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Student Government of Loyola Chicago

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Senate Minutes



- I. Roll Call
 1. Call to order at 4:10 pm.
 2. Speaker Kelley: Takes roll.
- II. Visitors and Guest Speakers
 1. No visitors or guest speakers.
- III. Approval of the Minutes
 1. Minutes are approved.
- IV. Unfinished Business
 - A. Approval of recess appointments
 1. Speaker Kelley: We need to work on the approval of appointments made when senate was in recess—a few appointments were made over the summer. President Fasullo, can you please come up to talk about these appointees?
 2. Pres Fasullo: Good afternoon. Welcome to first senate meeting. It’s been a long couple days. I am here to ask for approval of appointments for unfilled positions that we appointed over the summer. Mary Kate Brueck was actually appointed in the spring, but was studying abroad in Rome. In addition, there was an executive Order for the engagement team but they are not present so that will occur next week. Another position that we need to discuss approval for is the Chief Financial Officer, Kathleen Meradith was appointed for this. Also, we will be working with Zoe and Dante in formulating roles. We need to implement the official photographer position. So for today, I am asking for approval for Mary Kate Brueck, Lillian Osbourne, Kathleen Meradith. Does anyone have any questions?
 3. Speaker Kelley: President Fasullo, would you like to speak about each candidate?
 - i. Pres Fasullo: Sure, so CFO, Kathleen used to serve as 2014 chair of the facilities and transportation committee. In the spring of 2014 she was also in SGLC that same year. She is already doing a magnificent job before approval. In addition, MaryKate, the appointee for attorney general, who would work with ethical complaints as well as closely with parliamentary order. She has been doing an awesome job already. Furthermore, our platform is working to introducing something new in order to engage Loyola students more with SGLC. From an executive standpoint in addition to university issues, students have yearn for more of a voice in these processes. We are hoping to partner with senate on student empowerment campaign. We believe demonstrating our furthering initiatives on political views so we can becoming stronger as a campus. If you have any questions about this, Lily and I can both answer them.

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4. Speaker Kelley: So we looking to approve: CFO, attorney general, and director of engagement. All 3 please come to the front.
 - i. Brueck: Hello, so I was a candidate appointed in the spring. I served as associate justice. I am interested in doing this position as a way to get back involved. My role would be a disciplinary figure when necessary, I would assist speaker in disciplinary matters.
 1. Sen Hall: So what is your desire to join SGLC?
 - i. Brueck: I really enjoyed being in it in high school. I think it's important to identity with other students and this is a great way to give us all a voice. I think it also bring problems forward. Also it allows for work to happen behind scenes but is speaking for student body as a whole but brings it to the surface.
 - ii. Osbourne: Hi I'm Lily, I've been engaged on campus with student activities during my time at Loyola--especially with social justice oriented ones. I think following the Jesuit heritage and being socially conscious is something that is great about student government. We are the voice of the student body in a centralized way. My hope for this year is to work on the existing disconnect between study government and the student body, I really want to engage more with the student body.
 - iii. Meradith: I'm Kathleen, I'm a senior studying polysci and international studies. I'm hoping to be approved for the position of CFO. I hope to fulfill the internal role working with chairs, allocating the budget, and ensuring it is given back to benefit the student body. As far as external initiatives-- ideas are still being formed. Lastly, I want to provoke conversation on financial issues like tuition and mac grants. Any questions?
5. Speaker Kelley: Motion to close the meeting.
 - i. Novak motions to close meeting, passed.
6. Meeting reopened.
 - i. Ghandi makes motion.

V. Committee and Board Reports

- a. Advisor Reports (Advisor Howes and Moore)
 - a. Advisor Howes: So this week, “the future belongs to those that believe in the beauty of their dreams” –Eleanor Roosevelt quote.
 - b. Advisor Moore: So I'm new and so I haven't met everyone. I was a co advisor 2 years ago, but a lot the faces in the room are unfamiliar. I'm Kimberley Moore, I'm the

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Assistant Dean of Students and I also work in the office of off campus student life. I've spent 11 years at Loyola. I am available whenever you need me, feel free to email me, stop by the Damen student center or to call. I want to assist with whatever I can, don't hesitate to ask. Also if you are wondering which one of us to address (me or Advisor Howes), we both are here to help accomplish goals as a unit and individuals. We both do have certain specialties though, I am familiar with policy. I'm also a good person to start with when it comes to policy development. I have the ability to help with crisis management. As dean, I am on call on rotation so if a colleague or friends is in need of resources I am here. I have experience with commuter resources, resommuter resources, demonstration policy and SGLC budgets.

c. Advisor Howes: I am able to help with leadership development as well as places easier to jump—currently such as online systems with elections process as well as support with retreats.

d. Advisor Moore: I unfortunately won't be at retreat, I will be at school in Milwaukee. I wish I could be there. It'll be a missed opportunity to meet everyone for me but I'll find opportunities to become familiar with you all. I may walk up to you in Damen, I would really love to get to know everyone. Does anyone have any questions before we move on to updates?

e. Advisor Moore: Updates to share—we plan on having weekly advisor reports which we will probably switch off doing. Some updates on the enrollment numbers for the first year class. 2200 new traditional (meaning not transfer) joined the Loyola family. 500 new transfer joined class. This is the 3rd largest class. The statistics show these numbers right on track: 67% Female, 32% Male, 59 % from the state of Illinois. There was an increase in the amount of international students. There are 770 first year students commuting. 4200 live in residence halls. A lot of undergrads live off campus or in neighborhood. Commuters often are forgotten. Are you guys aware of the 8 Ride change? I encourage to you all to tell your friends and to check the transportation website. The service has changed so it only picks up on campus on Cuneo, every 30 minutes. They will continue to pick up students off campus.

1. Sen Henry: Will the lobby in of Cuneo open longer past midnight with this new change?

i. Advisor Moore: Yes, it will.

2. Speaker Kelley: Do you have any recommendations to students that are very far away from Cuneo and do not feel comfortable walking all the way there to be picked up?

i. Advisor Moore: I'm actually not part of that specific team, I'm part of the communication team so I am not sure what was thought of for those situations. Blue lights always work, and I suggest buddying up. Also it does pick up at Pete's so if a

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residence hall is closer to an off campus place, use that because it will still pick up off campus. I can do some follow up work on that.

f. Also, how many of you live off campus? It's required to submit an off campus address by September 6th or students will get a hold on their account.

g. Advisor Moore: Furthermore, update on the strategic Plan watch- it was officially adopted carrying Loyola from now to 2020. Opportunities to share projects working on that are in line with that plan. There is a new president that will be sending out a message inviting folks to look at this plan. I encouraged people to familiarize and work in line with that plan.

h. Advisor Moore: Last update is on the demonstration policy- after year of inviting feedback and input from stakeholders and constituents it has been re drafted. New for students. Available on OSSCR and Dean of student's website. A lot of changes, questions or feedback or viewpoints and it reaches critical mass. President Fasullo and Sen Kelly, are you guys okay with setting aside time to talk about it? I'm closely connected can offer a lot of information. Questions?? Glad to be with you this year. Looking forward to knowing and working with you.

b. Executive Committee Report (Pres Fasullo)

a. I'm not sure where to begin, we've done a lot this summer. This is our first meeting. This year I would like to start a culture of being a team less top down. I think it's easy to fall on that when there is lots to do. There is 51 members, and I want to act as that. If I send an email to the whole group, I want feedback. I don't want any distinction between all of us, let's work together—we are all committed to same goal/cause. So, the executive team is really big this year: 13 member strong. I want to us to connect. There's going to be invites to potlucks, and hoping to start up a biweekly (2 times a month) book club. I know we are all busy so you won't have to read an entire book but hoping to make it a social event where someone picks an article and from that we can group together to discuss it and eat ice cream. This will not be mandatory. I want to be more communal this year. We will work better together if we want to work together.

b. In May- Approved university senate double the amount (19 for 5 positions) applied. University senate is made up faculty and staff. Lucas, Dom, Mariana sit in on these. Also 2 outside students, Samya and Alena.

c. Furthermore, Presidential search committee. Tight time frame. I did not feel right to self-appoint, so we opened it to student body. 8 applied, and I sent reasoning for the pick. I'm hoping to have an event Sep 23rd (will be in google calendar) serve as a creative brainstorm for what you want the next president to be—will be meeting in next week to go over. All of exec has been doing a lot of work. Sundahl put together a detailed proposal, aiming to implement solar thermal energy to heat water to use in dining hall. We are going to want feedback, add to

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it if necessary. We have been looking at demonstration policy. Released statement. Organizing students around that. Voicing our concerns. What could have gone better, etc. I was in the process. As SGLC, other students engaged long process. Concerns were heard. And I'm happy we were able to get to the point that we wanted as much as we could—there was a lot of negotiation. Ultimately happy with result but would love to continue moving forward, university can continue improving. Am I allowed to share about the cuts?

i. Advisor Moore: Yes

1. Pres Fasullo: University did not hit projected enrollment. 3rd largest class. Do budgeting based on projections. 2500 Students University works on projects that can be funded by 2500. But this year 2200 so university is not clear how they are going to make up for this gap. Certain departments may be asked to reduce budgets by 3%. Student development will be asked...Jane VP of student (SAF) maintain money but will stay attentive to that.

i. Advisor Moore: Program budgets are committed to not having to cut. Operational budgets are for the office.

d. Pres Fasullo: Also, Cookies with Jane Neufeld which is a way to have students engage with her. We had our first coffee and tea with P and VP.

1. Sen Henry: Any updates on the board of trustees?

i. Pres Fasullo: Process ongoing since April. Student conduct put forward had to be replaced. One student went abroad. Replacements were necessary. Halted the process in July, didn't know if rep could go to June meetings and need to appoint underclassmen. Reps had also graduated by June. We decided we need to reassess what we put forward. Last week we put forward all the student names, they were approved but had to put them on committees. Received notice it was approved. Need to get on email and send out email to those that are going through and those that are not.

2. Sen Henry: I have not received it, will everyone in senate or no?

a. Pres Fasullo: No, not everyone.

e. Pres Fasullo: Any comments? I've been at every Senate meeting for the past 3 years at 4 pm. I'm really committed to this, it's been a long ride. I want to have a great ride with each and every one of you. I make mistakes but here to solve and move forward. This is going to be a real communal effort.

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- f. VP Chavez: I'm really happy you guys decided to be a part of this. I want you all to take advantage of all the opportunities that arise with being in this position. I am always here to support and help you. I know sometimes there will be a lot going on so it can be overwhelming. Just remember, being a student always come first. I am always open to sit and talk if you guys need it. This year it's going to be an active community with executive and senate to create connection as a family. Hope you all are excited for the things coming up: the banquet, the potluck, and the retreat. Retreat is September 11-13th. Most of you have responded, but those that haven't please respond as soon as possible. I hope you all have a great first week of class.
- g. Pres Fasullo: Potluck details to come, but it's all very casual.
 - i. VP Chavez: The potluck is going to help create community outside of the governing walls. It will aid in building community with each other...very casual, not intense. We are very excited about it and would love for you all to be there. I also plan on sending out a google doc with a few columns including personal info—birthday fun fact etc. I want to get to know all of you and really build a family atmosphere.
- c. RCDC (Sen Dumbald)
 - a. Fall elections approaching. We had a great summer- 7 orientations. 324 names of potential new freshman members. 14.7% of the incoming class. 6% --30 over 5 orientations--transfer students. Additionally, drafted new application packet. Few candidate meetings coming up. Specifically tonight, all invited to meet potential freshmen candidates. Free pizza, SGLC office. Good opportunity to meet new potential members. Can stop by at all, greatly appreciated. Thanks for hard work. Election date September 8th and 9th. Encourage freshmen to get back and vote, September 7th is Labor Day. Really come back on that day and push hard.

(Chair Flowers) Also brief, change with dining hall location hours. Changes in hours at Denobli, Simpson, and Damen. Also, Metropolis is located in several locations. Thanks to all that helped with that, now Metropolis, Seattles Best, and Starbucks are all on campus. 3 of Aramark directors left Loyola due to various new opportunities.

1. Sen Fleisher- So Starbucks and metropolis are both present? Wasn't the idea when bringing metropolis to campus was to have one or the other?

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- i. Chair Flowers: We have both, it is what it is. We have contracts to have them and Seattle's Best. Our hands are no longer in this.
- d. Allocations (Chair Henry)
 - a. We lost our main advisor. Brian House. This position will be filled by Leslie Watlin head of DOP.
- e. Justice (Chair Winters)
 - a. The justice committee drafted mission's statement and will be meeting to talk about it. Students in and out of SGLC are welcome. It's next Wednesday 6-7 pm in the den. We will be posting on Facebook about it.
 - b. Month long privilege campaign, this will happen through October. Separate panel outside of SGLC to help give voice. Hopes of broaden horizons and get rid of view that student government only functions within ourselves. Any ideas, please come to justice committee.

VI. New Business and Discussion

A. Committee breakouts

B. Senate goals and priorities

a. Speaker Kelley: Secretary will take notes which will be included in the minutes about each committee sharing goals for the year. After any senators that have additional ideas are asked to share as well as any ideas on visitors you'd like to invite.

1. Justice Committee (Chair Winters)

i. For the whole year, we want to be more flexible with what the student body wants to talk about social justice issues wise. We want to focus on current events and have events that reflect these focuses.

ii. We also really would like to reach out to people outside of student government and make sure they have voice. We do not want SGLC to have an image of being closed off, we want to be open.

2. Allocations (Chair Henry)

i. Fully transparent. Hosting at open houses, spot cycle deadlines.

3. Academic Affairs (Chair Philbrick)

i. Interested in a collaboration with safety and wellness for stress management that may arise from academic troubles, relating to school such as activities piling up.

ii. Veterans affairs and examining finals schedule.

4. Facilities and Transportation (Chair Pazik)

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- i. Right now, getting up to speed. Clean construction legislation in the works. Hopefully working with sustainability, thermal things and what not. Still working on goals. Hope to meet you all.
5. Safety and Wellness (Chair Gandhi)
 - i. Among a bunch of priorities: communication with wellness center.
 - ii. Wanting to review the Good Samaritan—making sure it’s being followed through. Use good sum amnesty where should be used.
6. RCDC (Chair Flowers)
 - i. Aren’t working on 8th act, same people coming --same issues.
 - i. Wanting to work closer with res life. In past had little communication. Work with RA’s. Monthly meeting with them would be good since they have the closest contact with students living on campus. They see them regularly sometimes a daily basis or during monthly meetings. Through these conversations they probably learn about the concerns brought to them that are sometime not always brought to us.
 - ii. Partnering with communication with Loyola limited. One area of university haven’t worked in past. Can both benefit. Work some things out, in next few weeks.
7. Speaker Kelley: Anyone else have questions, volunteer issues to add, or suggest speakers?
 1. Sen Henry: Whoever was here is aware Constantine working on veteran students issue to me. 3 others in senate in that committee in terms of providing help towards them. UNIV credit given to them. Other additional, they do not still have communal space. Hoping to contact Anita occupation for ZIPS lounge, basement of Mertz potential location to target. Alumni relations building just built, next to Regis. Occupy something in that possibly. My aim to make this reality by Dec. Should I not be able looking to have 1 more person join.
 2. Sen Fleisher: This is internal, many aware at end of academic year there was pending approval of a charter—spans over 24 metropolitan area (1000 students). For us we will have reps on it. But also allows draw on other 23 collaborations in our bubble to learn and also accomplish what other schools have been able to. This will give us a chance to get to know these other schools. We can strengthen efforts through that.
 3. Sen Fleisher: Clarification on what Amie said—regarding safety and wellness and our goal with the Good Samaritan that exists at Loyola. We want to review it to ensure there is actual amnesty granted to student. Hesitance on this from students because of possible report to parents, also could be in student records. Northwestern just passed full amnesty which would take away this hesitation. We want to look further into this and what our policy covers
 4. Sen Shah: Thinking about maybe a brief discussion about class enrollment at Loyola. Waitlist or how classes fill up quickly. I spoke with an advisor who mentioned Loyola

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has a formula to determine how large classes can be. Maybe to have someone to speak about that.

5. Sen Henry: Would like to hear an update on engineering program from someone who can speak about it as a visitor.
6. Sen Shah: We should have someone come talk about 8 ride and changes. This is a big concern for all Loyola students more than SGLC. Also I can send email of engineering and transportation.
7. Sen Hall: Director of writing center. Expansions on campus to be talked about.
8. Sen Fleisher: A speaker from university senate. They work a lot with this body. Maybe someone could come in so we could know their plans and how they relate to SGLC. Understand how they see themselves, how they see their relationship with us. Clarification on legislation issues.
 - a. Speaker Kelley: We will talk about this-- advising senate with relationships/governance works at this University at retreat.

C. Announcements-

1. Speaker Kelley: We did not do introductions, but we will have opportunities in the future to get to know each other.
2. Sen Fleisher: CCU review ad hoc committee get together, meeting time after.
3. Sen Dumbald- Heads up on 10/2 there will be a blood drive. Great if you all show up to support whether you give blood or not.
4. VP Chavez: Reminder about the potluck, don't forget. Please come.
5. Sen Hall: Student org announcement-- Chicago end coalition for minority advancement meeting at 8 pm in Mundelein
6. Sen Henry: IFC, join fraternity open house info session Friday and Saturday.
7. Sen Hines: Melinda Bunnage back is working on student workers justice having picnic 9/4 communal potluck. Opportunity to meet Aramark workers, don't normally interact with them so look out for that.
8. Sen Novak: Reminder organization fair 3-6 tomorrow. Huge event. All clubs present.
9. Sen Shah: pre law Loyola mock trial. Info session. Cool organization.
10. AG Brueck: ethics bowl, similar debate style but not quite as formative. Ethical issues.
 1. Sen Fleisher: ethics ball vs bioethics what's the difference?
 - i. AG Brueck: Bioethics in spring, ethics fall. Both great.
11. Sen Pazik: If you like food, come to Loyola's farmer market on Monday. 3-6.
12. Sen Novak: Friday is hypnotist show. A lot of fun. Got hypnotized. Amusing night.
13. Sen Henry motion to close meeting.
 - a. Motions passes.

D. Meeting adjourned 5:54 pm.

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