

MINUTES
STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD
OFFICIAL MEETING
February 10th, 2015

I. ROLL CALL

President Meyer called the meeting of February 10th, 2015 to order at 9:05pm. Board Members Harun, Sykes, Dall, Chen, Green, Heidecker, Petrose, and Murphy were present. Committee Chairs Reslink, Stoll, Butler, Corelli, Millard, Hoch, Streets, Amand were present. Allocations Committee Members Victorelli, Petti and Kneis.

Student Leaders
RSA President Dall
PPC President Leghan

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of February 3rd, 2015 was approved.

III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Meyer announced that the board conducted one piece of official business during this past week's planning session. During which the new Elections Chair, Celia Millard, was voted in. President Meyer explained that the nominating committee convened Friday morning to go over the seven applications and on Sunday afternoon the Board interviewed all of the applicants for the Elections Committee Chair position and will discuss that later in the meeting. Additionally, the Community Outreach Chair application has been finalized and will be open with all of the updated information tomorrow night. The Board will be presenting a new bill this evening to go over all the minor changes to the position in addition to the major change in how the position will be run throughout the summer months seeing as how it is the only position that required the chair to remain in Pittsburgh and work through Pitt Serves. Additionally, President Meyer had the opportunity this week to sit in of the Sexual Assault Task Force and expressed his excitement for working with this group and the Smart Phone Safety committee. On Monday, a Student Affairs meeting was conducted with the Board of Trustees over conference call where they introduced and passed a recommendation to change the delegation power on the approval and changing the introduction of student fees to the Student Affairs Committee as opposed to waiting for the Board. President Meyer also reported that this past Sunday he had the opportunity to lead the Cabinet meeting because Board Member Dall was at a conference over the weekend. This gave him the chance to sit down with all the committees and discuss their projects. On Friday, Scott Hoffman from the OCC came to our planning meeting to discuss changes and improvements to OCC. Additionally, the Board has had several meetings with the Marketing and Brand Task force to discuss how the Board can increase their visibility and services, in addition to improving the Student Affairs website so that student can find exactly what they are

looking for with ease. President Meyer also mentioned the trip to Recreational Facilities and Student Unions and how after receiving Dean of Students Kenyon Bonners approval they will be moving forward with that. Additionally, two travel grants were submitted this week. Lastly, Pitt Day in Harrisburg is coming up and registration ends on March 20th.

IV. BOARD REPORTS

A. Nasreen Harun

Board Member Harun announced that the Assembly Task force met this week and is working to get it up and running. She explained that an email has been sent out to all the different organizations who will be a part of it. Additionally, Board Member Harun has the pleasure of sitting in on Elections Committee Chair interviews this past Sunday. She has also been in contact with the Office of Off Campus Living to set up a meeting with herself and Board Member Dall. Additionally, Board Member Harun has a meeting with the OCC Coordinator to discuss the OCC porthole and different improvements that can be made. She has also been looking into approving the SORC software. Lastly, she has been working with Chairman Anand on compiling schools to benchmark for the Student Union and Facilities tours.

B. Matt Sykes

Board Member Sykes reported that this past Friday he met with President Meyer and Interim Vice Provost and Dean of Students Kenyon Bonner to discuss a potential partnership between Pitt and the Jenny Clinton Foundation which is a foundation dedicated in promoting mental health awareness, reducing substance abuse, and reducing the rate of suicide of students. He is hoping to meet with them again to continue this discussion. Additionally, he met with Board Member Murphy to discuss the idea of creating an interdisciplinary campus wide mental taskforce to work with this foundation to implement these changes. Lastly, Board Member Sykes also announced that he met with Academic Affairs Chair Stoll and Board Member Petrose to discuss getting a medical withdraw implemented at Pitt.

C. Natalie Dall

Board Member Dall announced that as Board Member Harun mentioned they are working with the office of off campus living to discuss their initiatives involving that department. Additionally, she is also working on setting up a meeting with the Associate Dean and directory of resident life to discuss initiatives she would like to implement in the near future. Additionally, Board Member Dall met with President Meyer and the President of Blue and Gold Society to talk about bringing back the traditions committee. Lastly, she reported that she was a part of the Assembly Task Force meeting last week with Board Member Harun and Board Member Chen.

D. Jacky Chen

Board Member Chen reported that he has been working on the Marketing Branding Task Force he has been working on with Board Member Green and President Meyer. He recently met with President Meyer and Board Members Murphy, Green and Heidecker to brainstorm ideas on how to improve SGB's role on campus.

Additionally, he meet with the assembly task force and Board Members Harun and Dall to discuss having the Campus Woman's Organization and Rainbow Alliance added to the Assembly. Additionally, he reported that he is currently in the research phase of his Cultural Awareness Committee to determine the role and admission of the diversity committee which will hopefully be under SGB so that they have the ear of administration. The biggest focus will be on programming and supporting cultural programs on campus, as well as advocating for racial issues on campus. Board Member Chen recently contacted the Director of the Center for Urban Education to discuss cultural and racial issues in higher education. He encouraged anyone who wants to get involved to contact him at jacky.chen@pitt.edu.

E. Everett Green

Board Member Green announced that he has been compiling the separate campaigned initiatives in to one document to categorize them so that is will be easier to see our accomplishment for the next year and a half. Additionally, he had a meeting with President Meyer and Board Member Murphy to discuss a traditions initiative that is being carried on from the last board. Additionally, Board Member Green was involved in the Branding task force. He also met with Facilities and Transportations Chair Anand to discuss their research internally about the guest pass system on campus. Lastly, he encourages everyone to register for Pitt Day in Harrisburg.

F. Jack Heidecker

Board Member Heidecker announced that he and the rest of the group has a wonderful time at Panther Leadership Summit. Additionally, at 8pm on Wednesday there will be a Club Sports meeting as part of his club sports initiate to work towards better self-governance. Additionally, he met with a representative from the HR department where he learned about a new exciting student employment resource called Pitt Source. For those who do not know this is where all the university employment ads are compiled in one place, which makes things much easier for students and human resources. Lastly, Board Member Heidecker announced that he received approval from Dean of Student Bonner in regards to his direct deposit initiative. From this he will be meeting with a representative from payment processing to discuss how this can be implemented for students.

G. Meghan Murphy

Board Member Murphy announced that Food Committee will be this Friday. For those who have never attended a meeting it is a great opportunity to talk to Sodexo representatives about food on campus. Additionally, she and Board Member Sykes have been making excellent progress on their mental health initiative and hope to soon start a task force. Lastly, she and Facilities and Transportation Chair Anand have been working to get printers in building that do not currently have them.

H. Lia Petrose

Board Member Petrose announced that she attended another Academic Affairs meeting this week and reported that it is really taking off and expanding. She will be

working with them on the Public Health initiative so for any of those interested please contact Board Member Petrose at LGP6@pitt.edu. Additionally, she has set up a meeting with Dr. Gordon Mitchell of the Honors College to start crafting a model of the proposal which will be modeled after the recent proposal that was approved unanimously. She also got the opportunity to discuss with some of the student organizations she is a Liaison to. Additionally, she has been discussing the idea of a medical withdrawal program at Pitt.

V. COMMITTEE REPORT

A. ALLOCATIONS

Allocations Committee Chair Reslink announced that Allocations 101 will be held on Friday at 12pm in 530 of the WPU and again on Wednesday February 18th at 9pm in 539 of the WPU. Additionally, budgets will be due on March 27th at 5pm. More information to come.

B. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Academic Affairs Committee Chair Stoll reported that she and Board Member Sykes and Petrose had a very productive meeting to discuss the possibility for a medical withdrawal program. Additionally, she reported that there has been a lot of progress on the initiative to get the OMET surveys published to students. She is currently working on finalizing the proposal to be submitted to the School of Engineering. Lastly, she encourages those interested to come to a meeting at 8:45pm on Mondays in the SGB office.

C. ELECTIONS

Elections Committee Chair Millard explained that those elected to be on the committee have wonderful ideas and she expressed her excitement for beginning this position.

D. ENVIRONMENTAL

Environmental Committee Chair Streets announced that he has been working on getting the Give a Thread event on February 22nd going. He has set up a meeting to discuss the future of the Pitt environmental website with the sustainability coordinator and webmaster. Additionally, they are working on a proposal to create a sustainability fee that will support environmental initiatives. Lastly, applications are open for the executive vice chair, office manager of the student office of sustainability and secretary for the Environmental committee.

E. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION

Facilities and Transportation Chair Anand reported that he is currently working with Board Member Murphy to get printer stations in academic buildings that do not already have them. Additionally, he met with the vice chair to discuss their initiatives and plans to get them going. He also met with Jason Miller of the office of recreation to discuss the state of Pitt's recreational facilities and the upcoming trip. Lastly, committee meetings will be every Thursday in the SGB conference room.

F. GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Governmental Relations Chair Corelli encouraged students to sign up to attend Pitt Day in Harrisburg at www.sgb.pitt.edu/pittday. This is a great way to prove that Pitt matters and to advocate for more state aid. Food and transportation will be provided to students. Additionally, professors will be given a letter explaining your commitment and should allow to reschedule any exams, quizzes, etc. The kick off for Pitt Day in Harrisburg will be this Thursday at 5pm in the lower lounge of the WPU. Lastly, Governmental Relations Committee meetings will be at 7:30pm on Mondays in the SGB conference room.

G. JUDICIAL

Judicial Committee Chair Hoch announced that he met with President Meyer last week to discuss the direction of the judicial committee for this term and discuss potential initiatives. The committee had their first meeting this week and student organization leaders should be on the lookout for an email that will explain how the Judicial Committee can provide an adjudicating body if they have any internal disputes.

H. WELLNESS

Wellness Committee Chair Butler announced that this week the committee had their first official meeting where they discussed a lot of great ideas and initiatives. From this meeting they will be meeting with representatives from It's on Us and Pitt Serves to discuss their food pantry progress.

VI. STUDENT LEADER REPORTS

A. Resident Student Association President Dall

No report

B. PPC President

No report

VII. OPEN FLOOR

Lauren Barney congratulated the new Elections chair and the other committee Chairs. President Meyer announced that the chief of staff and Press secretary applications and job descriptions are available now. They can be found on the SGB website under the "join SGB" link.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business

IX. SUBMITTED AGENDA ITEMS

No submitted agenda items.

X. NEW BUSINESS

a. Nomination of the 2015-2016 Elections Committee

Jennifer Adams, Courtney Billig, Alex Cady, Antony Gnalian, Charlotte Goldbach, Emily Hwang, Alexander Rowden, Kevin Smallwood

A motion was made to approve the nominees
The motion was seconded
The motion was passed

b. Bill 027

B-027

ADDITIONS TO THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD ASSEMBLY

**University of Pittsburgh
Student Government Board
17 February 2015**

Introduced by Board Members Nasreen Harun, Natalie Dall, and Jacky Chen

Whereas, the Assembly was created to represent more student organizations and create open lines of communication,

Whereas the only organizations in the Assembly currently are the SAAGS and Student Government Board wants to gradually increase the amount of organizations represented in the Assembly,

Whereas Rainbow Alliance and Campus Women's Organization have always played an active role on campus and represent significant portions of the student body,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 17th day of February in the year of 2015, the Student Government Board at the University of Pittsburgh enacts the following revisions to Title 6, Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 1. All numbering changes to how the document is structured shall be automatic. Section 6.1.2.1 shall reflect the following changes:

1. Under Title 6, Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 1, insert "Item 1. Member Organizations" and renumber current Items 1-3 accordingly. Sub-item A shall read:
 - a. The following organizations shall be members of the Assembly:
 - i. Each of the Student Affairs Affiliated Groups of the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh campus.
 - ii. Rainbow Alliance
 - iii. Campus Women's Organization
2. Move sub-item B from Item 1 to the new "Item 1. Member Organizations".
3. Change sub-item A of the Item 1 to read:
 - a. "The Assembly shall be composed of one representative (hereafter called "delegates") from each member student organization."
4. Title 6, Chapter 1, Article 2, Section 1 will be passed as shown in the attached document.

This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Item 1. Member Organizations

- A. The following organizations shall be members of the Assembly:
 - 1. Each of the Student Affairs Affiliated Groups of the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh campus.
 - 2. Rainbow Alliance
 - 3. Campus Women's Organization
- B. Delegates from other student organizations may be added upon approval by a simple majority of the Board.

Item 2. Delegates

- A. The Assembly shall be composed of one representative (hereafter called "delegates") from each member student organization.
- B. Every delegate shall be an executive board member of the organization he or she represents.

Item 3. Alternates

- A. Each student organization may select up to one Alternate for each delegate they have on the Assembly.
- B. Alternates may attend any open or closed meeting in place of the delegate upon approval of the Speaker.
- C. Alternates may attend any open meeting of the Assembly when the delegate is present but may not vote.

Item 4. Ex officio members

- A. The Executive Vice President of the Board shall serve as an ex officio member and the Speaker of the Assembly.
- B. The President of the Board, or his/her designee, shall serve the Assembly as a non-voting ex officio member.

This bill will be tables for one week

c. Bill 028

B-028

COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

**University of Pittsburgh
Student Government Board
17 February 2015**

Introduced by President Graeme Meyer

Whereas the Community Outreach Committee seeks to develop and strengthen ties between the University community and the greater Oakland and Pittsburgh community,

Whereas the Community Outreach Committee has expanded its duties to collaborate with the Office of PittServes and the Office of Community Relations,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this 17th day of February in the year of 2015, the Student Government Board at the University of Pittsburgh modifies Title 2, Chapter 3, Article 2, to reflect the following changes:

1. Under Title 2, Chapter 3, Article 2, Item 1, sub-item B to read “1. Collaborate on their spring engagement and service events in the Oakland Community.”
2. Under Title 2, Chapter 3, Article 2, Item 2, remove sub-item A and reorder old sub-item B and C. Add sub-item 1 “Vice Chair of PMADD” and reorder as stated above.
3. Under Title 2, Chapter 3, Article 2, Item 3, sub-item 1, change “the Student Civic Engagement Council Community Outreach Chair” to read “member of the Student Civic Engagement Council”
4. Under Title 2, Chapter 3, Article 2, Item 2, sub-item 2, change “Hold five office hours in the Student Government Board Office and five office hours in the Office of PittServes” to read “Hold five office hours in the Student Government Board office and five office hours in the Office of PittServes during the school year (September through April)”
5. Under Title 2, Chapter 3, Article 2, Item 2, sub-item 5, change 10 to 15 and insert “(May through August)” at the end
6. Title 2, Chapter 3, Article 2 shall read as it does in the attached document.

This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Article 2. Community Outreach Committee

Item 1. Purpose of the Community Outreach Committee

- A. The Community Outreach Committee seeks to develop and strengthen ties between the University community and the greater Oakland and Pittsburgh community.
- B. The Community Outreach Committee shall be responsible for promoting student involvement in the community by working with the Office of PittServes and the Office of Community Relations to:
 1. Collaborate on their spring engagement and service events in the Oakland community
 2. Plan Pitt Make a Difference Day
 3. Plan community- wide events such as Good Neighbor Luncheons and Block Parties

Item 2. Structure of the Community Outreach Committee

- A. In addition to the Community Outreach Chair, the Community Outreach Chair Committee shall include a
 - 1. Vice Chair of PMADD
 - 2. Vice Chair of Community Relations
 - 3. Coordinator of PMADD Recruitment
 - 4. Coordinator of PMADD Supplies
 - 5. Coordinator of PMADD Fundraising
- B. The Community Outreach Committee shall additionally have open membership so that any member of the student body can participate in its meetings and business.

Item 3. Community Outreach Committee Chair

- A. In addition to the responsibilities outlined for all Conditional Committee Chairs, the Community Outreach Chair shall
 - 1. Serve as the main coordinator of the Student Government Board Community Outreach Committee, the Pitt Make a Difference Day Chair, and a member of the Student Civic Engagement Council
 - 2. Hold five office hours in the Student Government Board office and five office hours in the Office of PittServes during the school year (September through April)
 - 3. Attend weekly Student Civic Engagement Council Executive Board Meetings
 - 4. Plan two service events per month
 - 5. Dedicate 15 hours per week to the Office of PittServes during the summer months (May through August)
- B. The Community Outreach Chair may also be asked to serve on a University Senate Committee.

This Bill will be tabled for one week.

d. Allocation Recommendations

#8304 Men's Ultimate Frisbee- \$14580.14

Allocation recommendation was to approve \$2649.58 and deny \$11930.56

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

#8296 Pittsburgh Women's Volleyball Club- \$7864.50

Allocation recommendation was to approve \$7583.80 and deny \$280.70

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

#8297 American Nuclear Society- \$2284.80

Allocation recommendation was to approve \$1904.58 and deny \$380.22

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

#8301 PatherRaas- \$2563.58

Allocation recommendation was to approve \$793.50 and deny \$1770.08

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

#8304 Men's Ultimate Frisbee- \$14580.14

Allocation recommendation was to approve \$2649.58 and deny \$11930.56

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

#8303 Panther Lacrosse- \$4750.00

Allocation recommendation was to deny in full

The motion was seconded

A motion was made to approve \$2750.00 and deny \$2000.00

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

#8305 American Medical Student Association- \$1868.40

Allocation recommendation was to approve \$1642.41 and deny \$225.99

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

#8307 Pittsburgh Urban Gaming Club- \$1518.00

Allocation recommendation was to approve the request in full

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

#8312 Vietnamese Student Association, CASA- \$2027.39

Allocation recommendation was to approve \$1804.20 and deny \$223.19

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

e. Summary of Expenses

Tonight 2/10: \$20,726.29

Semester total: \$110,921.18

XI. OPEN FLOOR

Board Member Heidecker wished President Meyer a happy 22nd birthday from the Board.

Board Member Green encouraged everyone to register for Pitt Day in Harrisburg

XII. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Meyer thanked the Board Member and Committee Chairs for their productivity in this first month. He expressed his gratitude for their hard work and dedication and is excited to see what they can do in the next year and a half.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 pm

The motion was seconded

The motion carried.