

Meeting Notes of the General Assembly
Wednesday, 11 November 2015

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call- Absent Michelle Kruk, Lindsey,
- III. Approval of Minutes
Nick: Change Neil to Nick
- IV. Public Comment Time
Justin Pearson- States that it has been a difficult time on campus and around the country. He also commended BSG for their efforts in No Hate November and race relations on campus. Justin also stated that last week's proposal was unconstitutional because according to the by laws when there is a vacancy, two-thirds of the student body are required to vote on a new member.
- V. Introduction of Guests- *No guests*
- VI. Old business- *None*
- VII. Reports of Committees
 - a. Student Affairs- Luke Von Maur '16
 - Had the reception on Monday for the art instillation, it looks really good.
 - Last year there was not a lot of attention to No Hate November, but now people are paying more attention to it.
 - b. Student Organizations Oversight Committee - Emily Server '16
 - A list of all clubs that have been chartered. Bowdoin comedy sketch group. NARL, Kids Like Us, Eisenhower Form, Model UN, CERES, Office Hours and an entrepreneurship club
 - c. Academic Affairs - Andrew Millar '16
 - ***Proposal to Vote: Food For Thought***
 - Food for Thought will be No Hate November themed.
 - Motion to bypass two week rule approved
 - Proposal passes
 - d. Facilities and Sustainability – Kevin Hernandez '18
 - Have been focusing on dinning and how sustainable they are. There will be a meeting with them in the upcoming weeks
 - How to minimize the cost for college house residents
 - Meeting with security next week to increase parking spaces for students
 - Student activities is responsible for the glass clean up of Brunswick Apartments during ivies.
 - e. Student Activities Funding Committee- David Levine '16
 - Money is still good
 - Meeting with student activities for the process for reconciliation to see if there are any groups that haven't spent all of their money allocated or if some clubs went over budget
 - A report (in the upcoming weeks) to see how SAFC is doing compared to past years
 - f. Executive Committee- Daniel Mejia-Cruz'16/ Michelle Kruk '16

- ***Proposal to Vote: Amendment to the Bylaws***
- David: Explains the situation that was experienced over the summer that left a vacant position before school started. Article IV proposes assembly can elect one of its members to fill the vacancy if the assembly isn't in recess.
- If there is a vacancy in the SAFC, the voting pool is extended to the members of the SAFC.
- In subsection D, in the event of the resignation of the president resigns while assembly is in session, the vice president will become president. The VP will hold two positions (of president and VP) until election of a new president. The election should be held no later than 3 weeks after date of resignation.
- In subsection E, recess appointments- the executive committee has unanimous consent appoint to appoint an interim VP. The Interim BP will have full responsibilities and power and hold that position until there is an election. The election will occur no later than the fourth meeting of the BSG meeting.
- David: Spent a lot of time thinking of as many odd situations to fix the by laws, to prevent any issues ahead of time.
- Nick: Proposes a change to one of bylaws
- Chase: Is there a time frame that the acting president would be able to hold the position?
- Andrew: Given concerns, should we consider other options?
- David: There shouldn't be a wide school election if someone resigned over the summer
- Nick: It takes 3 weeks for an election cycle, if you wait 3 weeks many problems could arise. Given the position of the SOOC, someone needed to be appointed.
- Daniel: Bylaws change per position. (A resignation) over the summer isn't something that has happened before, and the action that was taken was most in line with the constitution.
- Assembly needs to vote twice on the amendments to the Bylaws. There will be a vote next week so assembly can have more time to think/ process the changes to the bylaws.
- David: proposes a vote on semantic amendments
- Motion to approve amendments passes
- Jacob: Proposes a blind vote for proposal
- ***Proposal to Vote: Statement of Solidarity with Students of Color at University of Missouri***
 1. Motion to suspend 2 week rule passes
 2. Proposal passes
 3. Emily S: What does it mean when this proposal is posted?
 4. Daniel Mejia: It is a formality to establish support
 5. Allen Delong: Deray McKesson is currently with the students of color at Missouri

- a. Class Councils
 - 2019- On Monday there was a class discussion on issues of race, the discussion went well, now council is trying to figure out ways to keep the discussion going.
 - 2018- Orders for class sweatshirt were placed; music and chipotle will be tomorrow night at Ladd House.
 - 2017- Process of collecting orders for ½ zips; tomorrow at the Shannon room
 - 2016- Everything is going well
 - b. Inter- House council
 - President Rose was at Mac House
 - In light of the Mayflower incident, houses are increasingly concerned with safety, it is also important to support those who were affected by the Mayflower event.
 - c. Entertainment Board
 - *Absent*
 - d. Athletic Council
 - Great weekend for athletes, there are a handful of teams that made it to championships. There will be a live streaming on Friday and Saturday at the pub of the championships.
 - Request for \$400-\$450 for “rally towels” for the Colby V. Bowdoin hockey game.
 - e. McKeen Center
 - *Absent*
 - f. At- Large Representatives-
 - First year women have expressed concerns of the illumination of campus at night. People don’t feel safe walking around. Students want to be able to see path or face of someone walking by.
 - Safe-ride should start a little earlier than 6 o’clock since it is getting darker
- VIII. Report of the President- Daniel Mejia- Cruz ‘16
- “The only people who feel safe on campus are white men.”
 - Thanks everyone for their work in No Hate November
 - There are many issues on campus, that aren’t just about race. Institutional change does not happen over night, it will take baby steps
- IX. Announcements-
- Emily reminds everyone of the resources available on campus in light of the Mayflower incident.
- X. Adjournment