

**AGENDA**  
**STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD**  
**OFFICIAL MEETING**  
**March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**I. ROLL CALL**

President Meyer called the meeting of March 24th, 2015 to order at 8:47 pm. Board Members Harun, Sykes, Dall, Chen, Green, Heidecker, Petrose, and Murphy were present. Committee Chairs Reslink, Stoll, Butler, Corelli, Millard, Anand, Hoch and Streets were present.

RSA president Natalie Dall and Black Heritage Society President Gigi Sanders were also present.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of March 18th, 2015 was approved.

**III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Meyer welcomed everyone to the meeting and would like to yield the floor to the Real Food Challenge Interns and thanked Chancellor Gallagher for being with the student body.

The Real Food Challenge Interns gave a brief introduction about the program. It was brought to the campus of the University of Pittsburgh in Jan 2014 by McDonald and aiming to recruit 20% real food on campus by 2020. Currently the number holds at 9% in Market Central. Tonight Pitt is joining 29 other schools to prove the university's commitment.

Then President Meyer continued his speech by reporting that he had a meeting with Academic Chair Dall and several people from the registrar office to discuss some Academic Initiatives such as OMETS, an extension for Add/Drop period and promised that we will see some massive changes by the end of this semester. He attended the Sexual Assault Task meeting yesterday with Wellness Chair Butler. And there will be another meeting in 2 weeks. He had also been working on campus safety by working with police departments to share information. Since it is getting closer to the end of the semester he would touch base with everyone on their projects. He gave updates for Student service and was pleased to say that this year Pitt has got 45 travel grants. Lastly he announced that the deadline for the storage space and office space applications which are on the SGB website will be extended until next week. Lastly he wished a happy birthday to Board Member Green, as well as Board Member Chen and Reslink.

**IV. BOARD REPORTS**

**A. Nasreen Harun**

Board Member Harun reported that this weekend she travelled to Ohio with Transportation Chair Anand and President Meyer to look at a few schools' athletic facilities and student unions to do some benchmarking.

**B. Matt Sykes**

Board Member Sykes thanked everyone who attended the Mental Health Panel last Friday and commented on the fantastic event. He then announced that a miniseries regarding to Mental Health would be held on Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> with speakers from different disciplines and he encouraged those who were interested to attend. He had also met with Board member Murphy and Wellness Chair Butler to discuss the mental health coalition.

**C. Natalie Dall**

Board Member Dall reported that the Tradition Committee had met this past week to do some research on yearbooks and there would be another meeting this week. This Thursday evening there would also be a meeting for the Off-Campus Tenant Association.

**D. Jacky Chen**

Board Member Chen reported that he was excited for the TedX event this year with a number of speakers from different disciplines and announced that the theme for this year is going to be "Reformation in the face of Simulation". Tickets would be available soon and the space is quite limited.

**E. Everett Green**

Board Member Green reported that he had met with Governmental Relation Official Kyle Miller and Judicial Chair Corelli to discuss issues on Voter Registration; and that he would also be attending the SGB Marketing and Branding task force meeting on Friday. Lastly he reported that Transportation Chair Anand, Board Member Chen and himself would be meeting with people from the University Library System.

**F. Jack Heidecker**

Board Member Heidecker reported that he was now working on the formation of the Student Organization Task Force and were currently looking for students who were willing to participate in the survey so that SGB can better serve the student organizations on campus.

**G. Meghan Murphy**

Board Member Murphy reported that she spoke during the Mental Health Panel last Friday and was glad to see the effort of the organizers made at ending stigmas, promoting mental health research and now a mental health task force were being with Board member Sykes. Together they were writing a mission statement. Next week Transportation Chair Anand and she would be meeting with the Chemistry and Neuroscience department about getting printers set up in Clapp, Langley and Chevron. The Wellness Committee would be collaborating with Kappa Sigma to host a fundraising event for the Icare foundation in WPU.

#### **H. Lia Petrose**

Board Member Petrose reported that she had been working on the proposal for the certificate with students and Associate Dean Bryce from Public Health department; they were now looking for funding sources for Intro class and summer edge for the certificate. She had also been working on the One week course initiative— which offers undergrad students more chance to explore the academic and career choice the university offers other than Arts and Sciences. Lastly she reported that she had attended the Diversity Committee meeting and met with a lot of student leaders and made a lot of progress and had some really engaging conversations.

### **V. COMMITTEE REPORT**

#### **A. ALLOCATIONS**

Allocations Committee Chair Reslink reported that the Budget Submission deadline for student organizations would be on this Friday at 5 p.m. and for those organizations that submitted allocation requests in March there would be a survey email sent out soon.

#### **B. ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Academic Affairs Committee Chair Stoll thanked her committee for working hard on accomplishing the initiatives this past few months and reported that she would continue working on OMETS and the add/drop initiative.

#### **C. ELECTIONS**

Elections Chair Millard reported that he would be working on promoting SGB during orientation week and were now currently looking for ideas to take the Branding meeting. He also reported that he and his committee were working on small code revisions as well.

#### **D. TRANSPORTATION AND FACILITIES**

Transportation and Facilities Chair Anand reported that he would be traveling to Ohio to do the benchmarking with Board Member Harun and President Meyer, he would also be working with Board Member Chen and Green on the library facilities here at Hillman.

#### **E. ENVIRONMENTAL**

Environmental Committee Chair Streets reported that he had spoken with staff from the Sustainability Office about the restructuring of the Green Fund. The latest update being that of the 9 proposals being raised a total amount of \$2667.26 was requested. 7 of the proposals were approved in full, 1 was approved partly and 1 was denied.

#### **F. GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

Governmental Relations Chair Corelli reported that there would be a Voter registration training session with the University Community and Governmental

relations on Monday at 7:30 in the SGB office. He also commented on the Off-campus Tenants Meeting. Lastly he reminded those who attended the meeting that on Thursday there would be a Panther and Politics series, which consists of round-table discussions with local officials and would be a great opportunities for students to get involved in local politics.

#### **G. JUDICIAL**

Judicial Committee Chair Hoch reported that his committee voted on the changes of the governing documents and he would soon be writing bills that would reflect these changes.

#### **H. WELLNESS**

Wellness Committee Chair Butler reported that Wellness Committee newsletter would be coming out soon and that there would be a number of sexual assault awareness event planned in the fall.

### **VI. STUDENT LEADER REPORTS**

RSA president Dall announced that the University of Pittsburgh defeated West Virginia University in February RSA fundraising challenge.

Black Heritage Society President Sanders announced the speakers for this year's annual speaker series and the time would be this Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

### **VII. OPEN FLOOR**

### **VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No unfinished business

### **IX. SUBMITTED AGENDA ITEMS**

No submitted agenda items

### **X. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **a. Presidential Appointments**

##### **i. Appointment of Chief of Staff**

President Meyer appointed Arlind Karpuzi to be the Chief of Staff of the Student Government Board

##### **ii. Appointment of Press Secretary**

President Meyer appointed Dan Lampmann to be the Press Secretary of the Student Government Board

#### **b. Board Appointments**

##### **i. Appointment of the Constitutional Review Committee**

The Board nominated the following members to the Constitutional Review Committee—Graeme Meyer as Chair, Kyle Hoch, Celia Millard, Nick

Reslink, Mimi Frisch, Jon Lehan, Permveer Longia, Galen Huges and Rachel Mauer.

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

**c. Allocation Recommendations**

**#8386 African Students Organization- \$5313.62**

Allocation recommendation was to approve \$4434.12 and deny \$878.20

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

**#8395 Men's Ultimate Frisbee- \$3351.59**

Allocation recommendation was to approve in full

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

**#8396 Pittsburgh Club Baseball- \$1263.12**

Allocation recommendation was to approve in full

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

**#8400 Roller Hockey- \$3286.02**

Allocation recommendation was to approve \$795.00 and deny \$2491.02

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

**#8380 Black Action Society- \$20,000 (Budget Modification)**

Allocation recommendation was to approve in full

The motion was seconded

The motion carried

**d. Summary of Expenses**

Tonight 3/18: \$9844.13

Budget Modification: \$20,000.00

**XI. OPEN FLOOR**

Board Member Harun reminded exciting weekend, on Friday there would be Greek Sing and on Saturday there would be a Hip-hop show featuring Lupe Fiasco.

**XII. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

President Meyer once again thanked the Chancellor for supporting the Real Food commitment and wished everyone a good rest of the semester.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:37pm  
The motion was seconded  
The motion carried.