**Student Court of Justice**

Sunday, March 18, 2018

7:30 PM – Heine Room

Minutes

1. Call to Order @ 7:33PM
   1. Present: Melville, Parsons, Motschenbacher, Schmidt, Garrick, Stirling, Pacella, McCormick
   2. Absent: None.
2. Additions to and Approval of the Agenda
   1. Approved.
3. Good News
   1. **Garrick: Roads around UND suck.**
4. Reports
   1. *Melville:* I ate most of the chocolate, and the tropical starburst. So just regular ones left. ☹
   2. *Melville:* Student Body Election Updates
      1. I printed out write-in election packets, placed on court desk. Downloadable link on webpage.
      2. Rescheduled student body presidential debate to March 29th at 1:30PM in Thundar’s Den. Can go 3:30PM at the latest.
      3. Ballot Breakdown – Two contested positions; presidential and AHSS senate seats. A few colleges aren’t full, and HDS has no one running at this moment.
      4. I shared our court twitter page with candidates today. People should be following at this point if they so choose.
5. Order of Business:
   1. Explain Schedule of Events for the Elections
      1. *Melville:* Three Items.
         1. Presidential Debate – can anyone be there? Check your schedule and let me know.
         2. Voting opens April 4th at 8:00am, and I would like us to have a voting booth for people to vote 10:00am-2:00pm. **Parsons – can we create a doodle poll to figure out a schedule for people to be there?**
         3. April 5th 5:00PM is when voting closes. Unofficial results released at 8:00Pm, but I would like to push that forward a bit since I need to leave for out of town that night.
   2. Discuss Implications of Offering Promotional Items to Students for Voting
      1. *Melville:* An idea brought by Kim Bruemmer, she told me that several years ago students were given a coupon to Taco Johns if they voted. There are a couple implications we should consider before we offer such an offer. If we offer this, would that result in an increase in the number of uneducated voters? Could it have the impact of swinging an election? What sort of ramifications could this have? My thought – the marginal impact of enlarging the voting pool would be insignificant.
      2. *Stirling:* Based on the informational meeting, candidates want voter turn outs. So, if we gave these incentives, they’d be getting what they wanted. I say let’s go for it.
      3. *Pacella:* I believe the results of voting are in large from the efforts of candidates, and this could increase the number of random voters.
      4. *Stirling:* While these random voters may not be the most informed, I still believe their voting turnout would the reflection of the candidates’ efforts still.
      5. *Pacella:* Potentially, this could increase the positivity of being first on the ballot.
      6. *Garrick:* We’re always going to have uneducated voters, I don’t see this as being a real issue.
      7. **Consensus:** Don’t really see it as an issue with offering promotional items for voting.
      8. *Melville:* The next thing I want to talk about is the specific promotion. I know Monica has reached out to Spicy Pie about this. If there are issues with the voting, we could instead have it as an incentive to go to the debate.
      9. *Stirling:* Could we different promotional items for both? Like, if someone brings a question or legitimate concern to the debate, maybe they can get a coupon?
      10. *Garrick:* Can we do “I Voted” stickers with Thundar on it?
          1. Yes please.
      11. *Melville:* Doing something for the debate may be to time intensive. I’m okay with it just being a voting booth thing. I will see if we can get a promotional item.
   3. Prepare Questions for Student Body Presidential Debate
      1. *Melville:* Lets look through past years’ questions and highlight different questions that we think are good. We will reconvene in a few minutes and discuss them.
      2. *Court analyzed past years questions, highlighted ones we thought would be good choices.*
      3. *Melville:* We’ll go through all the questions, and if anyone has any reason to dislike the question, say so, otherwise we will add it to the pool.
      4. *Questions were read, Justices discussed.*
      5. *Melville:* Are there any questions we want to add?
      6. *Pacella:* Something general, like *“What do you know about Student Government”?*
      7. *Stirling: “What does Student Court do?”*
      8. *Melville:* Between now and our next meeting, think of questions for us to use!
      9. *Hot Topics*
         1. OERS
         2. Parking
   4. Review FAQs
      1. Q6: Deals with posting snapchat stories.
         1. **Section 410, sub-section 16 needs revising for next year’s code.**
         2. Approved.
      2. Q7: Deals with creating electronic mailing lists using publicly available information.
         1. Approved.
   5. Discuss Items of Achievement for Court’s Annual Report
      1. *Melville:* Each year PR creates a booklet of SG’s achievements, and court has a section. What have we done this year that is worthy of this section?
      2. *Stirling:* We revamped most everything that we have done. Modernized the court. Became a court that scrutinizes more effectively.
      3. *Pacella:* Book of Court Decisions, Rules of the Court, New Complaint Forms, and revamped Complaint Process.
      4. *Stirling:* Created the Rockpile. We have goals for each semester now.
      5. *Garrick:* Planned for setting up future courts for success. New resources, forms, and guidelines.
      6. *Melville:* Created more clarification within the election code. Court Application process.
   6. Consider Time for Group Photo
      1. Tabled for a further meeting due to time constraints.
   7. Review of the Rules of the Court
      1. Tabled for a further meeting due to time constraints.
6. Announcements, Comments, and Open Discussion
   1. *Melville****:* SG Banquet**: April 17th at 6:00PM, a Tuesday.
   2. *Melville:* Soon we will have a new President/VP team, and they will be accepting applications for their executive team soon. If you have any questions about that, feel free to ask me.
7. Review of Action Items
   1. *Parsons:* Create Doodle poll for scheduling of Voting Booth/Debate Attendance.
   2. *Parsons:* Create a twitter post schedule. (Mirroring the election schedule)
   3. *Future Court:* Need to revise section 410 sub-section 16 in election code.
   4. *All:* Think of questions for the debate.
   5. *Melville:* Condense the list of debate questions.
8. Adjourn
   1. Moved by McCormick, seconded by Stirling. @ 9:11PM