Senate Minutes  
Student Government Association  
Northeastern University  
{10/22/2012}  

Present: 38  
Absent: 4  
Excused: 3  
Quorum: was met.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

There are a number of things to correct from 10/1/12.

- Parliamentarian D’Angelo was confused about the wording regarding her and Elections Committee Chair Patten where it said “they could not make it as well.”  
  - VP Daly motioned to change both Parliamentarian D’Angelo and Elections Committee Chair Patten's address to “Yield”  
  - Second from Senator Yao  
- VP Daly said it is editorial, but there should be consistency throughout the minutes. The format switched from prior minutes.  
  - Since it is editorial that can be fixed outside of senate.  
- VP Daly asked to go through everything where it isn’t filled in or says can’t understand.  
  - Yes, the reason we must fix this was unfortunately due to the audio quality in Shillman, that transcription was the best we could do.  
    - The first fix is “The center of Spirituality, Dialogue and Service.”  
    - Should also say “Interfaith Council”  
  - Second from Senator Jindal

With these changes the minutes will be approved.

Executive Vice President, Nick Naraghi:  
- Senator Tyler has been doing a great job incorporating our changes into our website  
  - At this time our website is completely down  
  - It will hopefully be back up this week  
  - Anything that comes through will be given out through email.  
  - If you have any questions feel free to ask.

President, Pete Petrin:  
- Along the lines of the website, we get a lot of questions regarding finance board.  
  - All the dates and deadlines are on the campus activities website.  
- VP Lopez and I met with the Provost Office last Friday regarding the logic behind changing the structure of dialogues.  
  - Seemed to be very acceptive of student feedback and future assessment to review how the process worked and to make sure there is more integration for student input.  
  - There will be more discussion of student priorities when making future financial plans and decisions along those lines.  
  - There will be more discussion regarding this in the future.  
- Budget priorities are fast approaching.  
  - Will be getting discussed more in each committee  
  - Basically it is the annual initiative that student government works with the student leadership team to get student feedback on how they want tuition to get spend the following year.  
    - Especially with student services. Ex. Mobil ticketing, swipe printing, money for Rebecca’s etc.  
    - One of the most impactful initiatives we do as an association.
• There will be a timeline made over the next few weeks and sent out in November.
• If you have any questions feel free to ask

• The community task force meeting happened last Thursday and I attended with Senator Shaw and a couple others.
  ○ We reviewed potential renovations to playgrounds and the top priorities for the next academic and research building space being at the top of that priority list.
  ○ About two months away from the submission deadline for the master plan.
• Senator representation Ad-Hoc committee will be meeting tomorrow at 5:30pm in the SGA conference room.
  ○ We will review a survey draft.
  ○ Feel free to attend if you want to provide feedback on the project on Basecamp
  ○ We will also be discussing distribution strategies and confirm research criteria for some of the initiatives we are looking into.

Comptroller, Maya Quijada:
• We hear publications this week and if anybody has any questions because the website is down I have all the forms and deadlines.
  ○ Most are posted on student activities website, but if anybody needs that just email me.

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Kristina Lopez:
• Thanked everybody for their hard work and that it has really been paying off.
• There is a retreat on December 6th (Reading Day)
• Thanked Senator Whitfill who had been really hard to get Senators to give gift cards to the inter-college competitions
• Upcoming project with Snell. If anyone is interested in working in the library on different tasks such as technology including their macs, let VP Lopez know
• There will be an editorial this week, outlining all the changes, she is available after Senate to talk about it.
• Big thank you to Senator Tyler and Hwang for getting someone for college expectations
• Anyone interested in working on TRACE with Lopez at 6:45 pm in the conference room or Wednesday in Curry Center at 6pm
• CSSA in Town Hall tomorrow night at 5pm in front of Behrakis. Speak about your plans.

Vice President for Student Affairs, Nicole Daly:
• Huge thank you to everyone who participated in the Mission Hill Road Race.
• Proud to announce that Northeastern University brought home the Pudding Pot Cup.
• Over 200 students and administrators walk and run, including VP Lopez, Senator LePage, and two others
  ○ All the proceeds from that benefit run went to Kevin W. Fitzgerald Park which is on Mission Hill
• Thank you Senator Karolewski for drafting the expectations of community members
• Thank you Senator Napolitano for helping out with the nutrition research
• Thank you Senator Shaw for attending the IMP meeting on behalf of the students
• Regret to report that the referendum for 2013 on the 2012 direct election ballot which was to equalize marijuana possession with underaged alcohol consumption cannot be accepted until the next review during the 2014/2015 school year.
The Code of Conduct Review Committee meets every three years, which was last year, and will not occur for another 3 years. Therefore, this clause cannot be considered until then.

- I will be adding to the extensive notes of the former VP Edwards-Jenks.
- My committee will be meeting tonight in this room right after Senate

Vice President for Student Involvement, Kate Chandley:
- Working with Jason Fox around issues at 240 Curry
- Finishing up Student Leadership Day things
- The Student Involvement Board recently approved the name change of Northeastern Multi-Cultural Organization to NU Mix, as a formality
- Welcome our new Board member Senator Harris
- Quick thank you to all the board members for helping out with Student Organizations, Student Leadership Day, etc
- If you know people interested in joining our committee or know other students at large who are, put them in contact with me. If Senators are interested, talk to me.

Vice President for Student Services, Terry MacCormack:
- Changes to the Northeastern Mobile app to be discussed in services in the coming weeks
- Senator Shaw and I have been working on getting class schedules on Google Calendars and will be meeting about it this week
- Senator Yu did a great work on enabling double-sided printing at the quick-print station
- I am going to participate in interviews, along with President Pete Petrin for the position of the director of One-Call Initiative, which is the division of the university dealing with husky cards
- We will be doing an NUPD Survey on public safety and would want to get different types of feedback. Will be working on that next week. If you are interested in that, let me know.
- Housing taskforce is progressing well, talking about the application process and what will happen along the lines of gender neutral housing.
- Get in touch with the owner and founder of the company that creates the reverse vending machine in Marino to connect it with the renewable energy initiative. Hopefully more will come on that soon.

Chief of Staff, Noah Carville:
- The Chief of Staff and Senator emails that go through the website are unavailable because the website was hacked. Apologized for that.
- The office printer has been down. That is going to unavoidably affect all of your committees and boards, and I am very sorry about that.
  - Have been working with the contract company right now to get that sorted out.
- Next week, at 6pm in this room, will be the last Senator Training and Education Program meeting.

Executive Director of Communication, Caitlin Rogers:
- Thanked everyone for helping with surveys
- My assistant director is Sora, so thanks to her.

The Senate moved into Special Addresses.

Parliamentarian, Olivia D’ Angelo yields her time.

Elections Committee Chair, Julia Patten:
Committee talked about some rules that are interesting
Meeting on the manual on December 3rd at the Student Center
Had a successful open forum before this meeting. Can talk further with Vice Chair Donati after the meeting.
If you want to talk more about slating, meeting on Thursday on 7:30 at 435 curry

The Senate moved into Question Time.
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Motion by Comptroller Quijada to sing happy birthday to EVP Naraghi.
Second by all.

Open for discussion
Senator Corrado:
Had a meeting with students from HEAT about putting together some binders of sustainability with the involvement of the administration – “Recycle Mania”. It’s a competition between different universities to decrease waste output. We would like more support. For more information contact her after the meeting.

Senator Donati offers to follow up questions anybody has for her.

Senate adjourned at 7:24 pm.

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