



# President's Session – November 11, 2016

Meeting Location: *Worthington Scranton Business Building*

Minute Taker: *Stacy Weikel, [siw5332@psu.edu](mailto:siw5332@psu.edu)*

*Friday, November 11, 2016*

*Call to Order: 7:04 pm*

## **I. Roll Call:**

- Shawn – Missing: Altoona, Berhend, DuBois

## **II. Old Business:**

- N/A

## **III. New Business:**

- Pavel
  - i. Rachel to talk briefly about AA, SA, and GA
    - 1. AA – Esteem / Online Syllabi / First-Year Well Being / Transition of Campus Programs
    - 2. SA- Police Services
    - 3. GA- Legislative Outreach / Community Cooperation
  - ii. Talk about Student Fee – to talk about the proposed-Campus Fee Board
    - 1. Talk about positions and how to be involved with the process, resources to use for Liaisons in SA to hear
  - iii. Ad Hocs
    - 1. Invent Penn State
      - a. Proposal sent through email
        - i. Looking for people to participate in / interest for this event
        - ii. For April Council
        - iii. To unite campus students, in SGA and outside of SGA
          - 1. Innovation, etc.
    - 2. Diversity & Inclusion
      - a. Diversity Summit
        - i. Planning for February Council
          - 1. Bringing multi-cultural students / groups to UP
          - 2. Will talk about tomorrow morning too
          - 3. Looking for feedback / input
    - 3. Adult Student Engagement
      - a. Heavy population for adult learners at campuses
      - b. Brad from Worthington Scranton will be leading the discussions
    - 4. Transitional Leadership

- a. Lack of student engagement for transition students that were at another campus prior
  - b. To help students who transition to stay in engaged
- iv. Townhall with Trustees
  - 1. Diversity & Inclusion within their lives and careers
  - 2. With UPUA & GPSA
  - 3. Looking to brainstorm questions / url to watch / contact info to send in questions while watching from live stream
    - a. Will have questions prepared prior to the event
  - 4. What would we like to hear from them about Diversity & Inclusion from them?
    - a. Abington – How is the university planning to make a “safe-space” post elections?
      - i. Berks- President Barron sent an email to go to CAPS. Berks had a meeting to discuss a safe-zone about. But it’s ultimately a campus-by-campus decision.
      - ii. Anne – Always a push for diversity at the university, maybe question that within the All In campaign?
    - b. Pavel – What is the course of the All In campaign? What and where are our efforts geared towards?
      - i. How are the campuses?
        - 1. Abington – Small townhall discussion groups, diversity
        - 2. Harrisburg – “How to Cope with elections” – held this past Wednesday; some group held a peaceful-protest—not a lot of commotion
        - 3. Schulykill – Tuesday night had a “watch the polls party,” student want to hold a discussion about it, next week
        - 4. Wilkes-Barre – election poll party too, not too many issues, if any
        - 5. Shenago - Had a pancake event, good turn out, not many are upset
      - ii. There have been several panels to discuss the results. All seemed to be good.
    - c. Hazleton - How to include the community more; programs to create a more of a community atmosphere
      - i. Schulykill – same issue too; issues with community accepting our students
    - d. Hazleton – Security on our campuses;
      - i. Berks – campus security does safety training for threats during the summer, look for funding through university park

- e. Pavel – met with new police chief of all university police services; calling on a centralization effort (trained, well equipped, etc. based on campus size, etc.) – there is a video about how to deal with these issues; they don't do “rounds” all the time—haven't seen many university police, hiring is an issue too
  - f. Brian – they want to hear about hear about this information; how can the trustees help advocate about our needs
- v. Chancellor Panel
- 1. Brainstorming questions
    - a. Pavel – questions / issues / interest – from polycom
      - i. Roles of SGA's at a campus / facilitate student engagement
      - ii. Fayette – student health insurance – question geared towards how chancellors are handling this insurance per campus
      - iii. Shenango – How to get faculty involved on campus. We are having a student tailgate – looking to do on for staff later in the spring
      - iv. Berks – 2 multi-cultural groups that have expressed concern about diversity within our staff; lack of some cultural aspects
        - 1. University is trying to tackle these types of issues,
      - v. Have the chancellors explain their campus and favorite part of their campus
      - vi. Anne – diversity movement and inclusiveness – how we can be more together as campuses
    - 2. Will finalize in the morning / President Session
    - 3. Christina – LV – LV SGA is hosting a ball \$15 – she has more information on November 18<sup>th</sup>
  - Ann-Queen and Shawn
    - i. Be together during the post election
    - ii. Keep the accepting part as a student leader
    - iii. CRC meeting – meeting after the committees this evening – Council Room

*Adjournment: 7:53 pm*



# President's Session – November 12, 2016

Meeting Location: *Worthington Scranton Student Learning Center*

Minute Taker: *Ann-Queen Sedhom, [siw5332@psu.edu](mailto:siw5332@psu.edu)*

*Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016*

*Call to Order: 8:28 am*

## **I. Roll Call:**

Missing- Greater Allegheny

Came late- Abington, Schenango,

## **II. Campus Updates**

- Worthington Scranton – going around and learning what each class would have wished they would have known
- Mon Alto – Apple Picking, tailgate on November 29 (Student Appreciation), and working on Drive to Strive
- Leigh Valley – Working on the Ball, did a meet your legislator event, 5 dollar event that had a lot of engagement, got a new DSA and are slowly working with him
- Hazelton- worked a lot with the elections: shuttled students, and got over 100 people to register, working on SRTA
- Wilkes Barre – just celebrated their 100 years, going through a search for the new chancellor, did election event/watch party
- Berks- Treats for troops (donating non-perishables and clothing), working on drive to strive, PAUSE (local businesses and initiate with locals), more with the election, budget request: waiting on lion path to come through
- Brandywine – looking into outdoor trashcans, trying to engage students using PSU news, Thanksgiving feast which is open to all of the campus, All in forum where people can learn about different cultures and LGBTQ community (will most likely start in March)
- Altoona- Library is going to be open 24 hours a day, two different campuses and hopes to connect the two, Blue and White Ball, most Drive to Strive Signatures
- Harrisburg – over 80 clubs, 50 events for 50 years and hosted a reunion for SGA, viewing party for elections was hosted from
- Fayette – has roughly 12 clubs but will be getting 5 new ones, teaching students about Facility fee board, 300 students took a survey, Academic advising incentive program (events only open to students that have cards like ice cream social)
- Beaver- Chocolate with the Chancellor, shipping to candy overseas, winter formal hosted by THON, Blue and white society, and lion ambassadors,
- Brehend - Cheesecake with the Chancellor and Chili with the Chancellor, faculty advisor thank you dinner but will now be getting breakfast like donuts, student appreciation week, elections open to the whole school (500 voted), in house elections

- New Kensington - Brown bag fundraiser, updating constitution, trying to revive the blue and white ball
- Dubois – Ball, breakfast with Santa (all proceeds go to MAKE A WISH), social events with law enforcement, socials so that students can recognize SGA members, photoshoot that ran on tv for SGA members, Student shout out, doing a Chancellor search, Union under renovation, pride building through white out game
- York – new student building that is 14 million dollar addition, mental health campaign, developing relations with their faculty senate, voting campaign, trying to engage without sports teams (raffle for shoes), President’s meetings every month to hear them and encourage club collaboration and club support
- Schulykill – working on events (200 foot mountain slide and hay ride, pumpkin painting, safe trick or treat), watch the polls party that was pretty successful (and want to do a follow-up), 32 active clubs in SOAP, coming up is there holiday extravaganza with an angel tree type event and a after party for participants, new office spaces are hopefully coming
  - i. General Assembly was a bust. How do you guys include the student body in meetings?
    1. Mari Hazelton – First year seminar students are required to go to at least one event on campus and a lot of student
    2. Kyana Gonzalous Schulykill –usually they go to a freshman
    3. Amber Dubius – paw prints for class bonus
    4. Worthington Scranton- buy pizza
    5. Shannon New Kensington – make it mandatory for club presidents to come to GA and provides food
    6. Berks asked if she ran contested or uncontested.... Explains how it works on his campus
    7. Leigh Valley – email comes from DSA, not threatening with funding,
    8. Gregg Wilkes Barre – pizza, free tshirts, speakers or committees (campus of 500)
    9. Bells Abington – require 5 times per semester or they do not get funding
    10. Neeka Brandywine – asks for a reiteration of question. Explains CCP which is for club presidents
  - ii. Address from campuses [adr202@psu.edu](mailto:adr202@psu.edu)
- Shenango – Working on Food services, election set up event in their Great Hall, co-sponsor Halloween party with THON, working with active clubs, working on their SGA purpose
- Abington – fall fest but it was movie themed, doing service for TOYS FOR TOTS, yesterday they had their Veterans day event, had their own town hall where the chancellor came, social justice event

### III. **New Business:**

- i. Pavel explained Diversity Summit

1. Group of students dedicated to planning the event. Go ahead with normal committees that will meet two times but we will not be having Ad Hocs (most likely)
  2. Want to showcase how committed the campuses are to Diversity and Inclusion
  3. One of the goals: how to engage all different kinds of students /// How to approach these topics with out disenfranchising students
    - a. How to educate students on race, religion, and gender
    - b. What can student leaders bring back with them
  4. With these goals in mind this is what we want to do:
    - a. Pannel discussion with different views
    - b. Emersion experience: get students in different shoes so students can learn how people feel in a different perspective.
  5. Looking at addition transportation
  6. Almost all campuses raised hands to show their interest
  7. Meeting with Madyln Haynes on December 6<sup>th</sup> where pavel will be giving a proposal and will try to help give funds
- ii. Update: photos during lunch, Professional pictures that are free
  - iii. Finalize questions for Pannel of Chancelors
    1. Gregg from Wilkes Barre
    2. Breanna Beaver – maintain Penn state pride
    3. Moustafa Elhadary from Brehend
    4. Student Health insurance question may not be the best
    5. Another question potentially asked by Nicole Nygard
    6. Hiring practices Alijah Douglas
  - iv. Shawn explained CRC council changes
    1. No fundamental shifts
    2. Same language throughout
    3. Angie asks about Caucus positions.
      - a. Ann-Queen Sedhom clarifies
    4. Joe Berks- asks about why they were not passed last year
      - a. Shawn states that it was a timing issue
    5. Gregg Wilkes Barr Thon chair and vice used to
      - a. AJ clarifies leaving CCSG was a THON decision
      - b. Fayette also agrees
      - c. Andrea clarifies and says that we can bring thon chairs if we want to
      - d. TOOK A VOTE 6 want to keep so that is being sent back to committee