

Senate Agenda

9/10/2008

I. Meeting Called to Order: 6:00 pm

II. Role: Excused Absence: Senator McKenzie (Proxy Kala Feist)

Senator Strever (Proxy Peter Curran)

Vice President Michaud

Unexcused Absence: Senator George

Senator Snyder

III. President Flores' Report

A. Elect a Chair Person: Look at the printout, on it is a copy out of the constitution. This is what the chair person does: The chairperson shall be elected from and by a plurality vote of those Student Senators present. This election shall occur at the first meeting of the Student Senate in the spring and fall. The Chairperson may be replaced at any time by the election of a new chairperson. The Chairperson shall preside over all meetings of the Student senate in accordance with the Coe College Student Government Constitution and the current version of Robert's Rules of Order. The Chairperson shall assist the Recording Secretary in organizing all agendas and meetings of the Student Senate. We are going to take nominations, we need a nomination and a second, then we will vote.

Senator Olson nominated Senator Schupbach

Senator Visser nominated Senator Caughren

Senator Snanigan: What are we calling last meeting then?

President Flores: This is the first meeting with a full Senate this week. We can have a re-elect every meeting if we wanted to.

Snanigan: Who is in charge of saying that we wanted a new chairperson?

Senator Visser: If we didn't have quorum last meeting..

Flores: We met quorum last meeting.

Vote:

Senator Schupbach: 6 votes

Senator Caughren: 17 votes

Abstain: 3 votes

Senator Caughren is the new Chairperson

B. College Accreditation committee meeting- This Monday the 15th, senators are invited to attend the College Accreditation Committee meeting. Lou Stark is going to send out a personal invitation to all the senators to come to the meeting. The meeting is in Lower Gage, Room C. It is an open forum about the college. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

C. Senator Expectations: Take copy with you and look at it. It is taken out of the Constitution. It was sent in an e-mail out to each of the Senators. We have Senator Hours that are held weekly

D. Parliamentary Procedure: If you have a question, raise your hand and Chairperson Caughren will call on you to speak.

E. Reverend Billy will be here next Tuesday the 16th. Faculty and staff will be talking to you about it in class. His speech is about the anti-corporatization of America. Whoever is on PR Committee will help advertise for Reverend Billy. There is an issue dinner for it as well. His speech will be at 8pm in Sinclair Auditorium.

III. Special Session

Johanna Schnell: This semester and next semester I will be on the V-Day Campaign. It is a new organization, you have seen it. It's from the group of women who put on the Vagina Monologues. It is more inclusive for the Coe campus. There will be auditions for men's and women's parts in October. We're looking for other people to help out on the side. Part of the V-Day campaign is to raise money. We have chosen Waypoint to help women who have been affected by the Cedar Rapids flood. An email will be sent ten days before auditions. We want everyone to try out.

Motion to Regular Session: Senator Schupbach; Senator Moore

IV. VP Michaud's Report

A. Big 10 Network- President Flores: The cable TV channel program that was decided last semester is going to be put in place. The contract will be signed by the end of October. There will be a meeting with Rich Doyle about the channels the school will be getting.

V. Treasurer Report

A. There are a couple spots open on Budget and Finance Committee if you are interested.

VI. Corresponding Secretary Report

- A. If you haven't emailed the Senate account yet about the committees, email them with your top 3 committees of choice. Committees include Budget and Finance, PR, Constitutional Review, and Living Environment.
- B. We need help with Reverend Billy PR. If anyone wants to help me cut these after Senate that would be great!

V. Chairperson's Report

VI. Recording Secretary Report

President Flores: As Senators we have the privilege to sit on Standing Committees of faculty. Some of them have open spots:

Executive Committee

Committee on Academic Policies

Committee on Admission/Financial Aid

Committee on Athletics

Computer Policies Committee

Committee on Diversity

Marquis Series Committee
Committee on Petitions
Wellness Committee
Writing Committee

Who is interested in being on:

Executive Committee: Senator Visser; Senator Snanigan

Academic Polices:

Admission and Financial Aid:

-Senator Olson: As being a Senior Senator; I have been able to sit on a lot of these committees, you get to sit in on these meetings and help make decisions.

-Senator Mascaro: What does this in tale?

-President Flores: It depends on the committee. Their meetings are different. E-mail the chair of the committee and they can tell you where and when they meet.

-Treasurer Lincoln: A few years ago, faculty tried eliminating one of these committees, so it is important to fill every single spot to show that we are engaged and do care.

-Senator Drier: It's not the lack of interest. We're not sure what they in tell, when they are. Maybe if it is possible to have Exec. Board to get together and get times of the meetings.

President Flores: The meeting times really vary. I'll definitely get a description of the committees and possibly a time for those meetings and e-mail it to you.

-Senator Narcelles: I'm interested in the diversity one.

-Senator Brady: Do we need to motion to do it next week or just going to do it?

VI. Special Committees

A. Sodexo Committee- The committee meets with Tom Wiesler to talk about what goes on in the café and the pub. It is a weekly meeting to discuss the food, and other aspects of the café. Is anyone interested in becoming the chair of the Sodexo Committee? They can set up their own meeting time.

-Senator Rietcheck is interested.

-President Flores: Is anybody interested in being on the committee?

-Senator Carder: I'll do it.

VII. Old Business

None

VIII. New Business

Senator Olson: I'll mention the weight room hours again. They now close an hour earlier than before. I think they should be open more on the weekends.

-Senator Haraway: Can we get the newspaper extended to additional papers or at least on the weekends.

President Flores: I have been working on that a lot with the readership program. I talked in May with Delane about it. There is not enough demand on campus to have the weekend paper. We could have another meeting to discuss it.

IX. Open Forum

-Senator Reuber: Sac is having their 1st meeting and are inviting everyone to come, it is at 8:00pm tonight.

-Senator Jared: It's at 8:30pm.

-Senator Reuber: There is also a show on the Pub Patio tomorrow night.

-President Flores: Open Forum is used for advertisements for what is going on.

-Senator Visser: I will be Teeter Tottering for next 2 hours on the quad. Join me. Also, they are trying to change the image of Greene and so its not disgusting and not a party place. If they want to get rid of partying in Greene, they should get an alternative place for students to go. Just something to think about.

-Senator Jared: Tonight at 9:30pm in the Pub, John Rush will be there. He plays over 600 songs. You ask, he'll play. He is called the "Human I-pod." Also Dystrophy is from Iowa City, they're coming tomorrow at 7:00. If it rains it will be inside the pub.

-Senator Moore: Saturday morning, cross country has a meet at Grinnell. The guys have a good team this year.

Treasurer Lincoln: If you're not registered to vote yet, there is a place down stairs now to get registered. We'll have a voting booth on campus this year.

-Senator Jared: When are you going to let students know who the big band is?

President Flores: We are still working on big band. We have had a lot of difficulties booking the big band.

Tom Hicks: The biggest obstacle is that Sinclair and Dows have very limited availability. It is very hard to book a big band when there is only one place. The back up place is in the 'U' in October. We would love to do it outside but we need a rain location.

-Senator Graves: If you're out of state, can you still register to vote here?

-Treasurer Lincoln: Yes, Coe can be considered your permanent address.

-Senator Mascaro: Is there anywhere to find TV channel listings?

-President Flores: We found a channel line up in the Senate office the other day.

-Senator Berkowitz: The annual playground for science is coming up. Elementary schools come in. It will be Octpber 30th this year. We are going to need a lot of volunteers. Contact me or Amy marhart.

-Senator Brady: Or you can contact Megan Felton and me for bio.

-Senator Mascaro: Is there anyway we could find a listing for home events?

-Senator Rietcheck: On the Coe website you can go to the calendar, it will bring up the Alumni calendar but you can change it to other listings.

-Secretary Hillsman: Or if you go to coe.edu, there is a scroll with the upcoming events for each week.

-Senator Brady: Motion to adjourn

-Senator Moore: Second.

X. Adjourn at 6:43 pm

Tara Buchheit
Recording Secretary

Jay Caughren
Chair Person