Bowdoin Student Government
Meeting Agenda

03/02/11 - Daggett Lounge

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. President`s Welcome

IV. Public Comment Time

V. Guests
   a. Bowdoin Dems- Meatless Monday

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business
   a. Wrap-up Dean Foster
   b. Student Voting Rights in Maine
   c. Advertising Through the Mail Center

VIII. Committee Reports
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   b. Student Activities Funding Committee
   c. Student Affairs Committee
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   f. Facilities Committee

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Bowdoin Student Government
Proposal to Vote

Proposal 101114
Proposed by: Executive Committee
Date: March 2, 2011

STUDENT VOTING RIGHTS IN MAINE

Whereas LD 199 “An Act To Strengthen Maine's Election Laws by Requiring Photograph Identification for the Purpose of Voting” and LD 203 “An Act To Assist Municipal Clerks by Providing Adequate Time To Register Voters” are currently under consideration by the Maine Legislature;

Whereas LD 199 would make it more difficult for the hundreds of Maine students at Bowdoin to vote in Brunswick because it would require them to update their identification each year as they changed dorms;

Whereas LD 199 would make it more difficult for students to vote because they would have to pay each year to update their identification;

Whereas LD 203 would make it more difficult for students to vote because it would require them to register at least one week in advance of elections;

Whereas LD 203 would add difficulties for campus groups organizing voter registration drives;

Whereas college students have unpredictable schedules, access to transportation, and access to proper identification documents, which will make registering for elections before they are held difficult;

Whereas there has only been a single known case of voter fraud in Maine in the past 30 years;

Whereas Bowdoin students have an interest in how the money they pay in income and sales taxes in Maine will be used;

Whereas these students live in Maine for over half the year and have the right to vote in federal, state, and local elections in Maine; and

Whereas this right is compromised by the unnecessary restrictions placed on voting by LD 199 and LD 203: Now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Bowdoin Student Government—

(1) condemns LD 199 and LD 203 as unnecessary impingements on student voting;

(2) urges the Maine Senate and Maine House of Representatives to reject these bills; and

(3) asks Governor LePage to veto these bills if they are passed by the Legislature.
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Important Dates for the 2011 BSG Officers

Info Sessions (all candidates must attend one of these, SU Conference Room)

Thursday March 31st 7:00pm
Friday April 1st 3:15pm
Saturday April 2nd 5:15pm
Sunday April 3rd 1pm

Petitions (signature sheets) due to the SU Info Desk
Wednesday April 6th 8:00pm

Electoral Debate
Monday April 11th at 8:00pm

Orient Statements due to jconnoll@bowdoin.edu
Wednesday April 13th by NOON

Campaigning
Starts Sunday April 10th at 8:00am
Please note: No Campaigning is allowed prior to this date and time

Elections
Friday April 15th at 8:00am to Sunday April 17th at 8:00pm
Encourage all your friends to vote for you at bowdoin.edu/vote during this time

Questions
Contact John Connolly, BSG President, at jconnoll@bowdoin.edu
Bowdoin Student Government
Important Dates for the 2011 ‘13 and ‘14 Class Council // At-Large // E-Board Elections

Info Sessions (all candidates must attend one of these, SU Conference Room)

    Thursday March 7th 7:00pm
    Friday April 8th 5:00pm
    Saturday April 9th 10:00am
    Sunday April 10th 11:00am

Petitions (signature sheets) due to the SU Info Desk

    Wednesday April 13th 8:00pm

Orient Statements due to asreekri@bowdoin.edu

    Wednesday April 20th by NOON

Campaigning

    Starts Sunday April 17th at 8:00am

    Please note: No Campaigning is allowed prior to this date and time

Elections

    Friday April 22nd at 8:00am to Sunday April 24th at 8:00pm

    Encourage all your friends to vote for you at bowdoin.edu/vote during this time

Questions

    Contact Anirudh Sreekrishnan, VP for BSG Affairs, at asreekri@bowdoin.edu