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**Majority** 

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MINUTES
Thursday, November 13, 2008
7:00 p.m. – Black & Gold Room

I. Call to Order VP Engel calls to order @ 7:02 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Admin. Asst. Shellnut calls the roll.

III. Guest Speakers

### IV. Executive Reports

a. President (Tyler Hughes)

Pres. Hughes attended a Strategic Planning Meeting on Monday. Dr. Hammond filled them in on the budget for the coming year. We are now looking at 3% cuts in stead of 2% cuts for next year and a 7% total instead of a 5% total. We are using the Strategic Planning money which will be suspended for the year and will resume next year. These funds will help curve the budget cuts for this next year that the university will be facing. There is a small reserve in place for emergencies as well. A couple of regent schools have suggested increasing tuition between semesters but Dr. Hammond assured Pres. Hughes that FHSU will not be pursuing this. Pres. Hughes attended a Facilities Planning meeting. There might be classrooms being converted into office space and a few labs being turned into classrooms and he will inform the senate with more information on this issue.

### b. Vice President (Cole Engel)

Met with Brent Cline, the new health senator, and welcomes him to senate. VP Engel gave him a short orientation on student government. He met with the Memorial Union Policy Board on Monday to discuss the faculty lounge. The State Room for three years and the space will revert back to Union use if unsuccessful. Nominations for the Allocations committee will be made during Open Forum. The petition has been successful, the signatures have been collected, and SGA will begin the verification process this next week. The polls for the special election will be on Wednesday and Thursday 12/10 and 12/11, the last week before finals. There will be an SGA booth in the Union from 10am-2pm on both days to help with this process. VP Engel encourages senators to educate their constituents, be talking to all the students on campus, answering their questions, and most importantly, educating them on the process.

- c. Executive Assistant (Luke Hachmeister)
  - Exec. Asst. Hachmeister worked on some preliminary tasks for ordering SGA polos. He has been setting things up for the special election in December and served his office hours.
- d. Treasurer (Robyn Sellard)

Treasurer Sellard started paperwork on Pres. Hughes and LD Anglemyer's travel for KBOR, travel for the Finance Club, Tiger CLAWS, and the Accounting Club for the trips they are going on this next week. She updated the treasurer's report.

- e. Administrative Assistant (Ashley Shellnut) Admin. Asst. Shellnut put together new senator notebooks, revised last week's minutes, and prepared for tonight's meeting.
- f. Legislative Affairs Director (Corey Anglemyer) LD Anglemyer moved forward with the congratulation cards for senators in the first district. They were ordered from the print shop and should be in next week. Pres. Hughes appointed him to the Bookstore Contract committee and this next week he will be preparing for KBOR.
- g. Webmaster/Historian (Doug Mercer)
  Webmaster Mercer updated the website and will be making a photo gallery of senate
  this next week from meetings and activities. If anyone has appropriate pictures for the
  SGA photo gallery they can give a digital or hard copy to Webmaster Mercer.

### V. Committee Reports

- a. Appropriations (Sen. Stramel)
  There weren't any hearings and the deadline for Appropriation's hearings for this semester is Wednesday, 11/19 @ noon.
- b. Senate Affairs (Sen. Winter)
  Senate Affairs wrapped the last details for the Senate Social. They had one interview tonight and the bill is up for first reading.
- c. Student Affairs (Sen. Smriga) Welcome to Brent Cline to the Student Affairs committee and senate. Sen. Hansen has been working on a resolution for the US Public Service Academy. They are in the process of looking it over and making corrections. Student Affairs discussed briefly on having more recycling on campus.
- d. Legislative & Political Action (Sen. Engel) LPAC talked about extensive recycling in the Union, getting a count on how many recycling bins to have on campus and where they would be located, and will have Bill Smriga at next week's committee meeting to further the discussion. A committee member suggested bringing a speaker to campus.

### VI. Open Forum

a. Allocations committee nominations & election Nominations for the following senators are made for the Allocations committee: Dan Munson, Jason Stegmaier, Tyler Thompson, Tanner Welsch, Bradley Stramel, Devin Konkel, Brandon Purdy, Dustin Engel, Aaron Ladd, Kennedy Hansen, Melissa Winter, Brent Cline, and Jenna Braun.

VP Engel reminds senators to vote for seven senators for the Allocations committee as ballots are passed around to senate. The seven elected members will be announced during announcements.

#### VII. New Business

a. First Reading of Bill 08/F/111: New Senator Ratification
Sen. Winter motions to move the bill to emergency business with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sen. Zerfas.

Adrian Mohr: I'm from the Denver area, I'm a junior, and I'm majoring in the HHP department.

Sen. Purdy: Why would you like to be on senate?

Mohr: I want to be more involved in student activities and the processes of the university itself,

Sen. Engel motions for a direct vote, there are no objections, and the bill passes.

#### VIII. Old Business

a. Second Reading of Bill 08/F/109: Student Feminist Organization Speaker/Event Sen. Hertel motions to consider the bill with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sen. Stramel.

Marleah Augustine: I am one of the members of the Student Feminist Organization.

Brendon Campbell: I am the Vice President of the SFO.

Augustine: Our President, Stacy Ward could not be here this evening. We are asking for funding so we can advertise the V-Day events. It will be in February and the event aims to raise awareness about of violence to women, women's issues, and in the broader scope issues that affect men and women.

Sen. Purdy: Have you done any fundraising?

Augustine: We are waiting for closer to the event so it doesn't die out in people's awareness of the event. We are planning on doing a silent auction in January to raise awareness and get the community involved as well. We are looking at ordering buttons that we can sell. We don't have any start up funds as of now because the SFO is really focused on more of having discussions rather than fundraising.

Sen. Purdy: How many members do you currently have?

Augustine: We have about three consistently. We are a small group but we are hoping with more funding and more awareness we will have more people involved through these events and have a larger group.

Sen. Winter motions for a direct vote, there are no objections, senate is on direct vote of this bill with *one abstention* noted, and the bill passes.

#### IX. Announcements

- a. Senate Social, Friday 11/14 @ 9 p.m. Judge's (please sign-up this evening to determine attendance)
- b. SGA Allocations Requests *Preliminary* Deadline, Monday 12/1 @ 4:30 p.m.
- c. Deadline for appropriations requests to be heard this semester, Wednesday 11/19
- d. Andy Smriga won an award for Outstanding Student teacher at the recent A\_\_ conference.
- e. Leadership 310 group is putting on a basketball tournament in December. See Sen. Kennedy Hansen for registration forms. Registration fee is \$12/person with teams of 3 or 5.
- f. Tiger Basketball vs. Central Christian (Kan.) Saturday 11/15 @ 7 p.m. FHSU Men's vs. Sterling College Tuesday 11/18 @ 7:30 pm and Women's vs. Bethany College (Kan.) @ 5:30 pm
- g. The following senators are elected for the Allocations committee: Senators Dan Munson, Jason Stegmaier, Bradley Stramel, Devin Konkel, Dustin Engel, Aaron Ladd, and Melissa Winter. Congratulations!

### X. Adjourn

Sen. Munson motions to adjourn with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sen. Hertel @ 7:25 p.m.