



Student Government

Senate Agenda

February 17, 2015

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
 - a. David, Jill, Jenae, Hannah, Laura, Ben, Jieun, Tiantian, Crystopher, Erin, Peter Meyer Reimer, David Pauls
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. 2/10/2015 - Approved
4. Old Business
 - a. SMRT- Report after break
 - b. FIRSST- More contacts with professors
 - c. Skip- Alma and Jieun had a meeting with Skip, will report more next meeting.
 - d. Flags
 - i. Palestinian flag is in RFC already.
 - e. Fourth floor printer
 - i. Crystopher placed work order, and is waiting on the reply from ITS.
 - f. Ice Machine- Proposal needs estimated maintenance cost
 - i. David will email Phys Plant.
5. New Business
 - a. HLC meeting- Tuesday, March 10 11:30am
 - i. 10-15 students are invited to meet with the committee
 - ii. David, Ben, Laura, Hannah, Jenae, Alma, Jill from Student Senate
 - iii. Suggestions for other student representatives
 1. Email clubs and ask to send representatives, instead of Student Senate members choosing specific students to invite.

2. BSU, LSU, ISC, Commuter Club, Athletes, GSWA, transfer student

b. Retributive Violation Polic

- i. Will postpone until Launa is here next meeting.
- ii. Ben wants to address zero-tolerance policy.

6. Open Floor

a. Peter- Student Senate was in favor of co-ed floor proposal

- i. David- We had meeting about it, public minutes are available in the Senate website.
- ii. Erin- Specific links to minutes in the communicator.
- iii. Laura- Last year, representatives spent hours of work on proposal and meetings.
- iv. Ben- Bill Born said this is passed through Senate, but cannot be implemented at the moment (Spring 2014). We're going to look at it again and figure out how to implement it in the fall, but the proposal was voted down again. This should not have even been voted on-- it was a done deal.
- v. David- Not aware of the conversation in the Spring between Ben and Bill. Senate members were under assumption that it was rejected by administration.
- vi. Ben- Miscommunication between David and Ben
- vii. David- Senate passed it, but no one knew what stage it was in. I was the only member from last year, was not clear on what was going on. Karsten came in and explained it somewhat, but we were still confused as a group. Didn't feel fair to address what last year's Senate worked on when new members didn't know very much about it.
- viii. Ben- It was passed through Senate.
- ix. Erin- Not voted against it, don't know what is going on.
- x. Peter- Student body is in favor, would it be possible to take a look at it again and move forward with it? Could it be implemented next year?
- xi. David- Senate will talk about it. Also ResLife will be consulting different student groups about long-term housing options beginning next year.
- xii. Laura- Didn't feel comfortable with Launa's response that if next year's Student Senate suggests it, they will then think about it, but it was already passed.
- xiii. David- Confusion, we will work on this. Where was the confusion in

the Fall, whose responsibility is it to push this proposal? It would have been more efficient if Bill Born was here in the fall, but that wasn't the case.

- xiv. Ben- How are we going forward?
- xv. David- Res life, PC, Administrative Cabinet, Students Senate involved in this, whose responsibility is it to be working on this now?
- xvi. Laura- We have to have Launa commit to saying that she has the responsibility to bring it up and to be implemented, two years of work and surveys.
- xvii. Jenae- Can the data be available?
- xviii. Ben- 67% in favor.
- xix. David- It's in the shared Senate folder.
- xx. Laura- Co-Ed apartments could also be discussed.
- xxi. Ben- Bill Born's involvement? Talk to Launa?
- xxii. David- Change in representation of Student Senate in Administrative Cabinet/President's Council since last year.
- xxiii. Peter- Will come back later to talk about zero-tolerance policy.
- xxiv. Ben- What is Senate going to do about co-ed floor?
- xxv. Erin- Meeting between Launa and Bill, Bill made commitment but couldn't follow through, communication needs to happen between them.
- xxvi. Ben- Will email Bill.
- xxvii. Jeane- Helpful to hear his opinion on it.
- xxviii. Ben- Last year I thought we left it that those returning to Senate would work with him outside of Senate. But all the members involved with it were gone in the fall.
- xxix. Peter- Announcement in communicator about approval of the proposal by Student Senate.
- xxx. David- Wait until Ben talks to Bill?
- xxxi. Peter- Student body pressure on Administration wouldn't hurt.
- xxxii. Laura- Record article on it?
- xxxiii. Erin- Communicator announcement tomorrow about passed proposal of co-ed floor.
- xxxiv. Ben- But we must make it clear that there won't necessarily be one next year.
- xxxv. David- It's better if we wait until it's more concrete, more helpful, approved.
- xxxvi. Peter- Concerned about how little Student Senate has done this year. Delays make Student Senate more inactive, although record

articles are a good start to transparency.

- xxxvii. Jenae- Records articles every week about what Student Senate is doing.
- xxxviii. Ben- I agree with Peter. Students have right to know even though it's not finished, students can be more involved and make things happen. Student Senate heard the student body and isn't following through. Integrity of survey. Students won't trust surveys now.
- xxxix. David- Were the survey results were public last year?
 - xl. Ben- No, work through administration first, but now minutes are completely done.
 - xli. David- Record article explaining what has happened so far and what needs to happen next will be helpful.
 - xlii. Laura- Communicator announcement will be more effective.
 - xlili. Ben- Record article was published last year also. Retrieve last year's article and update and publish it?
 - xliv. Jenae- I can do it. Integrate more once we hear from Bill?
 - xlv. Laura- Communicator announcement? Should be worded carefully.
 - xlvi. Ben- Proposing a vote on communicator announcement? First year students can be confused.
 - xlvii. Voting on putting a communicator announcement in about the Co-Ed floor proposal.
 - 1. Approved
 - xlviii. Post on Senate Facebook page tonight for review.
 - xlix. Communicator announcement will be out on Thursday.
 - l. David- Talk to Alma since it's her position (VP of marketing).

7. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned: 9:57