 percent have not
 - 33 strongly favor a tobacco free campus, 20.1 favor, 19.8 neither favor nor oppose, 11.6 oppose, and 15.5 strongly oppose
 - ii.** Later in the year there will be an open forum on the issue as well as a more formal presentation from the Health and Housing Committee to Senate.
 - iii.** Nelson moved to move on to New Business. Ibrahim seconded. Vote. Motion did not pass.
 - iv.** As it stands, pertaining to all tobacco. Gust opposes a tobacco free campus. On a whim, he does not support tobacco being banned. Smoke is another issue.

VIII. New Business

- a.** Gust met with Faculty Committee on Student Life. Director of Campus Safety Ray Thrower brought up a Threat Assessment Team, a resource that would be available to campus. It is an underutilized resource. Gust charges the Public Relations Committee to look into ways to work with the Faculty Committee on Student Life to make this resource more known. Hoppe seconded. Discussion. Vote to charge PR with this task passed.

- b.** Streets Committee met with a student who has been working on the sidewalk issue by ArborView (she has found that the city said to ask the college and vice versa) and more will happen in January, under Gray's leadership.
- c.** VanHecke suggest to invite the Vice President of Finance to a Senate meeting to answer questions regarding the fiscal state of the college.
- d.** Fogelberg suggests "Occupy the Carlson Administration Building" or a resolution be drafted requesting the college to be more transparent with the fiscal state of the college. Prince and VanHecke offer less accusatory alternatives. Gust emphasized respect.
- e.** Faculty Report:
 - i.** Olsen: Dean Curton was concerned about the fiscal state of the college as well.
 - Halvorson, Olsen and Allen support working with the administration.

IX. Announcements

- a.** Coco invites all to Breaking Barriers to watch *Last Chance for Eden* in the Board Room following the Senate meeting.
- b.** Henrickson requests fellow Senate members ensure that those who come and ask for funding are treated with respect.
- c.** In this holiday season, please donate.
- d.** Senate apparel money should be given to Hallie tonight. Apparel pick up will be next week or after break.
- e.** Bone Marrow Registry event is tomorrow in Alumni Hall.
- f.** Finance Committee has Flannery's gratitude.
- g.** Health and Housing Committee meeting directly following the meeting; go or Bryz-Gornia will find you.
- h.** Midnight Express this Thursday, doors open at 9:45 p.m. Go to it.
- i.** Lundborg wishes all good luck this finals season.
- j.** Those not present over January should still find ways to stay involved.
- k.** Nelson is disappointed in the finance process tonight because it was rushed and some things were unclear.
- l.** Sande's committees will not meet this week; Merry Christmas.
- m.** Fogelberg wishes Nelson a happy birthday and thanks all for a fun semester!
- n.** Technology Committee will not meet this week.
- o.** Henrickson asks people in the cities to contact him if they want to carpool to Senate meetings in January.
- p.** Halvorson thanks all for a very good semester, he appreciates all that has happened and Lionhead Committee will be chaired solely by Hoppe. Schmitt will cover his Parliamentary duties in the meantime but he recommends Dexter be elected as Parliamentary.
- q.** "Happy Birthday" sung to Nelson
- r.** Nelson rescinds negativity

X. Adjourned at 20:51