**STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**November 30, 2010**

1. **ROLL CALL**

President Shull called the meeting of November 30, 2010 to order at 8:45 p.m. Board members Bombach, Gau, Paiewonsky, Petrone, Rezaeian, Stieber, O’Leary, and Hasley were present. Committee Chairs: Academic Affairs – Zimmerman, Allocations - Grau, Environmental - Schroeder, Judicial – Krzywonos, Public Relations – Wallis were present. Elections Chair – Wickenden was excused.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of November 16, 2010 were approved.

1. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

President Shull reported that the contracts for *The New York Times* have been submitted to Student Life for review. President Shull and Board member Stieber attended the final Student Government Council meeting yesterday, which covered a number of topics including how to address young people in the city, as well as diversity issues. Another topic of discussion was the Port Authority cuts. About 45 bus routes are going to be cut in the city of Pittsburgh. Time will be taken in February to come up with solutions. President Shull concluded by congratulating Board member Stieber on winning the 2011 SGB Presidential election.

1. **SUBMITTED AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no Submitted Agenda Items.

1. **BOARD REPORTS**
2. **Zachary Bombatch**

Board member Bombatch reported that he has been trying to get a fiberglass panther installed outside of the Union. Right now, Facility Management and the administrators are dealing with the matter. They’ve been dealing with it for a few weeks now, and he has not heard from them. No real progress has been made, but he will continue to work diligently.

1. **David Gau**

There was no report.

1. **John Hasley**

There was no report.

1. **Kieran O’Leary**

There was no report.

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1. **Laura Paiewonsky**

Board member Paiewonsky reported that she is working on providing students the opportunity to study with the SGB. Study hours will be available to any Pitt student. On Saturday, December 11th, Board member Paiewonsky and President Shull will be in the SGB office. On Sunday, December 12th, Board members Paiewonsky and Bombatch will be in the SGB office. Any students are welcome to use the office space for studying during those days.

1. **David Petrone**

There was no report.

1. **Sam Rezaeian**

There was no report.

1. **Molly Stieber**

Board member Stieber reported that she will be meeting with the Elections Committee to see how elections turned out in terms of number of votes, and see what she can do to increase the numbers voters next year.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

Chair Zimmerman reported that he is still working to gain more forces for Gen Education requirements. Next week, he will be formally presenting his case in front of the Arts and Sciences Undergraduate Council.

1. **ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE**

There was no report.

1. **ELECTIONS**

President Shull reported that the voting increased numbers from roughly 13 percent to 19 percent. Some new things that were done this year to increase voter turnout were the use of campus connect to send out text messages to students, and voter guides were placed in over 4,000 campus mailboxes.

1. **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Chair Schroeder reported that there will be a meeting of Environmental Affairs for projects and other matters. That meeting will take place directly after this meeting.

1. **GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

There was no report.

1. **JUDICIAL**

There was no report.

1. **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Chair Wallis reported she is working to finalize the second newsletter for the semester. It will be released sometime next week.

1. **NEW BUSINESS**
2. **Allocations Recommendations:**

**#6496 Students for Life-$1,530.00**

Allocations recommendation was to deny in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6497 Pitt Men’s Club Volleyball-$800.00**

Allocations recommendation was to approve in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6498 FORGE-$5,281.77**

Allocations recommendation was to approve $3,075.40 and to deny $2,206.37.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6499 Some of God’s Children-$2,037.50**

Allocations recommendation was approve in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6500 Women’s Water Polo-$801.36**

Allocations recommendation was to approve in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6501 Women’s Fast Pitch Softball-$675.00**

Allocations recommendation was to approve in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6502 Theta Tau Engineering Fraternity-$685.52**

Allocations recommendation was to deny in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6503 Pitt Men’s Glee Club-$663.60**

Allocations recommendation was to deny in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6504 Newman Club-$2,000**

Allocations recommendation was to deny in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6508 Lady Panther’s Lacrosse-$11,631.82**

Allocations recommendation was to deny in full.

The motion was seconded.

The motion did not carry.

A motion was made to send #6508 to Allocations for a second recommendation.

The motion was seconded.
The motion carried.

**#6510 University Christian Outreach-$1,068.09**

Allocations recommendation was to approve $738.54 and to deny $329.55.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

**#6511 Chabad House-$750.00**

Allocations recommendation was to approve $250.00 and to deny $500.00.

The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

1. **Other New Business**

A motion was made to approve Michael Bane as the new Allocations Chair.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

1. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no Unfinished Business.

1. **OPEN FLOOR**

Hyla Wallis spoke about the Career Development Office. She encouraged students to speak with her if they have any questions on their services.

1. **PRESIDENT’S REMARKS**

President Shull commented on the Office of Governmental Relations *Pitt Day and Politics* event. Pitt will be competing for the same budget and they received last year; however, it is probable that there will be tuition increase. He encouraged continued support of the Student Government Board.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was seconded.

The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

cc: Student Government Board Members, Student Government Board Committee Chairs, K. Bonner, K. Humphrey, J. Giangarlo, T. Milani, L. Williams-Moore