

SGA General Assembly Minutes

November 23, 2015

Executive Board Present: Ben Shaw, Robert Galloway, and Katy Bedford

Representatives Present: Daniel Mason, Leslie Virnelson, Chip Rotolo, Hannah Nielsen-Quick, Tara Gibbs, Alex Evangelista, Andras Szerdi, Zach Wooten

1. Call to Order and Prayer 12:15, Ben prayed
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Hannah moved and Robert seconded
3. Officer Reports/Committee Reports
 - a. Vice Moderator
 - i. Christmas Party
 1. Friday, December 4 in Student Lounge, 9 PM
 2. Playlist is done-Alex and Daniel
 3. Holiday treats, orange spiced cider; decorations; water
 4. Friday afternoon
 - ii. Committee
 1. Food
 - a. Quality
 - b. Smaller meal plans
 - c. Field ed mornings
 - d. Subcommittee for Food
 2. Syllabi uploaded when we register
 3. Senior events for job training stuff are on Wednesdays and seniors can't really make it
 - b. Secretary
 - i. Website
 1. Meeting with a representative from each group to talk to them about their website.
 - ii. Committee
 1. German Martinez explained to Leslie what happened with the Alexander fire alarm
 2. Many administrators are concerned about how to get in touch with students since they don't read emails
 3. There is a top-down aspect to SGA that could be modified a bit
 4. Transparency would make things feel more open
 5. Let's make an SGA Corner so that people can see what we are up to
 6. Email telling the student body who their representatives are.
 - c. Moderator
 - i. Responses to some student concerns
 1. Ben talked to Steve about the Alex fire alarm

- a. Some things went wrong; Mackay was supposed to be unlocked
 - b. Investigating more what the policy is when an alarm goes off; should definitely have been a firetruck
 - ii. Committee
 - 1. Spouses group
 - a. Flyers and info never make their way out there which contributes to a sense of isolation
 - b. Facilities issues-large amounts of chairs are not available
 - 2. Final study breaks
 - a. Snacks and professors during reading weeks and finals weeks
 - b. Adult coloring books?
 - c. Alex offered to check with Starbucks
- 4. Representative Reports on Group and Administrator Meetings
 - a. Library changes-Andras & Leslie
 - i. Sanitary napkin receptacles in
 - ii. Library open later was discussed but that will be difficult
 - iii. Don Vorp is very open to hearing from us
 - 1. Available books
 - 2. Technological tools
 - 3. Book suggestion option
 - 4. Enough rooms
 - 5. Library noise
 - iv. Kate mentioned tracking swipes so that we know when students are actually wanting to be there-just to get data
 - v. German is against food usage in library but can add tables in the halls during finals
 - b. Alexander Fire Alarm Event
 - i. Leslie met with German Martinez
 - ii. Princeton has a volunteer fire department and you get charged for them coming
 - iii. Security officer was there within 10 minutes
 - iv. It was difficult for them to turn off the alarm
 - v. There is a chain of command that was not followed fast enough
 - vi. They should have opened up a place for students to go
 - c. Others
 - i. Leslie-German mentioned that they have trouble recycling because if there are other things in the recycle bin they get charged for having things that aren't acceptable; Robert mentioned that maybe we could get the parameters on what is accepted.
- 5. Student Concerns
 - a. Robert-concern about Alexander situation; response time was unacceptable and if security is responsible for calling the fire department, how do we get this done

faster; there definitely should have been a fire truck; Ben recommends we look at the university's policies

- b. Alex-student expressed that after elections they did not find out who was elected so they don't know who is representing them; SGA Corner is in response to needing transparency between us and the student body; spring newsletter or update
6. Close: Meeting closed at 12:47