Student Government
Senate Agenda
March 4, 2014

1. Call to Order
   Roll Call: Bill, Ben, Joanna, Laura, Elizabeth, Ellen, Maddie, Karsten, Caleb

2. Approval of Minutes: Senate_2.18.14
   a. Approved

3. Old Business
   a. Volunteer drivers for store runs (30sec)
      i. March 8th:1PM at the Phys Plant
      ii. Changed to Sunday because of International Coffee house
          1. one time only change (to Sunday)
   b. Campus Emergency Response (5 min)
      i. Committee to Design a Wednesday viewing/discussion
      ii. Having a Wednesday time for it (conv/chapel credit)
      iii. Committee would help organize/oversee this event
      iv. Confirmed on 26th of March, but details open-ended
      v. Maddie: Previous viewing committee?
         1. confirmed
         2. Will figure out time to meet
   c. Administration/Senate Brief Announcements (5 min)
      i. PC hot topics
      ii. Current Events National/Global
      iii. Bill: I don't have a report back yet because of spring break
          1. but will next meeting
      iv. Conversation about people being rude, survey that was sent out in
          the Fall, level of integrity
      v. Making sure Senate is involved in conversations about Convos/Chapel
      vi. Caleb: Would someone like to contact convo team about current
events?
1. Elizabeth will do that.

d. TV in Westlawn/ITS Update (5min)
   i. Karsten checked in with them and haven't heard back from them yet
   ii. Bill: Visited with Paul from ITS after last meeting and gave some guidelines. We will see if there is a response by the end of the week.

e. Constitution Revision (10)
   i. Formatting Fixes
   ii. Updated Elections: Diversity Evaluation
   iii. Updated GC Board Meetings: Senate Response
   iv. Bylaws:
      1. Section 1: C, D
      2. Moved Impeachment to Article VII
   v. Election code: Draft 1
   vi. Ben: Having split running, reducing restrictions on who can serve (because of SST and off-campus opportunities)
   vii. Having something explicit about split?
   viii. Only president has to be here the whole year
   ix. Improved part about violations and voting
   x. Bill: Section 2.c salaries
      1. A notes that salaries can change year to year based on budget, is that based on percentages or on Senate decision
      2. Also, change in wording making salaries more specific

4. New Business
   a. Website Updated (3min)
      i. Minutes?
      ii. Looks good
   b. Open Letter: Stefan Baumgartner, Abby Deaton
      i. Abby: Education was something asked for from people we were in conversation with.
      ii. Bill’s graphic explaining all the power structures and balances was enlightening, and we were interested in perhaps having a panel with board members, PC, etc who would lead a question and answer session
      iii. Pre-approved questions would be nice so those answering would be well prepared and not caught off-guard.
      iv. Stefan: We were interested in having this more as an informational
night. Yet we didn’t want to facilitate this because it would be coming from a biased standpoint. We would be interested in Senate facilitating this because they are a neutral body. Perhaps we could also be on this panel.

v. We’d be interested in doing this this semester. Perhaps second week in April.

vi. Would be more interested in working more with the college instead of larger structures, so to keep it within a more manageable context.

vii. Would be interested in sending to Senate email

viii. Bill: I would be happy to bridge an invitation, but no promises. This is a topic which there are tons of layers of structures, and so people understanding those would be helpful.

ix. Adamant about having it be neutral

x. Ben: Senate should take care of publicizing it so that it remains neutral.

xi. Ben: I will take care of consolidating questions and oversight, also Elizabeth, and Maddie

xii. Maddie: I will market, Ezra also

xiii. Ellen: I will moderate, also Karsten and Laura

xiv. Joanna: Do you think people will be worried about sending in anonymous questions?

1. We just wanted the panel to feel prepared, and for it to be more organized

xv. Bill: we should look at potential dates and times right away, so that we can process with people.

xvi. Karsten: Convo in dining area in church chapel with C S-S was really nice, perhaps that could be an option.

1. Bill: once date and time set, I can look into that.

xvii. Caleb: That group should meet before next meeting.

xviii. Bill: We could bundle that meeting with active threat!

1. I'll mention this to PC tomorrow

5. Open Floor

a. Joanna: Housing Changes

i. I’ve heard a lot from the student body; we understand there were good reasons for them, but it would be nice if in the future if it were announced a lot sooner than it was this time.

ii. Ellen: I don’t understand the quiet dorms in Kulp

1. Bill: They are for upperclassmen

iii. Joanna: Kulp One is W and N combined
iv. Optional
b. Maddie: I’m wondering about the meeting we potentially talked about having between PC and students
   i. Ellen: We decided against it because it was too close to the board meeting
   ii. Maddie: I think maybe we should have it because of the housing, board meeting, even though we were going to have it regularly after this
   iii. Elizabeth: I think it would be good to have a focus
   iv. Caleb: I wrote this idea into the constitution
       1. We’re also moving into doing a more regular update
   v. Elizabeth: Senate meeting with PC might be a good idea after this last board meeting
c. Bill: Co-ed floor is on my radar, I’m meeting with Jim on Monday
d. Ezra: Talked with someone, is there an official person/group, like sexual harassment group, which deals with Job issues/work related situations on campus
   i. Bill: It’s me.
e. Joanna: Was Habitat for Humanity over break related to Senate?
   i. Isaac helped coordinate with that.
   ii. Laura: I think another week instead of right before midterms would have been better for First-Years

6. Adjournment
   a. Meeting adjourned: 10:13