

MUSG Senate Minutes

Thursday, January 22, 2009

7:30 PM – AMU 227

I. Call to Order

II. Forum for Concerned Students

- A. Les Aspen Speaker: want to bring named speaker to campus and haven't had a big name speaker on campus.
 1. Bringing in James Cargo if have all the funding from MUSG SOA.
 2. Thinking to bring someone applicable from DC
 3. James Cargo did some primary consulting in the White House and ran hundred campaigns here and overseas.
 4. Asking for \$15,000 from MUSG.
- ii. Question:
 1. Senator Tandez: How do you see this benefiting Marquette?
 - a. It is conducive to university and good for Communication and Political Science Department.
 2. Senator Lee: Will it be open to the Milwaukee public?
 - a. Not thought about it, but can be made public.
 3. Senator Thomas: What kind of support are you looking from Marquette and other organizations?
 - a. We have support from the College of Business and Communications Department, College Democrats, Law School and Les Aspen Center.
 4. Has James Cargo attended other colleges?
 - a. Yes he has attended other colleges in Illinois and others
 - b. You will never hear a negative review and he is on top of things
- B. Megan Guilfoile
 - i. Successful programs: students have responded well to them
 - ii. Brought 400 students to outdoor shows/movies and 231 at comedy shows
 - iii. Are able to serve more students
 - iv. Upcoming event with RHA.
 - v. Want to let you know that this year has been successful for the special events commission
- C. Adrian Garcia
 - i. Diversity commissioner: Appreciate all the funding they do get and have had a lot of successful programs
 - ii. This year promoting diversity programs to become more inclusive and tapping to religion and different cultures
 - iii. Should come to events

III. Roll Call

- A. **Unexcused Absences:** David Polyak

IV. Presentations

V. Officer Reports

President

Raymond Redlingshafer

- A. Search process for programs vice president and applications are due tomorrow.
- B. Committee will meet Tuesday and Wednesday to confirm new LVP
- C. Bandwidth: students using chunk of Bandwidth and created system that imposed penalty box and restricted use for the rest of the day.
 1. If use certain amount then get cut off for that time period
- D. Update on E-limo: A major problem is that the companies that are funding them stopped funding.
 1. Batteries and expensive stuff are no longer with same process
 2. Not easy process
- E. Meeting with Dr. Miller and got over some diversity things to call Marquette Interchange
- F. Tutoring project
 1. Every year give 4000 dollars to tutoring program
 2. Want to think of ways to give to administration
- G. Councils and committees that haven't met should encourage ray to let them know that are heading the committee
 1. Should start that up now
- H. Meeting at 2pm downtown for the Department of Public Works: successful meeting before break
 1. Pricing and logistics laid out

Executive Vice President

Kathleen Blaney

- A. Notice in Email: retreat this upcoming Sunday.
 - i. Serve as a focus point at campus town east in conference room
- B. SOA deadline for period 5 is due tomorrow at 5pm
 - i. If have concerns of applications, can review before 5pm
- C. Meeting for diversity forum date on Monday Feb 4
- D. Father Wild Forum Tuesday Feb 5
 - A. These events should intercept questions received at last Father Wild Forum
- E. Information sessions held Feb 4 and 5.
- F. Kathleen O'Donnell new receptionist
- G. Finding new ways to incorporate service at MUSG
- H. If no longer to attend meetings set out, make sure let us know so students are going to meetings

Communications Vice President

Catherine Klinnert-Leukam

- A. Looking for few positions for public relations and graphic design positions
- B. Working on legislation to arrange some of the titles: ex. art assistant
- C. Looking for someone to help out and would like Senate help
- D. Printing posters for out of office hours

Financial Vice President

James Schott/Jonathan Giel

- E. Budget committee met Tuesday for Unanticipated Student Activity Fee
- F. Hiring new office assistant
- G. MUSG goes through audit and are in the middle of this
 - o Last academic year audit

Programs Vice President

Claire Anglim

- A. Program board is off to excellent start
- B. Bringing out event calendar
- C. PVP application is out and if know how to manage budget and large group of people then should take this job
- D. If interested in becoming program board member: applications are going out this Monday for next year
- E. Semester review of all programs: internal document and make sure to keep amongst self
- F. If have questions, have evaluation forms

Advisor

Dr. Jon Dooley

- A. Sent email to list serve: about student leadership summit and happened in the fall
 - i. Moved date
- B. Working with program and student affairs
- C. It is important because deals with students and officers and should encourage others to get word out
- D. Mission week theme
- E. Sunday Feb. 8 from 11 to 3pm: includes lunch
- F. Dr. Bloom: assessment visit to the creditors in March and want to come to talk about how university takes look at promise to the student body
- G. Dr. McCarthy: Office of Student Development left and has been vacant and soon initiate a search for the position
 - 1. New promotions in student development
 - 2. Vice president of student affairs
 - 3. More information and student involvement in hiring process
 - 4. New duties due to promotion process

Acting Legislative Vice President

Shazia Ali

- H. Retreat Sunday 12-3pm: Campus Town east in the conference room
- I. New Senators: Colleen Hastings and Bill Doerrer
- J. 4 positions open so please notify constituents
- K. New business: election of Legislative Vice president that requires 14 votes

VI. Committee Reports

- A. Academics Committee *John Kristan*
 - i. Talk to ray about tutoring center and senate involvement
 - ii. Work with LVP to meet with Dr. Bloom
- B. Business and Government *Thaddeus McGuire*
 - i. Met with committee
 - ii. Issues and discussed with things accomplished

- C. Student Life Committee Adam Michael V. Tandez
 - i. Discussed meeting times
 - ii. Project: safety precaution on 12 street
 - iii. Goodbye: Senator Woelfel leaving
- D. Student Organizations Henry Thomas
 - Student organization officer transition workshop for all those officers coming into the organization
 - 1. For more eco friendly and get MUSG feedback how org is doing

VII. Outreach, Council, and All-University Committee Reports

- A. Senator Thomas
 - i. Marquette Tribune: turtle story in classroom
 - 1. Want to get different people to discuss about the story and want to be able to talk about it and make sure it doesn't happen again
 - 2. Want to find out truth about it

VIII. Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of Legislative Minutes from December 4, 2008
- B. Approved as they stand

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

- A. Election of New Legislative Vice President
 - i. Senator Mulligan: nominates Jason Ray for LVP
 - 1. Rational:
 - o Senator Mulligan: worked with Kevin Mulligan and worked well. He has professionalism and handles mass media as best he could
 - Gets job done and is very busy person. He was LVP in past
 - He has time to do his job
 - o Jason Ray: Reason for running is that he enjoys time in MUSG. He stepped aside last April but wants to do this.
 - 2. Questions:
 - a. Senator Thomas: How do you categorize yourself as a mentor or resource?
 - i. I see helping bring senator committees together and bring a sources to bring administrators together and help the greater community.
 - b. Senator Doerrer: Any awards won from MUSG in past year?
 - i. MUSG leadership award
 - c. Senator Tandez: Do you have any time commitments?
 - i. Leadership conference and RA
 - d. Senator Kristan: What did you think of senate last semester? What can we do well or better?
 - i. Office hours were well and allowed everyone to get to know one another and solve problems and organization

- ii. Something that could have gone well but didn't would be creating more legislation and more resolutions and recommendations
- e. How do you see yourself as LVP helping us?
 - i. Those things that went well don't need any work but in terms of doing better would be brainstorm and writing things together and getting things done. Want to develop legislation together.

3. Debate:

- a. Senator Tandez: Speaks in favor Jason Ray
 - i. will be great for the job and has experience
- b. Senator Simoncic: Speaks in favor of Jason Ray
 - i. Thinks he'll be able to lead us for next semester
- c. Senator Kristan: speaks in favor of Jason Ray

4. 23-1-1: Jason Ray is Legislative Vice President

B. Reallocation of Unanticipated Student Activity Fee Revenue

1) FVP Schott

- a) Did go over this last year November
- b) same issue but not same proposal and took back to committee
- c) Student government collects student act fee of 27 a semester
- d) Budget Committee anticipates \$18,000 in student activity fee revenue over the budgeted amount of \$367,200 for our current fiscal year FY09
 - i) Calculated this amount by estimating the number of students that are going to be attending Marquette. Then we can figure out the amount of money received.
- e) Opened up money proposals to departments
 - i) Program board
 - ii) Communications Department technology request: \$1,900
 - iii) Remaining money is allocated to non club sports organizations \$9,100
- f) Consists of 6 voting members

2) PVP Anglim

- a) Initiations for programs
 - i) Working with tight budgets
- b) Money going to special events commission
- c) Students want a similar event to the night of chocolate in fall semester but do not have funding for that

3) CVP Leukam

- a) Have staff of 8 to 10 people. So difficult to work without computers in office.
- b) So budget wasn't passed in November, so requesting a budget for department

4) FVP Schott

- a) 35 percent of student activity funding must go to student organizations funding

• Questions:

- 1. Senator McGuire: Is that a minimal cost for the computer and software?
 - a. Yes it does include all of these
- 2. Senator McGuire: Are you giving 35 % of SOA?

- a. Unable to give to club sports only to non-club sports.
- 3. Senator Doerr: In regards to films commission, where would the funding go?
 - a. The 1000 increase will allow the film shows to increase. There will be more films shown than two semesters ago.
- 4. Senator Franklin: What are the activities that are going on this semester?
 - a. Dave and Buster's
- 5. Senator Franklin: How many excursions have set so far?
 - 1. 2 excursions.
- Debate:
 - 1. Senator Wells speaks in favor
 - 2. Senator Doerr speaks against it because originally allocated was \$11,000. The program board gets 53 percent of budget and SOA gets 32 percent. Feels that it is not distributed equally to the student populations. There is extra money that is given to special events and excursions. This money should be put to use for other things.
 - 3. Senator Kristan speaks in favor
 - 4. Senator Stopka speaks in favor. Lots of events do get people to attend.
 - 5. Senator Mulligan speaks in favor. It is available to every student that wants it and it is very assessable.
 - 6. Senator Doerr speaks against it. Moves to amend and keep SOA and diversity commission because already brought a lot. Does feel that money is being cut towards the student body. Why did senators vote against this?
 - 7. Senator Shuster speaks against it because it's the student's money. Will give SOA money if they put more effort to programs
 - 8. Senator Franklin speaks against it because the money can be used in SOA process. Not against programs but against the program board.
 - 9. Senator Woelfel speaks in favor because giving 50% to student organizations. Gave some to 9 club sports and 9 to program board. See it as fair split
 - 10. Senator Thomas speaks in favor. Communications department is taking over computers and there is a need of these allocations. Think that there have been improving to keep students to stay on campus
 - 11. Senator Doerr moves to amend budget proposals.
 - 12. How much money do we have in the SOA that hasn't been allocated?
 - FVP Schott: not sure and depend on the applications they get through and allocated all club sports funding
 - 13. Senator McGuire speaks in favor. Programs board provides consistent activities on campus and makes Marquette a better place. It's a consistent outlet for students
 - 14. Senator Mulligan speaks in favor. As far as allocation and adding on to that, everyone dealt with budget before and end up spending more than you need a year. Still giving \$9,000 to SOA process so not ignoring them and will help lot of student organizations so great proposal and support it
 - 15. Senator Simoncic point of information. How is CS4 going to affect decisions made last semester?
 - Can install CS3 but need the license. It won't affect anything
 - 16. Senator Doerr: move to amend by cutting the excursion commission and moving \$1,000 dollars to SOA.
 - Second: Senator Kristan
 - Rational: Senator Doerr feels excursions commission get a lot of money and is not widely utilized and should be allocated to allow to be used.

- Questions for Senator Doerr's Rational:
 2. Senator McGuire: Why did you pick the excursion committee?
 - Senator Doerr: Don't understand the increase of money and not lots of students are using it
 3. Senator Barreras: If cut down money to excursion, will they stop the excursion to Chicago?
 - It would limit the number of excursions we would take
 4. Senator Thomas: point of information- Did you reschedule date of Dave and Buster's?
 - Yes because of complications in Feb.
- Debate:
 1. Senator Thomas speak in favor of this because does a lot of work.
 2. Senator Kristan speaks in favor because agree that excursions are great and fun but need to be careful when allocating money to clubs and organizations
 3. Senator Barreras speaks against the amendment because feels that excursions give Marquette students something to do on the weekend.
 4. Senator Tandez speaks in favor. Beneficial to university
 5. Senator McGuire speaks against the amendment because excursions need a lot of money more than SOA
 6. Senator Meyer speaks in favor of amendment because keep in balance. Should support things on campus for students to take advantage
 7. Senator Mulligan speaks against because \$1,000 is much more significant amount out of the excursion committee.
 8. Senator Barreras: move to vote
 - a. Move to amend vote: roll call passes
 - b. Amendment passes to move \$1,000 from excursions committee to SOA committee

Announcements

- PVP Anglim
 - Have programs calendar for events going on each date
- Senator Tandez:
 - Thanking Senator Woelfel: last meeting
- CVP Leukam
 - Communications department: heading an event 10am tomorrow
 - Slow food Marquette focusing on organic foods and sent proposal to OSD
- Senator Ali
 - Tomorrow there will be a comedian coming in and invite others
- Senator Simoncic
 - War delegation: will be leaving for couple of weeks. Collecting pop cans. If have any, please give them to her.
- EVP Blaney
 - SOA meeting tonight
 - 1st year experience retreat on February 6 and 7. Check it out!
- President Redlingshafer
 - Parliamentarian position opened
 - New Tribe Reporter: Torri
 - Thanking Shazia Ali for helping out this past week
- Advisor Dooley

- Judicial administration for student government reports still cause to review governing documents
- If looking for projects, there are some in the disciplinary rules to work on
- Cautions everyone in decision making process: Advises Senators to get information through the allocation budget committee. There is a portion that goes to conferences and students get a portion as a whole. It's helpful to understand where money goes and how much money is spent on organizations.
 - As budget is being develop should discuss with Clair Anglim to see how students can make an input for support.
 - There isn't fund to do certain types of programming, think about what people want to see and we as an organization to provide those programs for student population

IX. Adjournment

Motion: Senator Tandez

Second: Senator Wells

Meeting adjourned at 9:35pm