

University Governance Committee Meeting

Wednesday November 14, 2012 at 5:15 pm

SGA Office

Agenda

Old Business:

1. Record accomplishments
 - a. Forums
 - b. Watch Party
 - c. Posters/Promotions
 - d. Contacted various media outlets (not receptive)
 - e. Voter Registration
 - f. Class raps
 - g. Election polling—80% Voter Turnout!
 - h. GOTV
 - i. ResLife Program
 - j. Social Media postings
2. What could we have done better?
 - a. ResLife Building Voters Competition
 - b. More publicity for forums
 - c. More push for commuters, voter registrations, etc
 - d. Better job advertising students who live off campus may not be able to vote on campus (Clarity with polling places)
 - e. City map with wards before the election with clear markings
 - f. Early voting campaign
 - g. Watch party for debates
 - h. Outreach for college democrats and republicans?

New Business:

1. Record Keeping
 - a. Thoughts? Ideas?
 - i. Hardcopies—Drawers and binders. Organized by year.
 - ii. D2L—with dropboxes, etc. Similar to ResLife or Cloud Storage.
 - iii. Minutes, Attendance, Voting Records, Resolution, Presentations, all meeting items
 - iv. Committee, Court, RHAA, Senate, Exec, etc- organized by branch
 - v. Website links to these and this should provide an easier update of website
 - vi. No need to digitize hard-copies of past years

- b. Committee binders and transitions
 - i. Bryan will discuss with Heba about that
 - 2. Constitution and Bylaws
 - a. Process?
 - i. Skeleton and then details
 - ii. Top-down, general structure then fill in finer structure
 - b. Need- sustainability fund, impeachment process, number of justices, what happens if no one runs (RHAA bylaws and SGA), job descriptions (remove ambiguity and vagueness), term limits for justices
 - c. Ideas? Thoughts?
 - i. Work with Heba and Bryan
 - ii. Work with Court
 - iii. Work with Speaker
 - iv. Work with RHAA
 - 3. Visibility—ad-hoc committee
 - a. Boxes
 - i. Bad idea, because most of the students won't take it seriously or understand what is possible through SGA
 - ii. Creates more frustration
 - b. Website/Facebook/Twitter
 - i. Committee bi-weekly post
 - ii. Senate meeting update- what is SGA doing?
 - c. Tabling
 - i. Weekly tabling, union and other prime locations
 - ii. Here's what SGA is doing, come talk to us about it
 - d. Other?
 - i. Chloe will recommend
 - 4. Legislation Watch
 - a. Any current concerns?
 - i. Keep an eye out
 - ii. Act 10 and Voter ID Law
 - b. Other?
 - i. Plans for educating—table, social media, letter writing campaign, etc...
 - 5. Other plans and ideas
 - a. Work with High School-ers to form "mock-government"
 - i. Wait on this project
 - b. Resource
 - i. Tabling, class raps, website, social media
 - ii. Connect with Library website?
 - iii. GAB testimony

6. Priorities

- a. Legislation Watch – as it comes up
- b. Records – on going
- c. Constitution – ready to present by Spring '13
- d. Visibility

7. Duties

- a. Chloe -- D2L & Megan
- b. Nick—vacant drawers
- c. All – Read and edit constitution/bylaws
- d. All – Legislation watch!

Announcements?

Megan will be invited to our next meeting

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 28th at 5:15 pm in SGA Office