

November 7, 2006 Minutes

I) Roll Call: Dir Small, Dir Colley, VP Bradach, Dir. Ayers, Dir. Teal, Sen. McLean, Sen. Kundig, Sen. Calhoun, Sen. Buxton, Sen. Hale, Sen. Young, Sen. Tagger, Sen. Eggleston Connor, Sen. Purcell, Sen. Harnden, Sen. Hood, Sen. Maduell, Sen. Harris, Sen. Tager, guests: Keely Lindberg, Jackson McCormack, Tamara, Colleen Moffat, VPSA Jonathan Eldridge, Dean of Students Laura O'Bryon.

II) Approval of Minutes VOTES Yes: 14 No: 0

III) Reports to Senate

a. Dir. Teal: today was last day of Vote Coalition work, full report at next week's Senate meeting. 20 people are registered to go to the Northwest Leadership Conference. There will be a Board meeting on the 17th at the Conference. Govt. Affairs Committee needs to meet this week.

b. Dir. Colley: Will be passing around T-shirts for Yell IT Tell It – an anti-sexual assault campaign being put on by the Women's Resource Center. Nov. 15th is the first day to start wearing the T-shirts. QRC has a new magazine out, check it! The student advocate and Dir. Colley are working on the "Gift of Giving" campaign to raise \$\$ for local charities. There are tabling dates and other volunteer opportunities, contact Sen. Colley with questions.

c. Dir. Ayers: The e-mails regarding student fee committees and what they all do missed the three new senators, but your addresses have now been included and you will receive them. Read through it so you know what they are all doing. 2pm on Nov 16th and 17th there will be an intro course on these committees, and a chance to meet the faculty involved. Financial updates for October next week.

d. Dir. Small: Friday night there is a salsa band, ask Dir. Small for more details, Monday, Nov. 13th, President Cullinan's open forum happens.

e. Pro-Tem Young: Elections Committee needs to form and meet tonight after Senate meeting. From now on minutes and agenda will be mailed at least 24 hours before the next meeting.

IV) Unfinished Business

NONE

VI) New Business

a. Petitioned-in new Senator Colleen Moffat (SS/Ed/Health/PE) Sen. Hale moved to petition in Colleen Moffat as Senator for SS/Ed/Health/PE departments, Sen. Tager seconded. She was sworn in.

b. Pizza with the President - VP Bradach gave more detail re: this event – 12-2 in the Redford Lounge on Monday, Nov. 13th. The President would like ASSOU support. Sen. Maduell asked for more detail. VPSA Eldridge explained that the Pres. Wants to do this at least once a term, VPs and others will be there, it will be an informal talk to get students'

views and input on solutions for funding problems and other issues facing SOU. Sen Maduell made motion to lend ASSOUC support to this function. Sen. Kundig seconded VOTES: Yes: 14 NO: 1

#### VII) Open Forum:

a. Sen. Maduell asked when Senator training would take place. Dir. Colley explained that by next meeting they'd have a date for training. Sen Maduell cont. in a discussion with Kate Jackson (running for city council) discussed the possibility of forming a student committee to interact with city council members on student issues, wants to head it up, if it happens. Sen. Moffat expressed interest. Pro-Tem Young asked that more details be brought forward at future meeting and next step would be setting up a committee meeting.

b. Sen Calhoun gave an update on SU. SU Underground Committee should be together by next week. Mentioned the power outages in the SU over the weekend.

c. Tamara brought up that there was a resource for untrained senators – Pro-Tem Young has info on rules for meetings etc. She said she's sad to be leaving, thanked cabinet, everyone for the warm welcome. – Dir Teal and Cabinet thanked Tamara for her work, presented her a gift.

d. VPAS Eldridge complimented the group on its behavior and organization, and spoke about a campus forum on Monday in the Rogue River Room at noon to address the fiscal situation at SOU. Reserves are running out, state funding is down, caps on tuition all forcing hard decisions and this forum is the first in a series of conversations with students and others to find and agree upon solutions. Bring IDEAS! Sen. Calhoun expressed concern over which programs would be cut, VP Eldridge reiterated that no decisions have been made, and emphasized the importance of participating in the discussion process. The Pres. Wants to hear everyone's ideas. Dir Colley expressed excitement to see this discussion process work. Sen Hale asked if there would be multiple such meeting. VP Eldridge answered possibly yes. There will be other issues to be discussed. DoS O'Bryon said that the President's presentation would be recorded and text posted online. Also the President welcomes emails and notes to her office. VP Bradach hopes that Cabinet and Senate members will ignore rumors on campus and work to educate other students about this process and get them involved as well.

#### VIII) Announcements

Sen Harndon: there will be a breakfast in the Non-Trad SU on Nov. 21st from 8-10am.

Sen Buxton: SOU production of The Philadelphia Story opens this weekend.

Dir. Small: it is Native American Month – there is a raffle to support, also volunteers are needed to work with exchange students on ESL.

Pro-Tem Young: the ESL program is important

Dir. Colley: got her convo buddy today and more volunteers are needed

Sen Tager: Football game on Saturday in Utah.

DoS O'Bryon: AIDS quilt is coming soon to SOU-more info at the QRC.

National Student Exchange Tues event in Rogue River Room 11-2 and Thursday – open forum at noon in SU 330. Please send interested students.

Dir Colley: Until senator training happens, ask cabinet members for help. Many of them can offer advice and ideas for becoming pro-active as a senator, developing your projects and goals.