



Aquinas College Student Senate Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, December 7th 2011 3pm

Wege Ballroom

1. **Call to Order** 3:07
2. **Invocation** Stephanie Beld
3. **Roll Call/ Quorum** 61/76
4. **Approval of the Agenda**
5. **Special Order of Business**
 1. *Additional Allocation Request-* ACS is attending the national chemistry society conference in San Diego to receive a commendable chapter award, where they will present as well. They have won this award for 10 years in a row. This will help them discover how to receive an outstanding chapter. High estimate of total cost: \$6,000 including registration, travel, and hotel. The ACS Fundraising account is at \$1700 currently, and the club plans to fundraise more with t-shirts. Hoping to raise \$4,000; 2/3^{rds} of their cost. The Club is very involved on campus. Students will pay \$20, and food expenses, and some hotel expenses out of pocket. Budget committee is recommending the full \$1500 allocation. Allocation passes 56:1:3.
6. **Reports**

1. *Chair-* Met with Dr. Gunnoe to discuss the student research fund which was started a couple of years ago; working on the fund for future researchers. Dr. Olivarez is in charge of a strategic planning process of the school and looking for nominations to be on the strategic planning committee. If anyone has any nominations please email them to executive board. St. Thomas Aquinas birthday dinner is January 26th at Wege.
2. *Vice-Chair-* having issues with students parking on Alton and Bayton, please encourage those students to buy a parking pass or if they continue to illegally park then GRPS will ticket them. The smoking policy is intact when we come back next semester; please remind those to follow the policy.
3. *Budget Director-* All receipts from this semester are due December 10th. Madeline Burns will step up as assistant budget director next semester and assist Director Libs. Accounts for next semester are, programming account : \$9047.50 and conferencing account: \$2377.50

7. Business

1. *Promotions Forms update-* Presented by Director Klose. New ad request form presented, as well as logo and t-shirt request forms on the student senate website.
2. *Senator of the Month-* is Shelby Sidor from Diversity committee for hard work and dedication.
3. *Committee Breakouts*

1. *Successes and Goals-* each committee met to discuss the successes and goals of the future semester.

8. Committee Reports

1. *Political Affairs-* anyone who is interested in running for chair, vice-chair, or secretary can pick up election packets in early January when we get back from break.
2. *Sustainability Committee-* looking to get students with bikes registered with campus safety.
3. *Health and Wellness-* looking to start a student cook book started for students.

9. **Forum for Issues and Concerns-** Issue with students parking off campus so maybe this could be addressed with campus safety for cheaper or prorated parking passes. Parking passes used to be

free for commuters so that might be why people aren't buying passes, where does the money for the parking passes go? Situation will be looked into.

10. **Announcements-** Exam breakfast is this Monday 12th from 10-11pm. VIBE recently took a trip to Chicago for a conference and will be presenting on their conference Saturday, December 10th at 1pm in JLH 301; anyone is welcome to be in the club. The latest Saint came out today, any comments or concerns should be emailed to the Saint. Ad hoc exploration committee would appreciate any senators who will fill out their survey. 7pm tonight is Aquinas vs. Cornerstone basketball game. This Friday the hockey team is playing and shuttles will be transferring students to and from the game from the Moose. Tonight in the Moose at 10:30 is the last improv show of the semester. Thanks from ACS for approving money for their trip. Tonight from 8-12 in the library are moosages. Abandon is having last praise and worship this semester tonight, 3pm on Sunday in AMC is concert as well. Last evening, NCF held a prayer walk at St. Mary's for healing of the community, let the club know if you have any prayer requests.

11. **Adjournment 4:00**