

Attendance, SGA Public Meeting, October 28, 2007

Present

Gordon Schweitzer	Jackie Harrill	Amanda Brian
Peter Cajka	Nick LoMaglio	Anthony LoPresti
Andrew Fist	Nina Jolani	Donny Rambacher
Larry Scott	Colleen Molloy	Anthony C. Coppolino
Isiah Morgan	Eric Stoiber	Megan McDonald
Clare Zlatic	Colin Gerker	Colleen O'Brien
Glenn Ferguson	Meg Lynskey	Angela Westerheide
Natalie Horras	Sottie Mayer	Nick Lannan
Katy Sunday	Phil Bronson	Enrique J. Pieras
Kristen Ehlers	Justin Klusas	Joe Morand
Josh Beitel	Josh Rauch	Lauren Lakeberg
Ricky Schmidt	Jordan Huizenga	Tim Graves
Lara Brislin	Colleen Douglass	Brad Franko
Enrique Carrasquillo	Krystal Killingsworth	Darren Brown
Kevin Schultz	Pat Harp	Emi Hurlburt
Peter Visceglia	Jessalyn King	Emily Bonistall
Kristen Dennison	Thomas Sutter	Kevin Stebelton
Allison Kroeger	Lauren Cook	Joe Schoffstall
David Kaufman	Rebecca Marek	Tony Blankemeyer
Mackenzie Baines	Maureen Moss	Regino Centeno

Excused Absent

Joe Melendrez
Beth Ann Sarocco
5 Andrew Gerbetz
Kelly Wedell
Thomas Sutter

Unexcused Absent

10 Kate Haumesser
Jen Baker
Michael Reuther

15 **Minutes, SGA Public Meeting, October 28, 2007**

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Kennedy Union Ballroom

President's Report (Gordon Schweitzer)

- 20
- Welcome and Description of what SGA is and the Mission of SGA
 - Went thrift store shopping with his dad
 - ASGA is next week
 - Description of agenda

- Mission statement point
- 25 **Vice President's Report (Peter Cajka):**
 - Deep Thoughts From The Heart
 - Thank you for coming
 - We don't usually have people come
 - I hope we foster good dialogue
 - 30 ○ What does it mean to be a student?
 - Why are we here?
 - Were here seeking our future
 - Faculty, staff, administration must answer to us
 - Were not as rebellious as students in history
 - 35 ○ But we have tools, and we are here to this end
 - We achieve
 - Work is done everywhere on campus, with everyone
 - Public service is an end not a means
 - Private interest must reflect the public good
 - 40 ○ Human capital is most important
- Vice President of Residential Affairs Report (Larry Scott)**
 - Description of Senator Roles
 - Do it because they love the students, because they can make changes
 - Trick or Treat
 - 45 ○ Great success, 2700 visitors in 2 hour time frame
 - Everyone was open to the kids
 - A few concerns
 - RSAC- Resolutions
 - Trick or Treating to be safer
 - 50 ■ Too many people who have never interacted with our culture
 - NAB- Capture the Flag
 - Hall Council- Advisor Reminder
- Vice President of Academic Affairs Report (Andrew Fist)**
 - Description of his position
 - 55 ○ Everything that falls under the provost
 - Tom skill
 - Speaking about changing laptop requirement
 - 60 ■ Not pursuing mass produced laptop, but still requiring the purchase of a laptop
 - How do you support this?
 - Possibly preferred choices
 - Honor code update
 - UD does not have an honor code, other universities do
 - Challenges with enumerating responsibilities
 - 65 ○ UVA has a simple honor code
 - Expecting something in the fall of '08
 - Sr. Schmelling – expected to see fundamental changes for expectations of students
 - Moving away from basic expectations?

- 70
- Will be working with provost and dean of students to ensure a consistent honor code inside and out of classroom

Chief of Staff On the Executive Committee (Clare Zlatic)

- What the Executive Committees are
 - What she does
- 75
- Resource, friend, liaison

Speaker of the Senate on the Legislature (Amanda Brian)

- Senate floor discusses legislation
 - Bill – pertains to bylaws
 - Resolution – official voice of student body to administration
- 80
- Facebook, party policy
 - They take us seriously!
 - Last week passed a resolution
 - Then handed off to Peter or Gordon then taken to where they belong
 - Follow up by officers within two weeks
- 85
- Bylaws and issues committee
 - Email Amanda with issues/concerns and SGA will research it!

Public Comments/Concerns

- Senator Hurlburt
- 90
- Landlord house but litter fines from UD
 - O’Grady
 - University doesn’t know who lives in what landlord houses
 - No repercussions for not paying
 - Fist
- 95
- Parking tickets are similar
 - Brislin
 - They may track down who lives in what landlord house
 - They also wont track down people for parking tickets
 - Lynskey
- 100
- Have parents write Dr. Dan and say they don’t want to pay the ticket
 - Wants to plan events on campus but emails may take 3 weeks to contact directors and administrators
 - Maybe write a resolution?
 - Gordon
- 105
- 60% of students don’t get involved on campus
 - What is the best way to get involved?
 - What makes people get involved?
 - Beitel
 - Another up the orgs
 - Harrill
- 110
- Get involved by talking to other students and see what they’re involved in
 - Where your interests and passions lie
 - Stuckenschneider
 - Ditto Lynskey
- 115
- People don’t know who to go to

- Westerheide
 - Guidelines for responding to people?
- Lynskey
 - Needs to be documented somewhere that Lotus Notes is an official means of communication at UD
- Visceglia
 - Barrage them with phone calls
 - Better response on the phone
- Schmidt
 - If litter fine was before 9, email bullman and they will take it off
 - Hosting Darlene in office for graduation question
- O'Grady
 - Job at the real world
 - Got 800 emails a day
 - Some emails are more official than others, not as official as word of mouth
 - If person didn't get back to email, he would talk to his boss who would talk to the other person's boss
 - So go to Clare or someone
 - University doesn't have an org chart
- Morgan
 - Show up in people's office
- Lynskey
 - Make email an official form
- Gordon
 - Drinking is the biggest factor that gets in the way of learning
 - Are we a drinking school? Do you agree with that statement?
- Dennison
 - Told they couldn't tailgate at football game, couldn't reenter
 - Common theme with Lowesfest and homecoming with the football game
 - Stupid rules committee?
- Molloy
 - Do we party more than other schools?
 - Image cast upon UD
 - Because we were so concentrated
 - Different sense of community
 - Parties are more open in general
 - Keep these things in mind before calling UD a party school
- Ehlers
 - We need to be accountable to our own actions
 - Need to worry about students who can't balance the drinking
 - It's a personal issue
- Lynskey
 - Ditto
- Zlatic
 - Ridiculous to say that it's drinking

- Maybe other things are the causes
- Mayer
 - Alumni are turned off by the changing atmosphere
 - School doesn't realize this
- 165 • Sunday
 - Coalition groups are "stupid rules committees"
- Gerker
 - We are a drinking school
 - Most colleges are
- 170 • Need to focus more on culture of our drinking
 - Guests are awestruck – seen by Sr. Schmelling
- Cajka
 - Ditto Gerker, Zlatic
 - Alcohol is always present
- 175 • We are putting on a survey to this end
 - We have an unusually high percentage of trips to the hospital
 - Not only addressing underage drinking, but high-risk drinking
- Schweitzer
 - Will I lose my spot in the lottery if I call 911?
- 180 • Visceglia
 - Parties were the #1 thing he knew about UD before coming
 - Hes a junior that's bored of drinking Beast on the weekend
 - Administration is cracking down rather than providing alternative activities
- Fist
 - Concerning statistics – administrators look at that from one viewpoint
 - We may be more knowledgeable about the affects of alcohol
 - Or that we are more concerned with our fellow students
 - Issue is that we have a new dean of students
 - Are we going to become a dry campus?
 - No, then we would look like bob jones or Cedarville
 - They will try to subtly reduce drinking
 - Turnover of students allows for the slow removal of drinking type events
 - Likely that we will not be able to have a keg at our graduation tent
 - 5 years from now we wont even realize that we ever were allowed
 - 5 years later we wont be able to drink at graduation
- 190
- 195
- Harrill
 - Interesting how defensive people get about drinking issues
 - Rather than get defensive
 - Does drinking impact my education? Yes.
 - There is always someone willing to go out any night
 - This will impact our lives outside college as well
 - Alcoholism is not a new thing, but it's a growing trend
- 200
- 205 • Senator Hurlburt
 - Lets limit the discussion – 5 minutes

- Stuckenschneider
 - This is a ridiculous conversation when all of these issues have already been exhausted
- 210 • Guest
 - Drinking does impact education
 - Other parties interrupting drinking
 - Own drinking gives hangovers
- 215 • Guest
 - Doesn't see UD becoming dry
 - Everyone has probably had a drink in the dry buildings
- Senator Bonistall
 - Spurious correlation, not causation
 - Over involvement is inhibitor, not drinking
- 220 • Senator Brown
 - Biggest issue of drinking is safety
 - Fellows are instituting a solution
 - Instructed on how to hold a party
 - Have a sober monitor
 - Sticker to designate official party house
 - Great way to bring about awareness about drinking responsibly and safely
 - Then have liaisons between students and safety
 - Survey monkey
- 225 • Schmidt
 - Coalition meetings open to the public
 - Where things actually happen
 - Get involved there and be heard!
- 230 • Cajka
 - Thank you
 - Dialogue was inefficient
 - How safe do people feel?
- 235 • Motion to limit public comments to 8:30
 - Hurlburt
 - LoPresti
- 240 • Senator Brian
 - SGA should stop talking and start walkin
- Amy (guest)
 - Still doesn't really know what SGA is
- 245 • Cajka
 - One person thinks SGA only gets vending machines
 - Other person doesn't know who senator is
 - Other person likes what SGA has been doing
- Senator Brown
 - Should SGA be more representational or public?
 - Should be more public then do work in committee meetings
- 250 • Guest (Kyle)
 - Why doesn't SGA have a publication?

- David
 - Hasn't been addressed at flyer news
 - Students wouldn't be interested
- 255
- Schmidt
 - We are talking about different things when other students are here
- Guest (Firestone)
 - I see SGA as the students "voice"
- 260
- Molloy
 - SGA needs to represent students, if it is off then it affects students
- Guest
 - Didn't know about committees for public until someone came up and told her
 - SGA email about committees and how to get involved
- 265
- Guest
 - SGA should represent student opinion
 - Could SGA go to students for issues rather than waiting for students to come to us
- Sutton
 - Broadcast on Flyer TV
 - Maybe an AIM name
- 270
- Hurlburt
 - Senate is working on
 - Party policy
 - Why Marianist university sends busses to walmart who supports sweatshops
 - Why doesn't res props come around to check hosues
 - A lot is actually done
- 275
- Zlatic
 - Went through all of the committees
 - We are one organization of hundreds on campus
 - Would people watch this on TV
- 280
- Klusas
 - More about accountability than whether or not its on TV
- Morand
 - Problem is communication
- 285
- Guest
 - How would meetings change if it was on TV?
- O'Grady
 - SGA has two purposes
 - Make students lives better
 - Administrators don't get it
 - Resolutions are from student body (but are they really?)
 - UDiT sucks balls, flyer TV sucks balls, needs to be fixed
- 290
- Guest
 - People aren't really aware, so there needs to be a way to ask questions outside of public meeting
- 295
- Kroeger

- Media team tries to communicate with students, do people have ideas
- Guest
- 300 ○ Glad that SGA can limit discussion
- Gerker
- Need to be effectively communicative
 - Have something with announcements
 - We need different things, new channels of communication
- 305 ○ Cajka
- Thank you for your input
- Some ideas for media team are a flatscreen with a powerpoint going

Survey (Josh Rauch)

- Went over SurveyMonkey survey
- 310 • Survey will be compiled by survey monkey
- Will draft report to hand out in KU and on webpage
- Motion to end discussion
 - First by Klusas
 - Second by Kroeger

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Senate Floor

- Motion to open senate floor
- 320 ○ First Blankemeyer
- Sencond Lannan
- Motion to pass SB0708-03
- First Hurlburt
- Second LoPresti
- 325 ○ Opposition by Scott
 - Will there be a way to get a copy of changes or resolutions to everyone?
- Senator Brian
- Waste of paper for one line to change?
- Fist
- 330 ○ Read the small change to be known not to waste paper
- Senator Hurlburt
- Made a friendly amendment
- Senator Brian
- Motion to end discussion
- 335 ○ First Lannan
- Second Schofstall
- Bill passes
- Senator Hurlburt
- Necessity of international senator
- 340 ○ University is working on diversity, so this is counterproductive
- What does the body feel?
- Senator Centeno

- We need to do something about this
- We're representing people that we don't even have a list of them
- 345 ○ Don't have an official way to communicate with them
- Should have more activities/responsibilities in SGA
- Senator Hurlburt
 - Do you want just one "minority senator"?
- Senator Centeno
 - 350 ○ No
- Senator Hurlburt
 - How do you feel about removing the international senator
- Senator Centeno
 - We shouldn't
- 355 ● Senator Rambacher
 - What do we define as international
- Senator Centeno
 - It's directed towards not being part of the United States
- Senator Huizenga
 - 360 ○ The problem is how it's been defined by the university
 - Can we change that definition?
 - Why the no Puerto Rican rule?
- Senator Rambacher
 - Ditto
- 365 ● Senator King
 - We do need an international senator
 - International students have a unique perspective
- Senator Centeno
 - I'm willing but I need direction, will someone work with me
- 370 ● Motion to close senate floor
 - First Blankemeyer
 - Second LoPresti

Executive Assistant Report (Joe Melendrez, Natalie Horras, Katie Sunday)

- Alcohol coalition meetings
 - 375 ○ We need representation at these meetings!

Service Liaison Report (Andrew Gerbetz, Meg Lysnkey):

- Meetings are every other Tuesday – looking for more people!
- Do locks of love, burn a meal
- Piggy bank
- 380 ● Hoping to get a signed football by the whole team
 - Welcome stadium, hit the target, \$5, win a raffle for the football
 - Want to do it for basketballs too
- Commend Anthony LoPresti and Maggie Schnering for calling businesses and documenting it

385 **Student Involvement & Leadership Report** (Kristen Ehlers, Josh Beitel)

- SOCHE (Southwestern Ohio Council for Higher Education) - Student Leadership Conference "Big Dreams Start with Small Actions" \$5 a student - Friday, November 2,

2007 9:30 am to 2:30 pm Kennedy Memorial Union.

http://www.soche.org/conferences/2007_SLConf.asp

- 390
- American Student Government Association Conference Dallas Texas, November 10. Northwood University. www.asgaonline.com
 - Looking for a guest speaker
 - Awards

Special Programs Report (Kristen Dennison, Peter Visceglia):

- 395
- GreenSweep - this Saturday, November 3rd 10am-12noon
 - Charity Softball game
 - Committee Meeting at 9pm this Tuesday in Torch

Trip Coordinators Report (Jacqueline Harrill, Nick LoMaglio):

- 400
- Halfway to Daytona is Nov 7th.
 - KU feild celebration & service drive during the day
 - Toiletries for tickets
 - Raffle at 3 PM for a free trip
 - Tim's 18+ at night
 - Rafflet at Tims

405 **Entertainment Coordinators AKA Co-directors of Fun Report** (Phil Bronson, Justin Klusas):

- Possible social event this Tuesday - \$5 movie night at the Green
- Give Bronson and Klusas ideas for social events

Historian/Research Assistant Report (Josh Rauch):

- 410
- Research Team's survey
 - There will be prizes!
 - Initiative about creating student evaluations of professors and publishing them on campus

Marianist Involvement Report (Colin Gerker, Eric Stoiber):

- 415
- Dinner sign ups
 - 12th and 27th
 - Marianist Fellows
 - October 31st cornhole and candy
 - November 9th autumn pancake party
 - Prayer Book update
 - Marianist Moment
- 420
- Meeting Thursday 3 oclock KU 313

University Committee Reports:

- Kroeger
 - Media team is tomorrow in ArtStreet not KU
 - Zlatic
 - University Grad party committee
 - Please send thoughts on no longer allowing Kegs at grad parties
- 425

Public Announcements:

- Jolani did a great job on bring a friend to work day!
 - Klusas
 - More professionalism in meetings
 - No speakers in office
 - O'Grady
- 430

- Filmed first JeoparUD
- 11th hour is coming out (a great movie) – go see it at the neon
- 435 ○ Starting a new show called “meet the students” like “meet the press”
 - Collaborate with SGA
- Dennison
 - Who’s willing to put up a sheet to advertise for Greensweep
- Schnering
- 440 ○ Would like to have ghetto houses separate cans and turn them in during Greensweep
- Senator LoPresti
 - Dance Marathon
 - March 23rd, trying to get together a female team and a male team for SGA
- 445 • Sara Schneider
 - STAND – Nov 14th 10-2 humanities plaza, die-in
 - Informational meeting November 5th @ 7:30 in Marianist Hall lobby
- Sutton Smith
 - Would like to commend ghetto senators for positive benefit

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Motion to close

First O’Grady

Second Stebelton

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Respectfully Submitted,

Glenn A Ferguson, Executive Secretary