



ASA Minutes

9:00 pm Haugo Room

12/4/2013

Attendance: (26) Absent: (0)

New Business:

Thank you to P&D for all of your hard work on the Bone Marrow Registry Drive.

Committee Updates:

❖ **P&D**

- Bone Marrow Drive
 - o 35 or 36 registered
 - o Good interview with KDLT
- Interviews for Viking Days, UBG Head Governor, NSO, and Dance Marathon starting after J-term

❖ **Co-Curriculum**

- Discussing changes for room selection and change to apartment selection
 - o Instead of having apartments be part of room selection day we will have an application before. Students will receive a random number to take away stress of the day.
 - o Standstill with laundry situation because they've heard it is too expensive, but we are trying to lay the groundwork for the future.
- Last meeting talked about future ideas for next semester. Jesse Fonkert is working on putting together a student activities brochure because it is overwhelming for new students to know what groups they can become involved in.
- Meeting with Rick Tupper next Tuesday to walk around campus to see what areas are not well lit (Tuesday, 10 at 7 or 8 pm weather permitting).
- Meet with Sophomore Senators after meeting!

❖ **Curriculum**

- Talked about recognizing library workers (Spring)
 - o Shortening library hours, snacks, Mirror article, etc.
- Curriculum Council meeting
 - o Looked at New Student Seminar and looked book for next year and potential changes to the program

❖ **A&P**

- LDF and CDF requests
- ***CDF: \$4100 left in this fund and LDF: \$3500 left***
 - o This is the money we have left to fund activities for the rest of the year. We are in a good position for the rest of the year.
 - o On average we spend a little bit more in the spring than we do in the fall.
 - o If we do spend a bit more in the spring, we are still on track.
- ***CDF: Faith Fest***
 - o Put on every year for the last ten years
 - o Middle school students come and spend a night with Augustana representatives
 - o Like a lock-in
 - o 40-50 Augustana students involved
 - o Expecting 75 students, but realistically 40-60

- We have funded it in the past, but last year we saw an issue that Campus Ministry is not technically a student group so we did not include them in this year's allocation.
- **A&P recommends \$1500 for Faith Fest (what they requested)**
- Expenses:
 - \$5000 usual expenses
 - Get a lot of funding through other sources through registration fee, Synod, Thrivent financial, Outreach, and Campus Ministry also picks up some of the cost.
 - Very standard every year and we have always supported them
 - Also pay for a security guard to be there for the night
- They ask for \$50 as a recommendation, but they may not get this exact amount from each participant.

Motion: Sam Hoskins -> Second: Matt Bell -> Motion Passes

- *LDF: Faith Conference in Atlanta, Georgia*
 - Alexandra Hjerpe is working hard to inspire religious conversation and bring Christianity to the forefront of our values, but also focus on interfaith dialogue.
 - Hopes to start a new student group
 - Group would work to inspire conversation about religion, break out sessions, and leadership training tools.
 - Leadership Development Fund is exactly for this purpose because Augustana will be stronger after students attend this conference.
 - **A&P recommends \$100 per person (3 people going, but working to get a 4th so that lowers some of the cost)**
 - We would prefer them to have a fourth
 - Contingent upon official formation of group
 - If they have a fourth we will give them \$400 total
 - Usually when we fund conferences we provide the standard \$50, but this is something that would then translate into a student group at Augustana. We feel the faith conversation is lacking and this group would solve that issue.
 - Group mission: Talk about different religions (like Better Together).
 - Interfaith dialogue where you listen to ideas, not debate.
 - Student led (most important part)
 - *Emily Grandprey*: Do we have it in our budget to donate more?
 - *Jesse Fonkert*: Is it fair to give them more than our standard?
 - *Sam Hoskins*: There is a lot of potential with this conference and it is a new student group. Learning about other faiths is extremely important and we do not do a good job of addressing this in our country.
 - *Joel Hermann*: This is not something they will do every year, probably every three years.
 - *Seth Vogelsang*: This conference is not like going to listening speakers talk. They are going to a place that's sole purpose is to spread the word and bring ideas to the forefront so students can bring them back to their campuses.
 - *Taylor Lambert*: This would help our school in the future.
 - *Jesse Fonkert*: Do they have a constitution?
 - *Taylor Lambert*: We are recommending this amount based on the potential of the group. We will follow up and provide money contingent upon this.
 - *Joel Hermann*: What if they only have 3 people we will provide \$100 each, but if they have a fourth we will provide them with \$125 each?
 - *Amanda Johnson*: Raising money through campus ministry, Sue Hassler.

- *Crystal Ortbahn*: These are leaders and they are doing this without a student group yet. Alexandra has already started Better Together and is already holding meetings for this new group.

Sam Hoskins: Motion upon contingency of student group formation -> Amanda Johnson: Second -> Motion passes

Emily Grandprey: Kitchen cabinet will convene in January. Meeting is at 7pm with Rick Tupper next Tuesday.

Matt Anderson and Krista Youngberg:

- ❖ J-Term plans
 - Who will be studying abroad? (About 5 Senators)
 - We will still have meetings during J-term!
- ❖ Please be watching your emails!
- ❖ Survey for committees:
 - Anonymous, please be completely honest
 - This really helps us because we want to make sure everyone feels good about how things are going.
- ❖ Tuesday afternoon we sat down and talked about the AugieApp, and tomorrow we will have the developer account set up. The app will then be on the Apple Store. It is really exciting that it will come out soon! Robert foresees some trouble with the apple version, but the Android and Apple apps will be released on the same day.
 - Down the road we may be able to have a log in for prospective students, but for now it will just be for students.
- ❖ There are updates that we will see over time. Would like to send out a feedback survey to those who have the app to gather input on what students would like to see on the app
 - *Crystal Ortbahn*: will the NYTimes be on there?
 - *Matt Anderson*: Not at the moment. That is something we could work on in the future.
- ❖ The app is not an ASA thing: we are handing over the college. We are working on a contract for future plans.
- ❖ Goal to get Chicago Room opened up:
 - Starting to work on this and the Canton room. Met with Jim to make these useful rooms, not storage spaces. Arranged with Campus Safety to have keys for those rooms for studying during finals this semester.
 - *Emily Grandprey*: Do we have money to buy power strips for the Huddle?
 - *Jim Bies*: This is still on the list of things that need to be done.
 - *Joel Hermann*: Question about rooms: Lounges in every building, how many people actually use this space since it is for commuters? Maybe we could do a survey of commuting students, and it could be a good place to put in two long tables for studying. Will there be a time limit on checking out Chicago and canton rooms?
 - *Matt Anderson*: 3 hour time limit

Budget Proposal

- Essentially we looked at the budget process and the money goes away too quickly and is going toward events that have not happened yet.
- Decided to create a different process:
 - Every group gets \$150 operating budget (marketing, hold meetings, etc). This levels off playing field for all groups on campus.
 - Groups will need other sources of income

- Service Opportunity Fund is where groups could go volunteer and be reimbursed effectively by ASA (this is instead of ASA just handing them money)
- Also will continue to provide money through CDF and LDF
- We could do a number of student projects through ASA with all the money that is freed up
- *Amanda Johnson*: Exceptions are Viking days, UBG, Rec Services. These groups get a percentage of our budget
 - Can discuss other groups that should be included in this allocation
- Student groups that are essential to the culture of Augustana should be formula based allocations and have a higher expectation for funding
 - SALT is a huge component in this system and they could be included in this allocation
 - Augieholics also contributes to positive environment
- *Sam Hoskins*: This is a big process. If we can all agree this is something we want to pursue before we address other student groups and the specific groups that will receive an allocation, we should agree to switch the budget in general.
 - As long as the Senate agrees on revising the process, we should move forward
- *Sam Hoskins*: If we can all agree that UBG Viking Days and Rec Services should be allocated, then we can start making amendments and go into more in-depth discussion. If we take this in small steps it will be easier.
 - *Jesse Fonkert*: Great idea, it holds groups accountable. Only problem is students will be spending more time earning money than focusing on their group mission.
 - *Amanda Johnson*: We will be getting a lot more CDFs and LDFs.
 - *Jesse Fonkert*: Will make groups a lot stronger and more accountable.
- *Emily Grandprey*: Essentially with old system we are just handing them money, but with this system they can come to us and ask for money to provide great programming for Augustana.
 - *Taylor Lambert*: It allows them to work over whatever budget they had with the old budget. Some groups are going to pan out and some are going to flourish with this new budget.
- *Seth Vogelsang*: Contested topic that some groups have outside sources of income. Why should that hurt a group that went out and found sponsors? Our current system is discouraging action.
- *Emily Grandprey*: Going to have to be really clear how we allocate money.
 - *Jesse Fonkert*: Clear written precedent.
 - *Seth Vogelsang*: Much like P&D appoints leaders, A&P will have a recommendation and meet with these groups and see how much authority A&P will have.
 - *Matt Anderson*: With a higher number of requests, we may need to expand the number of people on the committee to handle the increased requests going to their group. They would present to the senate each meeting, and we would trust them. This would free up senate discussion time.
 - *Joel Hermann*: There would be some requests that we would not have anymore because sports related things would go through the Rec Services.
- *Seth Vogelsang*: This ultimately is a freshman, sophomore, and junior procedure because you will be seeing it through the next few years.
- *Emily Grandprey*: New budget ensures there is good programming on campus because student leaders have to plan ahead and make a request.
- *Jessica Johnson*: I am worried if a group only comes to us through CDF and LDF requests.
 - *Taylor Lambert*: Easy way to cut down total allocation.
 - *Hanna Werling*: Could we have a system that ensures they are doing this volunteer work?
 - *Jesse Fonkert*: important that we trust people, but check up on them.
 - *Hanna Werling*: This could be something where we have more checks and balances and documentation of them actually doing this work.

- *Jesse Fonkert*: Want to ensure we have a process that we follow up with because some things we are behind on checking up on
- *Taylor Lambert*: A simple checklist would suffice.
- *Matt Anderson*: We are heading toward a draft of bylaws and from there we would be able to pick apart the little details. We can send electronic forms to people who are gone in January and have focus discussion groups. It would be nice if we could finish up this discussion before spring budget goes around.
 - *Joel Hermann*: Could we open this up for a student leader group discussion?
 - *Taylor Lambert*: This could be part of our January discussion and we could hold a meeting with some paperwork and get feedback.
- *Emily Grandprey*: Not sure about getting incentives by going outside Augustana and volunteering, where serving Augustana is also a focus...
 - *Seth Vogelsang*: At a lot of colleges, their student senates do not allocate money to student groups. We are unique in the fact that we give out funds. A lot of schools will find a company that will find these service opportunities for student groups, but the business sets it up and they pay entrance fee and set up an “hourly wage”. There is no viable service like that in Sioux Falls and we have to invent our own. If you lead a student group you are putting an incredible amount of work forward you will succeed. The weaker student groups don’t do as much.

Informal vote to move forward with budget: Unanimous Approval

Matt Anderson: This is the last meeting of semester and we’ve been doing a lot of great things so far. Stay sane for finals. Remember to enjoy X-Mas! Reminder to send in feedback and spend some time on it and comments about what you would like to see people doing.

- ❖ Exciting challenge: We haven’t gotten the strongest support from the senate to retweet and like things. Social media challenge!!
 - End of semester: Anytime ASA has a post we will tally up and the winner will receive package on behalf of the Executive Committee
 - Every time we have a post would like to see everyone repost/share/retweet it and we hope this competition will be beneficial

Krista Youngberg: Met with Dannika who is President of the USF Senate and talked about a food drive for the January USF v. Augustana game. Whoever has the most food wins. Great meeting with her and we will continue to build up our relationship with USF’s Senate.

Adjourn:

Motion: Emily Weber Second: Hanna Werling Result: Pass



SENATE MEETING MOTION SHEET
FILED BY ASA DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AIMÉE FISHER

DATE 12/4/13 MOTION # 9

REGARDING: for \$100/person if 3, or \$125/person if 4

A group of six from Augustana will be attending the Interfaith Leadership Institute in Atlanta, GA over J-term break. It will be Augustana's first time attending the event. The conference is spearheaded by Eboo Patel, a world-renowned speaker on interfaith dialog. The goal of the event is to mobilize student to go back to their campuses to be leaders in promoting interfaith conversation and experiences. Students will meet other students from a variety of places and faith traditions. They will hear keynote speakers and attend workshops to help them generate ideas of things they can do back on their own campuses. Allie Hjerpe's "Better Together" initiative is the start of what could grow out of this conference. We are taking four students, two of whom are international and one of whom is non-Christian. Pastor Ann Rosendale and Professor Stephen Minister will also attend as staff/faculty support.

We feel very strongly that, with Augustana's increasing number of international and non-Christian students, interfaith dialog is a significant growth area for the college. The potential for the kinds of experiences that could develop on our campus after a conference like this is huge. The students planning to attend already have their finger on the pulse of changes in our culture and on our campus. They simply need a fire lit under them to inspire them to take the next steps in being leaders of interfaith efforts on campus. This conference would ignite passion in the students attending, passion that would then spread to others who come to events like "Better Together." Students would leave this conference well equipped to invite and facilitate interfaith conversation. The hope is that they would come back to Augustana eager to take responsibility for growing appreciation on campus for many different religious traditions.

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FURTHER ACTION:

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Matt Anderson
ASA PRESIDENT

VOTING RESULTS:

AYE 26

NAY 0

ABSTENTION 0

COMMENTS:

contingent on the establishment of an ASA
recognized status



SENATE MEETING MOTION SHEET
FILED BY ASA DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AIMÉE FISHER

DATE 12/04/13 MOTION # 8 *For \$ 1500*

REGARDING:

(CDF Request) The Augustana Campus Ministry is requesting \$1,500 for the 10th annual Faith Fest at Augustana College this February. Faith Fest is a weekend retreat event for middle school students. Youth groups come from as far away as Rapid City to enjoy a weekend retreat led by college students and centered around faith. This year the featured musical artist will be "Tangled Blue," a husband/wife duo from Minnesota. Key components of the weekend will include an off-campus service project, group-building games and activities, worship, an "Elmen Center Extravaganza," and small group conversations and bible studies. All of this is planned, organized, and led by students. This year's theme is "A Way in the Wilderness" and is based on Isaiah 43:19. The event runs Friday-Saturday, February 8-9.

Faith Fest is a significant outreach to our larger South Dakota community. It is one of the most involved ways that Augustana College partners with area churches, and it gets church members out of their own buildings and on to our campus. For many middle schoolers who come, this is their very first experience on any college campus. The youth who come not only get a taste of what college is like, but they are inspired in faith by the fine examples of Christian living that Augustana students model. Young people go home telling stories not only of Augustana, but of a great God at work in their lives. Not only does the community benefit from Faith Fest, but it is an event that our students look forward to every year. Students who are not involved in any other aspect of campus ministry are eager to get involved in Faith Fest. It is often an entry point to campus ministry participation later on in their college career. For many, it is a first chance to practice articulating their own faith to those younger than them. Leadership skills are grown in all those who help to plan and implement the weekend. Faith is formed inter-generationally and lives are changed.

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FURTHER ACTION:

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Matt Anderson
ASA PRESIDENT

VOTING RESULTS:

AYE 26 NAY 0 ABSTENTION 0

COMMENTS:

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		
Javier Darce	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		