

Minutes

Meeting of the General Assembly

21 October 2015

Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

- a. Missing: Irfan Alam, Dave Berlin, Lindsey Duff, David Levine, Kathya Marte, Clare McInerney, Jacob Russell

III. Approval of Minutes

IV. Public Comment Time

- a. Justin J. Pierson – VP of Class of 2017, in regards to by-laws about Vice President of Student Organizations, why didn't elect a member of assembly: DMC read Proposal 141519 regarding this issue, JJP arguing Emily Serwer in ineligible to be installed officially as VP of Student Organizations as she “isn't a member of the General Assembly – EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - i. “As an Executive Committee, decided this is our interpretation of the Constitution. Going to move forward with the proposal.”
 1. JJP says that Assembly cannot create rules, no where in Constitution can you appoint someone in a vacancy.
 2. “Will take these points into consideration”- DMC

V. Introduction of Guests

- a. Allen DeLong sitting in

VI. Old Business – none

VII. Reports of Committees

- a. Student Affairs—*Luke Von Maur '16*
 - i. **Proposal to Vote:** No Hate November—*Luke Von Maur '16 et al.*
 - started 2 years ago to bring attention to racial issues that still exist and make students aware of diversity

- authorizing expenditure: 2 week rule – gain insight, will vote then – Michelle wants to involve athletics, IHC, and other groups not normally involved
- ii. Food For Thought – incorporate into NHN
- b. Student Organizations Oversight Committee—*Emily Serwer '16*
 - i. a lot of clubs want to be chartered: Advocacy Group, Kids Like Us, Eisenhower Forum, Model UN, Office Hours (improv group), Student Activities Fair most attended yet
- c. Academic Affairs—*Andrew Millar '16*
 - i. textbook- student exchange from semester to semester; Polaris survey plug
- d. Facilities & Sustainability—*Kevin Hernandez '18*
 - i. working with sustainability office: composting, add composting bins in Brunswick Apts., see how those fare
 - ii. adding chargers that students can rent out
 - iii. Dining Advising Committee- different ways dining could improve
 - iv. Wall Street Journal?
- e. Student Activities Funding Committee—*David Levine '16*
 - i. nothing to report
- f. Executive Committee—*Daniel Mejia-Cruz '16 / Michelle Kruk '16*
 - i. **Proposal to Vote:** A Gelato Afternoon with BSG—*Daniel Mejia-Cruz '16* – suspending 2 week rule and voting tonight; all in favor of \$800 expenditure on Gelato
 - ii. **Proposal to Vote:** Election of the Vice President for Student Organizations—*Daniel Mejia-Cruz '16* – 2 week rule in place

VIII. Reports of Members

- a. Class Councils
 - i. 2016: working on programs (Senior Nights, Chem-Free options, Drive-In Movie Night?)
 - ii. 2017: S'mores class event, step up publicity & made a video, discussing class apparel

- iii.2018: class apparel- sweatshirts, designs finalized; held Sophomore Live Show last month, working on talents with emphasis on musical acts
 - iv. 2019: Fall Festival- donuts & music & pumpkins & inflatables & hot cocoa & Pie Eating Contest amongst first-year bricks
 - b. Inter-House Council
 - i. nothing to report
 - c. Entertainment Board
 - i. Sifting through surveys. That’s about it. Beyonce is a favorite....of his.
 - d. Athletic Council
 - i. Homecoming was a success, didn’t lose
 - ii. would love to be involved in NHN
 - iii.BSAAC – Chase hates saying that name – check in with the teams, at least one rep for every varsity team
 - e. McKeen Center
 - i. nothing to report
 - f. At-Large Representatives
 - i. nothing really to report
 - ii. heard chatter about issue of getting people to go to events – a mandatory two per semester go to a speaker, in idea of Common Good, work to get the numbers up – don’t like how things are advertised, no one stops & looks at the posters, already have Student Digest but most people just delete it – more on the Bowdoin Guide app? push notifications?
 - iii.Nick Benson approached about the fact that take out cups by hot drinks are “much too small” – Eco-Reps trying to get rid of those so might get some push back – Kevin comes in with Dining Advisory Committee plug – “saving environment by getting bigger cups, something about square inches”-Nick

IX. Report of the President—Daniel Mejia-Cruz ’16

- a. IT & Student Activities trying to polish Bowdoin Guide app
- b. Michelle working with different groups to ensure great NHN

- c. Announcing something exciting soon?

X. Announcements

- a. DMC has no announcements
- b. Michelle: reads Orient article about G&L Studies Dept. no longer giving out Jefferson Davis Award – Clayton Rose said it's inappropriate
 - i. thinking about bestowing it in Richard Morgan's memory: Gov professor who worked here for a very long time

XI. Adjournment