

Student Government Association
Agenda
Discussion Meeting
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I. Roll Call

Alan

Karen

Amanda

II. Approval of Minutes

III. Approval of Agenda

IV. Guest Speaker

a) Patricia Manzanares-Gonzales

Provost Vice President of Academic Affairs. I just wanted to come in and introduce myself. You are all welcome to come see me on the 3rd floor of Taylor Hall. Haleigh knows I am always here for you all. I want to hear how you are doing here, academic programs, how your majors and minors are going. It is all about you guys!

Danielle- When during the week are you available.

Patricia- Make a meeting at any time!. Usually I will have my office find me anytime a student needs me.

a) Kevin Noreen- I am asking for more pages on my account. I am taking 21 credits, three of them being English credits. I have a lot of printing to do. I am already 600 over, so I am asking for 600 more. I do not mind paying some, I am just trying to make it through the end of the semester.

Sam- Is there anyway we can donate our own paper?

Sam- Motion to cover his 600 over, and then 800 pages next semester instead of 600.

Michael- Second

Roll Call Vote- 12/0 Passes!

b) Brad Baca

State statute requires that every planning board has a plan for student fees. This goes into

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notifications, appeal processes, changes, how we will evaluate these fees. A couple years ago they changed the statute around the fee area drastically. We currently have a fee policy, but now we have a rewrite. The changes allow for flexibility, but hopefully this makes a little more sense. A key piece is we have to consult with students, and then take this to board of trustees. The second section is how to categorize fees. We have categorized fees by scope and type. Scope means who gets charged a fee: campus wide (mandatory), non-campus wide (no option, but everybody does not pay), optional (you can opt out of paying). Type: academic purpose fees (programming, construction, etc), administrative (registration, etc), student purpose fees (University Center, SGA, computer fee), facility fees (operation, maintenance of campus). Students have to approve campus wide fee, but not existing ones just new ones. Non campus wide fees do not have to be approved by student body. We do like to give students the opportunity to address the board of trustees if they have issues. Optional fees would not need to be voted on.

Katie- So the optional fee part is new?

Brad- It is new and clearer now.

Katie- So the EFC would not need to get approved the rising of student fees?

Brad- Yes, but for the new EFC, we have talked about it being a mandatory fee, which would have to be voted on by students.

Hannah- What percentage would it take to pass a fee?

Brad- Right now it is at majority. I want your bylaws to be consistent with this, but I believe there should be a percentage of students voting in order for the vote to be valid.

Haleigh- There is nothing in our constitution which addresses that issue based on student body vote. Currently, we have to have 10% of student body to petition to get something on ballot.

Brad- Any fee proposal has to come to student body within 30 days of voting.

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Haleigh- We do not have any laws saying we have to put a vote on the ballot if 10% signed a ballot, but usually it passes because we stick with constituents.

Brad- We need to fully disclose to the student body on when, where, why, and how the votes will take part. There needs to be agreement as to how the bill will be presented to avoid slander and biased opinions. After the vote happens and SGA reports the final count, we are to take it to board of trustees to approve it. The president has the capacity to say no. Ultimately, the Board has authority over the fees that are set.

Katie- I do not understand 3.6

Brad- We borrowed roughly \$50 million to construct the Pinnacles and the new field house. Student fee cannot come on to say we want to remove that fee because we have made a long term promise. Probably late Feb. we will bring the proposals for the new EFC fee to you all. This gives you all a chance to give feedback to take to the Board. Haleigh will have a chance to communicate the opinions on the fee changes. If students want to refute a fee it is in section 5 on how to do that. If we want to use tuition to build buildings we have to consult the student body and post it for people to know about. If we are helping administer fees, we have the prerogative to cut these fees in overhead. If anything is found illegal, statute takes precedent.

Haleigh- If this is passed by the Board of Trustees it would be enacted?

Brad- Yes, it would be applied in the Spring. Do you all think we should have a threshold as to the number of votes for things to pass?

SGA- yes.

Adam- If 10% of students is needed to sign a petition; then there are 10% who actually care about it and should vote.

Brad- I can make that modification, I think 10% would be good because any higher could be a struggle to get votes.

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Katie- on 4.3 it says the student senate should forward any recommendations?

Brad- Basically, we have to come to you to ask about fee changes, you guys have a chance to review and comment. Then you have to make a recommendation and it has to be passed. Or it could be kept lose, take this and not that.

Gary- 3.2.1- Is student senate senators or everybody? So you all need to clarify.

Haleigh- Right now, only senators can vote. So, the language is right.

Brad- I remember you all having to vote to put anything we brought to you on the ballot. If you all amend any of your bylaws, please let me know so it all remains consistent.

-Marginal Cost and Enrollment Model- need to consider space available, it would not be optimal if we had to build two new buildings, then revenue, and faculty/student ratio.

This is adjunct, tenure, and one year contract, student employment, revenue variables: proportion of resident vs. nonresident. Total cost per fulltime students this year is

\$12,893. We do not assume that the state will give us more money as we grow, so we have to assume the money will not grow. We have a ratio of 15.5 students per professor, our student to faculty ratio is 11.50/student. The more the students are nonresidents, the more money we would generate because they are paying more into student fees.

(examples). Right now, we know we can absorb additional students with the faculty right now. We will continue to grow until we have to start adding staff because we will then lose money. It is not from a financial perspective smart to continue to grow beyond this. Once we have hit a certain ratio of students, we have to add more faculty members. We have to really figure out if we can accommodate growth and how much in regards to classroom space, on campus living, and faculty. The costs go up when you have to add these things. Ten years ago our head count high point was around 2531 students.

V. Discussion Items

a) Debrief of presentations

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Haleigh- This is the opportunity for you all to speak up if you want to make changes to budgets or want to see changes within each sub-committee. We can control how much each sub-committee receives. So, we have thought about combining student affairs with ICC in order to combine the funds. Does anybody else have any ideas?

Hannah- Would combining the clubs hurt the different groups?

Haleigh- The money would remain the same, but the clubs would all be under the same umbrella. It is mostly just reorganization.

Sam- So making club sports on its own it could help it grow?

Haleigh- Yes, there was a lot of miscommunication.

Hannah- I know that in the past it has been easier to stick with the status quo of specific budgets, but I think it is important to keep in mind that different organizations shift every year. We should pay attention to student involvement by year.

Sarah- I think that is why we are considering shifting student affairs clubs into ICC

Haleigh- We do have the power to move everything around.

Hannah- This was just an in general thought, there is nothing specifically I could think about changing.

Sam- Do you think we could send out a master of all the budgets so we can ponder this over the break?

Haleigh- This could be a big year for SGA, so keep that in mind!

VI. Action Items

VII. Advisor Report

Gary- No report!

VIII. Senator Reports

Kayla- There is a video on the website about the students who went to help with Hurricane Sandy, go check it out

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Sam- Sweaters and Sinatra this Friday 7-10. We are providing Coors Light and Snow Day beer. It will all be a blast!

Scott- Last night we had a Holiday concert in Taylor Auditorium. It was the fullest I have seen it which was really nice; mostly community members. Our last performance is tomorrow night at 7:30 in Quigley Auditorium. Spread the word!

Richard- Amigos were able to raise over \$400 to purchase gifts for Latinos boys and girls group from the middle school!!

Amy- Saturday is the Hot Doggers and Snow Bunnies fundraiser at the Gunnison Brewery for Ski team.

IX. Committee Reports

Katie- Constitution- Talking about salaries for different committees. We are thinking about switching some things around.

Aurora- 21+ committee, I spent a lot of time calling around asking for gift certificates. Colorado Free Skier is donating a \$40 demo gift, and \$25 from the Mountain Store. We are still waiting to hear back from Slogar and the Eldo. Tonight we are going shopping for food.

X. Advisory Reports

Haleigh- Board of Trustees meeting on Friday at 8 AM. It is open forum so feel free to stop by. One action item is presidential succession plan, so if you hear any rumors about Helman being fired, stop them! That is not what is happening. We are getting a proposed amendment about Gunnison Rising.

Katie- Track team is selling shirts for \$10. Buy a shirt! I am supposed to have the constitution of all the advisory, so please send these to me.

Adam- The governor signed Amendment 64 officially. Grow operations and selling will not be legal until July. Mike Knudsen presented his project on the river going through

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Vantile Ranch to the city council. New city council appointee is Sharon Cave, Jan. 1st through May 20th. There will be 4 city council positions opening up in May.

Aurora- Start thinking about budget meeting times for next semester. Please send me an email with these times.

Chase- Basketball Men won both games. The women lost to NM highlands, but then beat Western NM. Play Adams on Sunday and Ft. Lewis on Monday- both away. Swimming got second. Wrestling lost to Mesa on some questionable calls. Go to the Midwestern classic on Saturday and Sunday.

Alan- Wednesday there will be an event for the Park and Pipe team up in Crested Butte at the Sweet Spot.

Hannah- One Acts is the last Peak Production of the year is showing Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night, \$5 entry. P.R. plan is being wrapped up tomorrow and we will submit it to you all. We just finished revising our constitution for CCE.

Sam- Wrapping up the rest of our event and done for the semester.

Stephanie- Wayne Hoffman went pretty well. Swim night tonight from 9-11.

Sarah- Sushi workshop will be going on tomorrow night \$3 a roll. December 17th is feeding frenzy in the library.

Fletcher- We are renting out rentals over the break.

XI. Special Topics

XII. Remarks for the Good of the Order

Adam- \$12 ski day was awesome

Erin- Saw Shelley at Metamorphosis, she said say hi.

Sam- Supposed to snow tomorrow. Yay! Come find me during the feeding frenzy, I will have Red Bull. Next week, if you have a student I.D and are 21 there will be half price Red Bull/vodkas.

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Aurora- If anybody has Christmas decorations for us to borrow for 21+, please meet in ballroom on Friday at 3!

XIII. Late Roll Call

Karen

XIV. Adjournment