



USUAA Assembly Meeting Minutes
September 26th, 2008
Lyla Richards Conference Room, SU 105

I. Call To Order (3:00 p.m)

A. First Roll Call

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> President Wing	<input type="checkbox"/> V. President vacant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Speaker Carrick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pro Tem Buchholdt
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sen. Barrows	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sen. Gaina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sen. Givens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sen. Hice
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sen. Hernandez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sen. Holtshouser	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sen. Liszka	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sen. Louie
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greek Council Rep.	<input type="checkbox"/> RHA Rep. Bundick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GSA Rep. Robinson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Club Council Rep. Yan
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B. Approval of September 19th Minutes- Minutes approved unanimously, without amendments.

II. Communications

A. Advisors

1. **Assistant Director of Student Leadership- Hinkley-** Homecoming alcohol training after meeting, Scholarships posted on website next week.
2. **Administrative Assistant-A. Bradbury-** USUAA birthday list for Student Life and Leadership birthday cards; USUAA Door Code changing; Business Cards to be edited; Transcriber will be used next week; Binders in process.

Sen. Buchholdt- Assembly is growing, may need to come up with solution for new venue.

Sen. Holtshouser- Motion to move into For the Good swearing in new senators. Second. See [V. A.]

Sen. Holtshouser- Motion to appoint new Vice President. Second. See [IV. B.]

B. Persons to be Heard

1. **TJ Miller, regarding the new Sports Complex-** Concerns regarding cost, student involvement, lack of activity availability. Athletics is increasing current facility use. Recreation Facility should new facility not meet criteria. Working on possible Design, Location, Student involvement input crucial. **Sen. Liszka-** Before we support this make sure there will be unlimited access for students. **Dr. Cobb- Cliff Note:** State gave \$15 million for planning and an additional \$65 million for a Capitol project of UA system; Hastings won bid. Current facility was built for a small Community college, not a 19,000 student population university. Trying to insure whatever is built will serve our needs. Programming is complete for use by academics, athletics and recreation. Top gymnasium nothing finalized \$8.5 million to design.
Questions: Sen. Spaulding- Environmental impact? Will be accessed early in process. **Sen. Hice-** T. Miller, what do you want from this body? **TJ Miller-** Need student advocacy, just staff can't make a Recreation Center happen. **Sen. Barrows-** Is the primary reason for facility is athletics? **Dr. Cobb-** Federal Rules- Academic/Recreation use growing; many factors. **Sen. Liszka-** How does \$80 million translate to student needs? **Dr. Cobb-** .33 / 3; Players can't hang out after game to work on problems; court is in use 17 hours a day. Gymnasium floor exceeds 87% of recommended weight. **Student-At-Large-** Where is the site? **Dr. Cobb-** around East High school, environmental impact, Bragraw/Elmore project opposed. Providence site under review. **Club Council-** Why is layout process happening during the summer when

students are not around? **Dr. Cobb**- No layout happened, students surveys have been taken, legislation passed quickly, decisions are made year round, focus groups on all academic/recreation use such as rock wall. Announcements will be made in TNL and through Chancellor's Q&A emails. **Sen. McGrane**- 1. Timeframe? 2. Designed to be modular? **Dr. Cobb**- Probably not modular. Administrative Services working on funding project. Possible community partnerships, such as Sullivan upgrades, Nursing/ Emergency Programs. Administration will keep Student Assembly informed.

2. **Persons not on the Agenda- Maggie ?**- Young Alaskans- Statewide communication teleconference/internet for young Alaskans to talking about the state and issues that are important to you. October 4 U-tub video. Give away, UAA semester tuition challenge to get the word out, will email details. Website: youngalaskans.org Passed out flyers.

C. Reports

1. Standing Committees

Sen. Holtshouser- Rules Committee reviewed Section 10 of Executive Committee members to coincide with amendments for Finance Committee members.

Sen. Louie- Sustainability Committee planning calendar of events.

Se. Gaina- Students Academic Affairs Committee-October 17 deadline for Scholarships same criteria as last year.

Sen. Buchholdt- Legislative Affairs Committee- GRD hiring process hiccup will start interviewing next week.

Sen. Murrell- Activities Committee- Seawolf Spirit Alley details for Kendall Hockey Classic.

President Wing- Executive Committee- Section 10 review improvements become more strategic. Meetings held, Thursdays in Leadership Lab.

Sen. Hice- Finance Committee- Revamping Budget Process to hold ourselves more accountable.

2. Representatives

Club Council Rep Kyle Yen- Business Manager Michael White, other organization recognition.

GSA Rep David Robinson- Next Friday 7 pm, Snowgoose to speak with graduate students, insurance for grads.

Greek Council Rep Jessica Phipps-Graham- Calendar established, community events.

RHA- Hinkley reports- Major event movie night tonight 9 pm. Pineapple votes, Homecoming, Student Majors Resource Fair.

Election Board- Sen. Murrell reports- Chair Sarah Roberson resignation effective immediately, statement "I quit, good luck."

Sen. Buchholdt- Motion to appoint new Chair to Election Board. Second.

3. Boards

Travel Board-Sen. Givens- Next meeting date not set. **Questions: President Wing**- Do you need help? **Sen. Givens**- Yes.

4. **President's Report- President Wing**- VP process over, thanks for support. Coalition Speaker Todd Marshall (Kenai) Karl Wing- Pro Temp- UAA Leading discussion on issues. Retreat coming together. Questions: **Sen. Gaina**- Any dates/ideas? President Wing- No date set yet, ideas will be presented at retreat.

D. Appointees to UAA Committees- None

III. Old Business

- A. **Bill 09-07, "Office Computer Updates" (first reading)- Sen. Gaina**- Motion to move into Finance as a whole. No second. **Sen. Holtshouser**- Funding is reserved for maintenance, no need for this Bill. **Sen. Buchholdt**- \$3000 under Equipment Maintenance. **Sen Hice**- Finance has not met and Contingency fund balance is not finalized. **Student-At-Large**- Reason for upgrade? **Sen. Gaina**- Update office programs and increase memory capacity to accommodate senators' projects. **Sen. Liszka**- Motion to extend question period. Second. Vote: 3/10/4 Motion fails. **Sen. Barrows**- Motion to close. Second. Vote 11/3/2 Move to immediate Vote to table Bill 09-07: 10/3/3 Tabled.

IV. New Business

- A. **Resolution 09-02, "Locker Transfer"- Sen. Murrell**- Presentation of Bill. **Questions: Sen. Buchholdt**- Has this been cleared with Student Clubs and Greek Life? **Sen. Murrell**- Yes. Funds to be dispersed through Club Council, not Greek Council. **Hinkley**- Based on demonstration, clubs are happy to take responsibility and revenue. **Sen. Gaina**- Is it worth it to USUAA to keep lockers? **Sen. Murrell**- estimated annual revenue \$2000. Never made that much. **President Wing**- Is the Assembly ready to outsource? **Sen. Holtshouser**- \$2000 goes a long way. **Hinkley**- Clubs have the option of increasing the price, if they take this responsibility. **Sen. Louie**- Motion to extend question 5 minutes. Second. Create process for all to be involved possible to put a committee in charge? **Sen. Hice**- What Committee? Discussion: **Sen. Buchholdt**- Club Council budget comes from USUAA, we could subtract from there projected budget the revenue for lockers and use it to fund other programs. **President Wing**- Growing program; advice not to pass; possible incentive to become involved. **Sen. Murrell**- All revenue will be given to Club Council. If not there will need to be full participation from all senators to maintain this service. **Sen. Gaina**- Possible scholarship money, what can we do to improve it? **Sen. Holtshouser**- Giving it away would potentially leave more time for senator projects, Club Council serves many students. **Sen. Liszka**- USUAA should keep this program. **Motion to extend discussion 5 minutes.** **Second. Hinkley**- Issue for number of years. Need to resolve. Don't threaten Club Council's budget; USUAA could potentially hire a students to run the locker program. **Sen. Hice**- Club Council budget should not be affected, it would be an additional funding source for them. **President Wing**- Senators should develop a rotating schedule to maintain lockers. **GSA Rep**- This should be a first agenda priority and all should be accountable to do something. Would be nice to find a couple of carts to load items on when emptying lockers. **Sen. Gaina**- Motion to extend. No Second. Immediate Vote: 10/4/2 Resolution 09-02 passes through Assembly. **President Wing**- This should be tabled for next meeting.
- B. **Approval of Vice President Selection- President Wing**- 2008-2009 Vice President nomination is Senator Michaela Hernandez. **Questions: Sen. Stefanovich**- What is the specific reasons why you chose her? **President Wing**- Ability to lead, passion to help students, served 2

semesters; involved with her community and legislation. **Question for Senator Hernandez:**
Sen. Murrell- Why did you apply? **Sen. Hernandez-** Want to be more involved and better advocate for students. **Sen. Liszka-** What are the top three concerns and the plan for seeing your goals met? **Sen. Hernandez-** 1. The student Union a place for students by putting together an advisory board do surveys establish a timeline and goals to be achieved; 2. Improve Native Alaskan programs, UAF program as a model; Increase outreach to freshman by establishing scholarships and becoming a more effective governing body. **VOTE to accept Michaela Hernandez as USUAA Vice President for 2008-2009: 15/1/2.** Senator Hernandez sworn in as Vice President.

C. Technology Board Appointment-Tabled

V. For the Good

A. Swearing in Mr. Brionne Elkins and Sean McGrane

Sean McGrane: History Major; would like to see more financial/enrollment process assistance for freshman students; in process of reading Constitution & Bylaws; Familiar with Robert's Rules; Motivation for joining Assembly to bring diversity and recognition of non-traditional student population; bridge assembly with faculty and peer groups.

Brionne Elkins: Graduating this year; Focus on Residential campus and some departmental issues; Read Constitution & Bylaws; Familiar with Robert's Rules; Voice for residential students.

Vote: 15/0/0 passes. Vote to swear in senator: 14/1/0 passes. Senators take oath.

Sen. Gaina- Need more support for Homecoming Setup, Take down and during event monitors.

Sen. Liszka- Need Volunteers for Monday October 6 from 5 – 8 pm, Wendy Williams.

Hinkley- Training after meeting, Wear name tags to Homecoming event.

President Wing- USA Presidential debates 5 pm tonight.

Sen. Stefanovich- 1 year marker as senator. Assembly has met or exceeded expectations both negatively and positively, however petty . . . the voice of a governing student body is most important. Motion to adjourn. Second.

VI. Closing Roll Call

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Meeting Adjourned 4:45 pm