

# Minutes

**Oakland University Student Congress**  
**Miller/Evans Administration**  
**Legislative Body Meeting Agenda**  
Gold Rooms B & C, Oakland Center  
Monday, September 18, 2006  
4:00 P.M.

- I. Call to Order @ 4:05**
- II. Roll Call**
  - a. **Absences**
    - i. **Michelle D. Bailey**
    - ii. **Renee Blackburn**
    - iii. **Kayla Burton**
    - iv. **Allison Cummings-Stuckman**
    - v. **Adam Panchenko**
    - vi. **Brendan Stevens**
    - vii. **Eric Ventimiglia**
- III. Approval of Minutes from September 11, 2006**
  - a. **Approved**
- IV. Guest Speaker**
- V. Comments from the Gallery**
  - a. **Student disturbed about not being able to print free of charge or even print at all.**
  - b. **Gammicchia: Report and Update**
- VI. Old Business**
  - a. C.B. 07-06 (Bylaws Amendment, second reading)
    - i. Atwood: What does this do?
    - ii. Muhammad: Adds more structure to committee
    - iii. J. Miller: Motion to amend Legislative Affairs Committee to Legislative and Multicultural Affairs Committee
    - iv. Motion Passed
    - v. Bill Passed
- VII. Approval of Jordan Twardy**
  - a. **J. Miller: What ideas do you have?**
  - b. **Twardy: Enhance PAWS Program**
    - i. **Unanimous Approval**
- VIII. New Business**
  - a. C.B. 07-09 (Bylaws Amendment [SAFB], first reading)
    - i. Amendment- Atwood
      - 1. ???
    - ii. Amendment to the Amendment- Potter
      - 1. Add- "As Approved by the Board"???
- IX. Discussion Topics**
  - a. Discussion topics related to Guest Speakers, Comments from the Gallery, & submitted Statements of Student Concern
    - 1. Quorum Lost
    - ii. United States Student Association Voter Mobilization and Higher Ed Funding Campaign (ms. Muhammad)
      - 1. Higher Education Funding
      - 2. Shifting Voter Registration to Voter Mobilization
      - 3. Congress Members can help to get students motivated and encourage them to get information. Wear a t-shirt. We want to take this campaign to the Residence Halls.
    - iii. Active Campuses Together Day (Ms. Muhammad)

1. What ideas do you want to see? Please send me an email or send the group your ideas about this initiative.
- iv. Future legislative initiatives (Mr. Miller)
  1. SAFAC- giving it tighter guidelines and changing the name to fit the Committee appropriately
  2. M. Miller: When Rob figures out how much extra money that we have in our budget, it would be fun to
  3. J. Gammicchia: The Student Resource Center is in need of money to operate. Congress, in the past, has allotted money for the Student Resource Center. Extra money in the budget could be used for the Center.
- v. Gallery Participation (Mr. Kochenderfer)
  1. Kochenderfer: I do not feel that yielding to the gallery will get the meeting out of control.
  2. Evans: Since students are attending meetings, they should be allowed to speak. I feel like too often we come in here and people are confused, so they do not vote. I do not think that every legislator goes to students and talks to them about the meeting and what is going on. **That is the only time that some of us interact with the students.**
  3. M. Miller: The meeting is not grounds for trying to figure out how you feel. We strive for professionalism. **An abstention should be used when you have a personal conflict. Example: If you are dating someone and that person is up for approval, you could abstain because you are biased and have a personal interest.**
  4. J. Miller: **I am going to start sending Krista the agenda by Sunday so that it can be viewed well before the meeting. Students could use the gallery time to speak because they will have the previous knowledge. We are attempting to inform students while keeping our structural changes.**
  5. Ketelhut: **The agenda will be easily accessible via the website. I am in complete agreement with Joshua Miller**
  6. Muhammad: **Please check out the flyers that will be up on campus. There is a week full of events and such going on.**

#### **X. Reports**

- a. Madalyn Miller – Student Body President
- b. Mia Evans – Student Body Vice President
- c. Lindsay McCullough – Student Activities Funding Board Chair
- d. Tamara Kukuk – Student Program Board Chair
- e. Rob Meyer – Financial Affairs Director
- f. Jameelah Muhammad – Legislative and Multicultural Affairs Director
- g. Krista Ketelhut – Publicity and Technology Coordinator

#### **XI. Updates**

- a. Danielle Fallis, Disciplinary Chair
- b. Brendan J. Stevens, Research and Review Chair
- c. Michael Mersol-Barg, Scholarship Chair
- d. Joshua Miller, Steering Chair

#### **XII. Comments from the Gallery**

- a. Nina Lavealnte

#### **XIII. Adjournment**