Inter-Residence Hall Association (IRHA) Minutes

Parliament Meeting
Memorial Union
02 November 2017- 7:30 PM
Minutes Taken By Scott Fisk

Call to Order: 7:31 PM

- Roll Call
- Approval of the Minutes:
  - Minutes Stand Approved
- Approval of the Agenda:
  - Agenda Stands Approved
- Informational Speakers: ISU Dining
  - Rate Request - Will be voting on at end of November
    - See handout provided to all parliament representatives
  - Updated Meal Plans - Just an information piece
  - Karen: We presented new meal plans to committee, IRHA exec, etc.
    - We will be shifting meal bundles to flex meals (equivalency) - $9
    - We also shifted some express meals to dining dollars for flexibility
    - We changed CyValue name to Cardinal - same plan as today
    - We are willing to keep Gold plan since it is so popular
    - New plan would be flex plan - pay more for more flexibility
  - Willow Grant: What is happening to the Hub
    - We are separating coffee and expanding food
  - Friley Ben: Will bronze plan be back?
    - No, that was grandfathered just for one year
  - Friley Ben: I appreciate you expanding college of design. I am a little afraid of making the menu one thing. May discourage people.
    - We are going to keep grab-n-go options. Taqueria concept is going to be something similar to what we have in Friley
  - BWR Garrett: Will c-stores use flex meals?
    - Very likely - we just need to figure out what areas
  - Martin Gillian - If you don’t hit $9, where does the change go?
    - Our software vendor doesn’t have an answer for that. We may just have some small impulse buy items to fill the gap.
    - If the amount is over $9, then it will pull from dining dollars
    - There aren’t very many POS systems for universities. There is not a lot of competition, so they are very slow to update software
  - Email us with any questions: alim@iastate.edu
- Special Orders:
  - [None]
● General Orders:
  ○ 2017-2-012-F: Madrigal Dinner Funding
    ■ Informational Speaker: This is an annual event that we put on
    ■ BWR Garrett: Do you take any profits?
      ● I believe it is a fundraiser, but I’m not sure
    ■ Finance Stephanie: I would need an account number if you want funding for this bill. Do you have that?
      ● No, but I can get it from the Director
    ■ RC Vote: 25-3-0 Bill Passes
● New Business:
  ○ None
● Open Forum:
  ○ At-Large Victor: For those who may not be aware - with regards to New York Times Subscription. We decided not to continue to fund that
  ○ Friley Cecilia: Friley is concerned about food labeling in UDM and options for those with dietary restrictions. We are hoping to host an open forum to discuss some of the issues we see. The head chef is willing to work with us, so we just need to figure out a good time. If anyone is interested, please let me know.
  ○ Linden MacKenzie: Linden Hall Director was contacted by IRHA to host something? Can you tell us a little bit more about that?
    ■ Friley Ben: That event has been postponed. Sorry about that
● Student Government Report:
  ○ Juan: We seated an At-large Member to Finance Committee
  ○ We seated 3 people to the Election Commission - Still 4-5 seats open
  ○ We voted on funding for the New York Times subscription. We decided to vote it down and not fund it again next year. The reason it failed is that senators thought we could get other news and not enough students would use it
  ○ Lillian: We funded an event for Black Student Alliance
  ○ Jacob: We talked about Open Educational Resources. We passed a resolution to show support for this
  ○ Juan: We had some basic funding requests and bylaws changes
  ○ We tabled a bill to fund college constituency councils. A few senators from finance committee want to fund more student initiatives. They came up with this plan to fund academic constituencies at the rate of $1 per student. This was tabled after some amendments were made. This bill was heavily amended to hold the councils accountable for how they spend this money
  ○ We are going to vote on a resolution next week about residency restrictions per the city. They are trying to find another way to discriminate against students. Their latest scheme is trying to regulate residency based on parking spaces. We wrote a resolution to basically tell the City we don’t like this plan.
  ○ The mayoral candidates are all in the Sun Room until 10:00 tonight. You should all show up and ask them questions about issues and their policies.
● Officer & Advisor Reports:
○ Dave Garsow [RESIDENCE]:
  ■ Out of town - Down in Des Moines
○ Pete Englin [RESIDENCE]:
  ■ Absent
○ Mohamed Ali [DINING]:
  ■ A few days ago I learned that UDCC was ordering too much food. They were ignoring our menus and putting chef’s choice everywhere. I just drafted an email to that team. I really do apologize about that.

● Executive Reports:
○ The Fiskal Report:
  ■ Please take the Campus Climate Survey - We need more student responses in order to use the data in the report.
  ■ Directory Changes coming over Thanksgiving Break
  ■ Directory Picture - Talk to Kaitlyn to get one taken
○ Exec. Andrew [V. Pres]:
  ■ Parliamentary Procedure
○ Exec. Stephanie [Finance]:
  ■ All of the Fall Fest receipts are in! Yay!!
  ■ We have $115,000 left - ~$52,000 in discretionary (minus bill tonight)
○ Exec. Madeline [Leadership]:
  ■ Parliament Retreat is this weekend from 1-5pm on Sunday
  ■ This will all be in the Richardson Court Courtyard & then in Oak/Elm
    ● We will have some events outside unless it is precipitating
    ● We can all grab lunch beforehand at a dining center
○ Exec. Carmen [Events, Senior]:
  ■ Hiring new Events Director - Friday, Saturday, Tuesday
  ■ We will be picking a new time for committee meetings. We’ll still probably do one more event and a service event for the semester
  ■ If you want to join events committee, come find me after the meeting!
○ Exec. Caleb [Communications]:
  ■ Working with NRHH on Custodian Appreciation Day
○ Exec. Sarah [NRHH]:
  ■ OTMs are due tomorrow night at midnight
  ■ Relay for Life Team - March 3rd (Saturday) - If you are interested in joining, please let me know! We’d love to have you join!
  ■ NRHH Ice Skating Event - Feb. 23rd (Friday) 7:30 - 11:00pm
    ● Bring a canned food item and get in for free
○ Exec. Vanessa [NCC]: Last delegation meeting on Sunday.
  ○ Exec. Kaitlyn [IT]: Absent. At a lecture for extra credit :)

● Closing Announcements:
  ○ Friley Ben: Go State! Move to adjourn

Meeting Adjourned: 8:40pm