

# SENATE

## Minutes

Thursday, March 3, 2005 at 6:30 pm  
Talbot Library Room 1, Princeton Campus

- I. Call to Order: 6:35 PM
- II. Roll Call and Introduction of Guests
  - i. 17/20 Senators present = Quorum
  - ii. No guests
- III. Approval of Minutes
  - i. Thursday, February 17, 2004
    - a. Motion to approve minutes
      1. I: unanimous
        - a. Minutes approved
- IV. President's Report: 640
  - i. SAF officially raised to \$25 per semester by the Board of Trustees
  - ii. Student Academic Committee is still in the works
  - iii. There is a completed master campus development plan
    - a. Looking at relocating the conservatory to free up Princeton Hall in order to house more students
    - b. Plan includes the new academic building and possibly a new residence hall
    - c. One of the new buildings will cost an upwards of \$12 Million
      1. The new recreation center on the Lawrenceville Campus costs roughly \$7 Million
      2. This shows that they are putting great care and attention to detail in our buildings
      3. Fundraising has already started for the new academic building
  - iv. Circle of WCC Leaders was created to help raise funds
    - a. To be a member, one must give \$100,000
      1. Members thus far
        - a. A member of the Talbot family
        - b. Tillman, President of Princeton University
        - c. Gary Shapiro and wife (Gary is serves on the Board of Trustees)
  - v. Joe is researching to see if mandatory choir rehearsals outside of regular class time broke any academic policy
  - vi. Restructuring President's Cabinet
    - a. Will only consist of chairs
    - b. Vacancy in chairs of Recruitment, Dining Services and Social Activities
    - c. Nominations from past senate meetings still stand

- vii. Laura Hubbard
    - a. Center for Development and Leadership Skills
      - 1. A Leadership certificate is being created
        - a. Consists of 9 credits of course work and points based on participation within student body
      - 2. Leadership Day
        - a. April 3<sup>rd</sup> – 12:30-4:30 PM in the Cavalla Room on the Lawrenceville campus
        - b. Day is designed to facilitate learning objectives and practice group collaboration
        - c. The activities will be based on 10 teams competing for a prize
        - d. This will give Princeton campus students to work with Lawrenceville campus students
    - b. Resolution of Bikes
      - 1. March 10, Lawrenceville officer will come to the Princeton campus to ID bicycles owned by current students
      - 2. Even if you don't park your bike at school, it is still a very good idea to ID your bike
      - 3. Any bike that is not ID'd will be given away to either good will, the Sanda students on the Lawrenceville campus or the Senior class yard-sale
- V. Vice President's Report: 6:55
- i. It is against the rules for author to read their own legislation. It should only be read by a nonpartisan person.
  - ii. Because past meetings have been a bit "unruly", senators will need to raise their hands to be recognized to speak. This will save time and allow everyone's voice to be heard.
  - iii. S. Bill 1 – The Exec. Board is drafting a letter and will submit the finished letter to Dean Annis. The committee consists of Christian Stück, Helen Vassallo, Laura Hubbard and Steve Hitzel.
  - iv. Passed Resolutions
    - a. Letters have been drafted and will be edited/checked by Laura and Joe. They will then be sent to their corresponding departments.
  - v. S. Res. 7 will not be on today's agenda because it has not been amended.
  - vi. Two new resolutions have been brought to Senate without being addressed by Christian, Laura or the Executive Board.
- VI. New Business: 7:00
- i. Election of President pro Tempore of the Senate
    - a. Christian will appoint the President pro Tempore nominated by the Senate
    - b. The President pro Tempore of the Senate will take on the duties and responsibilities of the Vice President when the Vice President is unable to attend a Senate meeting.
- VII. Ad-hoc Committee Reports
- i. Senate Committee on General Programming (Ms. Genus, chairwoman)
    - a. Gong Show will be on April 8<sup>th</sup> in the Dining Commons

1. Sub committees consist of: advertising, raffles, budget, acts/talent, food/beverage and decorations.
  - ii. Senate Committee on the Senate Bulletin Board (Ms. Genus, chairwoman)
    - a. Currently taking ideas to make bulletin board more creative and appealing while maintaining its function
- VIII. Unfinished Business: 7:10
- i. Legislative Resolutions
    - S.RES.8: Bicycle Identification and Security (Ms. Vassallo, author)
      1. Motion to amend – change “telephone number and address” to “proper identification” – 2<sup>nd</sup>
        - a. I: unanimous
          - i. Motion to amend passed
      2. Motion to amend – change line 13 from “within one to two weeks” to “within two weeks” – 2<sup>nd</sup>
        - a. I: unanimous
          - i. Motion to amend passed
      3. Motion to approve legislation – 2<sup>nd</sup>
        - a. I: unanimous
          - i. Motion to approve legislation passed
- IX. New Business: 7:17
- i. Legislative Bills
    - S.2: Act for the formation of the Senate Commission on the merit and feasibility of extending Senator terms (Ms. Noble and Ms. Polan, authors)
      1. This bill is great for the reason of having an in-depth report given to the senators so that they can make a well informed decision
      2. Bill doesn't keep in line with representation if the senators have two year terms – the classes change and evolve every year – they should have the representation (senators) they vote for each year.
        - a. The commission should be changed to research the power of SGA within the University
          - i. Motion to send back to author to be edited as a commission to research the power of SGA within the University – 2<sup>nd</sup>
            1. I: 14
            2. Nay: 0
            3. Abstention: 3
              - a. Motion to send back to author passed
  - ii. Legislative Resolutions
    - S.RES.9: Faculty Attendance at Academic Forums (Ms. Foster, author)
      1. Department meetings are open to students upon request
      2. This resolution requests that all faculty attend organization events and forums.
        - a. Motion to approve – 2<sup>nd</sup>
          - i. I: unanimous
            1. Motion to approve passed

