



ASA Minutes

9:00 pm Haugo Room

1/15/2014

Attendance: (19) Absent: (6)

New Business:

Matt B. (P&D Chair):

Javier left us, so now taking recommendations for freshmen senators to take his place. Hoping to have this done by the end of January. Finishing up the applications for Viking Days and UBG Head Governor. Tentative date is February 18. Hopefully by mid-Feb we can be getting those positions filled.

Kat V. (Curr Chair):

We will be working on faculty recognition and library recognition week.

Emily G. (Co-Curr Chair):

Co-Curr has joined forces with UBG and we are in the process of creating a dance-task-force. Not out to stop dances, just here to gather information and do research. Looking to see why people who have gone to dances and why others chose not to go to dances. If you have an opinion please let me know. Haven't figured out a committee. Obtained information about who has gone to dances and who hasn't, just a short committee. Going to make a survey. Hopefully we can gather information and make a recommendation as to how to proceed.

Seth V. (A&P Chair):

A&P has been working hard on the constitutional amendments with the budget and I will send a Google Doc and share everything we have done on the Constitution so far. Read through it and see what you agree with and what you don't agree with. Make comments and say what you like and what you would change, don't change the document itself. Joel and I are working on summaries that we could hand out to students and start conversation with other student groups. Will be ready to go by the end of January. Met with Luanne in the Business office \$2500 in LDF and \$3817.61 in CDF.

Which groups we think the formula funding:

- We have a few different situations:
 - UBG gets 45% and that's a consistent number, Viking Days 16%, Rec Services \$10,000 (will be managed by Mark Hecht). He knows which athletic groups do the most and he is a consistent leader and that includes money for new jerseys. These are the only three we have for sure. The reason we came to these three is because they are core groups that contribute to the student body consistently.
 - Up for discussion:
 - Augieholics, SALT, Colleges Against Cancer, Dance Marathon
 - *Emily G.:* Groups that have consistently shown good leadership should be considered for formula funding

- *Seth V.:* You have a student leader who is elected by ASA if they are formula funded
- *Matt B.:* We should talk about SALT because service is one of our five core values and it makes sense to give them formula funding
- *Jesse F.:* We didn't give SALT any money last year because they fundraised
- *Seth V.:* We are not opposed to giving them a set budget if we talk to them and find out what amount of money is absolutely essential
- *Krista Y.:* Now we might use them to help with volunteer projects so it makes sense to fund them
- *Seth V.:* SALT is a viable group that should be considered
- *Emily G.:* Have you considered Augieholics to be a core group?
- *Seth V.:* Personally I think Augieholics should be included otherwise athletics will become less enjoyable without the help of this group. A big part of me coming to Augie was seeing everyone on Heritage lawn and having fun. Tailgates wouldn't happen if there isn't an established group.
- *Krista Y.:* What do you think about P&D selecting the leaders of those groups?
- *Seth V.:* Process with UBG is they sit down with previous leaders and committee members then nominate a candidate to be the leader
- *Maggie D.:* This would make leaders more accountable
- *Matt B.:* Yes, we have to justify this in some way
- *Emily G.:* I like the idea of Augieholics because they are different than some organizations. You don't have to attend every event. It is open for the entire student body
- *Joel H.:* I've been involved in the group in the past, and I don't want to say it is based out of Heritage because it hasn't always been that way. I think the school will probably tear down that house within the next four years. If we are going to write it in the constitution for tailgates are we going to give them an area to have tailgates if there is no Heritage lawn?
- *Jesse F.:* This would be an administration call
- *Maggie D.:* An issue that needs to be addressed is that the events are broadcast well and it reaches the entire student population. They need to say where they are meeting before the event because it seems like it is the same people a lot of the time
- *Seth V.:* That could definitely be something we could encourage. I don't know if we can tell them to do more, but we can say they should do more if they want to be formula funded. How do you feel about Dance Marathon and Colleges against Cancer?
- *Maggie D.:* How is Dance Marathon funded?
- *Leah M.:* We are allocated the money. I'm a proponent for us getting that money initially, but I don't think we will need nearly as much. We only have a few big events throughout the year, and we want to keep the program growing. I don't know what we would do if we didn't have an allocation.
- *Seth V.:* It would make a lot of sense to consolidate CAC and DM, but I don't think it is realistic. You can apply to be a formula funded group so future senates can decide.
- *Krista Y.:* Is this based on reputation?
- *Leah M.:* We are constantly getting projects, but it is going toward our grand total that's for paying out on our event.

- *Seth V.:* If we don't give CAC formula funding I see them disappearing. It is in their contract they have with American Cancer Society that any donations or fundraising is supposed to go to the society so it will be tough for them to survive.
- *Krista Y.:* Does DM get to keep 5% of what they raise each year?
- *Seth V.:* If their leadership was more involved they would be a much stronger group. This year Jesse is trying to get things back together but it's difficult
- *Maggie D.:* Does CAC not fundraise?
- *Seth V.:* They aren't as visible on campus
- *Jessica J.:* Can groups lose their formula funding?
- *Kat V.:* I don't know if I like that idea because then everyone could apply. I don't see how some groups need to be formula funded.
- *Seth V.:* If we have the new science center and bio club is a really big deal then we can jump that hurdle when we reach it
- *Joel H.:* Are you opposed to the new formula?
- *Kat V.:* I just don't want to make it easy for a bunch of groups to apply and get formula funding
- *Maggie D.:* The more groups you have formula funded the less money they will get.
- *Seth V.:* The key word here is essential student groups that add to the culture of Augustana. Think about groups that have made an impact on your experience here. Right now we have SALT, Augieholics, Dance Marathon, and CAC (all are maybes for formula funding). So I would like you to write your opinions on which groups should and should not be included. Think about this on your own time if you don't want to speak out right now. Everything that is bolded in the Google Doc is new. By no means is this a final version. It is just what we have come up with to this point. We have to vote on this.

SAM Idea:

Krista Y.: Matt and I got an email from Don Grinager about using SAM as a new mode of transportation for college students and international students. In a few focus groups people were saying there weren't other modes of transportation. Do we want to go with this? We might do a pilot test this spring. We also thought about a Viking Van taking people to Target, the mall, etc.

Katie R.: If we did something like this it would be for Freshmen or International students. I think it would be worth looking into, a lot of people from the Sioux Falls area told me not to take SAM because it wasn't timely and efficient.

Joel H.: Would we look for a better route?

Naras P.: I think it is useful for a USF vs. Augie football game at USF's stadium

Krista Y.: We would be encouraging SAM to let us use it so we might get a van if that doesn't work (kind of like currier for the mail)

Ray A.: This is a good idea because for international students it is hard to get rides and we are not keen on taking cabs.

Kat V.: International students are still going to be asking for rides if the buses are not timely

Maggie D.: Would the Viking Van turn into a drunk hauling van? My freshman year Campus Safety used to give people rides to and from the bars. Is that what we want the Viking Van for?

Krista Y.: Don't know if it is a will-call or scheduled or if bus passes would be an opt-in. We also talked about an incentive like 20% off a parking permit.

Hanna W.: Viking Van could be offered for a set amount of time

Katelyn J.: What if we had a set time for going to the grocery store and mall and then the rest of the time it was on call

Elliot B.: Could we do a survey?

Krista Y.: As our international student population is growing this will be a good incentive

Seth V.: A lot of colleges similar to us have systems like this already in place

Crystal O.: Who would be in charge of making the schedule?

Krista Y.: We thought about collaborating with USF on this

Scott M.: SAM does only monthly pass, but right now there is not a weekly interest in passes. They also do yearly passes. They have a lot of work to do as far as public image is concerned and if they fix their bus routes it would be better.

Hanna W.: Let's do a survey and see who is actually interested and then move toward figuring out what is an incentive could be

Krista Y.: If SAM doesn't cooperate we will look into a Viking Van. If you know any retired people who want to drive around college students tell Jim Bies

Other News:

Spring student activities fair will be February 10th (first Monday we are back). This will be smaller than the fall fair. Jesse is still working on pamphlets. It will run from 5-7 pm, and we might need help setting up tables

ASA Shirts: Talked to Blake and working on getting that finished. He'll be coming up with different designs.

Starting on Friday Lance and Wahl house are doing the food drive competing with USF for Feed SD. 5 out of 6 HyVees will have barrels for Augie and USF food donations and then one outside of each of our commons buildings. This will be going on until the 24th and the food will be weighed. Feed SD will come on the morning of game to collect the food.

Katelyn J.: Have we started publicizing?

Krista Y.: Not yet, we are waiting for Kami to finish designs and all that good stuff

Talk to Seth about updates on Constitution, and Matt about student recommendations on potential senators. Keep thinking about transportation and talk to your friends. We will have another meeting next Wednesday.

Ray A.: A couple of Freshman football players believe the football sphere suffering and it is affecting other aspects of the student atmosphere. A student got a scholarship and gets pumped up for season and then gets cut from the team. I want to just make sure this doesn't happen again.

Hanna W.: Are we allowed to be involved in any of this?

Joel H.: If he has been wronged, then we could maybe look into it

Jesse F.: We don't want this to happen to another person again. A lot of these things happen because it is how college athletics work. It's awful that it has to happen to someone who needs that money, but it's how the system works.

Kat V.: The same thing happens for academic scholarships though

Krista Y.: We can definitely look into it later

Adjourn:

Motion: Jesse Fonkert Second: Katelyn Johnson Result: Pass

SENATOR	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Amanda Johnson		X	
Brittany Dardis	X		
Elliot Blue	X		
Emily Grandprey	X		
Emily Weber		X	
Hanna Werling	X		
Jesse Fonkert	X		
Jessica Johnson	X		
Joel Hermann	X		
Katherine Van Gerpen	X		
Leah Murfield	X		
Matthew Bell	X		
Naras Prameswari	X		
Taylor Lambert		X	
Dan Schmidtman		X	
Katelyn Johnson	X		
Kaitlin Romano	X		
Ray Asmah	X		
Crystal Ortbahn	X		
Kirsten Titze		X	
Scot Missling	X		
Sam Hoskins	X		
Maggie Dally	X		
Kale Merrel		X	
Jesse Nelson	X		

OFFICER	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Matt Anderson		x	
Krista Youngberg	X		
Seth Vogelsang	X		
Aimee Fisher	X		

ADVISOR	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
Jim Bies		x	