# Inter-Residence Hall Association Parliament Meeting – Minutes Memorial Union Campanile Room 16 February 2017 – 7:30 PM

- 1) Call to Order
  - a) Called in at 7:32
- 2) Roll Call
- 3) Approval of the Minutes
  - a) Minutes stand approved
- 4) Adopting the Agenda
- 5) Informational Speakers
- 6) General Orders
  - a) Parliament Order #2016-XX-XX: NRHH Position Bylaws
    - i) (Author pulled bill)
  - b) Parliament Order #2016-XX-XX: KQ Bill
    - i) Friley Katie: Move to consider as read
    - ii) Friley Katie: Does everyone here know what KQ is? It is a 26 hour event where you answer a different question every 6 minutes (as a team). There are activities around campus almost every hour and some travel involved. This bill will help fund residence hall teams competing in the event.
    - iii) Helser Araceli: You can learn more here: http://www.kure.stuorg.iastate.edu/trivia/
    - iv) StuGov Yash: Is the intent of the bill to be a scholarship?
      - (1) No, it is meant to help teams cover travel expenses
    - v) [] Sam: How big are the teams?
      - (1) The teams vary in size.
      - (2) Sam: How many teams participated last year?
        - (a) We probably had around 1,000 students
    - vi) WW Dee: One of our residents was talking about this event and how great it was last year. She said having a big team makes it better. I am a little confused as to how the money would be distributed?
      - (1) Speaker: A team registration costs \$45
      - (2) WW Dee: So, what is the extra money for?
        - (a) There is a travel portion, food, etc.
    - vii) Helser Lucas: This is an amazing event and is really fun. Since this is late registration is there an additional fee for that?
      - (1) Speaker: I believe it is still \$45
      - (2) Helser Lucas: Do you know a rough estimate of how much driving is done for the driving portion?
        - (a) Speaker: It's confidential. It is a bit of driving. It is likely within 4 hours

- (3) Helser Lucas: Do you think we should up the amount given that the teams will likely need to spend a lot of money on gas?
- viii) Friley Katie: Last year we had a team and spent the \$100
- ix) BWR Keagan: Do you know how long the late signup is open for?
  - (1) Speaker: I believe it is open through February 26th
- x) WW Dee: Two things: 1) When you register you have to pay the fee. Does this get reimbursed later on?
  - (1) Friley Katie: Last year I think we had IRHA reimburse the signup (technically they are just giving houses \$100 and they can use that for whatever they want, including to cover the registration fee)
- xi) BWR Keagan: If we amend to add money for gas, can we have the teams return money that is not used specifically for gas? That was if the distance is not as far away, we can get some funds back.
  - (1) Linden Francis: You probably only need one car per team.
    - (a) Speakers: Typically only one vehicle is used
- xii) WW Dee: Move to amend amount and raise it to \$200
  - (1) Second.
  - (2) Larch Jackson: I think \$150 could get it done. You don't need that much money for gas (I did some math).
  - (3) Friley Jake: Yeah, it's only like \$85 in gas maximum. \$200 seems a little steep.
  - (4) StuGov Sam: All unused funds are reverted back to IRHA
  - (5) Linden Francis: I agree with \$150. Teams could just spend money for the sake of spending money. I'm for \$150
  - (6) Friley Jake: Move to amend amount to \$150.
    - (a) Second. Objection
    - (b) Helser Lucas: Katie's team spent just \$100 on food and registration without gas, so I think \$200 is reasonable.
  - (7) []: How much money do we roughly have?
    - (a) Trey: I think we are at around \$31,000
    - (b) Friley Jake: Move to call to question.
      - (i) Second. No objections.
      - (ii) Placard Vote: Amendment fails 13-17-0
  - (8) Friley Jake: Move to call to question.
    - (a) Second. No objections.
    - (b) UC. Objection.
    - (c) Placard Vote: Amendment Passes
- xiii) Friley Jake: Move to call to guestion
  - (1) Second. No objection
  - (2) RC Vote: Bill Passes 29-1-0
  - (3) Trey: If you need money for this, let me know. I need to know you account number and proof of registration. wooge@iastate.edu
- c) Parliament Order #2016-XX-XX: MWL Game Room Resolution

- i) Larch Jackson: Move to consider as read
  - (1) Second. No objections
- ii) Friley Katie: We have had concerns in the past about this game room due to vandalism and such. Have you guys addressed this?
  - (1) Larch Jackson: We would cover any costs and attempt to find anyone that damaged equipment or vandalized the room.
- iii) WW Dee: To clarify, if we pass this we are saying that we support Larch going to the DoR to ask for funding to pay for this?
  - (1) Wyatt: yes
- iv) StuGov Yash: I think we should put in a clause regarding the damage part. If vandalism does take place, what happens?
- v) Friley Jake: That amendment is really unnecessary since it is already in your contract as a residence hall student.
- vi) Friley Katie: Can we capitalize the i in line 3?
- vii) At-Large Tia: You guys want DoR to cover this? Are you guys paying part?
  - (1) Larch Jackson: We plan to use our money first and then have the DoR cover anything else. We do want to have other events this year, so we won't be using all of our funding to do this renovation.
- viii) At-Large Tia: Are you putting money towards the equipment?
  - (1) Yeah, we are putting in as much as we can
- ix) At-Large Tia: What is the percentage?
  - (1) Larch Jackson: We would try to pay for the majority.
- x) []: Could we add a percentage to the bill?
  - (1) Wyatt: You can't necessarily force them to pay here. This involves three different halls.
- xi) Exec Trey: When the vandalism happened before how was that dealt with?
  - (1) Pete: I don't have a good answer. It is easier to do this in a house rather than a common space.
  - (2) Trey: Would DoR accept it if we added a clause to this asking that any damages be assessed to the three halls equally?
  - (3) Pete: This room is card access. We are trying to see how we should do it fairly. Every situation is unique.
- xii) Friley Jake: Move to call to question.
  - (1) Second. No objections.
  - (2) RC Vote. UC
    - (a) Objection. Placard Vote: Resolution passes 26-3-1
- d) Parliament Order #2016-XX-XX: NCC Expectations
  - i) Read in by author: WW lason
  - ii) Exec Aaron: This is something we already do. This just makes sure that we will continue to do it in the future.
  - iii) Friley Jake: What is the bylaw now?
    - (1) Aaron: There isn't one right now, we are adding one.
  - iv) Exec Trey: This would mean that we need a budget to sustain this

- v) WW Dee: Is NCC funded by IRHA?
  - (1) Yes
  - (2) WW Dee: What is the max number you can take?
    - (a) Aaron: It varies by conference
- vi) Friley Katie: I take the wording as we can bring the maximum allowed within the budget allocated, not that we have to raise the budget.
  - (1) Aaron: The goal is that we have a budget where we can take the most residents. Right now we have that and want to keep it.
- vii) Friley Jake: Amendment to add "as allowed by the IRHA budget."
  - (1) Second.
  - (2) Aaron: That amendment defeats the purpose of the bill. We want to be able to take the maximum allowed by the conference and not be limited by our budget. We want to take the max we can so that we can have the biggest impact on residence hall students.
  - (3) Brad: A couple clarification points. What was the most expensive trip this year and how many students went?
    - (a) NACURH is always most expensive. This year it was around \$200-\$300 a student. Last year it was in Delaware and we had to fly there.
  - (4) Brad: What was the number from Delaware last year?
    - (a) It was around 12 people. It was expensive.
  - (5) Brad: The conference gives you a number of people?
    - (a) Aaron: Yes, they let us know how many people we can take
  - (6) Buchanan Chrissy: If you pass this amendment it disregards the purpose of this bill.
  - (7) Logan: When it says allowed by the IRHA budget does that mean what is currently within the NCC budget or whole IRHA budget?
  - (8) Helser Lucas: So, we had 0% of dues go to discretionary this year?
    - (a) Yes, we had a big rollover from last year. In the future, if IRHA has a consistent budget, discretionary and other accounts will all be a bit smaller.
  - (9) Exec Trey: I also believe that this amendment negates the purpose of this parliament order. I would say to vote no on this amendment if you want to pass the resolution, otherwise vote no on the whole thing.
  - (10) Aaron: This amendment would be redundant. How much rollover did we have from discretionary last year?
    - (a) ~\$29,000
    - (b) Aaron: My budget is less than that and benefits students. If we have leftover money it goes right back to help residents.
  - (11) Linden Francis: How do we benefit from these conferences?
    - (a) The residents that we bring get to learn about leadership and different programs that other colleges put on and we can bring those back and put them on here.

- (i) Olivia: I brought back a program on introverts vs extroverts and also one on diversity.
- (ii) Kay: I plan to bring a program back to my house about coming out of the closet and different views on homosexuality.
- (b) Aaron: Anyone can apply for MACURH, so these programs can go anywhere and everywhere.
- (12) Friley Stephanie: At what point do you know the location? Do you know before we make our budget?
  - (a) Aaron: I wish that was the case, but we don't know until after we make the budget. That would be a simple fix if we did know
- (13) Friley Jake: Move to call to question.
  - (a) Second. No objection.
  - (b) Placard Vote: Amendment fails 2-X
- viii) Friley Jake: Move to call to question.
  - (1) Second. No objections.
  - (2) RC Vote: Resolution passes 22-7-1
- e) Parliament Order #2016-XX-XX: NCC and Communications Bylaws
  - i) []: Move to consider as read.
    - (1) Second. No objections.
  - ii) Aaron: This is just clarifying stuff that we already do
  - iii) WW lason: Move to call to question.
    - (1) Second. No objections.
    - (2) UC. No objections.
- 7) New Business
  - a) Parliament Order #2016-XX-XX: Masquerade Ball
    - i) Read in by Oak/Elm Sara
    - ii) Wyatt: Just as a point of information, in the past we only allowed questions of intent which limited you. You can ask any questions you want to the author of the bill, but we are not debating on it right now.
    - iii) Friley Katie: Is it your intent to spend exactly \$3,163.91?
      - (1) Oak/Elm Sara: That is our closest estimate. It is also about \$2,000 less than what we have asked for in the past
    - iv) WW Dee: What is the point of this event? How did the event start?
      - (1) Oak/Elm Sara: It just became a thing. Most people who participate are freshmen. It gives students something to do
    - v) WW Dee: Does Oak/Elm use any of it's own money?
      - (1) We pay for advertising and are paying \$700 for a photo booth
      - (2) Oak/Elm Martha: We are also paying for decorations and stuff
- 8) Open Forum

- a) Exec Trey: I appreciate all that debate on the financial aspect of that bylaw bill. I ran some numbers and right now the NCC budget is about 7.6% of our budget. Their budget would have been 11.6% if we had no rollover (but we did)
- b) Friley Katie: I can't really hear with the side conversations going on.
- c) Aaron: If you can't hear something, you can ask people to speak up
- d) WW Dee: I encourage that we practice what we preach
- e) Friley Katie: It's supposed to be really nice tomorrow
- f) Linden Francis: I want to thank our senators for all that they do. They put in a lot of hard work. They visited all of the halls.
- 9) Student Government Report
  - a) StuGov Sam: We seated a senator to GPSS
  - b) We seated a senator to UA committee
  - c) We seated a member to be our Director of Sustainability
  - d) We funded the Arab Student Association for \$3,300
    - i) They requested funding to hold an event that shows off Arab Culture and how the travel ban affected them. We thought this would be good for diversity.
  - e) Yash: I want to thank you all for working with us to get us to your halls. I want to thank all of you for coming to the meeting and speaking. The Sanctuary Campus part of the bill was taken away. University Council said there was no risk of losing federal funding. We did change some content on the bill to say that we would do everything in our legal right to support these students. We also openly opposed HF-265.
    - i) Sam: HF-265 would deny funding to schools that do not follow federal law
    - ii) Yash: HF-265 is not yet on the agenda, but it has been proposed. Our justification for opposing the bill was that there is no chance of losing funding (in the opinion of university council)
  - f) Yash: We passed the resolution 27-1-1
  - g) Jack: We approved a senate proclamation so we can recognize students
  - h) StuGov Sam: We voted to put the MU referendum on the ballot. There has been a feasibility study. Students will vote on whether they want to increase fees to \$72/student/semester to help fund this renovation
    - i) Yash: This new renovation would add dining seating, it would also make this room larger and add space for student organizations.
    - ii) In Fall 2018 there would be a \$32/student/semester increase. In fall 2019, there would be a \$42/student/semester increase. This will be a separate line item in the U-Bill if it passes so you know where the money is going.
    - iii) Learn More: <a href="http://www.mu.iastate.edu/BETTERMU">http://www.mu.iastate.edu/BETTERMU</a>
    - iv) []: Was there any talk about having residence space in the MU?
      - (1) Sam: as far as I know, the MU was always temporary and that space would be converted into office space and student org space.
  - i) Yash: We waived second read to support the Big 12 Sexual Awareness. This basically just says that we stand up for sexual assault. We passed this right away.
  - j) Yash: We supplemented annual allocations for fiscal year 2018. This is all internal
  - k) Yash: We read in a bill for the ISU Ski Club

- I) Yash: We had a great meeting and I want to thank you again
  - i) Helser Lucas: Can you get a better live stream?
    - (1) StuGov Sam: We had a temporary person live streaming. We have an official record of all meetings on Panopto.
    - (2) WW lason: Perhaps you should promote Panopto more
  - ii) Exec Kay: There is a stop sign by Oak/Elm that can't really be seen when it is dark and cars come zooming through. Could we fix that?

#### 10) Officer and Advisor Reports

- a) President
  - i) Cyclone Market is coming up. Student orgs can set up tables and tents and sell things or hold events. There is a committee planning it. They meet at 9:00 on Thursdays. There is also a PR committee that meets at 6:00 on Wednesdays and a vendor committee that you can join as well.
  - ii) StuGov elections are coming up soon. We will be having the slates come in on March 2nd. I would encourage you to bring questions for them.
  - iii) MU people will likely come in next week to speak on the renovations.
- b) Vice President
  - i) Next week, we don't have the campanile room for this meeting. Our backup plan is UDCC 136. The other option would be to have the meeting in Geoffroy Hall (new residence hall). We could also tour the building afterwards.
    - (1) (We will try to book Geoffroy and let you all know)
  - ii) I want to give another S/O to our StuGov senators. They went above and beyond. They all spoke up for you guys and participated in a healthy debate.
  - iii) Mental Health Committee was going to start last week, but we will be starting tomorrow at Noon-1:15. If you are interested, meeting is in MU 2210.
- c) Dave [RESIDENCE]
  - i) Nothing
- d) Pete [RESIDENCE]
  - i) Nothing
- e) Mohamed [DINING]
  - i) To bridge the gap for next year, we will be putting a gold meal plan back in place. The plan will be a little different. 200 meals for the dining centers, 35 express meals, and \$100 for dining dollars. \$28 more than old gold plan
  - ii) WW lason: Are you still grandfathering in the bronze plan?
    - (1) Mohamed: Yes
  - iii) Exec Carmen: Is that on the website.
    - (1) We just decided, but we will get it put up.
  - iv) Brad: Does this change our unlimited plans?
    - (1) No, this is just an addition to ease the transition
  - v) Helser Arcaeli: Is there a way to not have the 2-4 closing time in the dining halls?
    - (1) We are going to alternate the times that they are closed. We still need to have time to clean the dining center and prep for meals.

- vi) Helser Lucas: Are you going to rename the plan from gold?
  - (1) We are going to call the off-campus gold "silver." This will be gold and then we have bronze as well.
- vii) Brad: What would default plan be for freshmen?
  - (1) It would be the gold plan. The difference between that and unlimited is ~\$130, so it is much more valuable for students.
- viii) Yash: Will meal swipes still be available at the MU?
  - (1) The express meals will work in the MU

#### 11) Committee Reports

- a) Events
  - i) NRHH Ice Skating is February 25th (next Saturday). If you want to help out, please let us know.
  - ii) April 16-23 will be the dates for Res Hall week. We are currently working on events for that.
  - iii) Top Gun and Wings event Wednesday, March 22 at 8:00pm (tentative)
    - (1) Friley Katie: There is a CA event going on that day

### b) Leadership

- i) Hello everyone. Leyton has emailed all of the hall presidents to compile an email that will go out.
- ii) Currently working on leadership banquet. We are working on the music and decorations right now. Location is locked in.
- iii) Francis joined our leadership committee
- iv) Brad: What was the subject of that email from Leyton?
  - (1) Hall Newsletter
- v) WW Dee: When are leadership meetings?
  - (1) Tuesdays and Thursdays 5-6pm

#### c) NRHH

i) Events committee mentioned our ice skating event. It starts at 8:00pm and goes until midnight. Your ticket in is a canned food item. There will be a flier that goes out with the minutes. Promote the event in your halls.

## d) Finance

- i) Our committee did not meet last night, but we are working on the budget as a whole that will come to you guys soon to vote on for next year.
- ii) With the bill that we just passed, we are at \$26,500 left in discretionary

## e) NCC

- i) We went to a conference. We spent the weekend in a boardroom like this. We voted on a lot of things. There are a lot of new members at the regional level. We added some awards and got rid of others. We decided that Truman will be hosting the next business conference. If you have any other questions, I can go more in depth on that.
  - (1) Friley Katie: Was this MACURH or NACURH?
    - (a) Aaron: Neither. This was just a regional business conference
    - (b) Friley Katie: Did we win anything?

- (i) Aaron: No, we didn't bid for any awards
- (c) Olivia: We did win most likely to kiss under a bell tower
- (2) Trey: Is this still technically called No Frills?
  - (a) Aaron: It is now called the "Regional Business Conference"
- (3) Trey: What did you talk about at the conference?
  - (a) Aaron: We had 32 pieces of legislation. If you want to know details, please talk to me afterwards.
- f) CA
  - i) Virginia (DoR) has been coming to staff meetings to talk with us
  - ii) Webinar on Saturday dealing with advocacy. Talking about getting involved with your community.
- g) Communications
  - i) I have IRHA stickers if you didn't get one.
  - ii) If you are new, follow IRHA on social media
  - iii) I am a Student Admissions Representative. If any of you are interested in becoming a STAR, let me know. The application opens on March 1. http://admissions.iastate.edu for more information.
  - iv) WW Dee: Are social media accounts the only way IRHA is promoted?
    - (1) Jacob: We also get promoted by other groups. It also falls on us and all of you to help spread the word. If you have suggestions for other ways to interact with the community, please let us know!
  - v) Kristina: If you have events in your halls, share them with me. We can help promote those events through our channels.
  - vi) Yash: Can we get new name tags?
    - (1) Dave will print those if we send him the information. If you want a new name card, come talk to me after the meeting.
  - vii) StuGov Sam: How is the planning for Carrie Lane Crashtacular going?
    - (1) Wyatt: Have your hall council email me
  - viii) Helser Lucas: How many followers do we have?
    - (1) Approx. 296 on Twitter.
- h) IT
  - i) Encourage your residents to take directory information survey.
    - (1) http://go.stugov.com
  - ii) Learn more about the MU proposal: http://www.mu.iastate.edu/about/proposed-renovation/
  - iii) I encourage you all to vote in StuGov elections. Last year the turnout was around 14%, so we can definitely do much better!!

# 12) Closing Announcements

- a) Wyatt: Next meeting will probably be in Geoffroy. Tensions are high. Next meeting you can wear your pajamas if you want. We'll have a comfy meeting.
- b) Logan: Tuesday meeting are from 5-6:50
- c) StuGov Sam: This week's movie is a DAM(n) Documentary
- d) Aaron: Snaps to Dave and Pete for working on fitness centers

- e) Helser Lucas: We should bring back snacks. Also, thanks to everyone for great debate. Move to adjourn,
  - i) Second. No objections.
  - ii) Meeting adjourned at 9:48pm