



Meeting Agenda

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, January 27th, 2010

7:00pm

Arizona Students' Association Central Office

- I. Call to order by Elma Delic at 7 pm.**
- II. Roll call of members and welcome of guests**
 - a. Northern
 - i. Kathleen Templin – present
 - ii. Tony Pena – present
 - iii. Christian Kolesar – present
 - iv. Lauren Talkington – present
 - v. Troy Campbell – not present (proxy to Lauren Talkington)
 - b. Central
 - i. Justin Boren – not present (proxy to Kelley Stewart)
 - ii. Kelly Stewart – present
 - iii. Brendan O'Kelly – present
 - iv. Rudi O'Keefe-Zelman – present
 - v. Ben Henderson - present
 - vi. Tania Mendes – present
 - vii. Daniel Hatch – present
 - viii. Matt McCoy – present
 - ix. Larry Jones – present
 - c. Southern
 - i. Chris Nagata – present
 - ii. Nicole Pasteur – present
 - iii. Billy Holmes – present
 - iv. Elma Delic – present
 - v. David Talenfeld – not present
 - vi. Andres Gabaldon- present
 - vii. Holly Haygens- present
 - d. Student Regents
 - i. Ross Meyer – not present
 - ii. Jennifer Ginther- present
 - e. Staff
 - i. Robyn Nebrich – present
 - ii. Erin Hertzog – present
 - iii. Ali Smart – present
 - iv. Alicia Cybulski – present
 - v. David Martinez III – present
 - f. Guests

- i. Daniel Hernandez – ASA Fellow
- ii. Christian Vaquez, USSA ASA Representative
- iii. Brittany McMaster- from Solutions Through Higher Education

III. Call to the audience

No one spoke during call to the audience.

IV. Approval of agenda

- a. Add a discussion of the issue of firearms on campus to discussion items
 - i. Moved by Kelley Stewart
 - ii. Seconded by Tania Mendes
 - iii. Motion approved unanimously, no abstentions.
- b. To add the "Oath of Office Section" to the Agenda
 - i. Moved by Billy
 - ii. Seconded by Lauren Talkington
 - iii. Motion approved unanimously, no abstentions.

V. Oath of office

UA South officers take the ASA Oath of Office.

- a. Andres Gabaldon - President
- b. Holly Haygens – Executive Vice President

VI. Approval of December 2, 2009 minutes

- a. Tabled till Saturday's meeting

VII. Officer reports

- a. Chair –
 - i. We met with the Secretary of State, Ken Bennett, which went extremely well. Diane Brown, the Executive Director of the Arizona Public Interest Research Group, invited Robyn Nebrich and Elma Delic to talk about the Arizona Student Vote Coalition. Secretary Bennett was the first to endorse the coalition for the 2010 elections, and also agreed to write a song about voting, highlighting the youth vote and how one vote can matter. We also discussed the widget (A set of coding for applications), which allows people register to vote online. Secretary Bennett agreed to help link it up with ServiceArizona (Arizona's online registration system), so students won't have to print it out. This is will greatly help with voter contact and GOTV and volunteer recruitment. The timeline appears to be about a month or so.
 - ii. Thank you to Justin and Kelley for hosting me at the Graduate and Professional Student Association meeting.
 - iii. Thank you to Tania for hosting me at the facilities fee forum at the downtown campus
- b. Vice-chair – We are having an Alumni Advisory Council mixer at 7 pm at Switch, please come because they are giving up their time to be there. There was an email sent about the next meetings for the next two years and their contact information.
- c. Secretary – NA – staff helping a lot in that role.
- d. Treasurer

- i. Quarterly report – please see the materials that were emailed out to the board.

VIII. Campus, student regent and staff reports

a. Northern district

i. NAU

1. We are currently working on getting student input on the ASNAU fee. It currently has a 62.4% approval rating for the ASNAU fee. Met with President Haeger who came to the office, and lowered the fee to \$23 a semester.
2. Had 16 initiatives on a student survey, asking students what they wanted to see. 8 had a 50% or higher approval rating and we based the fee off the operating costs of those. We are going to rent space for clubs. Start a Spring Fling and hire a student legal aid. Extended library hours had the highest support with 88% wanted it. Snowjack express which is a shuttle from NAU to Snowbowl was also popular. There will also be study abroad scholarships and a speakers' bureau.
3. Getting ready for March 4th elections.
4. Interns are doing great and helping out with the fee.

ii. NAU Yuma

No report given

b. Central District

- i. ASU Downtown – working on the university proposal for the student facilities fee.
- ii. ASU Polytechnic – everything's going well. First official meeting this Friday of the new semester, and invited the Chair to attend. Hopefully can purchase new office space, and expanding work tables.
- iii. ASU Tempe

1. We are still talking about the facilities fee. There was a university wide Senate meeting last week. We will be holding a forum February 4th at Tempe for the university.
2. FAFSA clinics going well.
3. Working with city of Tempe for polling location.
4. Educating students on who their legislators are.

iv. ASU West – going great. Hosting ABOR at the West campus this week.

v. GPSA

1. Moving forward with graduate student centers on all campuses, anticipating February openings. We will send out information with those exact dates when we have them.
2. Took a formal position on firearms on campus.

c. Southern District

i. UA

1. We hosted the Spring to Action kickoff event for lobby corps. Think it went well and a lot of great student involved who would be interested in student advocacy
 2. Lead intern on textbooks and the bookstore are getting awarded at the Senate meeting tonight regarding the advancements in textbooks.
- ii. UA South –
1. We have many campuses in Tucson, Sierra Vista and Douglas and Nogales and we are trying to do as much as possible.
 2. We have a 5 member executive board.
 3. We applied for student services fee and are going to host a welcome back bash in early Feb.
 4. Looking forward to working with UA on several initiatives.
 5. Main goal is to set up a student council, representatives from the other sites.
- d. Student Regents –
- i. Strategic business plan of ASU – stemmed from Regent Mariucci request who felt that it would be nice to have an all encompassing plan that aligns with ABORs goals and addresses discrepancies.
 - ii. System Architecture redesign – please we need your feedback on these designs. If you don't buy into this system, it'll fail. Want students to be involved in the process and make sure that we consider the incoming students.
 - iii. Richard Meyer's appointment went well before the Senate Education Accountability and Reform Committee and it should be voted on in a few weeks before the full Senate.
 - iv. Governor Brewer is going to be making an announcement regarding Regent Bulla's replacement.
- e. ASA Staff
- i. ABOR – a lot of committee meetings and a special ABOR meeting. Get Smart breakfast with Regent Calderon. It happens every month and last month was regarding higher education. Presented the new Solutions' presentation.
 1. Asked to find the student representatives from the university and the community college. It would be a longer time commitment.
 - ii. USSA hired new EAT trainers – we have two from AZ – Daniel Hernandez and Christian Vasquez.
 - iii. Staff hiring – a lot of applicants and are still in the hiring process for a Tempe Organizer.
 - iv. Taxes – filed FY09 taxes. With the changes from IRS and codes there may be an accounting increase.
 - v. Audit completed and will be issued in the beginning of February.
 - vi. Organizing

1. 37 interns hired, have been working with Ben at ASU to hire them. Working on finding students who can spend a lot of time at the capitol.
 2. Working on making sure grassroots efforts compliment the legislative agenda.
 3. ASU will have their kick off on the 9th.
 4. NAU worked to get student stories about transfer horror stories. And working to get the ASNAU fee passed.
- vii. Legislative
1. Busy and exciting start to the semester. The legislative session kicked off at full speed, legislators are gearing up for an election year. Focusing on building strategic relationships and making sure we have supporters with power at the legislature. The bills have been tremendous, the Common Course Numbering (SB1186) has gotten us a lot of attention, and people know that we're running this bill. We are also talking about work study and working on elections. We are working on keeping the organizing in district and on campus to help build electoral power. Our full time legislative intern, Ashley Wilcox, was hired and she is phenomenal. She was already in the Legislative Page program. She is really knowledgeable and dedicated. Senior fellows working really diligently. Please thank Abby when you see her she was in charge of the initial work for Common Course Numbering.
 2. Lobby Day coming up February 24th. Accomplishes a consistent presence at the capitol. Gets students into the legislative process. Recruiting students who are interested and letting them have real involvement in the issues.
 - a. Registration begins early in the morning, with legislator meetings beginning usually around nine. It ends depending on when the last meetings are scheduled. If you need to leave early, please let Erin know so she can schedule around it.

IX. Committee reports

- a. Standing committees
 - i. Executive – have been working and meeting the last month really hard to organize the retreat.
 - ii. Finance
 1. Changes in tax codes will cost us more to file our taxes.
 2. Ryan Anderson will be increasing his fee
 3. ASA parking passes for the organizers, having ASA buy parking passes and ASA will own them.
 4. A hiring process budget will be needed.
 5. Audit will be presented in February
 - iii. Internal Affairs

1. A few proposals that have gone through committee will be presented before the board.
 2. We had 4 proposals from our RFP sent out for outside companies to help with the Executive Director hiring process and we selected the 3 lowest cost options to move before the board on Saturday.
- iv. Legislative
1. Three bills that we're working on.
 2. Work study – have a bill folder opened by Representative Konopnicki.
 3. Voter bills – not pushed through at the moment. Working with ABOR. Daniel Hernandez is tracking all the vote bills at the legislature. Quicker to implement if it's gone through the universities. A lot of opportunity to maintain as a priority without having full responsibility.
 4. Common Course Number – was passed out of committee unanimously, SB1186. Appreciate it if you could thank the Senators who voted on it.

- b. Ad-hoc committees- no reports
- i. Textbooks
 - ii. Dream Act
 - iii. Shared Governance
 - iv. Arizona Voters for Higher Education
 - v. Graduate Student Workgroup

- c. ABOR tuition workgroup
- i. Sandra Woodley was talking with the regents today. The presidents have had the reports since Jan 8th and we haven't heard anything.

X. United States Student Association Report

- a. Board meeting
- i. We discussed where our legislative priorities of the DREAM Act and the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act were at currently.
 - ii. We engaged the Board in a discussion about a long term vision and strategy for the National Student Movement in light of budget cuts and fee increases
 - iii. Approved a new budget for USSA
 - iv. Determined the location for Congress 2010: UCLA
 - v. We talked about VOTE2010 since vote work is one of the institutionalized campaigns for USSA.
 - vi. Talked about the importance of vote work especially in this coming election cycle.
- b. EAT: Electoral Action Training. The EAT is a one day training with 2 student trainers in which USSA partners with Campus camp Wellstone. It's a comprehensive training to give students the skills to register, educate and mobilize their campuses for the 2010 election and beyond. With a combination of workshops, exercises, and discussions students will be equipped with tried and true electoral

organizing skills (plus creative new tactics) and a sophisticated understanding of student power.

- c. State Student Association Summit: I've been talking to students in different state student associations on the topics and activities we could have during the summit. I've invited all the chairs/presidents of all the state student associations, including member and non-members, in hopes that they will facilitate specialty topic discussions that are focused per each state student association they represent.

XI. Executive Session- there was no Executive Session

XII. Discussion Items

- a. Communication Director
 - i. Matt McCoy moves to move discussion of the hiring of a communication director to the Internal Affairs Committee.
 - ii. Daniel Seconds
 - iii. Motion passes unanimously, no abstentions.

- b. Firearms on campus – the legislature passed a law that allows people to have firearms stored in the parked car on campus or locked in a storage container on a motorcycle.
 - i. Billy Holmes moves to move discussion to the Board Retreat on Saturday.
 - ii. Brendan O'Kelly seconds the motion.
 - iii. Motion passes unanimously, no abstentions.

XIII. Old Business

XIV. New Business

- a. Officer Elections
 - i. Board Chair
 - 1. Tony Pena nominates Elma Delic for the position of Board Chair.
 - 2. Billy Holmes seconds the motion.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously, no abstentions.

 - ii. Board secretary
 - 1. Billy Holmes nominates Lauren Talkington for the position of Board Secretary
 - 2. Matt McCoy seconds the motion.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously, no abstentions.

 - iii. Other officers
 - 1. Kelley Stewart moves to postpone the remaining officer elections to the Saturday meeting.
 - 2. Tony Pena seconds the motion.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously, no abstentions.
 - 4. Other officer elections will be held on Saturday.

XV. Announcements

XVI. Adjournment

- a. Elma Delic moves to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 pm
- b. Daniel Hatch seconds
- c. Motion passes
- d. Meeting adjourned