Office of the Speaker of The 18th University Student Senate

MINUTES

Eighth Meeting of the Eighteenth University Student Senate
Monday, October 1, 2018  |  5:30 PM  |  The Presidents’ Lounge

I. Call to Order
Speaker Estes
5:32 pm

II. Roll Call
Speaker Estes

III. Prayer
Secretary Mullin

IV. Approval of the Minutes
Speaker Estes
A. September 24, 2018
Passed - Unanimous 5:35pm

V. New Business
President D’Antonio
A. Letter to the Editor

- Ending 1 -
  - pro:
    - inclusive, a solid reiteration without calling out the University
  - con:
- Ending 2 -
  - pro:
    - support rather than commend
    - tone of ‘bravery’ rather than ‘brave enough’
    - holds us to a standard as a part of the University
- Vote
  - ending 1 - 1
  - ending 2 - 29
  - abstentions - 0

VI. Invited Presenters
A. Dr. Brady
School of Health Studies and Education (first school to be added in 38 years)
- Process through Governance
○ mandate to establish the school considered at a special meeting of University Council on March 6
○ College Council voted to support the mandate on April 17
○ Faculty Senate voted to support the mandate on April 26
○ Then sent back to University Council and to Dr. Reed’s desk, which he signed on May 22

- Transition Team
  ○ includes Dr. Brady and Dean Menon as well as chairs from all departments that will fall under the new school
  ○ working groups
    ■ accreditation
    ■ administrative operations
    ■ bylaws and governance
    ■ communication/coordination
    ■ graduate and adult undergraduate issues
    ■ undergraduate policies and procedures

- external affairs
  ○ news released through multiple internal and external channels
  ○ awareness campaign
    ■ paid advertising, google display ads, social media efforts
    ■ analytics on relevant metrics (reach, clicks, impressions)
  ○ looking ahead:
    ■ continue story of institutional growth highlighting holistic approach
    ■ promote faculty expertise
    ■ create promotional plan for milestones
    ■ key messages in advertising

- School of Health Studies and Education
  ○ looking hard at accreditation channels for departments that will fall beneath
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- provide the basis for the strong liberal arts foundation of the University, students not involved in the school's majors will be involved via signature core requirements
- programs
  - undergraduate (represent ⅖ of student body, ⅓ of CAS)
    - teacher education
      - multiple concentrations with a lot of overlap
    - interdisciplinary health services
      - provides opportunities for students to choose flexible programs that open doors to diverse programs
  - autism behavioral studies
    - major less than 5 years old
    - linked to Kinney Center
    - growing need for qualified providers of autism services and treatment
  - special education
    - graduate
  - available:
    - online
    - hybrid
    - on campus
  - a number of 4+1 programs offered
  - certificates also available
  - Educational Leadership Doctoral Degree
- Questions:
  - How will ILC courses be implemented? - John Sharman
    - looking at it carefully
  - Where will it be centrally located?
    - Merion Hall
    - Adjacent to Kinney Center
- all Education departments located there
- will likely be moving English

○ Will the faculty and staff of CAS departments being moved to the new school be simply shifted? Will any other faculty and staff be added? - Jason D’Antonio
  - one associate dean will shift over
  - some services will be shared

○ How is the search for the Dean of the new school going? - Alim Young
  - Search Committee - very strategic
    - appointed in summer
    - search firm helping
  - timeline has shifted some, staggering with search for new Dean
  - interviews happening November-January for provost, should be named sometime in January
  - search for dean will start in January and cumulate in April, when they know who their new advisor will be

○ What is the marketing strategy for recruiting students for this school? - Meg Kloss
  - Marketing working with Admissions
  - also looking at recruiting students to the ‘new’ CAS
  - looking to draw upon reach of Barnes Foundation
    - one of the top 200 museums in the world
    - commitment to developing fine arts and life sciences
  - integrating dynamically with marketing strategies for the entire University

○ How is the search going for the associate Dean of the Office of Inclusion and Diversity?
  - two people doing the work of Dr. Nixon
    - Dr. Kim-Allen Stuck
    - Dr. Jene Berkholder (who is this??)
  - search will start after provost is solidified
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- conclusion → three new administrative positions being implemented within the next year
- president in charge, will make sure a student is appointed in the search committee

B. Dr. Menon

- challenges with reconfiguration of CAS? - Jason D’Antonio
  - very comfortable with the structure the University is headed to
  - excited about the focus that can come to light with differentiation
  - aimed at creating synergies

- Co-op program? - Alim Young
  - worked with a lot of departments exploring these opportunities
  - Computer Sciences Department has two students in Co-op now, been looking a lot on how that is working for them
    - started mid-summer
    - two summers total, connected by 10 hours weekly
  - not one focus, working on be flexible and adaptable

- Her questions:
  - Career Fair?:
    - diverse companies not looking for particular majors, but CAS students are looking for particular kinds of companies
    - this year had a non-profit and government alley. Where these the right companies? Where there enough?
      - some students looking at international non-profits
        - DiAngelo - World Trade Council
      - programs wanting to add:
        - Geographic engineering
        - more… (would be happy to discuss them all with interested students)
        - which ones would you be interested in?
○ health/science based ontological programs
  ○ handshake, useful?
  ○ are shadowing opportunities posted on Handshake - Meg Kloss?
    ○ wanting to expand a program like that of the educational field component
  ● advising support center being calibrated
  ● new school will create 3 associate deans in the CAS
  ● co-ops vs. internships
    ○ co-ops
      ■ require extensive involvement from organization and university
      ■ more intensive
      ■ works well for students that know what they want to do
    ○ internships
      ■ more on the student
      ■ still look really good

C. Dr. DiAngelo
  ● preparing for accreditation for next fall
  ● starting new programs
  ● Innovation Center/Sales Excellence Center details? - Michael Weiss
    ○ innovation center:
      ■ second floor of Mandeville
      ■ provide a place for students to work on projects within the University or with external companies
      ■ working for opportunities for faculty
    ○ sales institute:
      ■ looking at sales focus within many other programs, want to create a sales program
        ● future certificate
        ● future major?
      ■ sales today is much more sophisticated and students need different skills
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- look at alternate ways to become employed
- would it be possible or is it being considered to implement a Business Writing course as a replacement for English 102? - Sal De Rienzo
  - would have to go through an accreditation process
  - wouldn’t want it to replace the writing course, but would consider adding it as a requirement on top of the other courses
- Food Marketing major becoming a 4 year program by utilizing summers
  - will have 300-400 students on campus in summer
  - will have to implement student life programming
- if you were Dean for a day what would you change?
  - implement cooperative experiences between all schools - Alim Young
- one area that you think the institution needs to change/improve/develop? - Jason D’Antonio
  - Dean Menon - social justice mission and commitment is great, there are a lot of innovative entrepreneurial things that could be initiated
  - Dean DiAngelo -
    ■ school does amazingly well at maintaining the enthusiasm and dedication to individual student experience, despite the growing student population
    ■ school does not do well with interaction between schools (students lose out)
  - Dr. Brady - came from Penn State to head up educational leadership doctorate program, goal for the future is to continue the pursuit of new paths, not problems but opportun

VII. New Business (continued)

A. Public Safety Resolution Secretary Jones and Senator Hudak
- read resolution aloud
- pros/cons/point of information
  - JFB used by students and Julias friends and family
  - got permission from her friends and family
  - pros:
members of committees remains open and flexible, will always be decided by public safety chair

- how will this be advertised to the student body?
  - work with Steve
  - reach out to Justice for Julia group

- well written, demonstrates Senate support for Julia and safety on SJU’s campus

- Vote 35-0-0 - adopted unanimously 6:58pm

B. Swearing In

President D’Antonio

- Kayla Michel
  - IHS major with Healthcare ethics and sociology minors
  - sworn in 6:44pm by President D’Antonio

VIII. Old Business

A. 18 in ‘18 Voter Registration Drive Update

Speaker Estes

- will move forward with three tablers at History event on Wednesday
- will not table next Tuesday

IX. President’s Report

President D’Antonio

- Upcoming
  - Board of Trustees Meeting - Thursday October 4
  - Alumni Board Meeting - Friday October 5
  - PCID (Presidents Council of Inclusion and Diversity, expanded since Dr. Monica Nixon’s departure) Climate Study Preview Readout - Monday October 8
  - Climate Study Readouts - Tuesday October 9 throughout the day

- Upcoming with meetings:
  - Dr Reed - Monday October 8
  - Senate Photos - Monday October 8 4:30-5:30 (time slot doodle poll will be sent out in recap)
  - Retreat - Saturday October 20 - maybe Maisy the puppy will be there
  - Fall break - no meeting (no meeting Monday October 15)
Treasurer's Report

- Planning and Budgeting Committee (PBC) - President D’Antonio will represent the Senate because Mike has a class conflict
- SBAC -
  - selection process will be happening with the help of Adam and Christina (randomized), something needs to be figured out

Executive Reports

A. VP Bateman
- challenge senators to come out and start initiatives
- mentor/mentees being revealed at the end of the meeting

B. Director Bradley - Communications
- canva account available (document posted in Drive under ‘Social Media Passwords’
- Posting Schedule
- Initiative Sheet
- Bios

C. Secretary Neece - Academic Affairs
- lots of cool things happening with Academic Affairs
- Barnes developments is very cool
- School for Health Studies and Educations - looking to get students very involved
- Chair reports for academic affairs coming next week

D. Secretary Mullin - Mission
- Interfaith Task Force and SJU Prays - two students needed
- do great things

E. Secretary Jones - Student Affairs
- University Council meeting last week
• reach out if you would like to get involved in the recently formulated Public Safety Committee

XII. Chair Reports

Student Affairs Chairs

• Elaine Estes - Athletics
  ○ Jill Bodensteiner is awesome, meeting happening this Friday

• Bailey Ramirez - Recreation
  ○ Met with Corey Shannon 9/18
    ■ greater understanding of operations (three full time employees)
    ■ Club sports growing (700 club athletes, 400 varsity athletes, insurance rising
  ○ Reaching out to be a part of university O’Pake Committee
  ○ 2 goals:
    ■ new equipment
    ■ transparency - communicate what goes into O’Pake
  ○ 25lb dumbell is missing

• Reuben Johnson - Alumni Relations
  ○ contacted Julia McQuade - shared previous documents
  ○ sent introductory email to Brian Lafferty, going to find another primary contact for future alumni relations chairs
  ○ plan to rely less on him, will start talking to recent alumni
  ○ working on Alumni Advice Pamphlet Initiative started by Julia

• John Sharman - Facilities
  ○ talked to Tim McGuriman, there is a plan for O’Pake sitting on his desk
  ○ goal to create better transparency (knowing where to direct people)
    ■ flow chart
    ■ issue in Merion - no chairs on second floor, Kevin Kane will see how much money Facilities can provide, Senate may provide the rest
    ■ signage issue that makes parking really difficult, going to be fixed

• Rachel Cox - Residence Life
  ○ met with JMB and Kelly Bersett on 26 September
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- troubleshooting ways to increase upperclassment student housing (trouble lately with decrease in class sizes, decrease in Res Life revenue)
- coming to meeting on 29 October to lead focus groups with Senate
  - George and Forrest (past senators) worked on Printer Initiative in University Housing, will be continued
  - Gender Inclusive Housing
    - Trans Inclusion Working Group Facilities Subcommittee
    - a lot of policy differences between first year student housing and upperclassmen student housing
    - support from Res Life to go forward (have proposal) but need statement of values to move forward (working with Jason, Faculty Senate, and University Council) to get that
- Goals:
  - roommates
  - lack of disclosure
  - RLC/house/designated space
- other support for queer students
  - option to change name
  - reviewing reslife for language use
  - next meeting TBD but before October 29, will be reaching out to past and present contacts, working on maintenance issues in dorms
- Sal De Rienzo - IT
  - goals:
    - update Senate on relevant IT matters
    - have a representative from IT to present to Senate once a year
  - will be sitting on IT committee
- David Hudak - IT
  - met with Assistant Director Mark Lemon 12 and 19 September
    - arranged biweekly meeting
- lots of things going on, focusing on App, safety video, McShain bridge
  - Future initiatives
    - officer first aid certification, CPR AED training
    - continuing coffee with a cop
    - proposed drivers at hot spots
    - responsive to student recommendations
- Kali Efstration - Dining
  - Met with Ken Goldback on 13 September
  - new initiatives and changes have occurred over the summer
    - York Street Market (better bread, vendors are flexible)
    - Saxby’s - not a part of dining
  - Dining Committee
    - Azizat
    - Taylor
    - Sal
    - Michael
    - John
    - looking for one more freshman
  - meeting with Ken again on Thursday October 4

XIII. **Advisory Advice**
  
  **Cary Anderson, Ed. D.**
  - on October 3 at 2:18 there will be a test of the National Emergency System
  - encourage chairs to change within the system rather than establishing new systems

XIV. **Chaplain’s Chat**
  
  **Fr. Dan Joyce, S.J.**
  - take care of yourself! do triage, hard stuff first

XV. **Open Forum**
  - Taste of the World October 11 during free period - $2
  - if you are involved in an organization, ask president how you can be of assistance, Bridging the Gap heading a meeting on October 23, but all student groups are involved, need 5 scribes and 5 storytellers for debriefing meeting
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- October 9 - open sessions of Rankin and Associates debriefings of Climate Study
- Mission Priority Examen committee coming in a few weeks
- McShain bridge opening in November
- Mentor Mentee appointments -
  - Khalid → Bailey Ramirez
  - Christina → Meg Kloss
  - Sal → Max Ickes
  - Alyssa → Kelley Corbett
  - Azizat → Andrea Mueller
  - Taylor → Whitney Jones
  - Michael → Sarah Waro
  - Kayla → Jeff Maziarz

XVI. Adjournment

7:39 pm