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Minutes Thursday, March 13, 2008 7:00 p.m. – Black & Gold Room

Majority

Simple: 13

2/3: 16

- I. Call to Order
VP Engel calls to order at 7:02 pm
- II. Roll Call
Absent: 3
Miller, Shellnut, Van Sittert
- III. Guest Speakers:
 - a. Katie Stucky & Amanda Montgomery
Amanda Montgomery unable to attend tonight. Teaming with Melissa Winter and John Newman to develop an annual fund raiser for the NorthWest Kansas Domestic Sexual Violence Services and First Call for help. An annual fundraiser for women and children from abusive situations in need of new places to live. There is currently no deposit fund to start a down payment for housing or apartments and hoping to raise money for the homeless as well. Flyers in mail boxes on the “Walk Away” 5K charity run or walk, on April 12th, at \$16 per participant, each provided with a free t-shirt and brunch after the walk starting at the Center of Health Improvement. Teams of four pay \$14 dollars per participant. There are more flyers in the Center of Health Improvement, the Wellness Center, the SGA Office, and the Leadership Office in McCartney Hall, room 224.
- IV. Executive Reports
 - a. President
Dr. Hammond meeting. Presented allocation budget, with his response to be expected for tomorrow or next week. State House legislative issues discussed additionally. Thank you to the CSI and SGA Staff whom participated in the CSI open house. KBOR = Began with a debriefing on the Higher Education Day for next year. Received a report from KS Corps submitting a proposal for SAC to review and consider and will be presenting to the Board of Regents to request funding and backing for proposal. April 19th = Pilot Project (landfill into hiking and biking trail) contact Tiger’s Service Office, and working in conjunction with local surrounding schools. Proposal to shorten academic year. Proposed by KU to move from instructional days to instructional hours = shorter semesters. SAC members took action on the proposal, not backing the proposal. KBOR has yet to take action on proposal at this time. KU initiative on text books (disclosure and lowering prices). Unbundled text book options, and/or purchasing at lesser rates at other stores. Disclosure of book prices and availability in stores to students before, and during registration of classes. SAC not to take any official stance on this matter. Not appropriate to take action without the support of KU. Five strategic questions on KBOR. Civic Engagement week after spring break coming up with a resolution up for first reading tonight. Presentation April 4th, and strongly encourage senators to be there. Second reading of EOF tonight with committee members here with us. Dane Crawford, Rita Gnizak, Shana Meyer and Diana Ohl. Will be roll call of those receiving funding tonight.
 - b. Vice President
Attended the CSI Open House Tuesday night, thank you to those of you who participated... the turnout wasn’t the greatest but I was told they would try again

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another time! Finalized Intent to Run forms for both Senator & President & Vice President tickets and sent those out to all students and posted them on the SGA website. Admin Asst Pablo created an advertisement for the University Leader announcing the deadline (April 2) to file, and SGA elections will be held on April 9&10. Have been communicating with Jackie Ruder in the CTC getting her the information she needs to program the TigerTracks online voting system, which is where the elections will take place. Next week is of course spring break and we will not be meeting. The next senate meeting will be the week after spring break, on Thursday March 7 at 7pm here in the B&G room. I will be out of town Weds/Thurs/Fri that week for a research symposium taking place at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond. However, I am leaving you in good hands as I have appointed LAD Tyler Hughes to be your Student Body Vice President in my absence, and he will chair the senate meeting that evening. As you can tell from tonight's agenda, our next meeting should be very light as far as old business is concerned.

c. Executive Assistant

Attended a student publications board meeting. Tuesday attended the CSI Open House, and Wednesday attended the blood drive.

d. Treasurer

Also attended the Open House and gave blood on Tuesday. Attended a Student Org Committee meeting Wednesday. Worked on funding for various clubs. Have a letter from Erin Norton president of the National Science Teachers Association. Reads letter. \$198 dollars allocated to her and will forgo the money, and will go back into the account. Clubs to see Trista after meeting to discuss funding. EOF Bill and recommendations in hand for those in need.

e. Administrative Assistant

Your simple majority is 13 and 2/3 is 16. Took phone calls and answered questions as I could, and most importantly learned how to pronounce Trista Lalicker's last name.

f. Legislative Affairs Director

Needlessly serving office hours. Did have a student pub meeting on Monday and was not able to attend on Wednesday as I was in Topeka. Legislative Update: Budget Process on the House (Feb 5) Hearings began March 11th Budget Committee. March 14th appropriations committee will consider the entire state budget. March 20th the budget will be debated on the house floor. Feb. 8th the Senate, budget hearings began on the ways and means on Higher Ed sub committee. March 12th the sub committee reported its recommendation to the full ways and means committee. March 21st the ways and means committee will consider the entire state budget. March 26th the budget will be updated on the senate floor. Bills in the Senate House and in the Senate: Senate Bill 415: increase the maturity date of no interest loans from eight to twenty years at tech schools approved by the board to the tax credit and bonds programs. Feb 28th the senate approved it by a 36 to 4 vote and has been referred to the House Education budget committee. Senate Bill 436: local option sales tax to reduce property taxes, enabling 18 counties home to community colleges home to offset local property taxes with a local sales tax. Feb 6th the senate assessment and taxation committee hearing began. Nothing came out of that so far. A post audit report requested and bill is pending. House Bill 2610: state general funding payments to eliminate criminal classrooms debt, it will reduce debt and continue for maintenance progress by freeing up 15 million dollars. It has been referred to the house education budget committee. House Bill 2611: University support staff and classified staff benefit clarification technical cleanup legislation that resolve two conflicting statutes. Feb

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25th the house education budget committee hearing began. So far nothing has come out of that. That's it for KBOR. Please exhale.

g. Webmaster/Historian

Updated legislation and minutes.

V. Committee Reports

a. Appropriations

Sen. Maseberg: No new requests, did not meet tonight.

b. Senate Affairs

Sen. Manly: Constitution changes talk. Bowling for spring senate social 5/1

c. Student Affairs

Sen. Winter: Upcoming issues that will be brought back after spring break, club sports, recycling issues

d. Legislative & Political Action

Sen. Davis: Recommendation for SHC fee increase of \$.75, copies of proposal available in office, 1st reading next week

VI. Open Forum

Newman: question for Maseberg? Any hearings with any requests? A lot of money coming out of funds.

Maseberg: No.

Lalicker: maybe a couple of event speakers

Mr. Nimz (Aikido Club Pres): Thank you for funding. March 29th fundraiser poker tourney. International Aikido Seminar on April 11th thru the 13th, posters will be going up for this event, will have an honored speaker with us, so please come out.

Ohl: Study Abroad Applications, due next Friday, and you do need an academic reference, please apply, it's highly encouraged.

Brownfield: What is the remaining balance after funding these groups? (directed towards Treasurer Lalicker).

Lalicker: It would be balance of treasurers reports from last week minus the funds taken out this week, and also add back in the \$198 from the NSTA.

Brownfield: Thank you.

Newman: Before we were to add back in the \$198 for the NSTA. The equip fund. \$5,916, and appropriations would be \$5,580.

Purdy: to Gillogly: Not familiar with the SAC, but you said there were four people out of six present?

Gillogly: K-State and KU have two voting members of that body who were not present due to the Big 12 Higher Education Day on the Hill in Washington D.C.

Purdy: Wondering KU's rationale towards the proposal on shortening semester?

Gillogly: One being a platform issue of Pres. Love (student body KU) telling her students she would propose this idea before she ran, 2nd the discussion was initially brought up in October or November during Courtney George's presentation to the board on committee discussions, and the question being if this is a system wide issue or just KU specific, which at that time was discussed amongst the presidents across the board. So at our next month's meeting it was decided that it was not a system wide issue and was in fact KU specific. The rationale for shortening the semester is there's more that they can do with educational opportunities throughout the summer and not have to come back early for school, cutting internships short.

Purdy: Thank you

Sen. Engel to yield some time to EOF departments.

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Brennan Engle (Foundation): Ask to consider funding our marketing students. Asking for \$3,800, which has been what the position has had for the last three years. We do provide about 2.5 million dollars to the university in scholarships, dept. funds, and renovation projects. Do ask to consider amending your bill approving this funding, thank you.

Davis: Provided that you've seen the limited amount of funding available. Where would you like to take this \$3,800 from, provided that you've seen the funding breakdown?

Engle: Not prepared to answer that, I haven't seen the sheet, not to be more important than other departments; we're just asking you to consider it, thank you.

Sen. Engel: No surplus?

Gillogly: the surplus in the fund is \$284.

Lalicker: Equipment fund what Newman reported, we also approved \$902 request for equip. last week, so it would actually be about \$903 less than what it was last week, and would be \$5,013 if equip. request was approved.

VII. New Business

a. First Reading of Resolution 08/S/102: Support for Civic Engagement Week

VIII. Old Business

a. Second Reading of Bill 08/S/114: Phi Epsilon Kappa Equipment Fund Request

Sen. Winter moves to consider 2nd by Sen. Brownfield

Newman: Rep to speak please on request

Kim Carson: Purchasing two pre-core climbers.

Newman: do we need to move to suspend the rules?

VP: by passing the bill you will suspend rules to allow to come from different fund

VP calls for direct vote.

Bill passed, unanimously

Executive Order: Bill 08/S/115 will be postponed, and represented the week after spring break due to scheduling conflict. And will move onto item c. Bill 08/S/116.

b. Second Reading of Bill 08/S/115: College Music Educators National Conference Appropriations Request, postponed by executive order.

c. Second Reading of Bill 08/S/116: Delta Tau Alpha Speaker/Event Request

Edwards moves to consider bill 2nd by Winter.

Edwards: rep to speak please.

Chase Ostmeyer (Active member for DTA): Will be using funding to tour packing plant, and speaker at banquet at our national DTA convention.

Einsel: looking at the bill, at the bottom it says "Admission to Sternberg", says 22 students for \$2 and totaling to \$66.

Chase: it should say three dollars

Lalicker: yes, it's typing error, it should say three dollars.

Newman: move to amend the bill to read three dollars instead of two. 2nd by Stegmaier.

Discussion? none, Amendment passes.

Winter: Still 22 members going?

Rep: actually 19 members now

Winter: moves to amend the bill to read 19 members, seconded

Davis: what's the admission for Fort Hays and Sternberg for? Especially if you're going to Garden City?

Rep: to help us pay to get in, and make cheaper, and is going to be a two and a half day convention.

Davis: could you give further info on convention please, and what's going on.

Rep: expecting 100 students tour, BBQ social events, funding for speaker (Dr. Gary

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Hewitt), travel to tour spot.

VP: amendment will read 19 students at 1 dollar for admission to Fort Hays, and Sternberg will read three dollars totaling \$57 with 19 students, with a total recommendation with a total of \$509.52, amendment made by Winter and seconded Discussion? Newman moves to direct vote, Amendment passes

Davis moves to direct vote, Bill passes.

d. Second Reading of Bill 08/S/117: English Club Speaker/Event Request

Purdy moves to consider 2nd by Hertel

Edwards: a English Club rep to speak please

VP: is there a member present? see none

Edwards moves to table bill, 2nd by Newman

VP: Majority vote required to table to next meeting

Bill tabled until next meeting

e. Second Reading of Bill 08/S/118: Fort Hays Association of Nursing Students

Appropriations Request

Purdy moves to consider 2nd by Hertel

Stramel: rep please speak

Rep (Kristin Miller): requesting funding for lodging for a trip on March 25th through the 30th to Grapevine, Texas for a national convention for nursing students with six members going to network.

Davis: where are you going to be staying? with six people three nights, and a request of \$1,000.

Rep: it's at the Gaylord, where the convention is to be held, with three people in each room (three males/three females).

Newman: 26th through 30th?

Rep: Yes, we will be leaving that Wednesday, and coming back that Saturday morning.

Newman moves amend to read March 30th, 2nd by Stegmaier

Davis moves to pass by unanimous consent, 2nd by Newman, amendment passes

Newman moves to direct vote, Bill passed.

f. Second Reading of Bill 08/S/119: Educational Opportunity Fund Committee Funding Levels and Rationale

Newman moves to consider, 2nd by Zerfas

VP: Before discussion I will have administrative assistant Aaron Pablo, call the roll

Pablo: calls roll

VP: we are now on discussion of this bill

Gnizak: would like to suspend speaking privileges to everyone on the EOF committee

2nd Newman, will pass by 2/3rd's vote, Suspension passes.

Gillogly (Point of Clarification): Overseer of EOF fund, held back 10 to 15 thousand to carry-over, this year it did not happen. Basically next year with the fund we would have 40-45 thousand available to students. If it is your recommendation to keep some of the reserve from allocations that is your option, but not required to do so.

Davis: Question for Bill Smriga, Union Director: is this marketing position going to be an FHSU student?

Smriga: Yes, upper class marketing major or grad student. Reason for position is to provide marketing programs to students and better use facilities. Many people assumed by renovating the union, more students will come. This has not been the case, we have actually seen a decrease not an increase. Union not fulfilling role, due to lack of students taking advantage of this opportunity. Conduct surveys and studies to help bring back the usage of Memorial Union, and reasons why it is not being used.

Davis: Thank you

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Ohl: Small increase is due to 6 dollars per hour to 6.50 dollars per hour change.
VP calls for Direct Vote, Bill passed.

IX. Announcements

- a. SGA Intent to Run Forms for Senator & President/Vice President DUE 4/2 @ 4:30 pm
- b. Have a great Spring Break!

Newton: Thank you to staff and students for Blood Drive support, surpassed our goals!
Thank you! Saved 768 lives plus we beat ESU.

Winter: Doing a dine out night to raise money on Monday, March 24th at Neighbors

Zerfas: go watch the baseball team this week!

Ohl: China applications! Team of four for the 5K

Newman: Few extra registration forms.

Stramel: Congrats on VIP Ambassadors!

X. Adjourn

Zerfas moves to adjourn 2nd by Purdy

VP adjourns meeting at 7:54 pm