



Meeting Minutes

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Regular Meeting
Saturday, January 24, 2008
9:00 a.m.
University of Arizona

9:15 a.m. **I. Call to Order**

9:20 a.m. **II. Roll Call of Members & Welcome of Guests**

NAU

Brad Busse -Present
Emily Waldron-Present
Kathleen Templin-Present

ASU

West

Ryan Caracciolo-Not Present
Andrew Clark-Present

USG

Mark Appleton-Present
Sarah Atwill-Present
Andrew Rigazio-Present

GPSA

Brad Martin-Present
Emily White-Present

Poly

Kelley Stewart-Not Present
Daniel Cruz-Not Present

Downtown

Rabia Abdulmajeed-Not Present

UA

Tommy Bruce-Not Present
Stephen Bieda-Present
Kendal Nystedt-Not Present
Mary Venezia-Present
Chris Nagata-Not Present

South

Lillian Rautanen-Not Present

Stephanie Tsuya-Not Present

Board Chair

Michael Slugocki-Present

Student Regents

David Martinez III-Present

Ross Meyer-Not Present

III. Call to the Audience

David: Thanks ASA for their help with producing the enormous crowd at the University of Arizona Board of Regents meeting, January 22,2009

IV. Oath of Office

Emily Waldron

V. Approval of Minutes

9:30 a.m. **VI. Officer Reports**

Chair-

Vice Chair- Not present

Secretary-

Treasurer-

VI. Campus, Student Regent, and Staff Reports

NAU-Recruiting for our internship program and lobby corps as well as expanding our selection pool for the student regent selection

ASU Tempe- Working on the protest for the university budget cuts, has put out new recycling bins on campus

GPSA- Working with satellite campuses and ways to absorb all graduate students from all campuses

ASU WEST- Textbooks are going well, faculty has given commitment to hold books for 3 years which give better resale value and kick start the textbook rental program

UofA- Working very hard on the budget cuts and campus and state-wide protests

Student Regent David Martinez- Six questions for ASA to ask itself?

- 1. What ABOR policies need to be changed to lower budget cuts?**
- 2. What needs to be done with tuition and fees, keeping in mind that the state legislature can sweep tuition money?**

3. **Could ABOR take legal action against the state legislature for failing to meet constitutional mandates? “As nearly free as possible?”**
4. **To what specificity would we close programs and colleges? Distance learning sites?**
5. **To what level should we cut enrollment?**
6. **How should we change our emphasis on research funding? Three pronged mission: Education, Research, Outreach**

Staff Report:

Serena- Executive Director- looking for investment managers and thanks Emily White for her referral. Also has a meeting with the ASA attorney to discuss steps to setting up the ASA foundation. ASA website will launch soon.

David: When will report be given from ASA to ABOR regarding accountability of the fee?

Serena: I think a year was given and a report will probably be given at June’s ABOR meeting

10:00 a.m. **VIII. Committee Reports**

Leg Committee- Has a solid vision plan set up, will be working on the budget cuts, financial aid etc.

David: Suggest either Sarah (Chair) or Erin (Leg Director) to sit on the ABOR Legislative Affairs Committee

Exec Committee: Meeting regularly

Financial Committee: Will be meeting with the Internal Affairs Chair and has been talking to the ASA attorney about ASA investments and how to work on that.

Internal Affairs: Andrew Rigazio is now the chair of the Internal Affairs Committee; Looking at personal policies and the bylaws.

Michael Motions to Move into Executive Session

2nd Andrew Rigazio

Motion Carries

Michael asks Serena (Executive Director) to stay present.

10:30 a.m. **IX. Executive Session**

- A. Office/Housing Situation for ASA
- B. Staff Update
- C. Staff Bonuses
- D. Executive Director Review
- E. DC Lobbying trip

Michael Motions to move out of Executive Session

2nd Brad Martin

12:00 pm **X. Discussion Items**

- A. Budget Cuts

State-wide Student Protest:

Michael: How we are going to coordinate bringing thousands of people to the capitol. UofA goal: 1500, NAU goal: 300, and ASU goal: 200. This is very important and may be prudent for us to dip into our reserves to pay for this trip being that this is the biggest crisis education in Arizona has ever faced.

Mary: We have to try to get donations from every other avenue possible and not just depend our on reserves. Ask alumni, local businesses, other community members, and staff advisory councils.

Mary: We looked up every professor that had a class during the protest on last Tuesday and sent personalized emails them

Michael: Would you all prefer to school colors to show our student status, or should we all wear black in unity?

Brad: I think we should take a vote on if we should purchase shirts, if we have the money, and if it is the right place to spend the money.

Mary: Feels we should do black, it is much more powerful, and easier to get students to wear.

Michael: Agree

Sarah: Asks for campus organizers input on if t-shirts will help student involvement

Campus Organizers: Agree that spending money on buses are more important than buying t-shirts

Consensus: Wearing black to the Protest on Wednesday

Andrew: State of emergency clause in ASA bylaw states that Treasurer, Executive Director and Office Manager can make expenditures for money allocation to this crisis and can be approved by the board at the next meeting.

B. Lobby Corps plan

Sarah: Goals and Vision- Prioritizes- Advocacy, Collaboration, Lobby Day/Lobby Corp, Student Engagement, Community Outreach. Specifically Lobby Day with huge presence, clear agenda, t-shirts, one on one leadership development. Lobby Corps- Still deciding goal of members from each campuses.

Erin: We have developed different arms of the Lobby Corps:

Lobby Corps Divisions-

Main Division

Parent/Family Division

Pre-Collegiate Division

K-12 Partners Division

Community College Division

C. ASA Foundation

Andrew: We need guidelines laid out into exactly what the ASA Foundation would look like.

Andrew R: The foundation should be a 501c(3) to accept grants and fundraising money to expand the organization.

David: If there is a foundation, would there be a separate foundation board?

Michael: This is something that needs to be discussed, we have to have someone looking over the proposed foundation.

New Members to Finance Committee and Internal Affairs Committee: Brad Martin

D. Tuition Task Force appointments

Timeline: New appointments, 1 voting student member, 1 student work group member, from campuses by next ASA meeting, Feb. 13th

11:00 a.m. **XI. Unfinished Business**

XII. New Business

A. Spring 2009 ASA Schedule

ASA Board Meeting- February- Michael will send out meeting wizard

March ASA Meeting- Wednesday March 11th ASU
Downtown

ASA Board Meeting-Friday April 24th-Tucson

ASA Board Meeting Call- TBD

ASA End of the year banquet- Friday April 24th- Tucson

New Board Orientation- Saturday April 25th-Tucson

B. Audit for FY08

Company employed from last year will complete ASA's audit for FY08

XIII. Announcements

Kendal: Really wants to have an alumni advisory council event and invite them to the statewide day of action on Wednesday, January 28th 2009.

Michael Motions to Adjourn

2nd Sarah Atwill

Motion Carries

1:18 p.m. **XIV. Adjournment**