



Minutes

Oakland University Student Congress
Wolf/Williford Administration
Legislative Body Meeting Agenda
Oakland Room, Oakland Center
Monday, March 11th, 2013
4:00 P.M.

- I. **Call to order:** 4:02pm
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Roll Call:** Quorum met.
- IV. **Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 4th, 2013:** Approved.
- V. **Comments from the Gallery**
 - a. None.
- VI. **Old Business**
 - a. **C.B. 13-19 Lapel Pins**, *presented by Legislator Derek MacDonald*
 - i. This is the second reading of the bill. It is for \$500 to get lapel pins.
 - ii. Discussion: Legislator Willett voiced that she does not feel that pins are necessary for different reasons. Mainly because the logo changes sometimes, it's the end of the year, and OUSC already invested in themselves by ordering jackets and name tags.
 - iii. Vote:
 1. **Ahmed: Nay**
 2. **Alkasmikha: Nay**
 3. **Juononc: Nay**
 4. **Kaakarli: Yay**
 5. **Knapp: Yay**
 6. **MacDonald: Yay**
 7. **Monticciolo: Yay**
 8. **Nus: Nay**
 9. **Peterson: Yay**
 10. **Pierce: Nay**
 11. **Polina: Abstain**
 12. **Rochon: Nay**
 13. **Rockentine: Nay**
 14. **Stafa: Abstain**
 15. **Stencel: Yay**
 16. **Thompson: Nay**
 17. **Willett: Nay**
 18. **Zaman: Yay**
 19. **Bumhoffer: Nay**
 - iv. The bill does not pass.
- VII. **New Business**
 - a. **C.B. 13-20 Legislator Manuals**, *presented by Legislator Patricia Rockentine*
 - i. This is the first reading of the bill. It asks for \$200 to get the manuals printed and also for possible binders. She is going to pass around the manual for others to review.
 - ii. Discussion: Ms. Boye stated that bylaw changes are coming and it may be a better idea to wait until those changes are passed. Ms. Alwardt asked if Rockentine looked into just getting them bound differently instead of getting binders. Legislator Zaman asked if this is for the upcoming legislators. Legislator Alkasmikha suggested putting it online instead of printing it. Rockentine stated that it's good to have in print is a great idea. Legislator Juronoc thought the binders were a good idea so it is easier to change. Mr. Williford clarified, stating that executive board needed to change some of their

bylaws so waiting until the end of the semester would be a great idea for the new legislators.

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*
- b. **March Climate Survey**, presented by *Patricia Dolly, Special Assistant to the President*
 - i. Mrs. Dolly spoke about the survey. This is about inclusion and diversity. The University changed its mission last year, and there needs to be survey to make sure that the mission statement is being carried out. It is to better serve students. Mrs. Dolly needs help to get others to fill the survey out and that is why she is before OUSC. It is a 25 minute long survey, and there are several prizes such as a parking space and a bookstore gift certificate. It will be going out in about a week, and students have four weeks to fill it out.

IX. **Reports**

- a. Student Body President – **Samantha Wolf**
 - i. Not present.
- b. Student Body Vice President – **Robbie Williford**
 - i. Mr. Williford ordered food for the retreat Friday and planning for it. He apologized for missing last week but it was truly beneficial.
- c. Student Activities Funding Board – **Brandon Hanna**
 - i. The last student organization training is March 25th and there is a board meeting tomorrow at 3pm. He's also working to get food requests on Grizzorgs.
- d. Student Program Board – **Nicholas McCormick**
 - i. Murder Mystery went very well. The Atlanta trip is coming up and he's working on the concert as well. The second layer of marketing is also coming soon with external marketing as well. He looked into getting extra buses for Chicago but it was not feasible. He worked on lighting for the Buried Life, which was a great event. He's been working on his transition binder as well.
- e. Legislative Affairs Director – **Michelle Alwardt**
 - i. OU Day at the Capitol was Wednesday and it worked very well. Coming up is Andrea Gibson is Thursday. She asked everyone to promote it via social media and classmates. It is 7-10pm in the Gold Rooms and help is always appreciated. SAM conference is also March 21-24th.
- f. Multicultural Affairs Director – **Maria Arellano**
 - i. Ms. Arellano thanked everyone who attended the Individualism Panel. St. Pattie's Day is Friday at 12pm in Fireside. She attended OU Day at the Capitol, and she found that to be a very interesting event.
- g. Financial Affairs Director – **Scottie Shermetaro**
 - i. Not present.
- h. Student Services Director – **Amera Fattah**
 - i. Ms. Fattah helped out with the Buried Life on Thursday. She had an email from Chief Lucido for Fitz parking so that is moving right along. Spirit Packs are coming on well and she had Ms. Collins send off many letters for local businesses. The Bear Bus awareness event is March 18th. Food Pantry is also going well. She's also working on another Chartwells initiative that will be announced soon. She is also going to be working on an OUSC collage from old event posters with Ms. Boye.
- i. Visual Communications Director – **Ethan Scott**
 - i. He did graphics for the Bear Bus event for Ms. Fattah and also Exam Cram graphics for Ms. Collins. He is also going to be adding old event flyers to the website. He's been in talks with James from the tech center about getting new computers in the office for legislators.
- j. Marketing Director—**Rachel Boye**
 - i. Ms. Boye did a lot of social media work and worked on sending emails for the Andrea Gibson. For office hours the wave 3 elections graphics need to go up.
- k. Administrative Assistant – **Emily Collins**

- i. Elections EOY exam cram push voting
 - l. Advisor Report – **Allison Webster**
 - i. Student Organization awards are now up so students can nominate their organizations and members for different awards. April 8th is the award ceremony and the forms are open until March 29th. The award ceremony is a sit-down dinner so everyone must RSVP.
 - m. *Questions related to Executive Reports*
 - i. Legislator Juronoc asked about moving the banquet to April 1st. Ms. Collins explained that OUSC will still have a meeting April 1st will be our last meeting and then the new administration will be sworn in April 8th and the new legislators will be here instead.
- X. **Updates**
- a. Steering Committee – Lauren Tibbits
 - i. Legislator Tibbits thanked everyone for their patience while she ran meeting the last two weeks.
 - b. Judiciary Committee – Aws Polina
 - i. Legislator Polina just met with Ms. Webster about the online legislator hour sheet. It will not be up for this administration so continue to do them in paper.
 - c. Scholarship Committee – Maria Willett
 - i. Legislator Willett will have a meeting Tuesday at 1pm to go through the scholarship applications if anyone is interested is doing it with her.
 - d. Research and Review Committee – Patricia Rockentine
 - i. No update.
 - e. Congressional Archivist – Darias Thompson
 - i. Legislator Thompson worked with Mr. Scott last week to update the website with missing meeting minutes, agendas, and reports.
 - f. RHA President – Katie Bumhoffer
 - i. Ms. Bumhoffer has a normal RHA meeting Thursday at 7pm.
 - g. *Questions related to Updates*
 - i. Legislator Willett asked about the executive board bylaw changes. Mr. Williford stated that changes will be made by the end of the year. Ms. Boye clarified that she updates the bylaws on the website. Ms. Alwardt wanted to thank Legislators Rochon and Rockentine for their hard work on the manuals.
- XI. **Comments from the gallery**
- a. A member of SVP asked Ms. Arellano about advertising for St. Patrick’s Day. She told him that there is a Facebook event that he could share with others and he should like the OUSC Facebook page to get updates.
 - b. Ms. Jean Ann Miller told OUSC members to not use the word “Raffle” in Bear Bus flyers or any event flyers because there is licensing needed by the state of Michigan. She suggested that words like “door prizes” or “drawings” instead. International Night is also Friday at 5pm and it will be very unique and interesting.
- XII. **Announcements**
- a. OUSC Meetings are on Mondays at 4:00pm in the Oakland Room
 - b. The next OUSC Meeting will be Monday, March 18th, 2013
- XIII. **Adjournment:** 4:55pm