



BUCKNELL STUDENT GOVERNMENT
September 28, 2014

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

- a. Loren brought her gavel back but I still think I'd be more official if we had someone blow a horn

II. Approval of Last Week's Minutes

- a. Approved (50-0-0)

III. Attendance

- Congress: 50 present, 2 absent, 34 needed for quorum
- Advisors: Dean Conrad, Dean Remley
- Guests: Jason Cassidy

IV. Guest Speaker Jason Cassidy

- Living off campus – must apply
- New for 2015-2016:
 - Only rising seniors can apply
 - Only 200 students will be allowed off campus
 - Board of trustees pushed for 0 but that was stopped by Bravman
 - 100 men and 100 women
 - Only certified properties will be available for rent
 - Housing website will have houses that passed inspection
 - Only 3 people who are unrelated are allowed to live together (Lewisburg ordinance enforcement)
- Question 2016 Rep. Grace Sweetser: will total # available houses = total people approved?
 - Cassidy: Yes
 - Remley: Every house that students live in currently has passed and will be approved for Fall 2015, but the new system and database will be in effect for 2016
 - Some requirements for enhanced safety: Carbon monoxide checks, smoke detectors linked in series, safer outlets
 - Fire escape not rentable to students anymore (not safe)
- Question 2015 S/T Will Persing: are there any houses that will have issues?
 - Remley: not with current code
 - Cassidy: maybe with new code
- Status with conduct and Greek orgs can affect your ability to live downtown
- STEPS:
 - Phase 1: pass "Living in Lewisburg" quiz and agree to Release of Information waiver
 - Phase 2: Learn about BLOC; required to attend two programs a semester (BLOC Party event, Building BLOCs event, Sweeping the Neighborhood...)
 - Phase 3: Housing services reviewing people's records

- No cheating the system
 - Trying to cheat the lottery number system will lead to everyone involved losing their downtown approval, a judicial citation, and will likely have to still have for lease they can't use.

V. Updates

- a. Loren Jablon, President
 1. Parents Weekend – Success
 - a. Used ~\$450. Additional funds will be returned to the BSG Operating Budget.
 - b. About half of congress showed up (25 people)
 2. Know Your Rights – Feedback
 - a. Ordinance Checklist / Revised Know Your Rights
 - b. Meeting with Alex Rosen, Student Advocacy Chair, and Chief Barilar on Tuesday 9/30
 3. Relationship with Campus Organizations
 - a. Hoping to host a Campus Communications Luncheon (perhaps once a month) with IFC, Panhellenic, ACE, WVBU, The Bucknellian
- b. Whitney Tatem, Vice President of Operations
 1. Apps will go out tomorrow
 - a. 8 spots open, 7 house spots will be determined by apps
 - b. Actual selection process will be determined
 2. External Committees
- c. Walker Brady, Vice President of Finance
 1. Finance Hearings Started
 2. New way to request a hearing on the IN Network!
 3. Accounts Mananger/Finance Apps are Going Out
- d. CJ Moy, Vice President of Administration
 1. Attendance Policy – use the IN Network form. Don't call my phone especially
 2. Player of the Week
 - a. Mark Merino '17, chair of PubLic affairs

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business

- a. Goals Exercise (see item XI.)
- b. 2015 Rep. Michael Sahagian got a haircut this week.

VIII. Committee Reports

- a. Meetings will officially begin next week.

IX. External Committee Reports

- a. Provost Search Committee Update (Jablon) – Meeting this Thursday

X. Class Updates

- a. Seniors – successful hat sales (Kevin Miller and Will Persing)
- b. Juniors – broke up into sub committees to have narrower focus on goals
- c. Sophomores – talked about fundraising opportunities
- d. First-years – Fundraiser: Greeting cards from parents

XI. Group Activity

- a. Campus Issues to focus on
 1. Bison operating hours (breakfast)
 2. Cafe take-out times
 3. IFC/Panhel collaborations – social+alcohol
 4. Campus shuttle
 - a. Downtown to uphill latenights
 - b. “Saferides” instead of “drunkbus”
 2. Health services appointment process
 3. Daytime house registration
 4. Relations with student body
 5. Food waste initiative
- b. What we love about BSG
 1. Candy
 2. Inside Scoop
 3. Speakers
 4. Opportunities
 5. Free food events
 6. Bowling date party?
 7. The potential for free patagonias...hah
- c. Publicity Event Ideas for BSG to Host
 1. Sponsoring intramural sports
 2. Suggestion stand
 3. Tissue boxes
 4. Attendance at other events
 5. Tailgate
 6. BSG teams (canoe battleships etc)
- d. Ways to make congress fun/engaging
 1. Sharing something funny a BSG member did the week before
 - a. Funny picture?
 2. Spice up the agenda
 3. Entrance music
 4. BSG Chant
 5. Break up congress with trivia
 6. Current campus events
 7. Seat swap
- e. Executive Board Goals
 1. Stay positive. Aim high
 2. Assessing the success of the new org structure
 3. Bringing leadership groups together to collectively advance student initiatives
 4. Empower each of you to lead BSG in the future

XII. Advisor Comments

XIII. Adjournment

- a. Bring in dancing lobsters