



Minutes

Oakland University Student Congress
Eveslage/Malile Administration
Legislative Body Meeting Agenda
Oakland Room, Oakland Center
Monday, November 7th, 2011
5:00 P.M.

- I. **Call to order:** 5:00pm
- II. **Roll Call:** Quorum met
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. **Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 31st, 2011:** Approved
- V. **Comments from the Gallery:**
 - a. J. Hudson, from the Herman Cain campaign, addressed congress and informed them to be involved in the debate this week and that support any candidate is very important. Ms. Malile agreed and thanked Mr. Hudson for coming in.
 - b. Alex Van Vliet, from the GSC, addressed congress and explained that the GSC is looking to have a full time office coordinator. She brought some petitions for OUSC to sign if they supported. Mr. Eveslage and Ms. Malile encouraged OUSC to be involved in this and show our support for other student organizations. Mr. Mclsaac explained that the GSC was actually created by OUSC in the past, so showing our support would be important.
- VI. **Old Business**
 - a. C.B. 12-16 Your Voice Heard LIVE Budget Amendment, *presented by Ms. Tibbits:*
 - i. Ms. Tibbits explained that C.B. 12-16 would add funds to use for Your Voice Heard LIVE for marketing costs, decoration, and t-shirts.
 - ii. C.B. 12-16 passed with 20 “yeas”, 0 “neases” and 0 “abstaining”.
- VII. **New Business**
 - a. Campus Development & Environment Committee, *presented by Ms. Malile:* Ms. Malile explained that two spots had opened up on the Campus Development & Environment Committee, for the university senate. The description of the committee was read and some legislators showed interest, but none confirmed for sure on joining the committee.
 - b. Approval of Legislator
 - i. Daniella Youhan: Daniella explained that she is a freshman and was on student council in high school and hopes to be involved in Student Congress at OU.
 1. Ms. Halsell asked if she had any initiative for OUSC in mind. Daniella answered that she has none in mind at the time.
 2. Mr. Hanna, Mr. Namou, Mr. Irish and Mr. Johnson spoke on behalf of Daniella, always seeing her helping out, she is very friendly and would be a great part of the team.
 3. Ms. Youhan was approved as an OUSC legislator.
 - c. SAFB Associate Chair & Members: Mr. Hanna spoke on behalf of all members and explained that they have all had great ideas on how to benefit SAFB. All members listed below were approved.
 - i. Mark Martin (chair)
 - ii. Joseph Namou
 - iii. Matthew Irish
 - iv. Eric Turc
 - v. Maria Arellano
 - d. GSA Liaison to OU Student Congress; *Presented by Mr. Eveslage:* Mr. Eveslage explained that Michelle Alwardt is the new GSC Liaison for OUSC. Ms. Alwardt explained that she will be giving a weekly report on the GSC and the different organizations located within – the Gay Straight Alliance (GSA), Students Advocating Gender Equality (SAGA), and Transcend.
- VIII. **Discussion Topics**
 - a. *Discussion Topics related to Comments from the Gallery Related to Business of the Day, Guest Speakers, & submitted Statements of Student Concern:* Mr. Mclsaac explained that there was an issue with the approval of purchasing SCVNGR, the administration had not done anything for it, so he is working on getting a reason why and making sure that it gets approved. It should not take over

a month to be approved.

- b. Directly Funded Banquet; *Presented by Mr. Eveslage*: There will likely be a banquet with the directly funded organizations and the administration during the winter semester.
- c. Budgetary Ideas for winter 2012; *Presented by Mr. Eveslage*: Mr. Eveslage explained that if anyone has any ideas for events or anything to let him know, the winter budget will be presented next week.
- d. Library Advisory Council; *Presented by Ms. Vecchio*: Ms. Vecchio explained that there will be a Library Advisory Council meeting sometime during the week of Thanksgiving and that she still needs two more OUSC representative to be present. Mr. Sklar and Ms. Arellano were interested.

IX. Reports

- a. Student Body President – Mr. Benjamin Eveslage: Report written & circulated.
- b. Student Body Vice President – Ms. Elisa Malile: Report written & circulated. Reminded everyone to remain professional throughout the week, especially within the office, as there will be activates and people involved with the debate all over campus. She also announced that Phi Sigma Sigma is looking to have a social with OUSC next Monday. The time of 2:30-3:30pm on Monday was approved.
- c. Student Activities Funding Board – Mr. Brandon Hanna: left early
- d. Student Program Board – Mr. Jermaine Conaway: left early
- e. Legislative Affairs Director – Ms. Samantha Wolf: Report written & circulated. Tomorrow help is needed at Your Voice Heard LIVE starting at 6pm.
- f. Multicultural Affairs Director – Ms. Emilia Allen: Report written & circulated. Saturday is the Bus Trip to Dearborn and next week will be the Hijab Panel and speaking engagement with Imam Rauf. Arabian Nights was a great success.
- g. Financial Affairs Director – Mr. Michael Allison: absent
- h. Student Services Director – Mr. Brett McIsaac: left early
- i. Visual Communications Director – Mr. Alejandro Herrera: Report written & circulated. Nothing new to report.
- j. Marketing Director—Mr. James Shermetaro: Report written & circulated. Marketing for Your Voice Heard LIVE. Arabian Nights had at least 600 attendees.
- k. Administrative Assistant – Ms. Lisa Vecchio: Report written & circulated. Will get a certain date on the meeting for the Library Advisory Council.
- l. *Questions related to Executive Reports:* Mr. Gustafsson asked about the ad-hoc committee recently created was planning on having an event before the OU v. Tennessee game and also is any more tickets would be made available for the game. Mr. Eveslage explained that the committee kind of dead ended, but he still would like to have a tailgate of some sort before the game and that they are trying to get more tickets for students.

X. Updates

- a. Steering Committee- Ms. Alexis Halsell: none
- b. Judiciary Committee- Ms. Natalie Juronoc: none
- c. Scholarship Committee- Mr. Jason Dunn: none
- d. Research and Review Committee- Ms. Maria Willett: We now have a full legislature.
- e. Residence Hall Association President- Mr. Robbie Williford: none
- f. Congressional Archivist- Mr. Wesley Gamble: none
- g. Greek Council Liaison - Ms. Natalie Juronoc: November 14th – Alcohol Awareness event at 6pm in Gold Room A; Greek Row Clean Up this Sunday; TKE & SP Frostball this Saturday 10-4pm.
- h. *Questions related to Updates:* none

XI. Comments from the gallery: none

XII. Announcements

- a. OUSC Meetings are on Monday at 4:00 in the Oakland Room
- b. Your Voice Heard Live is this Tuesday, November 8 at 7 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms
- c. The next OUSC Meeting will be Monday, November 14th.
- d. Mr. Gustafsson announced that tomorrow there will be a Business Economy forum tomorrow 6-8pm.

XIII. Adjournment: 5:53pm