

Inter-Residence Hall Association (IRHA) Minutes

Parliament Meeting

Memorial Union

19 October 2017- 7:30 PM

Minutes Taken By Kaitlyn Roling

Call to Order: 7:32 PM

- Roll Call
- Approval of the Minutes:
 - Friendly Amendment: Change Pete's name back to Pete instead of Steve.
 - MOTION. SECOND.
- Approval of the Agenda:
 - Agenda Stands Approved
- Informational Speakers: ISU DINING
 - New Features:
 - Dinkey's Grub Truck
 - Lance and Ellie's
 - MU Salad Bar
 - Clyde's Renovations
 - The Hub Renovations
 - Design Cafe Renovations
 - Kay [Geoffery]: Will Carbiou be affected in the Hub?
 - Mohamed [DINING]: When you go to any city, there is all kinds of gourmet coffee, so we want to do something similar to that. We will have all of the same things Carbiou has.
 - Ben [Friley]: Is the new Design Cafe going to have coffee?
 - Mohamed [DINING]: Yes. We will create our own coffee, similar to places like Starbucks, so as to not pay commission.
 - Ishu [Towers]: How will food waste be prevented?
 - Mohamed [DINING]: The challenge in the dining hall is that people often take more than they eat. We took away trays a few years ago and that helped to reduce food waste.
 - Scott [DINING]: We do donate extra food to Food at First in downtown Ames, like packaged salads.
 - Mohamed [DINING]: Zero waste is impossible to achieve. If you do a catering event, then we need to have extra food for people so as not to run out. We can't give that food to other people after having it out. One of the things we promised last year was saving money. This year we saved 1.3 million dollars in cutting costs last year.
 - Ishu [Towers]: We need to challenge students to finish their food so that they waste less.

- Mohamed [DINING]: We do need to educate students on food waste, but also let them know that they have a choice and that we respect their own decisions.
 - Exec. Vanessa: Will students be working the food truck?
 - Mohamed [DINING]: Yes, we will also have a sous chef and a cook in addition to students.
 - Mohamed [DINING]: If we were to propose changing express meals to dining dollars, how would you feel?
 - (Majority more dining dollars)
 - Sonya [Geoffroy]: How will pricing look?
 - Mohamed [DINING]: If you go to Friley Windows, it will be one swipe. If you go to Clyde's, it will be \$9.50.
 - Eric [Geoffroy]: Which location will accept express meals?
 - Mohamed [DINING]: MU, Clyde's, The Hub (probably), and others that are currently express meals. Express meals now cost about \$8, but they will be \$9.50 next year. If there is additional cost, we may ask you to pay it on your credit or on your U-Bill.
 - Special Orders:
 - [None]
 - General Orders:
 - [None]
 - New Business:
 - [None]
 - Open Forum:
 - [None]
 - Student Government Report:
 - Cody (StuGov): We want to visit as many hall meetings as we can. Please send us the times your hall meets. We are always at these meetings, but want to be at the halls as much as possible.
 - Contact: crwoody@iastate.edu
 - Cody (StuGov): Please pass out the five voter registration cards in front of you and bring them back this Thursday. It would register over 150-160 new voters just from IRHA representatives. I will mail these in Friday to get pre-registered to vote. This is a crutch of our civic engagement system. November 2nd, there will be a candidate forum where all of the candidates will be on campus. Try to get CA's involved!
 - Jacob (StuGov): We sat one At-Large member to our Public Relations committee. If you know anyone who would be good at elections, please contact one of us or go through the website. We approved the election timeline for next year's election. Election season will begin in the spring and this information will be released soon.
 - Cody (StuGov): We are hoping to continue the amount of students voting. We voted on a bill for the MU that concerns for new audio and visual equipment. This

cost around \$17,000. I was the only no vote. I had concerns about the Student Government paying for all of the audio, as the MU was paying for the rest of the visual equipment. This is where your student fees are going. We also funded the “Tree of Oppression”, that highlights how diverse our campus is and how to get more inclusion on campus. The Campanile Bill is dead. The organization said they no longer want the money. They’re trying to find other ways to source it. For next week, we will see bills for Black Student Alliance, etc. We have an internal matter about the bylaws and plan on adopting a new logo for next year.

- Vishishta [Friley]: What is this tree of oppression?
 - Cody (StuGov): There will be plastic chains and metal signs to have a physical representation of the student body’s interactions with race and diversity issues on campus. The campus has been working on diversity and inclusion initiatives. This is one we put forth.
 - Vishishta [Friley]: What was the cost?
 - Cody (StuGov): \$1,000
- Officer & Advisor Reports:
 - Dave Garsow [RESIDENCE]:
 - Fall Fest is going well. Hooray! Carmen is carrying around pumpkins in the **Swaggin’ Wagon**. There are still more events so attend!
 - Exec Madeline: Is the Hall Crawl a guided tour?
 - Dave [RESIDENCE]: Yes. On October 23rd, each desk will have different foods and people available to explain things about the hall, let you enter for prizes, and get hooked up for tours.
 - Exec Madeline: That information will be on the big posters?
 - Dave [RESIDENCE]: Yes, and on the home page!
 - Pete Englin [RESIDENCE]:
 - We will get a FAQ out to all of you about the changes to streaming on Mediacom. It shouldn’t slow down the internet. That will be out shortly.
 - Cody (StuGov): Do you know the response rate for the campus climate survey?
 - Pete [RESIDENCE]: Around 15%. Thank you for taking that. We want to get to a 30% return rate for it to be valid. Keep encouraging others to take it.
 - Mohamed Ali [DINING]:
 - [NONE]
 - Executive Reports:
 - Exec. Scott [Pres]:
 - Campus Climate Survey: The undergraduate rate is very low (3.9%). It is very important to get data from this survey. There are changes coming to the directory, and your address can no longer be seen.

- Exec. Andrew [V. Pres]:
 - You'll start hearing about Slack in a few weeks! It will be a less formal way to communicate with you all. It is a messaging app for most devices.
- Exec. Stephanie [Finance]:
 - Not much of an update, but we are spending good money on our events, which is very exciting. I will update you all after I get those numbers.
- Exec. Madeline [Leadership]:
 - Last week, we got a lot done in our meeting. We have set up dates and locations for the ISU PD events. **We have a day for parliament training, November 5th, put this on your calendars.** Not a time yet, but we will have it soon. I will have Andrew send out a time when we have it. We discussed plans for the leadership banquet. In the works, we have a service plan with NRHH. It will be fantastic. We have a representative for ISLE. If anyone is still interested, please contact me.
 - Dave [RESIDENCE]: What is Isle?
 - Exec. Madeline: That is the Iowa State Leadership Experience. It's a day long event with a speaker and breakouts. We are trying to figure out who the speaker is this year. When more info comes out, turn your ear to it because it is a great experience.
 - []: What is the ISU PD event?
 - Exec. Madeline: It will be over the span of three weeks. On November 1st from 7-9, we will have a response and reporting dangerous behavior event. The next one will be VIRT training in Friley on November 8th from 7-10. The last will be a self defense training class in Geoffroy on the 15th from 7-9. This is all currently tentative.
- Exec. Carmen [Events, Senior]:
 - Who has gone to a Fall Fest Event? You're missing out if not!
 - Cups on Campus: Went super well!
 - Grab-and-Go Breakfast: Went very well! 300 people showed up, which was excellent. We had a lot of people coming from campus to Towers.
 - Zorb Ball: Went very well and people had a lot of fun. It was very entertaining to watch.
 - Pumpkin Painting: Today we had pumpkin painting. IRHA owes me a new manicure. All of our pumpkins are gone, so we did well on forecasting what we would need.
 - Three more days:
 - Tomorrow: MU movie night in Pioneer Room, MU.
 - Cool prize baskets, pizza, popcorn! Catered by ISU Catering.
 - Saturday: Mayhem Event

