**Student Senate Minutes**

**March 29, 2009**

I. General meeting of the Student Senate was called to order by Speaker Hogan at 6:00 PM.

 A. Absent from the meeting were members:

 B. Also attending the meeting was:

II. Preliminary Items

 A. Roll Call

 B. Corrections/Approval of the minutes

 C. Gallery introductions/business – Allison Wyatt SOC, Jackie Blume and others (FAC), Sarah Bell

 A. FAC – Want to re-do Constitution and By-laws. Last update was 2005. Want to increase budget for advertising. Also want to update terminology and better define relationship with Senate. Proposed changes to how Senate interacts with the FAC slate. Feels this has been a problematic issue in the past and would rather have Senate in an oversight position.

 - Esfeld – Feels Senate is already just oversight. What are you changing?

 - FAC – Removes mandatory vote. Would leave FAC in charge of approving their own slate and gives groups two weeks to come to Senate with complaints about proceedings.

 - Russell – Tentative letting FAC approve their own slate based on issues in the past.

 - FAC – The last five slates have been approved no problem.

 - Russell – A few years ago a slate was not passed unanimously. That is an example of Senate wanting review.

 - FAC – Understands concern but Senate would still have opportunity

 - Flanagan – Only problem is that it focuses on the process funding was given through. Feels the slate was rejected in previous years was due to the content.

 - FAC – According to the current constitution, Senate can only veto due to process errors.

 - Esfeld – Organizations can currently appeal to the body. How would the changes make this process different? Will you advertise that orgs can appeal to Senate? (Yes). Feels it is silly for FAC to bring a slate to Senate every semester.

 - Sumter – What is the reasoning for not letting orgs reapply for funding for up to four semesters for not spending over 50% of their budget?

 - FAC – The money they didn’t spend could be allotted to another organization event.

 - Flanagan – Is it a full four semesters?

 - FAC – Left up to discretion of the FAC.

 - FAC Constitution/By-Laws and Amendments pass.

 B. PSP – Working with DSP to put on the Red Carpet Runway. Money collected goes towards the Ronald McDonald House. Requesting $100 from SOC to cover posters and other expenses.

 - Approved.

 D. Guests of Honor

 E. Membership Issues

 F. Appointments/Administration of the Oath

 A. Hayes – Appoints Sarah Bell, Tina Schutter and Kyle Denk to Dean Search Committees.

 - Approved.

 G. Changes/Approval of the agenda

III. Executive Reports

 A. Secretary – Coming late and leaving early counts as absences. Please be present and if you can’t email the account!!!!

 B. Treasurer – If you’ve passed money within the last few weeks contact Philip.

 C. President – Sent out email with a survey about End of the Year Reports. Please fill it out and send it to Libby by next Sunday. The questions guide your thinking about what you’ve done is year as well as a contact list for administrators/staff you’ve worked with. If you have questions you want to add or take away, feel free. MHEC is April 18th. Would like some Senators to attend. Expect a money motion next weekend for food. Board of Governors meeting is next weekend with the new conduct code coming up for review. Curriculum Commission has been meeting and have a framework for a first year seminar they like. After this meeting needs Senators to hang up posters.

 D. Vice President – Committee Climate Report will be out this week. Working with Julie Lochbaum about Senate.

IV. Auxiliary Reports

 A. Faculty Advisor – No report.

 B. Staff Advisor – Res Life moving to Missouri Hall. Clean up the office. Good luck with campaigning that starts tomorrow.

 C. BOG – Board of Governors meeting this Saturday in this room. Applications are up 4.7% from last year. 16.5 million dollars of 30 million dollar goal going to scholarships. Towne Museum and Visitor Center is completed except for the museum. OP sound work is going on in the performance theater. Yay lawsuits. The turf is still not finished but should be able to be used for spring practices. In the summer will have to work on turf more. Pershing will be a 2 phase renovation and currently have money for first half. 2 million going towards Magruder. Student Athletic fee going to dividers between courts and curtains in Pershing. Energy audit for the library.

 D. Speaker – Still trying to format the presidential debate which will happen on Tuesday at 6 PM in VH 1010.

V. Committee Reports

 A. Academic Affairs – SRC is on April 7. Need Senate volunteers.

 B. External Affairs – Won’t be meeting this week. Working on compiling Storm the Capitol information for future planners

 C. Student Affairs – Tunnel of Oppression this week. Kick off of Diversity Week. Still do not have results from res life survey. Working on recruiting for Big Mix. Suggestion Box is April 15th and 16th. Last two roundtables this week.

 i. Campus Diversity – No report.

 ii. Campus Environment – No report.

 D. Technology – No report.

 E. Other Reports

 i. Historian

 ii. Communications Director

 iii. Webmaster

 iv. Ethics Justice

 v. Recruitment

 vi. Legislative Director

 vii. Constitutional Review

VI. Old Business

 A. Hayes – Moves for the passing of the LSP double counting resolution.

 - Hayes – Same resolution brought last week except for minor changes.

 - Passed 7 – 0 – 0.

VII. Money Motions

 A. Russell – Moves $2500 for Earth Week to be spent no later than May 1, 2009.

 - Russell – Local Dinner $500, youtube contest prize $100, tshirts $1000, screen printing $600. Publicity should be coming from another department. Tshirts will work the same way as last year. Senate gives the money and is repaid after tshirt sales.

 - Gilmor – The money has to come out of the agency budget not the general budget.

 - Esfeld – Move tshirts separately from other money.

 - Hemmelgarn – Last year some of the tshirts were used as door prizes and that is why money came back short.

 - Gilmor – Last year some of the money came from agency and some from general.

 - Russell – Moves $1000 to cover expenses not including tshirts.

 - Approved.

 - Russell – Moves $1500 from the agency account to cover the cost of tshirts.

 - Approved.

 B. Hemmelgarn – Moves $2400 for the freshmen recycling bin initiative.

 - Hemmelgarn – Hasn’t used the full $2400 but it has come close.

 - Hayes – What about extras. There have been a lot of extras.

 - Hemmelgarn – After 8 semesters every room on campus should have one.

 - Serroque – How many do you order?

 - Russell – Ordered 800. Enough to cover one per freshmen room and have extras for students to request.

 - Flanagan – Does it include paint? (Yes).

 - Piel- Originally had magnets that accompanied bins. Doing it again?

 - Russell – The cost of those were covered by Heidi Templeton. Thinks they were a good idea.

 - Hemmelgarn – Doesn’t think it is part of this budget but would like to do it again if possible.

 - Approved.

 C. Russell – Moves that no more than $1900 for dinner for 135 participants and $300 for flowers to be spent no later than April 2, 2009.

 - Russell – Flowers are customary.

 - Approved.

 D. Hayes – Moves that no more than $100 be spent on a plaque for the Research Mentor of the Year to be spent no later than May 1, 2009.

 - Hayes – Does not think all $100 will be necessary.

 - Approved.

 E. Flanagan – Moves that no more than $50 be spent on the suggestion box to be spent no later than April 27, 2009.

 - Flanagan – Wants to do posters and table tents.

 - Esfeld – It is fun to look at the comments but what do we do with the suggestions? What is the purpose?

 - Flanagan – Emails out responses to body but actions are up to the chairs.

 - Approved.

VIII. First Readings

 A. Flanagan – Moves first reading of the conduct code posting policy.

 - Flanagan- Senate and Dean Gilchrist have different recommendations regarding the posting policy. Dean Gilchrist does not agree that student events held at bars/places that sell alcohol should be allowed to advertise on campus. Senate thinks otherwise.

 - Esfeld – Would like to have bullet with Senate’s recommendation and Dean Gilchrist’s recommendation.

 - Hayes – thinks we should write a resolution saying we do not support her recommendation.

 - Esfeld – Moves to suspend the standing rules to vote on this tonight. Approved.

 - Bates – Include Andrea O’Brien in people to disseminate resolution to.

 - Hayes – We already have come to the conclusion that passing a resolution is not what we are going to do. Stick to the original plan with the document that explains our opinion.

 - Fails 0 – 7 – 0.

IX. Discussion Items

X. Other New Business

 A. Esfeld – Moves a ballot initiative concerning a suspension of the SOC.

 - Esfeld – Currently says support the suspension of the SOC.

 - Hayes – Wasn’t it the dissolution of the body?

 - Esfeld – Thought it would leave it open to be resurrected in the future.

 - Crump – If we use suspend we should have language stating what will happen in the future. Thinks dissolving it would be too strong.

 - Serroque – Would like to say suspend for a certain period of time.

 - Flanagan – Would like to see it reviewed in conjunction with the OAF. Maybe inactive would be better wording.

 - Hogan – Does not want to say inactive because people could assume that SOC organizations would be inactive instead of the SOC being inactive. Does not want to see it come up the same year as the OAF because of how much work OAF review is. People will tend to stick with the status quo.

 - Hayes – Moves to amend wording from suspend to dissolve.

 - Hayes – This should not be put off on another Senate. If someone wants to come up with an idea like SOC they can start from scratch.

 - Flanagan – Agrees with Hayes.

 - Approved.

 - Esfeld – Now says do you support the dissolution of the SOC with a link to pro con list.

 - Approved. On ballot.

XI. Announcements

 A. Clean up the office.

 B. Kirksville is hosting the New Harmonies Festival.

 C. Diversity Week starts tomorrow

 D. PRISM dance this Saturday at 10:30 at NEMO Fairgrounds. Drag Show at midnight.

 E. Showing “For the Bible Tells Me So” Wednesday at 7 in VH 1010.

 F. Put up posters after the meeting.

 G. Board of Governors meeting this Sunday.

 H. Humans Vs Zombies starts April 1

 I. RSVP to EOY banquet by Tuesday

 J. Lend-A-Hand for a Living is Wednesday

 K. Street Smarts this Friday.

Adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Piel on