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Student Senate

12/6/16

- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Announcement and Remarks by the Chair
 - a. Trevor Snyder
 - i. This is awesome to chair this final meeting, if you want to throw anything at me, go for it
 - ii. Has more announcements, will save those for later
- V. Consent Calendar
 - a. Approval of 11/29 minutes
 - i. Motion heard, approved
- VI. Student Concerns
 - a. Senator Max Leveridge
 - i. Petition going around on campus to include tampons in bathrooms
 1. Contact Ryan Snyder if want to work on this issue
 - b. Secretary Worrell
 - i. Lights on campus have not been working lately
 - c. Senator Fleischer

- i. Significant sidewalk flooding, look at potential drainage solutions
- d. Senator Elfreich
 - i. Last year, bridge on Western was put under construction, still not done, has anyone heard anything about this?

VII. Reports

- a. Trent White, *Secretary for Academic Affairs*
 - i. What-if DARs are now available on BannerWeb!
 - 1. 4-year ASG initiative that is now in existence
 - ii. Drop dates
 - 1. Currently date for drop w/o W is 3 weeks into semester
 - a. 3 weeks is not enough time to see if you can handle a class or not
 - 2. There is an ASG Drop Date Data Survey going around, please fill it out
 - a. Any major assignments (large quizzes, exams, etc.) should be logged, anything else should be ignored
 - b. DATE IS MOST IMPORTANT THING TO NOTE
 - c. Space for 7 courses
 - d. Academic Senators need to fill this survey out again
 - e. Jack will be sending this out tonight
 - 3. Would there be any potential way to add a “none” option?
 - a. Yes, working on it

4. Would you like us to send this out to other people to get even more data?
 - a. Yes, the more data the better
5. Would the change of drop date go into effect by next semester?
 - a. Most likely no, there is potential
- iii. Restrictions about grade replacement have been lifted, and highest grade regardless of time taken
- iv. Is there a limit to how many courses you can retake?
 1. Not sure, working out final language of the policy...there is definitely still some type of limitation
- b. Ryan Snyder, *Secretary for Sustainability and Infrastructure*
 - i. Composting
 1. There are a lot of intricacies of what can and can't be composted, working on this over J-Term
 - ii. Just approved modular solar-powered water pump
 - iii. Bikes on campus
 1. Final meeting next week, working on finalizing plans for next year
 - iv. Condoms on campus
 1. Working with Billy on this issue over J-Term
 - v. Recycling
 1. Committee is very committed to tracking recycling across all of Miami
 - vi. Green Room Initiative
 1. Max Leveridge is heading up this initiative
 2. Working on certification process

- vii. Not sure what can change about sidewalk flooding, Western Bridge as well

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

a. SB 021577

- i. Bill regarding the videoing of and audio recording of both senate meetings and in the office.
 - 1. Would need written consent in senate meetings and in the office.
- ii. Must tell speaker of senate a month in advance if planning to record meeting.
 - 1. Afraid messages may be misinterpreted
 - 2. Senate meetings right now are open to public, why are we concerned that students will abuse this power – Senator Fogel
 - 3. Trevor Snyder (author) mentions afraid that cross talk will be picked up and abused.
- iii. Legitimate reasons for senate to be recorded: Senator Cortez
 - 1. Almost all the time, mostly not an issue—Snyder
 - a. Does not record handwritten notes or pictures. Only video and audio. Snyder
 - b. Video and audio can be misunderstood. Snyder
- iv. Effective difference between what someone is recording it and writing it down? Froehlich
 - 1. With different recordings throughout the room it would matter. Snyder

2. Secretary James Oaks asked what other colleges do regarding this question.
 - a. Depends on the size of the college, and the school. Some have similar stances, some do not. Snyder.
- v. Why is a whole week specified? –Rutherford
 1. It gives enough time to give permission and let senate know.
 2. Exceptions are not allowed at the moment. Authors are open to a friendly amendment
- vi. There is no distinction between senator and public breaking Robert's Rules. Public cannot be punished
- vii. In the office during relaxed studying, is this an issue?
 1. Still need written documentation whether yes or no
 2. Yes and no could be misinterpreted if not agreed upon.
 3. More formally: write on a piece of paper in the office before entering saying you agree to be recorded i.e. Snapchat
- viii. Olvera: Would you make this bill if incident did not happen in the beginning of the year.
- ix. Debate:
- x. Froehlich says bad idea because as of now Senate is public, maybe you should not say something you wouldn't otherwise.
- xi. Dankert: Could be a way to specify clearly that you express permission.

- xii.** Mellott: Believes that bill takes to far, would set us father behind.
 - 1. Amendment: make verbal Yes or No
 - 2. Week and advance is too much
 - xiii.** When at Senate, should not worry what you say, should be held at a higher standard than regular student. Senator Hall.
 - xiv.** There should be no expectation of privacy. Senator Chance.
 - xv.** Friendly amendment to edit the bill and allow recording with 24 hours notice in advanced. Passed.
 - 1. Author Max Leveridge amended the bill to remove his name from being an author.
 - xvi.** Fleisher—rights should be written and protected in senate space
 - xvii.** Olvera—encourage senate to table bill to come back to it for later.
 - 1. Seconded by Fogel
 - 2. Lazarski—agrees you should own up to what you say.
 - xviii.** 502A should not be amended because it comes back to he says she is. – Fowler
 - 1. Should only be written
 - xix.** Voted to separate bill into three different amendments by Mellot
 - 1. Did not pass
 - xx.** Bill does not pass
- b. SR 021578**
- i.** To recognize Columbus Days as Indigenous People’s Day
 - ii.** Popular at many colleges.

- iii. Columbus day REPLACED by Indigenous People’s Day
 - 1. Anyone who lived on another continent
 - 2. Celebrate diverse communities—Miami’s goals
- iv. Debate: Christopher Columbus: should not be supported
 - 1. Froelich does not support Columbus and has given us in depth history.
 - 2. Our duty to be in line with other colleges
- v. Celebrating everyone’s heritage—Leverage
- vi. Lots of on campus support—Columbus has personally offended Native Americans close to us
- vii. Linkage to N.A. tribes
- viii. Columbus Day would not be changed by the entire university due to the fact it is a national holiday

c. SR 021579

- i. What is the difference between IT services and IT in the bookstore?
 - 1. Bookstore and IT services are not in tandem
- ii. Motion to end questioning and move into debate
- iii. No reason not to pass this bill, it will only help students
- iv. Motion on the floor to end debate and call to question
- v. Motion to suspend the standing rules and approve by unanimous consent
 - 1. Bill passes

X. Special Business of the Day

- a. Student Trustees Report
 - i. Ciara Lawson and Alex Boster

1. It's important that student trustees meet with student organizations to discuss positions and duties
2. One student trustee appointed every year, rotated every two years
3. Quarterly board meetings- relay student concerns
4. Important to represent Middletown, Hamilton and high school students
5. Between meetings, in constant contact with Board of Trustees
6. Board has Miami's best interest in mind, our position is to remind them of what it is like to be a student
7. Board meetings typically consist of a few days of meetings, discuss various things
8. Currently in the search for the next student trustee
9. We are completely open and accessible to any student, at any time (during breaks as well)
10. Emails: bosteran@miamioh.edu,
lawsonc3@miamioh.edu
11. Any student-at-large has access to meeting minutes

b. Parliamentarian Elections

- i. The new parliamentarian is Brandon Fogel!

XI. General Announcements

XII. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn, second