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Eastern Michigan University
Senate Meeting
December 5, 2011
Agenda

A meeting held in open session at 6:30 p.m., room 310A Student Center

A. Opening Roll Call 6:38pm

B. Approval of the Agenda

1. motion to amend agenda -> add in S.R. 98-008 (separate delegate seats from senate seats) under old business, motion approved

C. Approval of the Minutes

D. Guest Speakers

1. Eric Ward – Health Education Coordinator, University Health Services
 1. funding from Student Gov. provides free HIV testing and free condoms to students on campus.
 2. presentations about sexual health, working with student's reality. Abstinence is best since not at risk for anything, but may not be student's reality.
 3. Health and Wellness center (free HIV testing), University Health Services (STI testing). Offices offer different services and work together. Wellness Center works with all sorts of health issues- depression, stress, etc. not just HIV testing.
 4. HIV testing, walk-in, Thursday 10am-4pm at Wellness Center
2. Jelani McGadney – Student Body President
 1. Ashley Adams was relieved of her duties, required per bylaws to inform senate of any eboard changes.
 1. inconsistent documentations
 2. late/missing reports
 3. failure to take directives from president and vice president

E. Constituent's Forum *(Open to currently enrolled students: 1 hour/total)***

F. Special Order Speeches *(Open to all people sitting w/ Senate: 3 minute limit/person)*

G. Standing Committee Reports

1. Student Relations
 1. Club Halle on Thursday- lots of things going on. Academic Projects Center is open late, use hours because Student Gov. is paying for it. Continental breakfast is available, tutors available to help. Active minds meditation session to help relieve stress. Holman now has online tutoring.
2. Political Action
 1. All Eyes on Us (day long event with breakout sessions about how upcoming national elections will affect global community), finalizing everything coming up to do with sessions, delegating tasks. Goal is to educate all attendees. Advertising through electronic signs on campus.
 2. Fireside politics was at same time as Times Talk, so merged the two events.

H. Old Business

1. S.R. 98-008 (separate delegate seats from senate seats)
 1. vetoed because want to consider this as a part of the whole, consider role of delegates within Student Gov. as opposed to just making minor adjustments to bylaws and putting smaller pieces together to form patchy whole. Courtesy for delegates to be here, not courtesy for us to host them
 2. put to vote, 17:2:6, resolution passes and veto overridden

I. New Business *(Each item of Business: 45 minute default**; amend restricted from 10-90)*

1. Advisory Notices

1. University Christian Fellowship
 1. mistakenly listed \$1322 in B&F funding request. This was also a discrepancy in committee meeting.
 2. friendly motion to change final line of advisory notice from “United Christian Fellowship” to “University Christian Fellowship”
 3. unanimously approved with 25:0:0
2. Appointments
 1. Justin Beaudrie
 1. senior, wants to join for last part before his graduation in April, has been a part of Student Gov. before, lots of leadership experience
 2. approved with 21:1:1

J. Executive Reports

1. Student Body President
 - *important moment today- you overrode a veto, you have a voice.
 - *LBC recorded electronically
 - *advising in different departments will all be united under one title
2. President of the Senate
 - *discussed office policies: all senators signed affidavits stating knowledge of policy. Office is an office, not just a student org, but a department as well.
3. Judicial Sergeant
 1. constitutional convention on-going
 2. appeal will be next semester
 3. went to SAM at the UofM this past weekend, resolution condemning proposed law preventing domestic partners from universities from receiving benefits as married couples do, “clearly an attack on LGBT community”
4. Clerk
5. Director of Services and Events
6. Director of Communications
7. Director of Organizational Relations
 1. out for the evening
8. Chief of Staff
 1. out for the evening

K. Senator Project Reports *(Open to Senators)*

1. Senator Rutkoske- first event for Human Trafficking last week, will be painting kiosk
2. Senator Riley- clothing drive started last week, will go until Friday. Boxes in front of Student Gov office and in Pray Harrold
3. Senator Yanagi- help a student find avenue to get pencil sharpeners in Pray Harrold rather than having him run around and screw pencil sharpeners into the wall.
4. Senator Vanleer- social media and the effects it has on our generation: anti-cyber bullying, Friday December 9th, 7:00-9:00pm, Student Center room 300.
5. Senator Wayne Miller- statistics on Best and Wise about wifi issue
6. Senator Lazarenko- had dine and donate at Tower Inn yesterday, will turn money into business and finance
7. Senator Desmond Miller- basketball tournament was on Saturday, not a huge turnout but fun. Senator Yanagi won second place of two teams!

L. Delegate Reports

1. Delegate Zanotti- lots of violence in Eateries, had a discussion about ensuring safety (more police presence, cameras, maybe for next year, different entrances), also a de-stressor at DC1 on Thursday that will cost a meal-plan
2. Delegate Conrad- Dr. Lynette Findley said that department was running well, she’s proud

M. Gallery Comments

N. Open Discussion

- O. Closing Roll Call** 8:pm
- P. Adjournment**

*** Majority vote may change the limit, see SG Bylaws*