



## Minutes

**Oakland University Student Congress**  
**Wolf/Williford Administration**  
**Legislative Body Meeting Agenda**  
Oakland Room, Oakland Center  
Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 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 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013:** Approved.
- V. **Comments from the Gallery**
  - a. Mr. Zentmeyer is here to talk about the issues with the new housing complex building. The fence for construction is going up soon and it is going to take parking away. Also, the house in P5 will be moving to Meadowbrook to stay and become the grounds equipment house. About 400 parking spots will be lost. OUPD has agreed to make P3 and P1 and P29 (except for the top level) available for overnight parking. Although more distant, residents will as least still have parking. Warning tape and caution signs will be erected soon. April 1<sup>st</sup> construction starts. Ms. Wolf thanked Mr. Zentmeyer coming and encouraged all legislators to keep a positive attitude about this when students come to them with concerns. Parking is an issue on Oakland's campus and all of the construction is helping to vamp that issue up. Several offices are working toward a permanent solution.
- VI. **Old Business**
  - a. **C.B. 13-20 Legislator Manuals**, *presented by Legislator Patricia Rockentine*
    - i. This is the second reading of the bill. It is for \$500 to get lapel pins. .
    - ii. Discussion: This is the second reading of the bill. Legislator Willett was concerned with the bylaw changes coming. Ms. Wolf clarified that because this is a binder, the bylaws can be added later.
    - iii. Vote:
      1. Ahmed: Yay
      2. Alkasmikha: Yay
      3. Juronoc: Yay
      4. Kaakarli: Yay
      5. Knapp: Yay
      6. Monticciolo: Yay
      7. Nuss: Yay
      8. Peterson: Yay
      9. Pierce: Yay
      10. Polina: Yay
      11. Rochon: Yay
      12. Rockentine: Yay
      13. Stafa: Yay
      14. Stencil: Yay
      15. Williams: Yay
      16. Willett: Yay
      17. Zaman: Yay
      18. Bumhoffer: Yay
    - iv. The bill passed.
- VII. **New Business**
  - a. **C.B. 13-21 Food Pantry Concert Bill**, *presented by Legislator Maria Willett*
    - i. This is the first reading. This bill is for a promotional event for the food pantry. There isn't an actual list of acts but there are performers that OUSC has worked with in the past that Willett plans to contact. They also don't have to be musical. It could be comedy or spoken word. Legislator Stencil also had the idea for an open mic portion at the end.

- ii. Discussion: Legislator Juronoc asked what the date of the event is, and Willett told her it was April 10<sup>th</sup> and the room is already reserved. Juronoc also wanted to know if effective marketing would be possible. Ms. Boye stated that as long as everything goes to print by Friday it'd be okay. Fattah pointed out that it could come from the Student Services budget as the Food Pantry is a Student Services initiative. Juronoc was concerned with not having the amount of time necessary to effectively market the event. Willett clarified that free food is for those that are in need and also that Open Mic Night in the Vandenberg Cafeteria is always full and they never advertise. Willett only needs 10 acts and she has a whole list of talent to contact. She is also looking for companies that will consistently donate to the program, as opposed to alumni that donate every now and then. The event is also to find volunteers for the pantry, as Fattah clarified.

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*
  - i. Legislator Alkasmikha Jr. told Ms. Fattah that the elevator in South Foundation seems like it is not stable. Ms. Fattah stated she would look into it.
  - ii. Ms. Fattah mentioned that she has consistently been spoken to about parking. She stressed that students need to ride the Bear Bus and use their resources effectively. The Bear Bus had 13,300 riders this year.
  - iii. Legislator Juronoc encouraged members to sign up for polling if they are neutral in elections. She asked if pollers can have information about each ticket at the table, and Legislator Willett clarified that campaign material is not allowed within 100 feet of polling stations.

IX. **Reports**

- a. Student Body President – **Samantha Wolf**
  - i. Ms. Wolf apologized for missing meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup>. She was in St. Louis at a conference about union buildings. She stated that March 25<sup>th</sup> she wants to make a presentation about her experience. Jane Goodall is March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and she needs volunteers. It is sold out. 4pm is the time that she will need the most help. She is also working on the constitution and bylaws and is open to suggestions.
- b. Student Body Vice President – **Robbie Williford**
  - i. Last week Mr. Williford met with the Post to clarify on communications between our two organizations. They came up with ideas to work on to educate people of their rights. He urged everyone to stand behind whichever ticket wins. As Vice President he knows what it is like to not have support.
- c. Student Activities Funding Board – **Brandon Hanna**
  - i. Mr. Hanna thanked everyone for coming to the retreat. Mr. Hanna and his committee went over 40 funding requests, and tomorrow at 3pm is their committee meeting. Next week is the final student org training on Monday at 12pm. He is going to be working on cancellation policies that are very unrealistic and unfair with Chartwells. He also met with Mr. Williford and Ms. Wolf about SAFB regulations.
- d. Student Program Board – **Nicholas McCormick**
  - i. The trip to Atlanta went very well. Next Mr. McCormick will be working on his transitional procedure for his next SPB Chair because SPB is very intense position. He will be updating applications for the SPB E-Board. He's going to outline marketing plans, committees, and administrative portions of the job. He is also working on the spring concert. Wednesday is the "Go In Poet" Wednesday at 8pm. He wanted to clarify that if anyone is going to promote the campaign incentive regarding pit passes to emphasize that no matter what students vote for, they are entered to win the passes.
- e. Legislative Affairs Director – **Michelle Alwardt**
  - i. Ms. Alwardt thanked everyone that came to the Andrea Gibson event. SAM Conference is Thursday at MSU. She has been working on Shared Governance for SAM. She's trying to get better student representation with the Board of

Trustees so that students have voting rights. Dan from MI Tech has been helping to plan individual strategies for each university.

- f. Multicultural Affairs Director – **Maria Arellano**
  - i. Ms. Arellano thanked everyone for attending St. Patrick’s Day. She’s working on a campus clean up event and a French cultural event. She’s also been working on her transition binder and shadowing Grace to educate herself about the Multicultural Council with LGBTQIA.
- g. Financial Affairs Director – **Scottie Shermetaro**
  - i. Report was circulated.
- h. Student Services Director – **Amera Fattah**
  - i. Ms. Fattah wanted to make sure that any volunteers for Jane Goodall were serious volunteers. The Bear Bus event was today and it was very successful. It was co-sponsored with RHA and Housing. They gave away a 39 inch TV and an iPod nano. She hopes that it is an annual event. She is looking for feedback on ConnectOU to put it in the binder for future years. She’s also been working on Pride Packs.
- i. Visual Communications Director – **Ethan Scott**
  - i. Mr. Scott has been working on the website to get minutes up and doing lots of file converting. He’s working on France graphics, Food Pantry graphics and e-board applications. Anyone interested in his job can ask him about it.
- j. Marketing Director—**Rachel Boye**
  - i. Ms. Boye handled a lot of odds and ends last week. She also worked on elections, exam cram II, and social media.
- k. Administrative Assistant – **Emily Collins**
  - i. Ms. Collins urged members to sign up for polling and to push voting. She also thanked everyone for their support at events.
- l. Advisor Report – **Allison Webster**
  - i. There is a GSC event tomorrow at 6pm about human trafficking that is in the Oakland room. Also, Wednesday at 3pm there is an event about grizzogs in the STC to help organizations utilize resources effectively. The banquet for student awards is April 8<sup>th</sup> and anyone that wants to go needs to RSVP.
- m. *Questions related to Executive Reports*
  - i. Legislator Alkasmikha asked if he could work polling and Ms. Collins said no as he is on the ballot.

X. **Updates**

- a. Steering Committee – Lauren Tibbits
  - i. Not present.
- b. Judiciary Committee – Aws Polina
  - i. No updates.
- c. Scholarship Committee – Maria Willett
  - i. Willett went through applications and she’s emailing the winner tonight.
- d. Research and Review Committee – Patricia Rockentine
  - i. She thanked the legislature for passing her bill.
- e. Congressional Archivist – Darias Thompson
  - i. Not present.
- f. RHA President – Katie Bumhoffer
  - i. FNL is Friday at 7pm and RHA has its regular meeting Thursday at 7pm. Siblings weekend sign up is still going on.
- g. *Questions related to Updates*
  - i. Ms. Wolf asked Bumhoffer is RHA is still showing the documentary for Jane Goodall, and Bumhoffer stated that she did not know.

XI. **Comments from the gallery**

- a. None.

XII. **Announcements**

- a. OUSC Meetings are on Mondays at 4:00pm in the Oakland Room
- b. The next OUSC Meeting will be Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013

XIII. c. RICOH is fixed for good!  
**Adjournment:** 5:04pm