Senate Minutes
March 17, 2014

Opening
Call to Order: Vice President Gaona
Prayer
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call and Establish Quorum: Secretary Thomas
Reading and Approval of Minutes: Senator Dillard (seconded)

Communications:
1. Guest Speaker: None – We have Amy coming in next week.
2. Visitor's Open Forum: Tyler Hale: I work in Hag/Ty. I'm the HD. You talked about Hag/Ty and how we do programming. I want to share with you what we are doing. IT has its unique challenges and you talked about the challenges and how you want to promote diversity. I want to talk about the concept of how residence halls present different challenges. Without thinking that they are fundamentally flawed and set up for failure, Hag/Ty has its unique challenges in that we work with juniors and seniors. I came working with grad students and like working with an older population. This year we have been able to engage in conversation about alcohol programming and how to incorporate it in our programming in how it mirrors the real world. Want to provide opportunities for students to either choose to engage in appropriate use of alcohol in our programming while also supporting students who choose not to use alcohol. Not all students will drink and we fully support that. Try to create a mix of programming. Done everything to Valentine's day card making and Sunday we had Irish beer tasting with cheeses. Idea is to get students engaged in a dialogue more than just the alcohol content. That's how we've been approaching alcohol programming and it's been successful. Try not to take it all programming. There was concern last week concerning those who aren't 21, and we ask ourselves that a lot. Did an experiment and instead of doing a beer garden where people are sectioned off, the last party was open so they could all interact. We are breaking down stereotype of over and under 21 and who's always and never drinking. Setting up real life situations. Hag/Ty is the stepping-stone between traditional hall and real world. There was talk about students going there to seek their own communities, why are we doing programming at all? I think for the most part students wants to stay connected. They don't want to disappear, otherwise they would live off-campus because it's cheaper and you don't have hall staff in your hair. Students stay in Hag/Ty to do some programming which allows us to work with those communities and engage together. Instead of letting them fracture in own communities, we are trying to tie relationships and put together a neighborhood. Trying to get grills out there so people can cook outside. For the most part, we are seeing them work. I need your help in messaging that to the community. There's a myth that Hag/Ty isn't working and it doesn't fit with our school. That's wrong, we are seeing success. I'll let y'all you know about events. We don't do big campus events like the Man Auction but I'll make a point in inviting some of you to experience them. I made it a rule to never throw an event I would never attend myself.
We can also get coffee
3. Senator Muwulya: how do you feel about the international house? Should it be coming back?
4. Tyler Hale: you have talked about it, so I don't want to revisit it but the idea is that our community values the presence of international students. However, I think what happens sometimes not just with the international house, but also the other communities, is that
they are inwardly focused. Great experience for them to build relationships with each other but we are missing a chance to interact with those students and live with them. Next year we are not housing RA’s together for that reason. They will be in a house with anywhere from 4-12 people. They should build relationships with each other, and I’m there to support them, but when it comes to living, let’s live together in a big community instead of fractured communities. I know you’ve talked to Fr. Gerry about it. When I went to college I lived in Quaker House at George Fox University, and I saw some good things and things not so hot. I think we are heading a good direction. It comes from a spirit in wanting international students to be involved with our community instead of being pulled apart.

5. Senator Cleary: thanks for coming in. Have talked to other students about themed housing overall, and those houses said that their house would go together to events. There’s the philosophy of it being an inclusive community, but if themed housing comes back, could faith and leadership throw events? That would put them in the overall community and they value those experiences as well. We are doing the ambassador program, but there are some who want to take it a step higher? The response I got is that they valued themed housing and that it made them go out more and talk about it and introduce themselves so people know who they are.

6. Tyler Hale: Senator Cleary, who are you working with?

7. Senator Cleary: the junior class

8. Tyler Hale: you are on the right track. I would have loved for themed houses to have operated that way. That’s not we are seeing, I would love it if international house said they want to host a dinner and discussion of a movie and came to RA’s and talked about that. We could even get them hall funds. We aren’t seeing that with the Faith and Leadership house either. Its hard to get them to the hall mass in the evening. We are aren’t seeing these groups of people do own programming. I don’t think I’ve seen any programming in the green house and I didn’t know it existed until mid-September. They could, but that’s not the reality. There are groups coming to events as faith and leadership or honors house though.

9. Senator Cortez: how much programming do you do on average?

10. Tyler Hale: Last year there was one educational and one party event. Threw that away and don’t want to throw a program just to throw something. Right now, we have 2 big events per semester. Last semester we had the Oktoberfest, which we had like 250 attend and ate cake. We had our Christmas cocktail party. Our RA’s are targeting groups of 8-10 students. We have 5 RA’s and one does something every 2-3 weeks. Whether that’s running a NCAA bracket or Irish beer tasting or going to Thor. I’m sorry I can’t put a definitive number on it.

11. Senator Sutherland: how has the alcohol worked with Hag/Ty? With it being changed with seniors, how will it carry on next year with seniors?

12. Tyler Hale: We haven’t changed the policy from the University other than incorporating it into our existing programming in Ty/Hag. Still same philosophy and it has been received well. At the national teacher brew day, we had 12 students over and taught them how to brew own beer. We had St. Andrew be-stout. Gave a bottle to some folks in the administration. It has been challenging to control the message as different departments hear about what we are doing. Physical Plant may not understand why we are incorporating alcohol or other departments. Engaging in it thoughtfully and not making alcohol expected or something. Want students to engage in real conversation about the appropriate use of alcohol. You probably already do that. One day it won’t matter who’s 21 and who’s not. It’ll be at birthdays and if we don’t give you a chance to practice it on campus we are doing you a disservice.

13. Senator Cleary: You’re making RA’s more involved. Are they bringing in own people to live with? What will be their role?

14. Tyler Hale: They had a chance to bring in folks that they know as well as they caught some overflow of transfers. Their job is to design programming that is entertaining and educational. Produce activity like glue that sticks community together. They may use their living rooms which is a great spot. One benefit is that every apartment has a kitchen so
you can have a cooking contest like master chef cook-off. We all have living rooms to hang out. Our only communal space is the anchor which is kind of smaller but I see them do programming in their house and using anchor and outdoor space. Their role is to glue and are the people who connect others to each other. Neighbors meeting neighbors over food or such.

15. VP Gaona: I know a lot of students who go to Hag/Ty want to move away from traditional residence hall. Considering the new direction, how are you promoting that? So that those who go into it know its different than before?

16. Tyler Hale: It’s partially true. Students who go into Hag/Ty want to be with their friends, that’s true. I might challenge the notion that they want to be alone. Those folks find resources off campus so they don’t have public safety walking by their house. Unless you’re on a scholarship, they are looking for some connection to the University. Even if it is just that we set up the electricity bill. It will take a while to get people used to that. I don’t want to talk bad about what happened before I came here, but there’s an expectation. Some students at the beginning of the year were uncomfortable with me sitting outside and saying hi as they walked by. I’ve recently gotten into whittling. Folks stop by my house now. If the sun is setting you can’t see into my living room but they look anyways so they do a slow-walk by. My wife and I have folks over at my house. There are folks who want to be left alone. As a junior and senior, you have the ability to engage at whatever level you want. I respect you as an adult, you don’t have to come to my programming. I’m still going to try and invite you and you can come by and whittling. It may take a while for folks to understand what we are doing but it’s a good thing.

17. Senator Delucchi: The idea has been thrown around for the ability for Hag/Ty students to not have meal plans?

18. Tyler Hale: What I get paid is so far below the level of being able to negotiate contracts with Bon- App. I think that the way UP negotiates is something I don’t know enough to comment on. I think its great that folks use their kitchens. There is the myth that they use them more than they do. I had to teach someone how to cook a frozen pizza, they put it in with the plastic on top. It cooked really fast but it smelt terrible.

19. Open Senate Positions: 1 Non-traditional; 2 Senior, 1 Junior, 1 Fields

Reports

1. Executive Board: ASUP President Chadwick: Met today with 2 students from University of Portland Marketing Group (UPMG) to begin work on a UP specific marketing campaign for the AT&T discount plan that helps fund our endowment. Our next check-in meeting is in 3 weeks, at which time I hope to have some designs and ideas for print and marketing this discount and its benefits to our students. Update from IT: As always work continues on bettering our network. We recently got approval to increase our bandwidth from 500Mbps to 1.5Gbp. This will be done in Mid May, and brings with it two new providers to campus with a unique route by the 2nd provider giving us Internet redundancy in the case of a failure by one of our providers. IT is also currently exploring the use of Distributed Antenna Solutions, as well as upgrading our wireless access points to include both 3G and 4G. Both these solutions to cell phone reception are still being explored and looking into their feasibility. I’ll be sure to report back as more information continues to come about. UP Seniors; A message from the Log Yearbook Staff: Get your senior photo taken this Friday, March 21 and Monday, March 24 from 11am-2pm in the Library room 215. This photo will be used in the yearbook and can be emailed to you for use in announcements or as a professional photo to have on hand. Don't miss out on a chance to be in the yearbook. For more information, please contact Brooke at williamb15@up.edu. I will be meeting this Wednesday with Advisor Koffler, University Provost Dr. Tom Greene, and Residence Life Director Chris Haug, to discuss how we might go about finding funding for the recently discontinued Oregonian distribution, and folding it in to our readership program that we currently fund. The ASUP Executive Board has nominated two Students to sit on the Presidential Advisory Committee on Inclusion. The two students that we will be recommending will be Yuri Hernandez, and Temo Ledua.
2. Treasurer’s Report: Treasurer Robinson: 38% of budget spent. $12,000 came from our endowment and will be going in the fall 2014 budgeting cycle giving us $232,000 total.

Reallocations: MECaH: $50 from Service Project food to honorarium for Borderlinks Speaker. $100 from Cesar Chavez Day food to pay for film. EWH: $350 from Electrosurgical kit to purchase a heat gun to finish kits from last year

1. Campus Program Board: Director Castro: Good evening everyone. This week we have Frozen playing at 10pm on Friday due to the Pilots Got Talent student athlete performance. It’s also at 10pm on Saturday to avoid confusion. Rock the Bluff Announcement is on Monday, March 24 at 6pm in the Commons, along with the State of the Campus Address. The Dance Team will be there too! Come and see, it'll be a huge event!

2. Elections: Secretary Thomas: First off, thank you guys for all the Minute corrections, I really do appreciate it. We have speech night tomorrow night in the New Commons at 7pm. Candidates need to be there at 6:30. Please come if you don’t have class. Couple of other things... For those wanting to look at the candidate profiles, they are ready to go live, but I’m waiting on IT to actually put the link on the Moodle home page. Also, the Elections Committee has received complaints about campaign materials being damaged. That’s just not cool-please don’t do that and report anything you’ve seen to either me or a committee member.

3. Senate Standing Committees:
   a. Infrastructure: Senator Halcomb: KDUP said they checked the stream and it works fine. Looking closer into it, it was lined to the wrong string and it is resolved now. Senator Zabinski is discussing date for the athletic group
   b. Community Relations: Senator Montoya: talked on the phone with Jim Kuffner. Changed scheduling so that public meetings only happen once per quarter-every 3 months. The next one is on April and there’s not much to accomplish then. Wants us to work on moving out because there's a lot of trash generated and it can aggravate neighbors when trash is blown in the streets
   c. Club Recognition: Senator van den Berg: last week we spoke with the president of Investigating New Knowledge and we recommended them with approval with stipulations. Talking about Vietnamese students association
   d. Campus Affairs: Senator Cortez: Res Life subcommittee met with Chris Haug before spring break and they discussed room selections. In the future male and female room selections will be staggered. Possibility of extending length of time so people don’t have to move out of dorms as quickly because you have to move out by 12. He said that’s not possible because of the turn over rate of people moving and separation for rooms for people to stay for graduation. Latest they can push it back is 2pm on Friday. For food services, theft is moving under residence life. Be aware, there’s about 1500 items being stolen a week. They are getting serious about it. They are doing noodles for the Mongolian bowls. The Cove workers not having gloves, he will talk to them. It is their decision to apply rules though. They can get in trouble. The cove got a new manager, Ryan Jensen and they will looking into chocolate milk. For the turkey, it is new every day so not sure about mold. For the report on healthier food, what would you like to see? What are you not seeing right now? For the buzzers, said if ASUP funded it he would like that idea. They are expensive though. If any constituents have meal suggestions let me know.
   e. Campus Security and Maintenance: Senator Ballard: spoke with Chief Gregg to see how they were implementing smoking areas and they said they weren’t so advised them to start. Also, coming back from spring break, we were all excited to see the new bike racks that were not put up. We are meeting with Physical Plant this week to kindly advise them to put them up this week. They said they didn’t know where to put them even though last week we talked to them about where to put them.
   f. Diversity: Senator Temo: first meeting ever this week! We were busy with mid-terms and will be meeting with Advisor Koffler and Bethany Sills.
g. Service and Leadership: Senator Delucchi: Day of service, we will be donating time at Burgerville in St. Johns. Thursday March 27th 5-8. You are all expected to be there. Need help with the staff and will bus tables and serve food. Proceeds will come back to us and we will donate it to National Alliance for Philippine Concerns. Starting advertising so maybe making jars. You are required to participate.

4. University Committees: Erhart: The advisor committee of health and safety met. Remind constituents about smoking areas. The campus wide CERT training, which is disaster training, is the same time as the zombie run. You can do both and they would appreciate volunteers. Help desk has moved from BC to Franz 111. There is a hotline for smells on campus and it will be updated soon. 20% of all Oregon complaints came from North Portland. They are getting on that and legislation is putting sensors around campus. If you smell anything on campus report to whatsinourair.org and describe what you smelt. The general consensus for the clear air campus challenge is if its realistic and what programs can we make available for smoking cessation. I’ll email Paul Meyers about cessation programs. Departments are creating a continuity of operations plan for disaster management and getting business back up. HR requests all workers and student workers report injury at up.edu/hr.

5. Constituency Reports:
   a. Senator Miller: annoyed with refund process with the fall dance tickets. Said it was uncomfortable.
   b. Senator Hogan: Waldschmidt hours changed. Hard to get into financial aid office by the time they need to get back because. Trying to get them to stay longer and they said no.
   c. Senator Ledua: draining system on campus because still slipping
   d. Senator Erhart: for types of healthy foods, whatever was implemented in 2010 school year
   e. Senator Ballard: good feedback about some nutrition signs in the commons
   f. Senator Rojo: good feedback about the ASUP vans
   g. Senator Holmes: I’m sorry for spilling. With the commons, they increased the prices to deal with theft and now we have more policies. I want to say that maybe it is a vicious cycle, that they raise prices and then we steal more. Is there a better way to approach that problem instead of slapping people’s wrists? Talk openly instead of watching them in the Commons and giving them a punishment.
   h. Senator Sutherland: I had a constituent mention that they want an open dialogue with Bon-App to help both sides of the issue
   i. Senator Miller: I spoke to Kirk today and every time someone says they are going to steal a soda, it’s about meeting the bottom line. He doesn’t care if people steal one soda, it is an ethical issue.
   j. Senator Bosomworth: For seniors trying to register, they didn’t post registration on time so people are scrambling trying to figure out why its not working
   k. Senator Ballard: there has been a few flaws in how people are registering. You may want to take as second look. Courses aren’t in the right place when you to go view sections. Some are registered as a seminar when it’s clearly not.

Old Business

New Business

1. FMB applicant: David Zabinski: One thing I want to point out is that I’m not longer a Civil Engineering. I am now a business major. I am very interested in FMB so please ask me questions.
2. Senator Wildgen: what is something special you can bring?
3. Senator Zabinski: being new to the business school, it will be a good test for me. Interesting because I’ve helped my mom with budgets because she is a treasurer of a non-profit organization. We’ve talked about business things and I’ll bring in a new perspective.
4. Senator Cleary: will you be fair? Work for the best of the student body?
5. Senator Zabinski: yes I will  
6. Senator Rojo: how will your participation in Christie hall council will help you in being a representative?  
7. Senator Zabinski: Christie hall council has been a great experience for me. It has dissolved within the time I have turned in this application.  
8. Senator Montoya: point of information. Christie hall council does exist but it rarely convenes. It is very laid back but when an issue arises that is when it convenes.  
9. Senator Dillard: how do you feel your participation in ASUP will help you?  
10. Senator Zabinski: given me perspective with budgets and analyzing. Looking at budget and seeing where clubs are spending money and dealing with reallocations. Creating a new reallocation process has been a great start.  
11. Senator Zabinski sworn in as an FMB member

Open Forum  
VP Gaona: E-board releasing survey for ASUP office of student activity awards. Who would you like to nominate for diversity leader of the year, faculty member of the year, etc. Be thinking about that. Share with constituents and have them share it.  
Senator Sutherland: quick questions, do you have an update on Celly? Well received?  
President Chadwick: I’ve heard whisperings across campus. I will contact Anne. I do know that the Celly day went well and some professors have jumped on it. Mostly business and communications department  
Advisor Koffler: Student Activities has been given 8-10 free passes to the TED Portland. I don’t know how many of you have seen Ted talks. It is an effort to stimulate innovation and new and emergent topics. I am able to take requests from people who want to go to fill the slots. I need confirmations before April 1st. Those going have to spend the whole day there. You can’t go and leave. The date is Saturday April 12th which is the same day as rock the bluff. The event ends before the concert starts. If you’re interested in attending you can do both. If you’re in the planning group it is a conflict of interest. If you’re available from 9am-5pm-ish on April 12th and you’re interested please send me an email at Koffler@up.edu.  
Senator Cleary: for those who don’t know, please join a Relay for Life team. I know the dorms all have a team. If you want to be on a team you can find one. It’s next Friday.  
Senator Teramoto: Senator Cortez, Sutherland, and I are meeting with Allen Timmins from Financial Affairs to discuss a lower meal plan for Hag/Ty residents  
Senator Kenneally: social work department is putting on candle light vigil for student justice this Wednesday at 6:30 at the bell tower. Focusing on student debt and will be able to talk about financial aid. You can email me  
President Chadwick: just a point of information, while it’s being handled through residence life, is is through the department of community standards so Natalie shank is taking care of it. The bigger thing is what can we do as a community to show this is not a part of our standards? Increases our prices because you didn’t want to pay. It would help if we as a community relayed the message to individuals. Its more helpful if we call each other out. If we want to work together as a university that’s a good idea.  
Senator Ballard: in two weeks Kenna is hosting Zombie Run on April 5th. I will send you the link so you can sign up. You can sign up as a zombie or runner or walking. Just sign up and support. Get people to sign up. You might see VP Gaona walking dead as a zombie.  
Senator Cortez: I spent this last week in Arizona on the border immersion. Valuable experience learning about immigration issues. If anyone wants to know what we did I would love to talk about it with anyone.

Adjournment  
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