

A regular meeting of the Muhlenberg College Student Council was called to order on Thursday, February 1st at 7:00pm on the third floor of Haas in the Conference Room. Student Body President Ryan Campbell and Recording Secretary Lisa Harrison were present. Quorum was present.

Officer Reports

President

- Move to pass the minutes
 - Minutes passed
- Student Body President Elections
 - Candidates Meeting
 - Sunday, February 18
 - Elections
 - Monday, February 19 – Friday, February 23
 - Debates
 - Tuesday, February 20
- Trustees
 - Kim is coming to show us her presentation that she did for the Board
- Senior Year Experience Committee
 - Working on the transitions
 - Full Campus Forum
 - Thursday, Feb 22nd at 7:30pm
- Our endowment is up \$124.3 million dollars
 - Most of this came from grants
- Housing
 - MacGregor should be done by next Fall
 - 22nd and Chew will be done by projected date Feb 22nd
- Enrollment for freshman next year, 550 students
 - Many students are going abroad their Junior year
- Reminder: Feb 12, Activities Fair from 4:30 – 6:30 in the Great Hall
- Student Copier
 - It is Student Council's copier
 - Ryan called and it will be getting fixed

Vice President

- Article in The Weekly by Dave Dolan

Executive Secretary

- Student Body Meeting
 - Go over the finance manuals and hand them out to the clubs and organizations
 - Feb 12th after the Student Activities Fair

Treasurer

- MAC and Concert Board will be getting their funding separate from Student Council Allocations
- Zeroed out accounts this week
- \$50,605.57 in the General Fund
- Best Buddies
 - Vergos: Upon recommendation of the Finance Committee I move to allocate \$547.50 to Best Buddies for their St. Patrick's Day Movie Event
 - Motion Passed
- Newman Club
 - Vergos: I move to allocate \$500 for promotional t-shirts
 - Motion Passed
- SEVEN
 - Vergos: Upon recommendation of the Finance Committee I move to allocate \$7440.00 for their Alternative Spring Break Trip
 - Motion Passed

Recording Secretary

- No report

Class Reports

2007

- Pub Night tonight at Rookies
- Working on 100 Days at the Sterling
 - Wednesday, February 6th

2008

- Mr. Muhlenberg
 - Wednesday March 21st

2009

- Heart of Winter Formal
 - Friday, February 9th
- Dating Game Show
 - February 28th

2010

- Irish Carnation Sales
- Hot Chocolate Jam
 - February 28th

Committees

Academics

- Made flyers to advertise their committee meeting

Athletics

- Members of Athletics are advertising games and intramurals
- Working with the baseball team on some type of Athlete Night
- Still working on the Gladiator idea

Campus Community Affairs (CCA)

- Working on updating the Council Board
- Each committee please make a flyer for the board

Campus Safety

- Parking
 - Library Lawn a parking lot?
 - Thinking of new ideas of where parking could go

Seegers Union

- Working on ideas for renovation

Technology

- Hot spot places on campus
- Campus wide mailing to students telling them if they have any problems to bring it OIT before finals
- Feedback on what students would like in Computer Labs
- New developments on campus
 - Microsoft Vista, should we upgrade?
- Color printers
- E-mail addresses
- Possibly each room having a wireless hub

Ad Hoc

Henry Awards

- Meetings are Friday at 5:00pm
- Hosts: Matt Grimaldi and Dave Wrigley
- Theme: Masquerade

Old Business

- Finance Bylaw
 - Seconded
 - Motion Passed – will go to the Student Body Meeting

New Business

- First reading of Communications Name Change Bylaw

Communications Name Change Resolution

Amending Article Nine: Committees, Section 1: Standing Committees, Letter 3 of the Bylaws from:

J. The Communications Committee shall foster strong, efficient, communication between the student body and its executive board (the Student Council) The committee will foster such bonds by planning the four SBA meetings per academic year, assisting other committees in advertising, investigating new and innovative ways to advertise and communicate with the student body, and continually maintaining a close relationship with club executive boards and the student body.

To:

J. The *Student Relations* Committee shall foster strong, efficient, communication between the student body and its executive board (the Student Council) The committee will foster such bonds by planning *at least* four SBA meetings per academic year, assisting other committees in advertising, investigating new and innovative ways to advertise and communicate with the student body, and continually maintaining a close relationship with club executive boards and the student body *to ensure that student concerns are addressed.*

- The current name of the Committee does not encompass the entirety of the committee's responsibilities.
- The current name restricts the committee's ability to branch out into a more proactive role for the student body.
- The committee's responsibility to connect to campus clubs and organizations is currently being done ineffectively. The name Student Relations better reflects the committee's responsibility to provide the student body with a forum where their concerns and issues can be heard and then addressed by the Student Council as a whole.
- The name Student Relations will allow the committee to better fulfill its obligation to advertise its integral role to campus clubs and organizations.
- The name Student Relations will help the committee to better fulfill its obligations and promote its proper philosophy, as expressed in the bylaws and mission statement of the committee.

- First reading of Powers resolution

Addition to Article Six, Section 3: Powers

The Council shall manage the affairs of the SBA between meetings of the members. Responsibilities of the Council shall include the following:

F. Passing Resolutions that shall:

1. Be defined as the collective opinion of Muhlenberg College's Student Body.
2. Be in typed form and distributed to the collective body if it exceeds 100 words.
3. Be submitted to the Weekly immediately following the meeting in either written or E-Mail format, for the purpose of dissemination to the Student Body.
4. Be directed to the proper administrative department that the pending resolution solely affects in which the author(s) of the pending resolution and the Student Body President shall be present.

Whereas there is no current description or definition of a resolution.

Whereas a determined process would facilitate the enactments of a pending resolution.

Resolved, we should accept the definition and process of passing resolutions.

- First reading of Class Representative resolution

Addition to Article Six, Section One

H. A Class Representative shall:

1. Attend all regularly scheduled meetings of Muhlenberg College's Student Council.
2. Attend all regularly scheduled Student Body Association meetings.
3. Attend at least two committee meetings a week as determined by the committee chair. (Exceptions: Student Body President, Vice-President, Committee Heads, Class Presidents)
4. Attend all regularly scheduled Class Council meetings.
5. Represent their constituencies in all cases aforementioned.
6. Take the Student Council Oath as presented at the initiation of members.

Whereas there is no singularly sufficient description of the position of Class Representative.

Whereas a full description of Class Representative might further elucidate any misconception or muddling of the position.

Whereas Student Body Meetings are defined as, “open student council meetings.”

Whereas the Student Council Oath may serve as a mission statement for the position as well as offer a ceremonial initiation into Student Government.

Resolved, we should accept the addition to Article Six, Section One of the Bylaws.

- Motion to go into Executive Session, to include Class Council members and John Januzzi: 8:45pm
- Motion out of Executive Session: 9:07pm

Announcements

Adjournment: 9:08 pm

Minutes approved by this _____ day of _____ 2007

Student Body President

Recording Secretary