**Student Court of Justice**

Thursday, August 10, 2017

9:30 PM – Heine Room

Minutes

1. Meeting Called to Order at 9:29 PM
   1. Present: Beah, Melville, Pacella
   2. Absent: McCormick, Stirling
2. Additions to and Approval of the Agenda – No Additions
3. Order of Business:
   1. Court Advisor Update
      1. General SG Advisor: Matthew Skoy
      2. Court Advisor: Emily Frazier
   2. Election System Update with IT
      1. Election system software was tested for exploits and vulnerability for hacks.
      2. The election system will not be changed from the status quo to single transferable vote.
      3. Plan is to fix minor issues in code and put control in Student Court’s hands.
   3. Court Timeline
      1. August & September: application
      2. October: student government constitution
      3. November: election code & student organization constitutions
   4. Temporary Meeting Schedule: Melville gathered some information regarding possible meetings times and will send out a Doodle poll to finalize until new Court Justices are added.
   5. Court Decision Organization System
      1. Two Methodologies:
         1. General Population: PDF table of contents of decisions, color coded. Suitable to non-Court members.
         2. Court Organization: Excel spreadsheet categorized to provide readable information on past decisions. A bit more time consuming to create.
      2. Consensus: Not enough benefit from Court Organization method to justify consumption of time. General Population model will prove useful.
      3. Decisions will be made available for viewing on the Court’s Webpage and the Student Government Google Drive.
      4. Melville will begin identifying strategies to organize decisions for future meeting.
      5. Pacella: There may be value in creating a system to help organize past Student Senate legislation.
   6. Student Court of Justice Application
      1. Previous Student Court applications failed to provide sufficient detail for Justices to make a decision. A more targeted application will allow the Court to make better judgments.
      2. Instead of directly asking for candidate qualities, the focus of the application should be to present an opportunity for candidates to reveal their nature without the Court asking for it.
      3. Types of Questions to Consider:
         1. Basic Information
         2. Skill-based/reasoning/justification question
         3. Aptitude question – focused on legal rationale
         4. Ideas for Student Government and the Court
         5. Additional Time Commitments/Other Involvement
         6. Interest in Court
         7. A question requiring an applicant to use an organization constitution to cast judgment on a given issue.
      4. Melville will create a rough draft for the application and send it to Justices for final revisions and review.
4. Announcements and Comments
   1. Melville will make sure all Justices have access to the Student Government Google Drive.
   2. Melville: If you have an idea, talk to me and let’s make it happen. I want to be a resource to usher in new ideas. Let’s ask some difficult questions and not be constrained by the status quo. We are going to see some great things this year.
5. Meeting Adjourned at 10:44 PM