

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." – Martin Luther King Jr.

## **Student Senate Minutes**

The 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
  - a. Yeakel and Durant
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
  - a. Douglas and Durant
- V. Dr. Shawn Peoples
  - a. Direction of Diversity- Title IX- Federal Law that prohibits any type of Discrimination and issues that include any type of assault and harassment. All Institutions that get Federal Aid. Students can report to Police, Civil Rights and Student Standards. Some can also report not at all. Title IX coordinator is needed. Confidential Advisors are assistants to provide assistance to students and only to life after and confidentiality is kept. reports Numbers. Policy is available on EIU website and has information for students. Includes measures that are taken to help with adjusting to life after
- VI. Audience Participation
  - a. No Audience Participation
- VII. Advisor Report Ceci Brinker
  - a. Ceci apologized for not being able to make
  - b. Ceci also talked about the challenges and encouraged healthy discussions and that respect is important we need to be honest and be aware that we are a part of a diverse committee and to encourage inclusivity and to think about the support of the student body.
- VIII. Executive Reports
  - a. Student Body President Rebecca Cash
    - i. Final Presidential Cabinet Meeting- President Cash said that this will be will be happening and they will be discussing what different Organizations think about the Homecoming events and what their different organizations need in the future years to have a more successful Homecoming Experience.
    - ii. Open House- We were informed that the Open House will be on Monday November 12<sup>th</sup> and we were all encouraged as panthers to wear EIU Blue all that day to show School Pride.
    - iii. Board of Trustee- The Next Meeting will be on Friday at 1pm and all Senators were encouraged to go out and attend the meeting.



- iv. Senator Election: Senators who need to be elected were told to pick up packets in SAC and to get 50 signatures from students on our campus to be eligible for voting.
- b. Vice-President for Academic Affairs Carson Gordon
  - i. Voter Turn-Out: VP Gordon commended the turn-out f students to the polling booths and expressed how positively reassuring it was to see the number of students who went out to vote.
  - ii. Trivia with the Prez- -This event will be held on November 29<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6pm and the Student Deans will act as Team Captains. Refreshments will be provided.
  - iii. Volunteering in the Spring: Civic Engagement and Volunteerism was contacted for volunteer opportunities and we were encouraged to make Love Bugs for St. Jude's Children's Hospital.
  - iv. Pets with Prez will be happen in the month of March.
  - v. Student Deans- The Student Deans are having their Next Meeting next week.
  - vi. CAA Meeting-The meeting will be happening in the Library at 4pm.
- c. Vice-President of Student Affairs Alicia Matusiak
  - i. President Glassman Pizza Party- VP Matusiak informed the Senate about the Pizza Party to be held at the President's home on Wednesday from 5-6:30pm. RSVP is by email.
  - ii. Apportionment Board- The next apportionment Board meeting will be held on November 29<sup>th</sup> and will be RSOs presenting how they have spent their money and their Budgets.
  - iii. VP Matusiak will also be attending the Graduate School Advisory Council.

## IX. Old Business

a. Discussions

## X. New Business

- XI. Committee Reports
  - a. Student Affairs Nia Douglas
    - Show Me the Money Event- The event about Student Fees and Resources will be held on North Side of Coleman on Nov 28<sup>th</sup> – post cards and bookmarks containing the fees information as well as sandwich boards will be made available to the Student Body.
    - ii. Dean with Dean of Library- Discussions around having the Library open till later and earlier during finals week has been in the works and the Dean of the library is set to speak to the Senate at the Next Meeting.
    - iii. Surveys are already in the works and will be sent out on the date of the Show Me the Money event.
    - iv. RSO Newsletter: There is also talks around getting the RSO Newsletter on the D2L and Panther Life App to get it across to all students.



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- v. Mentor- Mentee Program- More talks are still being held around this initiative.
- vi. BSU and NAACP meeting will be happening to talk in more detail about the Student Government side of the BLM Flag Petition.
- vii. Bond Revenue Meeting is going well.
- b. Academic Affairs Zoey White
  - i. Study with Senator will be held on Dec 5<sup>th</sup> from 4-6:30pm in the Bridge Lounge
  - ii. Making Slime: Thursday Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> and this will be in collaboration with the University Board.
  - iii. Pizza with the Prez will also be happening during Finals Time..
- c. Internal Affairs Ethan Osborne
  - i. Senate Stars Link will be sent out by EVP Cohen.
  - ii. Senate Stars- Form to recognize senator and the link will be sent out to senators to send nominations
  - iii. Bowling- November 14<sup>th</sup>- Bowling Alley and refreshment will be provided
    - iii. White Elephant- December 5<sup>th</sup>
    - v. Holiday Caroling
    - vi. Office Hours need to be turned in by 6:30pm of the day of the meetin
- d. University Enhancements Seth Yeakel
  - i. Safety Walk- 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>
  - ii. Spring Event- To help with Plants and potentially working with RSOs that are geared towards helping the environment.
- XII. Graduate Report Sophia Sarver
  - a. Elections and run for Student Government, Contact people and they will be due by Nov. 16<sup>th.</sup> Senators who are interested were told to grab their packets.
- XIII. Executive Vice President Zachary Cohen
- XIV. Announcements
- XV. Adjournment- 8:06pm
  - a. Durant and Yeakel