

A regular meeting of the Muhlenberg College Student Council was called to order on Thursday, February 15th 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 from previous meeting
 - Minutes passed
- Senior Year Experience Committee
 - Working on the transitions
 - Full Campus Forum
 - Thursday, Feb 22nd at 7:30pm
- Student Body President Elections
 - Candidates Meeting
 - Sunday, February 18
 - Campaigning
 - Monday, February 19 – Friday, February 23
 - Debates
 - Tuesday, February 20
 - Elections
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 - Election Oversight Committee
 - Rosenberg, Loesch, Harrison, Campbell
- Student Council Bylaw Review Committee
 - Mission Statement
 - Look over our bylaws and mission statement and compare them to other schools
 - Sara Keller was appointed chair
 - Have an update by March 15th
- Student Council Award Voting
 - Student
 - Faculty/Staff

Vice President

- Committee Report Forms

Executive Secretary

- Great Student Body Meeting
 - Great turnout: 150 people at one point
 - Great turnout from Student Council

Treasurer

- \$60,844.84 in the General Fund
- Hillel

- Vergos: I move to allocate \$100.00 to Hillel show the Darfur Diaries film in the Red Door
 - Motion Passed

Recording Secretary

- Ad in Weekly advertising committee times

Class Reports

2007

- Vender Cute Stuff is coming
 - March 29, May 1

2008

- Mr. Muhlenberg
 - Wednesday March 21st
 - Interviews took place this past week
 - 12 contestants
- Talking about Commencement speaker
- Starting more fundraisers shortly

2009

- Dating Game Show
 - Wednesday February 28th
 - 9:00pm in the Red Door
- Possibly a future Heart of Winter Formal

2010

- Hot Chocolate Jam
 - Wednesday February 28th
 - Seegers Lobby: 7:00 – 9:00
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- Pulse Nightclub
 - March 30
 - Red Door: 10:00pm – 2:00am
- Muhlenberg Boxer Sale
- Cookbooks distributed in March
- Irish Carnation and Bake Sale for St. Patrick's Day

Committees

Academics

- Helping the Writing Center Advertise

Athletics

- Members of Athletics are making flyers to advertising games

- Working with the baseball team on some type of Athlete Night
- East Fest is not going to happen because RHA is not going to do it
 - Maybe it can be made into an Athletic Fest
 - Have different teams come out and do different activities
- Still working on Homerun Derby for Lou Gherigs Disease
- Opening day for Baseball is in April
 - Do something in the Red Door with Sandellas
 - Possibly BYOB, have the televisions on like a Sports Bar

Campus Community Affairs (CCA)

- Working on updating the Council Board
- Each committee please e-mail Katie your flyer

Campus Safety

- Yield or Stop sign near Stooges, from Liberty ST. to Tilghman St.
- Parking
 - E-mailed other schools to see what they do about Parking
 - Received similar ideas then what they already had
 - Work with MAC to create incentives for Students to bring bikes
 - An open or closed trolley – temporary solution because of large freshman class
- What exactly are the Escort Service's limitations?

Seegers Union

- 2009 Renovations
 - Lets make small changes until these renovations occur
- Clear 'Greenware Cups'
 - 100 % made up of corn
 - Completely biodegradable
- Sandellas
 - Great success with the tasting happening today
 - Vegetarian Options
 - Possibly having students work there
 - Open during peak hours, Mon – Thurs, 12-7, Fri 12-2
- Working on options at the Powerhouse Café

Technology

- Meeting with Harry Miller next week
- Gather ideas for what the ideal Computer Lab would have
- Lists of Fundraisers on Student Council website?
- Goslin: I move to form an ad hoc Fundraising Committee to work on accountability and registering fundraisers with the Finance Committee
 - Becca Goslin will chair
 - Second
 - Motion Passed

Ad Hoc

Henry Awards

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

Old Business

- **Article IX Evaluation Committee**

Whereas, The Student Council is not adequately integrating itself into the campus community.

Whereas, The current structure of Student Council Committees could operate in a more efficient and effective manner.

Whereas, The committee structure as outlined in Article IX of the Student Council Bylaws creates committees that serve the student body in a sufficient but not satisfactory manner.

Whereas, An internal structural evaluation will enable Student Council to remove restraints on progress and improve the accountability and responsibilities of the committees.

Whereas, As motivated Student Council members we should be a body continually evaluating our failings and looking for ways to better serve the students of Muhlenberg College.

Resolved, The creation of an Ad Hoc Committee: Internal Article IX Evaluation Committee will be responsible for evaluating the current committee structures and ultimately recommending to the Student Council any changes or lack thereof that should be made to serve the student body in a more efficient and effective manner and implemented in the future.

- Motion to vote by Sara Keller, in light on the new committee formed to evaluate the Bylaws
 - Motion Failed

- **Finance Miscellaneous Funding Request**

1. Student Council, Finance Committee, and/or the Student Body Treasurer are not permitted to allocate any fraction of the General Fund to support campus renovations/repairs. If a student wishes to pursue a project that does not fall under Student Council's jurisdiction, they shall not receive Student Council funding, but rather seek funding from the appropriate department(s) or outside sources.

2. The formation of an Ad-Hoc Fundraising Committee is optional and may consist of at least three voluntary Student Council Representatives. This committee shall assist with generating funds for the project at hand at that specific time, however is not permitted to offer any financial backing from the General Fund (which is composed of the Student Activities Fee).

- Vergos: I move to adopt this amendment to the Finance Manual
 - Motion Failed

- Goldberg: Motion to move the SBA Finance committee to Old Business out of New Business: David Liskov

- **Resolution to Amend the Policies of the Finance Manual (2006-2007 Edition)**

Where as there are major time commitments involved in requesting funds for and implementing successful events that student organizations face.

Where as the measures outlined in the finance manual will add further time constraints to student leaders.

Whereas alternatives exist that would ensure that all student council funded events are successful and conducted toward their stated purpose without further burdening club leaders. These include having clubs email a report of the event to student council or having student council members attend club events and reporting back to the council.

Resolved:

That clause eight, of the inside cover which states "Send a representative from your organization if allocated over 1500 dollars or send an e-mail or a representative if allocated less than 1500 dollars to the Student Council meeting on the Thursday after your event has taken place.... Lack of doing so will adversely affect your organization's potential for funding,"

That clause two of Eligibility for Funding (Page 5) which states "At least one representative from any organization receiving more than 1500 dollars of Student Council funding is required to attend a Student Council meeting held the Thursday after your event has taken place to report the success of your event. If any organization receives less than 1500 dollars, they may send a representative or an e-mail. Lack of doing so will adversely affect your organization's potential for funding,"

That clause eight of Rights of the Finance Committee (Page 8) which states “The Finance Committee has the right to recommend and Student Council has the right to adjust or deny funding of any campus organization that has failed to report back to council on the event for which they were funded or send an e-mail depending on the amount allocated (see Clause 8),”

- Rosenberg: Move to adopt the Resolution to Amend the Policies of the Finance Manual regarding students having to report back to Student Council after
 - Seconded
 - Falk: I move to amend the Resolution that if it exceeds \$1500, must send a representative, below that amount they can send the Treasurer an e-mail regarding their event
 - Seconded
 - Amendment Passed
 - Main Resolution Passed

Goldberg: Move into executive session: 8:45pm

Move out of executive session: 8:51

2nd Reading on Accountability

- Maloney: I move to postpone voting on this motion until 3/1/07
 - Seconded
 - Motion Passed
- Efronson: I move to have Matt schedule two meetings in between now and the meeting on 3/1/07 to further discuss this Resolution
 - Seconded
 - Motion Passed
- Lotorto: I move to have a discussion about this Accountability Resolution after the questions
 - Seconded
 - Motion Passed
- Rosenberg: I move to go into Announcements
 - Seconded
 - Motion Passed

Announcements

Adjournment: 10:35

Minutes approved by this _____ day of _____ 2007

Student Body President

Recording Secretary