



General Council Minutes

Monday, 11th April 2011
4:30pm, Mead Witter Room

- I. Call to Order at 4:30 pm
- II. Roll Call
 - i. Present: J.R. Vanko, Carl Byers, Kevin Lokko, David Spitzfadden, Emily Hallock, Devin Burri, Caleb Ray, Lisa Nikolau, Kwaku Sarpong, Mara Kunin, Richard Wanerman, Tyler Clark, Nicholas Paulson, Chiao-Yu Tuan, Chelsea Giguere, Tony Darling, Oren Jakobson, Hallie Witmer, Jared Marchant, Ted Chritton, Res. Life, CODA, Student Welfare, ERC, Dean Truesdell, Randall McNeill, Rich Frielund
- III. Approval of the General Council Minutes of 28 February 2011
 - i. Addition of list of Roll to the beginning of the minutes
 - ii. Richard Wanerman entertained a motion to approve the General Council minutes of March 28th which was seconded by Chiao-Yu and was approved with a unanimous vote.
 - iii. Oren Jakobson entertained a motion to move the ERC report to the beginning of the agenda which was seconded by Jared Marchant and was approved with a unanimous vote.
- IV. Community Concerns
 - i. Andy King proposed that the ERC proposal should make a sub-committee of the Finance Committee instead of an ad-hoc committee.
- V. Officer Reports
 - a. President
 - i. Larry's List (now being called List It at Lawrence)
 - a. Link to Lawrence University's LIST IT! :
 - b. Launch is May 5th
 - c. Electronic Ride-share board and items very similar to Craig's List
 - ii. General Attendance for LUCC
 - a. Do your best to attend your committee meetings as well. This is a very busy term for LUCC and not having quorum affects the committee's ability to discuss important topics.
 - b. Vice President
 - a. Everyone showed up for Finance Committee Meeting
 - b. Tonight there will be a Budget Meeting in the AVD room WCC
 - c. Treasurer
 - i. Balance of the General Fund



- a. -8,939.35
 - b. Actual amount of allotment is reconciled during 3rd term which is why Finance is in a deficit as of right now. Predicted influx is close to \$69,000
 - d. Parliamentarian
 - e. General Secretary
 - f. Finance Secretary
 - g. Public Relations Secretary
- VI. Committee Reports
- a. Steering
 - i. Theme House Selection Committee: 3 Members at Large
 - a. Nathan Eckstein, Devin Burri, Taylor Macco
 - b. These appointments were approved with a unanimous vote
 - ii. Committee Appointment Process Update
 - a. Deadline extended to this Saturday at 9pm
 - b. Any nominations for a committee must be emailed to J.R. Vanko
 - iii. Approval of the Minutes
 - a. Richard Wanerman entertained a motion to approve the Steering Committee minutes from the 29th of March and the 5th of April which was seconded by Jared Marchant and was approved with a unanimous vote.
 - b. Finance
 - i. Approval of the Minutes
 - a. Tony Darling entertained a motion to approve the Finance committee minutes of the 5th of April which was seconded by Richard Wanerman and approved by a unanimous vote.
 - c. Polling, Elections, and Leadership
 - i. Results from the District VII Elections
 - a. Ted Chritton was elected and is now sitting on General Council.
 - d. Publicity
 - i. Committee Appointment Posters
 - a. Lack of attendance needs to be reconciled
 - i. Hallie Whitmer
 - ii. Chiao-Yu Tuan
 - iii. Kwaku Sarpong
 - iv. Mara Kunin
 - v. Jared Marchant
 - e. Diversity Affairs (CODA)
 - a. Tonight – Spinning the Butter
 - i. Play that focuses on racial issues on a college campus
 - ii. 8pm Pusey Room
 - b. April 25th 7pm Stansbury Hall Paul Resusabegina will be speaking on Social Justice
 - c. Louder than a Bomb – May 12th
 - i. Purchased the rights and will be shown in the cinema
 - d. Planning end of the year CODA dinner
 - f. Environmental Responsibility



- a. Now has 2 representatives from Greenroots and GreenCoats coming to their meetings
- b. SLUG conference was very successful
- c. Finished the environmental facts cinema powerpoint to be played before movies
- d. ERC plans to have a stand during the Earth Day celebrations this year
- g. Residence Life
 - a. Hiatt Hall Survey – proposal to make Hiatt Hall completely gender neutral – Went out on Thursday and will end on Wednesday. There will be no definitive decision reached within the next few weeks on the topic and will most likely not affect the next scholastic year.
 - b. Res. Life will have a table set up so students can collect their housing contracts
- h. Student Welfare
 - a. Last term had a problem with mass student emailing
 - b. Student Welfare has decided that if this problem occurs again ITS would be used to issue a cap on the number of people a student is allowed to send an email to.
 - c. Andy King pointed out that it is legislated in the Student Handbook that students are not allowed to send out mass emails to the student body.
 - d. Some concerns about student organizations that have large numbers of members, but SORG's would be able to be opted out of the cap.
 - e. There has been an increase in illegal downloading at LU
 - i. 37 contacts from outside contacts Fall term, 10 contacts during Winter term, 13 already this term.
 - ii. There is a difference between file sharing and illegal downloading. The problem is with **file sharing**
 - iii. **File sharing** is usually not an active process; websites that students download music/information from usually automatically then share that information with everyone on the internet.
 - iv. Should have more educational information for LU students in order to help cut back on illegal file sharing.
 - v. Will create key information for RLA's for the next academic year
 - vi. Oren Jakobson suggests changing the wording from illegal downloading to illegal sharing of copyrighted files.
 - vii. Pete Gilbert pointed out that there is an informational website linked from the Library's website about file sharing
 - viii. SWC is bring back the informational table tents as well as informational pamphlets
 - f. Smoking Halo Update
 - i. There is a problem with students still smoking in areas that are designated Smoke-Free
 - ii. Previously have not been harsh consequences for those smoking in Smoke-Free zones



- iii. Student Welfare has designed a map for a Smoke-Free Campus with smoking accepted areas.
- iv. Areas still available to those that smoke would be any sidewalk lining city streets as well as two smoking shelters near Ormsby and the WCC. Taking suggestions for an additional smoking shelter on the north side of campus.

g. Discussion

- i. Andy King pointed out that Boldt Way is not included as a city street
- ii. Oren Jakobson inquired as to the extent to which smoking students have been included in this proposal. Proposed to see that individual decisions made by each residence whether or not to allow smoking.
- iii. Nancy Truesdell pointed out that the dotted lines on the map indicate the sidewalks that follow along city streets. There have been numerous complaints about the existing policy being too confusing and seems to allow those people that are smoking where they are not allowed to say 'I didn't know', even when people approach them about not smoking in those areas. This proposal would show a change from the confusing map of where students are **not** allowed to smoke to a map of where students **are** allowed to smoke.
- iv. Even with the proposed map, Residential areas may still be able to vote on their own smoking halo.
- v. Lorraine Skuta would like to know how the smoking regulations will be enforced. PJ countered that the new smoking map would be easier to explain and understand and these rules would also become a part of the RLA training as well as it be added more concretely to our Student Handbook so action could be taken.
- vi. Chelsea Giguere proposed to take smoking students opinions into account when deciding where to put the smoking shelters.
- vii. Oren Jakobson entertained a motion to send this proposal back to Student Welfare committee for further consideration which was seconded by Val Nelson. Richard Wanerman introduced a point of inquiry as to if this should not be sent to Steering Committee. PJ McMonagle, Nancy Truesdell, and Rich Frielund opposed sending the proposal back to SWC, with Randall McNeill abstaining and the rest **approving the motion to send the proposal back to the SWC.**
- viii. If interested in being a part of the Dining Services Advisory Committee email the Student Welfare Committee. Make meeting times available to all student groups in order to have student diversity in order to have representation of the whole campus.
- ix. Tuesday April 19th 11am-12pm – Next Student Welfare Committee Meeting



VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

a. Re-Recognition Process Results

- Richard Wanerman entertained a motion to open discussion of the Re-Recognition process which was seconded by Val Nelson.
- 76 Student organizations re-recognized, Name change of Greencoats, LUMP now to be known as SPAMALU
- 1 organization deemed changes requested – LU Hip Hop has been asked to change their name to LU Street Dance and use it consistently
- 2 organizations were denied re-recognition – HerCampus Lawrence because of an incomplete re-rec. form without any contact. Soundboard was denied due to a lack of student numbers.
- Richard Wanerman entertained a motion to approve the Re-Recognition Process which was seconded by Kwaku Sarpong and approved with a unanimous vote.

b. ERC Proposal- Environmental Sustainability Fund (**Moved to Community**

Concerns of the agenda)

- a. Will Meadows
- b. Mostly this proposal is an additional amount added onto student tuition in order to attain a student controlled environmental initiative.
- c. 9 people on the committee with 5 students. Nancy Truesdell, one person from Facility Services
- d. All allocations of these funds would have a 12 year return – energy efficiency changes would help to make the school money in the long run.
- e. Over the past 3 years we (Greenroots) have increased the national ranking of Lawrence University from a **D** to a **B+**.
- f. Example: Each year we could build a windmill, change all campus lights to LED. Just examples



- i. ERC Proposal – **Tabled until next week’s General Council meeting**

IX. Representative Reports

- a. District One: Colman, Brokaw, Off Campus
 - a. Hall council meetings have been discussing activities
- b. District Two: Hiatt, Ormsby
 - a. Ormsby had an open forum – Zoo Days in the works
- c. District Three: Plantz, residences North of College Ave.
 - a. No business to report
- d. District Four: Kohler, 733 & 739 E. Alton St.
 - a. No business to report
- e. District Five: The Quadrangle
 - a. No business to report
- f. District Six: Sage, 738, 741 & 742 E. Boldt Way
 - a. Both ORC and SLUG are starting the application process for living in the house for the next academic year. SLUG and ORC hosted about 35 students for their conference; it was an incredible success. SLUG is getting a permit in order to have honeybees. There will be 4 open forums in order to discuss the subject. Thurs.- 7pm Hurvis or Pusey Room Fri- 12:15 Cinema. and Mon.- 4:30 Cinema and Tues- 9am Cinema.
 - b. Talked about doing an Easter Egg Hunt as well as together with Trever for SouthEast Side Days
- g. District Seven: Trever, 813 E. John St, 300 S. Meade St.
 - a. No business to report
- h. Faculty

X. The Good of the Order

- i. Saturday 6:30pm and Sunday 3pm Cabaret hosted by Lawrence International – Encouraged to go
- ii. Lawrence University Honor Council is accepting applications
 - Honor Council is facing 22 cases from finals week of last term alone. This brings the total to about 35 cases to be reviewed.

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- iii. Reminder to look over the ERC's Proposal as well as the Smoke-Free Map
 - iv. Curt Lauderdale for Judicial Board is accepting nominations through Voyager for next year's board.
 - v. Nancy Truesdell --- Correction: Faculty and Staff are not able to be taken to Judicial Board, but students can contact the Provost or Dean Truesdell in order to get in contact with such faculty member to prevent breaking the smoking halo.
 - vi. PJ McMonagle asked for feedback from a diverse range of student opinions in regards to the Smoke-Free Proposal – Contact Constituents!
- XI. Adjournment at 6:15pm

**LUCC GENERAL COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE OPEN
TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE LAWRENCE COMMUNITY**

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