



ASSEMBLY MEETING AGENDA

October 31, 2012

- I. Call to Order
- II. Speaker: No Speaker This Week
- III. Approval of Minutes: 10/3/12 and 10/17/12
 Evelyn motioned to approve
- IV. Executive Officers' Reports
 - a. Wanika Fisher – President
 - At-Large Delegate – Evelyn moved to approve Marika as an At Large delegate.
 - Nicole – Liberal arts and Nikki – Education. Great funds Nicole raised in the GSA Charity date auction.
 - Student governments policy initiatives – we talked about during the luncheon. Also students will advocate for Penn state policy initiatives for sports program.
 - All students list serv – very excited – have breakfast with Damon on Saturday and discuss about that. Graduate presidents roundtable was great. Lots of criticism. All presidents wanted to know more about it, awareness was a main feedback. Internal development, Brad can assist with funding. Handed lot of GSA material and wrote a welcome message. Materials about what we do. Another update waiting for official logo next week.
 - Honor code – a huge thing at the University right now – not comprehensive for Penn State. Who we are. Statements that replace the Penn State principles is what they are working on. Wanika's recommendation is Brian, faculty senate to volunteer for being in the Honor code commission committee, also those interested can email Wanika.
 - David – Is making one more honor code really helping?
 - Wanika – they wanted something to be a new general Penn State culture. Something like an overall Penn State thing.
 - GSA Video commission – Robbie is going to Chair it. Something we want to do for next year is make a video and post it on the website for orientation time.
 - David – Is there a group that is hired for making videos?
 - Wanika – we can use media print services to help us make professional videos.
 - Alumni Council – serving on legislative education and advocacy committee.
 - Capital day tentative date: April 9th 2013
 - David – you also get to meet legislatives in Harrisburg
 - Wanika, Ben and Courtney had a meeting about transparency and student perspectives of what's going on at Penn State. Said great things as well as critical things about Penn State.



- Blue & White Vision Council – main areas of focus include leadership, strategic challenges and opportunities facing Penn State in the next 5-10 years.
 - PSU-MSU blood drive, Voting in Pennsylvania – Please circulate among your departments.
 - Office items – Polos
- b. Robbie Fraleigh- Executive Vice President
- How do you proxy votes (have to be emailed to Bhargavi or Robbie who is going to be a proxy the day we are going to have a resolution) – this is what bylaws states.
 - Proxy can choose whichever way to vote.
 - If no one can show up, you have to be present at the meeting.
- Brandon – are there two delegates for each college?
Wanika – No. At Large delegates can be anyone.
- Christine will receive the emails/blurbs
- c. Dave Rench – Vice President of External Affairs
- Free report advisory council – meeting purpose is to review recommendations from Free report to decide on actions.
- Employee status – no good answer. One thing that came up about TAs that are minors – its not clear how they'll deal with that.
- HUB Advisory board – minutes posted online
 - 2 undergraduates and 1 graduate Delegates
 - renovations happening – student org offices on 2nd floor (deciding who should move 3rd floor to 2nd floor and 2nd floor to 1st floor)
 - Open student form – on every hub board.
 - Student leader scholarship due on Friday. Please apply.
- d. Bhargavi Panchangam- Secretary
- No report
- e. Brad Sottile- Treasurer
- No report
- V. UPUA
- Working on re-assesing the drive policy. Against the current policy (no alcohol).
- VI. UPAC
- VII. Standing Committee Reports
- a. Community Service – Cherelle Douglas
- PSU-MSU blood drive challenge – GSA is a huge sponsorer. Right now Michigan State is ahead of us, and they are over 140 times blood more than we do, so please let us know. You get a t-shirt and pizza and coupon pass if you donate.



Please register at PSU@redcross.org if you want to donate.

- The second project we are doing is , as a result of hurricane Sandy, lot of people are in need of food as well as clothing. PSU Bar association is starting donations at Law School tomorrow.

1. THON –Nicole Breedon

Envelope – really simple main source. Due next week. If anyone knows any family who would want to donate, please email 5-10 addresses to gsa.ftk@gmail.com .

ncb1030@gmail.com - Nikkis email id.

- Look for bags for recycling.

b. Internal Development – Brad Sottile and Doug Whalen

Doug – waiting for legislation.

c. Human Diversity – Ashwini Tiwari

Yihan – Latin American Film series starting tomorrow. Its at Forest resources building at 7pm.

Wanika – proud of Human Diversity committee, what they are doing. They meet every week in the GSA office.

d. Professional Development – Bill Dusch and Melisa Ziegler

Bill – Haven't met in past two weeks. Doing the co-sponsorship for DiscoverU by GWIS. Genius meets Imagination. They need volunteers to help them around. November 8th 10am. You get free food and free t-shirt.

e. Programming – Antwain Hunter and Stephanie Wilson

Stephanie – Halloween party starts at 8pm on Saturday. RSVP.

Charity GALA – American Cancer Society. Please think about families for tickets - A suggested donation of \$15. Food is worthwhile.

Wanika – Is there going to be an after party? If not what are you doing?

Cash only system. Cheques as well written to GSA.

f. Publicity – Christine Sylvester and Elise Stevens

Comments on websites needed. Assembly > Committes on the GSA webpage.

Wanika – How is our twitter doing?

Christine – I would love to learn since I am very bad at it.

VIII. Judiciary Report – David Simpson

No report.

IX. Reports from Liaisons

a. Faculty Senate – Brian Aynardi

b. Other Liaison Reports

Brandon – Need people to use strategy service. See if they can make use of the strategy service. The total idea is there is money. They need a way to use it. If they don't, next year they are not going to get.



Tom – if you could get them to send us an email blurb about it.

Brandon – Civil legal services in center county. Started last year as a branch in Bellefonte. Apply for this grant to expand their legal services.

Wanika – I would recommend you contact International student council / IGSA would be really helpful.

- Penn State university borough of state college called Mass?? For state college – ideas to make state college to make more beautiful and accessible. Ideas include safer bike trails, etc. Supposed to go to the first meeting on Monday. Bbm219@psu.edu
- White course apt friend informed that non student married couples do not get access to certain resources like cannot pick mail, etc. GSA is working on all spouses get one. You need to go to HUB to get an affiliate ID as a spouse.

Wanika – Anyone who is not on the contact list for GSA should email

gsaofficemanager@gmail.com

Dave – Liaison report

Mary Stansfield– Global programs committee sent an email - General Committee meeting discussed issues about study abroad programs, cross semester. Things they are working on is making it centralized. Implementation about a travel registry system include liability and safety.

Mns152@psu.edu

X. Delegate Reports

XI. Open Forum

Evelyn – Movin on concert is on April 26th. Tables around to sign up for survey on campus.

XII. Adjourn