

# Senate Minutes

February 2nd, 2015

## Opening

Call to Order: Vice President Cleary

Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call and Establish Quorum: Secretary Wildgen

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Senator Ballard: I move to approve the minutes as submitted.

(Seconded)

Approved

## Communications:

1. Guest Speaker: Dr. Eifler: I am here to try and giveaway some free money. I know that we're pretty much paperless on campus so I think I have one of these per table. I am Dr. Karen Eifler. I am a professor in the school of education and I also am a co-director of the Garaventa Center for Catholic Intellectual Life and American Culture. A lot of students don't know about the Garaventa Center unless you've gone to one of our events to get extra credit from your theology class. There are two I want to leave with Senate today. One is that it tries to provide programming for thinking outside the theology box. To be Catholic is to have an imagination are so we try and show that faith, reason and imagination are all interesting ways to explore problems in the world. Our favorite thing to do is to collaborate with people across campus. There is only one school that we haven't done anything with yet and that's the school of nursing, which we are rectifying on Valentine's Day. What I want to talk with you about today is something called the Student Leadership Development Grant. This is something to write down and share with whomever you have influence with – our website: [wordpress.up.edu/garaventa](http://wordpress.up.edu/garaventa). Right in the nav-bar at the top we call it the "Student Leadership RFP". RFP stands for request for proposals. What this is - we came into \$50,000 that a donor wanted us to spend on students. But they wanted students have the final word. They also wanted to promote leadership. Working together with the leadership initiative and Fr. Poorman's office we put together this grant program. The idea is that any student or group that has an idea, but not the money to fund the idea, that could contribute anything to the humongous umbrella that is the Catholic intellectual tradition, we would like to help you find that. Two things come out of that. One is programs designed by students and for students because it is presumably what those students are interested in and they have groups of colleagues or friends who are also interested in that. That's good. Even if it's amazing it evaporates like dry ice at room temperature because the event is over no matter how great the memories are. The other thing that students get out of the leadership development grant is the ability to write a fundable grant. I'm in education. I teach teachers. One of the things I hear from principles all the time is that you need to give us teachers who know how to write grants. We are in an era of shrinking resources and need an entrepreneurial spirit. There is never going to be enough money or time to go around. We can't make more time but we can provide money. These are modest amounts of money, anywhere from \$100 to a couple of thousand. They are open to any student, groups or clubs. I will not let a student with a good idea write a non-fundable grant. If you have an idea but you're not quite sure how to go about writing a grant I will not let you leave the office until you have a fundable proposal. People suggested that I go directly to student leadership. We have had three funded grants for the past year. One was for the voice to life group on campus because wanted to do something different.

They brought together someone who was pro-choice and someone who was pro-life. They didn't want it to be the normal debate about right to life and right to choice issues. They wanted to know how to have productive dialogue with people that you could absolutely despise no matter what side of the question you're on. Over the summer a couple of them came across a pair of folks that had done exactly that – a voice for life professional and a voice for choice professional. They formed a friendship and sort of put that together to come up with strategies for people to move forward in debates that really matter. That was very well attended and what I loved about the project is that we had Voice for Life, Feminist Discussion Group, the Gay Straight Partnership, members of the theater department and people that don't want to be put in a box all be part of that. That was developing student leadership and capacity for doing more with less. The German Culture Club is working on a proposal right now on bringing in a White Rose Exhibit. White Rose was the student movement during the Nazi reign of terror. They didn't have the money to put it on so they put together a proposal. It turns out that they need \$100 to pay for everything. They didn't want to get it out of pockets and why should they when there's a bucket of money. I've had someone approach me about a priest that does something with puppets. I want to know more because I'm not just going to write a check for that, but show us how that fits into something and I would love to fund it. Last years a student took the movie "Tree of Life" and put together a fantastic program that tapped in political science, languages, theology, philosophy, history and his own faith community which happens not to be at University of Portland. He got 200 people on a spring Saturday afternoon for 5 hours. That was a phenomenal success in my mind because from start to finish it was stewarded by this student with guidance from members of the Garaventa Center. We help with the writing of the proposal and once the idea is funded we help with the logistics of putting on the event. In this room you know a lot about putting on events and working with logistical things. They aren't natural skills. We Work these students about how to put on these events themselves which turns out to be a very marketable skill to include on resumes. I'm going to stop and see what questions that you might have. I will also leave you with a URL to follow up.

- a. Senator Montoya: Do you thing the program students will propose will be ones that they work with academic departments?
  - b. Dr.Eifler: Some of them might be, but not always. Sometimes they are more entertainment driven, sometimes they are edutainment. All of us are smarter than one of us so we really encourage any natural partnering. I have some education students found a speaker they really want, but they can't afford that so they are partnering with some of their teachers. It's going to by a hybrid event with University of Portland, schools outside and this person coming from the outside with curriculum. So that's one possibility but it's not exhaustive. Anything else? On the paper that I passed out, there are dates on that. That only refers to if someone would look at that in August. We have the money for a couple of years. We would have to work really fast to get things done for this semester. I am open to doing things over the summer. I also want to plant this seed in your mind for next year. The deadlines are rolling deadlines. We will keep giving out money as long as there are fundable proposals and as long as there is a fund. That's where you can download application. Thank you for your time.
2. Visitor's Open Forum
    - a. Caitlin Varquez. Hi guys, I am Caitlin Varquez. I am a sophomore and I am petitioning for the role of the CAS senator.
  3. Open Senate Positions: 1 Non-traditional, 1 CAS, 1 Engineering, 1 Junior, 1 Off-Campus

#### **Reports:**

1. Executive Board: ASUP President Muwulya: I hope you all had great weekends. In our last meeting, Senator Bosomworth did point out that we still haven't seen that off-campus website that Res Life has been promising for a while. I did have a meeting with Chris Haug, the director of Res Life. They have all the information ready but they are waiting on IT to launch the new website software. Right now we're using Sherpa. There is no

timeline. I will try as much as possible to follow up. The other point I want to bring up is about our ASUP Services. We are going to be doing an assessment. I met with three out of four directors. They did have unique recommendations and what kind of progress they can make this coming semester and years from now. One of the things they will be working on is a survey to send out to their clients to get more data. I will compile that data into a report that I will present to senate. The other thing is that within PAL the director position is open. Garrett is an interim director. Applications are open. Anyone can apply. We will be starting the interview process tomorrow. If you know people that would be interested please let them know. Earlier today I talked to the IT department. They understand that there is poor cell phone coverage on campus. One thing that they brought up is that the new rec center is rising. Mostly the coverage is affected by Schoenfeldt and Fields. They are looking into what they can work on. Some projects they are working on right now to boost coverage is to put a macro-cell on top of Mehling. That will help with Verizon. They are also working on a distributed antenna system that will help with AT&T and T-Mobile. They are working on several applications that they hope to launch later this semester. They will send them our way before launching to the general public. Our feedback on the applications is imperative. VP Cleary and I will be working to bring in people from IT.

2. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Robinson: Hello everyone. So about 5% of the budget has been spent. Out of the clubs there has been about 3%. There are reimbursement forms piling up. Now to the actual exciting part – Dance of the Decades. Can I get an estimate on how much revenue that brought in? Anyone? So out of the cash we counted on Friday there was \$8,472. Plus we are expecting \$3,000 from athletics. That's the highest revenue I believe dances have seen. Onto reallocations. So Women's Lacrosse has \$600 for referee fees but since referees are billed to their league dues, they moved that all into their league dues line item. UP Women's Ultimate Frisbee Club had a number of line items under their Trouble in Corvegas and PLU BBQ Tournament. They decide to move \$75 from their hotel line item for the Corvegas tournament and \$100 from hotel line item in PLU to their tournament fee in the Corvegas Tournament to help ease the reimbursement process. The Vietnamese Student Association was planning on doing a Tet Event, which is a lunar New Year celebration. They had \$75 budgeted for that but they decide to attend PSU's celebration. They moved \$75 to food for meetings. We also have a reallocation under new business today for French Club. Your very own Senator Ballard will be presenting that.
3. Campus Program Board: Director Berger: Hi everyone. Like Jessie said, super exciting that we earned a lot of revenue. Just some exciting news to add to your calendars. On March 21<sup>st</sup> we will be announcing the Rock the Bluff artist with a midnight release party with Pilots After Dark. Let your constituents know that the good news is coming. We're really excited. Make sure your constituents know. We will have lots of promos to give away. You will learn more in the coming weeks. This Friday and Saturday we will be showing the Hunger Games Mockingjay in BC Aud at 9 pm. Back by popular demand, movies will be on Fridays and Saturdays. Make sure your constituents know. We decided this based on survey results so the people spoke and we listened. I have free concession coupons only redeemable this weekend for all of the senators. Like always, we'll have free popcorn. You're welcome. Make sure everyone knows its Friday and Saturday. We've done a good job advertising it with ADvanatge ads, even though the TVs are broken. Tell people in the dorms. And then another quick thing is that we went ahead and changed the date for Cosmic Tubing so we weren't in conflict with the BYU game. We chose Thursday February 19<sup>th</sup>. It's because that's the only time you can rent the mountain, you can only rent it on a weekday. Thursday seems to be the best night of the week for programming. Cosmic tubing should be pretty fun. For \$10 you get your tubing ticket, transportation and food at the lodge. We will be taking different games on the busses for different prizes and we will provide snacks on the bus because we don't need anyone hangry. I'm going to pull up what cosmic tubing is (plays video). If you have any questions, please let me know during open forum. \$10 is a really good deal. If you were

- to go on your own it would be between \$25-\$35 just to go cosmic tubing, not counting transportation. The food voucher is worth \$10 too so you are getting a \$35 deal for \$10.
4. Elections: Secretary Wildgen: So applications are all ready for elections. If you want an application, email Matt Baer. His email is [baer15@up.edu](mailto:baer15@up.edu). That's for both e-board and elections committee applications. They are live today. For elections committee they will be due February 20<sup>th</sup> and for e-board the deadline is February 27<sup>th</sup>, so make sure to get started on those applications. They launch party for the website will be next week, February 11<sup>th</sup> during Espresso UP. I think the time will be 6:30-8:30. We will have signups for cake serving, for all senators to enjoy. You should all sign up for one at least. You should all be there because it will be really fun. The launch party committee came up with some pretty cool ideas which I will reveal next week. Let me know if you want to get involved anymore on that. For any questions on elections, send them over to Matt Baer.
  5. Senate Standing Committees:
    - a. Infrastructure: Senator Richards: I have a little health presentation that I can do. Academics we are still setting up meeting times with the deans regarding mid-evaluations. I believe the nursing school has already started.
      - i. Senator Ng: While we're waiting for Chelsea. The Fed-Ex boxes not being accepted at the mail center. They do accept the boxes.
      - ii. Senator Richards: This is a summary of the meeting that Julius and I attended with Dr. Meyers. This is covering how we can help him. He along with his colleagues are going to be making short films to put on social media to talk about a lot of these topics. He wants us to share them on social media. Regarding nutrition, he wants to collaborate with Bon App. I think they have already started. He wants fruits towards the front. He also had an idea that if a student wanted chicken and small salad to reduce the price of the salad and then go to the grill to get the chicken. He knows that there are logistical problems. He wants to collaborate and figure out a way to keep students healthy. As well as educating students on how to best use their meal points. For example a lot of students save them for the end because they're worrying about starving. Then at the end they have a lot of points at the end to just give away to people. Regarding resolutions with Bon App to commit to eat healthier. Regarding Green Dot he was talking about how every clique has an alpha. He wants more leaders to support Green Dot and spread the word. He also wanted ASUP to look up how University of Colorado dealt with the legalization of marijuana. And then Rec Services. Regarding the future he wants us to relay how they need more funding for students as well as coaches to teach classes throughout the day, morning to evening, to get more options. Also for rec center for senators of the halls to get groups to go exercise together. Also, funding for them, what they need is a nurse practitioner, triage RNs, psych nurses, and expand current exam rooms. I will say that with the Mail Center moving to HagTy he said that the thought is to to move Career Services to BC and counseling for the Health Center into career services. Then they could expand basic medical exam rooms on the first floor of Orrico Hall.
    - b. Community Relations: Senator Montoya: A couple concerning reports. There was someone with a weapon in the neighborhood. The way that Portland Police deals with local neighborhood concerns is have an Office of Neighborhood Involvement. It's a little more isolated than other cities. I put in a call to their office. I will let you know when they tell me what to do.
    - c. Club Recognition: Senator van den Berg: We met last Friday for a snappy meeting. We decided to recommend both Men's Club Rowing and SEDS for approval. It's really long and really cool. I will be writing proposals this week. We won't meet this Friday because we don't have any clubs to review. That's exciting
    - d. Campus Affairs: Senator Miller: Today I had my meeting with Chris Haug. A couple new things to report, they just hired a new director of housing, Sarah

Meese and she will be starting February 23<sup>rd</sup>. They also have new software for room assignments that they will be using to place freshman into rooms after they go through the other process with us. Also they will be closed on 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> because they will be moving to Tyson Hall. Additionally you can also next year choose to live in an extended double and receive a price reduction. It has never been an option before. Again, because the off-campus website was assigned to me, I also talked to Chris Haug about it and they are waiting for IT. Also the updated pictures have been taken and they will put them up with the new website software.

- e. Campus Security and Maintenance: Senator Ballard: Senator Bosomworth and I met with Physical Plant last week. The cigarette litter, they are going to keep cleaning it up, but we also need to keep enforcing the idea of the smoking benches. Also, with the increase break-ins, they said to make sure to lock up your cars and do not keep all valuables in your cars. We would like it if it didn't happen, but they have been happening. So really be careful about what you're doing. Then with the library doors need cleaning, they are aware of that. With most of the new buildings on campus being made of glass they are working on re-figuring that out and putting it into the budget. This is more infrastructure, but Michele asked me to go over this with you guys. Did anyone see how they came out with an updated password system over break? Have anyone of you done that? Go to go.up.edu, which is actually kind of handy. Basically I will show how you can update this. You can go ahead and reset your security password to something you will actually remember. There is a little cloud guy. Click on that and go to options. Sign in again under security. Then it will bring up and you can put in an alternate email, phone number, and two security questions and answers. Every 145 days you need to reset your password, you will know the question. That's my report.
  - f. Diversity: Senator Rojo: So last week a former senator complimented diversity. She said that she definitely felt like we cared. So kudos to everyone. Thank you all. The talk tonight by the Muslim scholar is going to be in Shiley 301, not Mago Hunt. He is great. Senator Montoya, Secretary Wildgen and I had the pleasure of hearing him earlier today. There is a group on Friday from 2-3pm and it's about police brutality of people of color. The Diversity Committee meeting times are Thursday 4:10-5:10 and then Friday 2:30-3:30.
  - g. Service and Leadership: Senator Delucchi: We didn't meet this week. I got a great email from Treasurer Robinson on possible ideas on Day of Service. We are going to hammer out what we are going to do next week at our meeting. If you want to, you should come join our meeting.
6. University Committees
7. Constituency Reports
- a. Senator Jennifer Chipman: I have a couple. The first one is that people want a Milkshake Monday or Smoothie Sunday where the paninis are on the weekday. Also, people want a daily fruit bar all day. And students want more lunch options served till 3pm because of class conflicts. Then the last one was for another ATM in P-Safe or the Anchor for students on the other side of campus.
  - b. Senator Crabtree: I have a couple from over the weekend. I guess that the furniture in the commons has changed and a student didn't like it. Maybe we could integrate senate into the freshman workshops. If we teach people about it in freshman workshop then people could be more involved. A lot of complaints about how early the construction on the Rec Center has been starting. There are reports of it starting as early as 6:45 in the morning. It disturbs the sleep of HagTy residents and that's not good. Also there is too much soda on campus. Students would like healthier options. Also if the Commons could have a calorie guide for their meals.
  - c. Senator Onslow: I had a couple students suggest that RAs with cars should get free parking passes.

- d. Senator Laanui: The Commons got rid of the jelly in the morning for toast. Also that the Commons frequently runs out of bananas.
- e. Senator Bosomworth: I heard that there was broken glass at the front entrance of campus, both on the sidewalk and in the road. Another report came in that P-Safe ticketed a student's car in the neighborhood.
- f. Senator Ballard: Just wanted to bring forth that there have been a lot of students excited about the webprint. Thanks to Senator Ng for pointing that out.

## Old Business

## New Business

1. Senate Petitioner: Secretary Wildgen: So the copier was on the fritz today so I'm going to read through her application a little bit. Why she wants to become an ASUP Senator – she loves being a part of an organization that supports community and acceptance. She also enjoys being a leader and connecting with others and letting people feel that they are valued. She is a part of Feminist Discussion Group, FASA, Hawaii Club, AKPsi, Pre-Med Club, French Club, Biology Club and Alpha Lambda Delta. Some of her goals are to foster more community between majors in CAS; foster more connection between faculty, staff and students; and also making sure that diverse opinion are heard and seen. If elected to reach her constituency, she loves meeting new people all the time and to reach out to more people she will remain active on campus and on social media as well as encouraging people to attend her office hours.
  - a. Caitlin Varquez: One of the reasons I would like to be a part of senate is that I already know a lot of you guys and I would love to meet you all and work with you. I love to give back to campus and the university. I love leading with everyone here and making a difference in students' lives.
    - i. Senator van den Berg: You were a workshop leader correct?
    - ii. Caitlin Varquez: Yes.
    - iii. Senator van den Berg: Would that be a reason you didn't come last semester and do senate?
    - iv. Caitlin Varquez: Yes.
    - v. Senator Miller: I move to close the meeting.
    - vi. Vice President Cleary: We can just close the meeting. Straw poll: are senators interested in closing the meeting? The meeting is now closed.
    - vii. Senator Delucchi: I move to approve the applicant. (Seconded)
      1. Approved
2. French Club Reallocation: London Ballard: Well good to meet you all for the first time. We had \$50 to chocolate bells. In France, the way they celebrate Easter is give chocolate bells to people. We originally had \$75 to a bocce ball type tournament food. We were asked by the International Languages and Culture (ILC) to participate in Carnival this year. We figured that this would be a better use of our funds. So we decided to move \$50 from the bells \$25 from the tournament food to \$75 total for Carnival, which leaves \$50 for food for the tournament.
  - a. Senator Miller: I move to approve this reallocation as submitted. (Seconded)
    - i. Argument For: This is going to be a great use of funds. It's going to benefit the entire university community and not just the club. I think we should approve it.
    - ii. Approved

## Open Forum

1. Vice President Cleary: Quick reminder, we will be having the MPF Brainstorm following the adjournment of this meeting. Please stick around. We are working on getting some ideas for legislation on that quickly.

2. Senator Miller: First I have a question for Director Berger. You said midnight on the 21<sup>st</sup>, is that Friday night or Saturday?
3. Director Berger: It's taking place at Pilots After Dark on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>, which will mark the morning of Sunday.
4. Secretary Miller: Additionally Pilot Express has a Facebook page for people to keep updated on. I invited a number of you to like it. It went from 11 likes to 50 likes in one day. Post it everywhere please so we can get lots of likes. I am looking to phase out email list and phase in the Facebook page.
5. Senator Bosomworth: In regards to the Off-Campus website page, it's been two years waiting for this. At this point that's a load of crap and I take that as a slap in the face every time they say that. It's unacceptable at this point.
6. Senator Ballard: Going back to my report, I'll be sending you all a guide as to how to change your password. There will also be a link to the service page that IT has. They have a lot of interesting articles and I've read them all. They tell you have to do everything.
7. Senator Onslow: What time the Mockingjay movies play?
8. Director Berger: 9 PM like always. Both times.
9. Senator Onslow: When are they going to start selling the cosmic tubing tickets?
10. Director Berger: They will begin sign-ups February 10<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>. You can get those in student activities. Let your constituents know that there is limited space available. CPB does have a record of selling out.
11. Senator Rojo: This Wednesday, Thursday, Friday they will be selling Border Immersion Bowls in the Commons and at Espresso UP. I am selling cookie dough for Border Immersion and there are great flavors. So come see me after the meeting or Wednesday night. It is \$6 for a pound of cookie dough. Also, I miss having a printed copy of the agenda. I am a visual person.
12. Senator Osman: What is a Border Immersion Bowl?
13. Senator Rojo: One of the ceramics professors made bowls and it says Border Life Matters.

## **Adjournment**

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