

November 11, 2011

Student Government Association Senate meeting minutes: 11/14/2011

Student Government Association, Northeastern University

Recommended Citation

Student Government Association, Northeastern University, "Student Government Association Senate meeting minutes: 11/14/2011" (2011). *Student Government Association Senate Minutes*. Paper 10. <http://hdl.handle.net/2047/d20004731>

This work is available open access, hosted by Northeastern University.

Senate Minutes

Student Government Association
Northeastern University
11/14/2011



Student Government Association
of Northeastern University

Quorum was met.

The **Chair** called the meeting to order at **7:03 pm**.

The minutes were *passed* without objection.

Executive Vice President Will **Pett**:

- No Senate next Monday 11/21 due to Thanksgiving, but there will be Senate 11/28.
- Working with Cabinet members to sell DieHard Dog shirts during finals week in the ground floor of Curry Student Center.
- Re-promoting the NU Ideas platform to students. Please let constituents know about the platform.
- From a project management standpoint, there is a lot of progress being made in all areas of SGA, thanks to all of the Senators working on projects.

Northeastern University's **Senior Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Affairs, Philomena Mantella** spoke before the Senate.

President Michael **Sabo**:

- Working with EVP **Pett** on the Budget Priorities Survey.
- Went with VP **Crimmins** to meet with the Student Space Committee, a committee designed out of the Sense of the Senate for the Activities Period removal. Space will be a priority in the next Master Plan.
- Attended the BILC conference over the weekend with VP **LePage**, good to hear about elections from other Universities.
- Communicate with constituents about the NU Ideas platform, it is a good way for students to rank and post ideas, and many SGA projects come from the platform.

Comptroller, Anthony **Golia**:

- Thanks to Senator **Quijada** for delivering an address for me last week.
- Finance Board met last week to hear February large requests.
- Finance Board will meet this week to hear January small and medium requests.
- Dealing with issues related to the contract process for student groups, especially performer contracts.

Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dani **Wojdyla**:

- Met with Bruce Ronkin to discuss the college expectations and address a student concern for the week.
- Thanks to Senator **Del Rosario** for attending the Enrollment and Admissions committee of the Faculty Senate, and AVP **Coombes** for attending the Faculty TRACE subcommittee.
- Admissions and Enrollment committee will be meeting tomorrow at 3:30 in 110 Churchill. Senator **Del Rosario** is the only student with voting rights, but all are welcome to attend.
- Thanks to Senators **Cargill** and **Lopez** for their work with WRBB to get a TRACE campaign done. Anyone is welcome to be interviewed.

Vice President for Student Affairs, Jonas **Edwards -Jenks**:

- AVP **Daly** and Senators **Morani** and **Gormley** have been doing a lot of work with the NU Starts program. There are over 30 students abroad already signed up, and 40 mentors signed up. Met with Val Randall-Lee and some people from the Office of Orientation and Family Programming to plan a training program.

Senate Minutes

Student Government Association
Northeastern University
11/14/2011



Student Government Association
of Northeastern University

50 Vice President for Student Involvement, Matthew **Crimmins**, *yields*

Vice President for Student Services, Tim **LePage**:

- Hungry Hungry Husky debut was today. New food truck will appear on campus.
 - Attended BILC with President **Sabo** over the weekend.
 - Currently reviewing applications for the Renewable Energy Initiatives Board.
 - Had a meeting with NUPD to discuss safety issues on campus, and the committee recently completed a campus lighting assessment, and NUPD has done their own. Results have been sent to facilities with suggestions.
 - Working on the Public Safety Campaign to make it a recurring event.
- 60
- Addressing issues on campus lighting, sleeping security guards, and issues on MyNEU.

Chief of Staff, **Terrence MacCormack**:

- Please complete Office Hours if you only sit on one committee, and fill out the form on MyNEU.
 - Survey of the Week is now available, ask an office assistant or a VP if you want to use it during your office hour.
 - A few new articles up on the website, and a few more on the way.
 - Working on SGA budget reporting for the month of October to forecast the budget for the remainder of the year.
 - Working on increasing SGA retention, and if you are interested in working on the project contact me.
- 70
- A Save the Date will be going out for Passing of the Gavel on April 14th in the Alumni Center.
 - Office hours will not be required next week because there is no Senate and committees and boards will meet at the discretion of the chair.

Executive Director of Communications, Kelly **Dwyer**, delivered by EVP **Pett**:

- Committee met last week and came up with good ideas for the Brought to you by SGA campaign.
- Working on a promotional video for SGA.
- To help chalk for homecoming, meet in the SGA office at 10pm tonight.

80 Parliamentarian, Amy **Holmes**:

- Board met last week, and three justices will be graduating at the end of the year.
- Will be leaving the position of Parliamentarian at the end of the semester for Study Abroad. Applications will be open for justices and the Parliamentarian position, if anyone is interested in the position please contact me.

Elections Chair, Taylor **Cotter**, delivered by Senator **Pesaturo**:

- Made final changes to the manual last week during committee, and this week's meeting will be a final review before the manual's submission to Senate.
- Met with Parliamentarian **Holmes** to ensure that all changes are in order.

90

The **Senate** moves into Question Time.

The **Senate** moves into Unfinished Business.

- Sense of the Senate: **SS-FA-11-102, College Expectations**:
 - **Senate** moves into Question Time.
 - Senator **Trudeau** asks who will administer the Town Hall meetings.

Senate Minutes

Student Government Association
Northeastern University
11/14/2011



Student Government Association
of Northeastern University

- VP **Wojdyla** answers that this legislation serves as a wish list to all of the colleges, and will communicate what students expect of them. Each college will be responsible for their own town halls.
- **Senate** moves into Debate.
 - President **Sabo** discussed that this legislation is a culmination of all of the work that the Academic Affairs committee has done in the past 3 years, and hopes people will vote in favor of the legislation.
- **Senate** moves into Voting Procedure.
 - Senator **Naraghi** moves to adopt by unanimous consent.
 - With no objection, **SS-FA-11-102** is adopted.

The **Senate** moves into New Business.

- Senator **Coombes** moves to create an ad-hoc committee charged with maintaining the College Expectations list in light of student wishes and expectations. The committee will work with Faculty to meet the expectations of students, act as a resource to students and faculty, and be composed of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, two Senators, and two Student at Large members, and will report back to the Senate on March 26th, 2012. The committee will terminate on the final day of classes of the Spring 2012 semester.
- Senator **Daly** seconds the motion.
 - With no objection, the motion passes.

The **Senate** moves into Open Discussion.

Without objection, the **Chair** closes the meeting at **7:38 pm**.

Respectfully submitted to the Senate by Ashley Caron