ASUSU Academic Senate

Meeting Minutes
October 3, 2011
5:00 PM

Call to order & Fight Song

Approval of minutes from last meeting

         Jarvis, Erika, Unanimous

         Amend: Mary—The date of the Dean’s Convocation is tomorrow October 4th

Public Forum

1. Music Therapy Benefit Concert next Monday at 7pm, $5 for students. Benefits a student who graduated who has lymphoma. At St. John’s Episcopal Church

President’s Report

1. Faculty Evaluations Committee
   a. New evaluations format, “Idea”, will feature a 3-week availability online (instead of the paper versions). The committee is working to address the concern that students won’t fill out the survey.
   b. Erika—is there a way to survey midway through the semester?
      i. Scot—the HSB is working on that on a college-level

2. Renovations to the Senate Offices will be taking place through Winter Break.

Council Updates

1. Scot
   a. Business Week went well and Scot would like to thank all the Officers who helped out. Raised money and gave the check to the Huntsman Cancer Institute.

2. Mary
   a. Arts Council has a meeting tomorrow. Officers need to RSVP for the banquet.
3. Becky
   a. Education Council set up a comment board (a-frame) in the Education Building. This month is Child Safety Awareness and the council is working on a service project. November is focusing on Animal Rights.

4. Jordan
   a. Jordan will contact officers to fill in spots at Open Houses if they are interested in going. It will be first come, first serve.
   b. The Information Booth will be renovated. Officers can contact Jordan with ideas for improvement.
   c. Senators need to keep their eyes open for students who do well academically to be recognized by the ASUSU President.

5. Erika
   a. CHaSS Student Giving Campaign Launch is October 17th. CHaSS will be giving away 2 $500 scholarships.

6. Jarvis
   a. Ag Council will be working to elect an Ag President each spring for the following year for continuity.
   b. Pumpkin walk on October 8.

7. Joe
   a. Science Council meets on Wednesday at 6pm in ESLC 245.

8. Riley
   a. Engineering Council is volunteering at the Tech Expo this week

9. Blake
   a. NR week with a nature photo competition. Photos will be displayed during the NR week and students can vote for the winner. Thursday October 20th (Location TBA) Herm Olsen will be speaking
   b. Blake is working on some research to harvest lightening as a source of energy.

Unfinished Business

1. Academic Opportunity Fund
a. Discussion about funding for applicants for the Academic Opportunity Fund.

New Business

Advisor Announcements

1. Kevin
   a. Business Week went well, congratulations to Scot!
   b. NR Week is next week with approval to a cross cut saw competition and Kevin is partnering with Blake.
   c. Linda will be out of the office Tuesday Wednesday. Kevin and Alanna will be out of the office Thursday Friday. Sheldon will be here to answer questions all week. Officers can contact an advisor on their cell phone anytime.
   d. Officers need to be looking for improvements that need to be changed through Legislation.
   e. The VP’s office is encouraging Officers to be aware of what student money is being spent on, especially food.
   f. Senators need to be in contact with their College about funding for Classroom Improvement Fund to ensure that the money is being spent/can be reimbursed in a timely manner. Changes for the funding need to be approved through the Fund Committee.

Adjournment

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