

**Date:** September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Location:** Tangemen University Center, Room 425

- Roll call was completed
- Acknowledgments were given
- Motion was approved for the Senate meeting on 9/21/2017

#### **Special Announcements**

- Hannah Duckworth, Vice Chair of the Elections Facilitation Committee
  - Hannah presented the timeline for the 2018 Student Government Elections
  - This information will be distributed to the student body

## **Dates and Schedule**

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Event	Date	Time
Nominating Petition Made Public	February 5th, 2018	8:00 am
Nominating Petition Due	February 16th, 2018	5:00 pm
Campaigning Begins	February 19th, 2018	8:00 am
Voting Begins	February 28th, 2018	8:00 am
Campaigning and Voting End	March 2nd, 2018	5:00 pm
Final Grievance Deadline	March 2nd, 2018	5:30 pm
Final Grievance Announcements	March 2nd, 2018	6:30 pm
Elections Results Announced	March 2nd, 2018	7:00 pm
Final Appeals Deadline	March 5th, 2018	5:00 pm

The dates above are for the 2018 University of Cincinnati Student Government Elections.

- Members of CWEST tapped Senator Emily Demjanenko

#### **Comments from the Gallery**

- Mike Arnold
  - Addressed the Senate regarding The News Record article that had been published about Student Government's initiative to educate student body on free speech.
  - He indicated that it is beyond the reach of Student Government's jurisdiction and that it would be inappropriate the student government to create educational programs for free speech.
- Gerritzen Meyer
  - Addressed the Senate regarding concerns of free speech on campus.
  - He indicated that UC had attempted to establish free speech zones in the past, but had been disbanded.
  - He indicated that if anyone has any questions or concerns regarding free speech to contact him.
- Drake Lundstorm

- Addressed the Senate by reading the University of Cincinnati Student Code of Conduct that addresses free speech.

### Reports

#### **Speaker of the Senate, Tim Kemper**

- Senate will be “Hawaiian shirt” themed next week
- Senator Kemper indicated that student government should read the constitution and bylaws before the retreat.
- Senators - please fill out office hours forms even if you do not have a report
- President Pinto will be coming to senate October 11<sup>th</sup> to address his strategic plan for the university. Please attend this meeting.
- Vote for homecoming court. Voting opened 9/27 at 8am and will go through 9/30
- Go bearcats!

#### **Student Body President, Bashir Emlendi, and Student Body Vice President, Dana Drage**

- CECH
  - The graduating secondary education had a fee added to their tuition. This is a concern for the student body members who are members of CECH.
  - After discussions, they have reached a sort of settlement and are working to resolve the issues.
- Provost information and feedback from students
  - President Emlendi and Vice President Drage will be meeting with Dr. Nelson, the new Interim Provost, sometime around October 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - If you have any topics that you would like them to address with the Vice Provost, please let them know.
- The University of Cincinnati College of Law will be moving to Linder Hall. Renovation plans are underway.
- There are a few bills in the Ohio House of Representatives that may affect the student body.
  - If you have any questions or are interested in getting involved, please contact President Emlendi or attend the Governmental Affairs meetings on Mondays from 9am-10am.
- Dr. Pinto would like to speak to senate on his strategic plan for the university on 10/11.
- President Emlendi addressed the gallery and thanked them for coming to address their concerns about free speech.
- Have approval from facilities management for the Commode Chronicals (RA/campus connections help)
  - If you have contacts for anywhere/building on campus, please reach out to President Emlendi or Vice President Drage.
- Reminder - there will be a blackboard outage on Dec. 15 and Dec. 28
- Student government will be promoting the Bearcat Guardian App on Mainstreet next Monday. If you are interested in helping, please reach out to Vice President Drage.
- Retreat is this weekend! Party!
- Elect her is the first Saturday in November and is open to students who are female or non-binary
- They will be installing the “What’s Up with SG” this week

- UC Strong will be coming back on November 10<sup>th</sup> to promote mental health awareness
- Dream Zone training tomorrow, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm in Teachers College.
- Demographics report was put together by Claire Tankersly and presented by Vice President Drage.
  - “Hi everyone! This survey was taken by 124 members of the 2017-2018 Student Government Body and the results presented in this report from that survey have not been weighted or altered in any way. Comparisons were made to University Data found in the 2016 Student Factbook. Thanks to Dana, Bashir, Julia Bova, Dr. May, Erin Mulligan and Jayson Douglas for their time and assistance in making this report happen. I’m grateful to be a part of an organization that isn’t afraid to call out and acknowledge the places that we need to improve. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please reach out to me. I did my best to make sure that we were as inclusive as possible with our phrasing and terminology but definitely could have still made mistakes and would love to learn from them if I did. Go Bearcats!” – Claire Tankersly

**Internal Holdover Senator, Jeremy Lifter**

- Tribunals please send Jeremy your budgets from the 2016-2017 year

**External Holdover Senator, Vineela Kunapareddi**

- Governmental affairs summit panel topics are being discussed.
- Director of health and wellness – Steger health signs in all the bathrooms

**Treasurer, Ananya Handa**

- Ananya has a change in availability for office hours during the week of 10/2
- Spending update:
  - So far SG has approved \$3,157.89 of the allocated \$7,500 for the co-sponsorship line.
    - Last week \$357.89 in co-sponsorship was approved for the Ohio Latino Student Summit, and \$500 in co-sponsorship was approved for the Nearly Naked Mile

**Student Trustee, Alberto Jones**

- No report

**Executive Nominations**

- Destiny Bomar was nominated for the Legislative Director of Equity and Inclusion
- Sylvana Ross was nominated for the Legislative Director of Campus Life
- Both directors were approved by a slate

**Committee and Board Reports**

**Student Safety Board**

- SSB will be having a retreat in the beginning of November
- They will be hanging Bearcat Guardian fliers around campus. Please contact them if you are in helping hang fliers.

#### **Student Activities Board**

- No report

#### **UFB**

- UFB has added 8 new members
- They approved \$11,500 last week

#### **Tribunal Reports**

#### **CEAS**

- CEAS has chosen the mentees for their mentorship program
- CEAS is working with AIChE and other engineering groups to put on a CharitEWeek
  - They would like to use their CharitEWeek event to raise money for charitable organizations
  - There will be a series of events held throughout the fall to raise money and donate items to the community
  - Will occur Mid-November
  - This comes out of the Engineering Student Council
    - All presidents of engineering related organizations and minority related groups are members of this committee
    - This council gets together to discuss matters that might affect CEAS students and their organizations
    - 5:30pm tomorrow in Baldwin will be a ESOC meeting
    - If you are interested in starting an organization like this in your college, please contact Senator Stone

#### **CECH**

- No report

#### **CCM Tribunal**

- No report

#### **CAHS**

- They had their mental health meeting last Wednesday
  - Assistant Dean of Students came to discuss mental health and provide information about the CARE team

#### **DAAP**

- They raised \$450 from their chipotle fundraiser last week.

## At-Large-Senator Reports

### **Senator Rankin**

- Town hall tabling will be next Tuesday from 10:30am – 12:30pm
  - They will be handing out insomnia cookies
  - Please attend the event if you can
  - If you are interested in helping, please contact Senator Rankin

### **Senator Torrence**

- Senator Rankin and Senator Torrence are working on printing out SG brochures to place around campus. They plan to send an appropriation bill out next week

### **Senator Mangold-Lennet**

- Will be submitting a bill regarding OTR partnerships sometime next week

## Discussions

### Old Business:

- No discussion

### New Business:

#### **S.18-A-010 Mirror Clings**

- Vice President Drage presented the bill
  - Student affairs are working on putting together a website with resources for gender based violence prevention, education, and help
    - This website is in the process of being made
    - This website is not up yet, it will be up sometime this fall
  - Requests \$429.00 for wall clings that promote the UC website
  - The bill was called into question and was passed.

#### **Discussion on Free Speech on campus**

- A discussion was held regarding Free Speech. Members of the Senate and of the Gallery spoke regarding Student Government's intention to provide students with education regarding their rights to free speech.

## Announcements

- Senator Torrence and Design Director Bova have prototypes for their design projects. If you are interested in helping with their project, please stay after senate.

- Bearcast Media was at Senate today to cover the meeting, and Senator Price has Ellie Coggins here to help her with her capstone project.
- There is a Warrior Run at 5:15pm this Saturday at Belltower park in Marimont
- Thank you for everyone who had anything to do with the demographic report
- Jeremey lifter – this Sunday the retreat will be from 11-3 and will be in the niehoff studio on vine street
- Senator Lowe – next week PAC will be hosting a speaking event with Candice DeLong. Candice is a former FBI member who worked on high profile cases such as the Uni-bomber and Tylenol case.