**Student Court of Justice**

Sunday, December 3, 2017

7:30 PM – Heine Room

Minutes

1. Call to Order at 7:31 PM.
	1. Present: Garrick, Pacella, Motschenbacher, Dunwoody, Parsons, McCormick, Melville
	2. Absent: Stirling and Beah absent. Guest speaker Monica Murray present.
2. Additions to and Approval of the Agenda
	1. Approved
3. Good News
4. Reports
* Melville: Case on Thursday between Mason and Landon at 8:00 PM in the Heine Room. Mason will submit the complaint soon.
1. Order of Business:
	1. Student Body Elections – Public Relations and Promotional Materials

Voting has been poor. Have 2 separate campaigns:

* + - 1. to encourage people to run for offices
			2. to encourage students to vote
		1. Encouraging People to Run for Offices
* Print ads
* Walkways between buildings such as thru the walk ways in the engineering buildings
* Posters in the union
* Posters throughout campus and in residence halls
* Ads in napkin dispensers in the dining halls
* To distinguish this campaign from the voting campaign, the promotional materials will look distinctly different.
* Social media on FB and Twitter
	+ 1. Encouraging People to Vote
* Work with other entities, bookstore, University Relations.
* Temporary Facebook profiles after voting saying "I voted"
* Snapchat filters throughout the election
* Posters and advertising
* Get the word out and reach broad groups
* Go to different Orgs & Greek Life and encourage people to vote
* Promotional item on the bottom such as a 10% coupon for the coffee shop, etc.
* Monica will work on a few visuals
* A PR campaign before the elections has not been done before and can help encourage interest, and ensure there is
* Previously uncontested senator elections
* Cannot put pamphlets in seating areas; alternate would be a physical handout
* A contact table in the MU as Student Court, but people are reluctant to approach booths unless there are goodies
* Put stuff on the TV screens in the MU
* Do not start too early with these campaigns, because they become blind to it very early
* Applications due March 5th, possibly start promotional campaign in February
* Campaigning opens late March, Voting opens beginning of April
* Court has typically not taken a large role in PR of elections, and Court should take a bigger role since they are an impartial group
* End of February for Campaign 1
* End of March for Campaign 2
* Seeing the candidates in the MU/all the time helps encourage and remind people to vote
* Listservs multiple times throughout the day, but the more condensed email; could check with the people who manage Listservs about sending out 1 separate email
	+ 1. Other items regarding Promoting Campaigning
* Create guidelines/suggestions for candidates for advertising, in addition to their formal meeting regarding the rules.
* Create some sort of poster for either non-election related items or election items.
* Monica will come back to work with us in the Spring.
	1. Spring 2018 Meeting Schedule
* Should have received a link to the Doodle Poll, need to complete the poll to determine the Spring Semester Meeting Time; Strive for an 1.5 hour meeting. If a Justice is unable to unable to meet at the regular meeting time, then they will have regular one-on-one meetings with the Chief Justice.
* Emergency meeting time poll will be considered and done at the start of next semester to give people time to adjust to the semester.
	1. Review of the Finance Code Review Committee Recommendations
* FCRC was submitted
* Checking to ensure there are no issues with it.

Suggested Changes/Comments

* Appealing dockage to Student Senate vs. Student Court. May need to be rewritten and clarified. Determining if the Senate vs. Court should handle appeals in regards to lack of budget usage. May be intimidating for people appealing. Concern: no formal system in place for Senate to appeal. Article IV, section 3, subsection E states in the Student Body Constitution: "Final and original jurisdiction in cases involving conflict pertaining to any recognized Student Organization (other than Fraternities and Sororities)." Changing the appealing dockages may be unconstitutional, this was followed by long discussion.
* 3-02-01.5.5: Dunwoody moves to impose an injunction on SB-12-18 based on a violation of the Student Body Constitution Article IV, section 3, subsection E. Seconded by Garrick. Injunction passes 6-1.
	+ Affirming: Garrick, Motschenbacher, Dunwoody, Parsons, McCormick, Melville
	+ Negating: Pacella
	1. Rules of the Court
* Melville moves to strike the "Flexibility" section in the Rules of the Court. Justification: It does not fit with the other rules.
* Melville will email people regarding help for the Rules of the Court.
1. Announcements and Comments
* Go to Applebee's and socialize since it's the end of the semester
* Melville: Thank you to everyone's hard work, this is the most the Court has done and people are noticing.
1. Review of Action Items
* ALL: Fill out Doodle poll (if not yet completed)
* ALL: Write Injunction
* ALL: Come to Applebee's
* ALL: Consider ways to promote the Student Body Election; homework over break.
* ALL: Consider rockpiles/objectives to add to the Student Court Rockpile for the spring semester; another component of homework.
1. Adjournment
	1. Moved by Pacella
	2. Seconded Dunwoody
	3. Adjourned at 8:52 PM.