

GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SENATE  
Meeting Minutes

August 31, 2009; 7:00 PM  
Campanile Room, MU

- I. Call to order 7:00 P.M.
  - a. Roll Call
  - b. Statement of Quorum by Speaker - Met
  - c. Approval of the Minutes - Approved
  - d. Amendments to the Agenda - None
- II. Introduction of new bills and resolutions
  - a. Senate Bill F09-01 – 2009-2010 Standing Rules
    - i. Senator Allen – Explained this must happen every year
  - b. Senate Bill F09-02 – Modifying the Articles of Cooperation
    - i. Senator Allen – will read later
  - c. Senate Resolution F09-01 – Supporting an Intermodal Facility
    - i. Resolution to show support of intermodal facility in campus area
- III. Open Forum
  - a. Wanda Kellogg – Program Coordinator, Student Health Insurance
    - i. Doctors here on campus are primary care physicians
    - ii. Most services are covered at 100%
    - iii. Out of pocket maximum went from \$1500 to \$2000
    - iv. McFarland Clinics rates have also gone up
    - v. Having a baby costs \$10,000 to \$15000
    - vi. \$10 co-pay per visit on physical therapy
    - vii. Delta dental
      1. Delta dental program is still being offered – departments paid approximately half
      2. Rates on dental program did not change at all – 13.30/mo
      3. Proposing that department pay remainder of dental costs
      4. Does not cover orthodontics
      5. 2 exams per year/ 6 mos apart
      6. Monthly rate for family for dental 69.40
  - b. Sheri Kyras – Intermodal resolution
    - i. Located in Campustown
    - ii. \$43.6 million – applying for 90%
    - iii. Senator Marsh - Is parking free – no; paid parking for upkeep – fees and daily
    - iv. Senator Woolcock - Can you reapply if you are denied or don't get the full amount – may get partial amount and then decide what to cut; will be approved, rejected, or itemized approved
    - v. Senator Brgoch – where will parking be during construction – haven't analyzed construction time impact yet
    - vi. VP Peiffer – University is aiming for Gold standard for LEED

- vii. Senator Sarvar – Will student fees increase to meet 10% - No, it will come from CyRide budget, from city, University, state grant, and the land is worth 2.2 million
- viii. Senator Roggers – Where did Campustown study come from and effects – Between ISU and City of Ames - 3 concepts – Parking would be catalyst for economic benefits
- ix. Senator Smith – What are long term economic benefits? – Best at Campustown site; there could be more parking lots, just not with this application
- x. Senator Mooney – more on economic Development
- xi. Senator Roggers – How would this affect current CyRide routes – Current routes will be maintain – some will go through this facility, others will not – will add additional routes
- xii. Will signals change be changed – Yes, to some extent
- xiii. Senator Brgoch – Will purple route be run all day long – No, not currently, because it will increase cost
- xiv. Senator Bodnar – How will routes be improved? Focusing on to-and-from campus; not to other places in Ames – economic development focused only on Campustown
- xv. Senator Wells – Use transfers to correct routes
- xvi. Senator Roggers – What will charges be for parking? No cost set in stone; used existing parking rates and \$0.75/hr for hourly rates
- xvii. Senator Smith – Can more routes be added through here, especially on weekends – We will take a look at this
- xviii. Senator Alex – More Ames to Des Moines? – Yes
- xix. Senator Roggers – How will this affect DPS? – DPS might move location of some vehicles – this would be more centrally located

#### IV. Senate Forum

Open – Senator Tolon – will propose modification in PAG process to allow students not enrolled in summer to attend summer conferences with PAG money  
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#### V. Remarks and Reports

##### a. Report of the President

##### President Gross

- i. Exec committee has been meeting regularly during summer and will do a training session – We will have a training session next meeting
- ii. We hold office hours - you can contact us here or by e-mail
- iii. Certain exec members are required to be on committees
- iv. Currently, no fee increases looking likely
- v. Rec renovations – we will see increase in FY12 for fees
- vi. Fundraising goals have been met (\$125 mil)
- vii. Enrollment numbers – Undergraduate and graduate increase however expected to slowly decrease
- viii. CyMail is now available through Gmail
- ix. Thursday, September 3 at 12 P.M – rec Services update

- b. Report of the Vice President and Rules Committee
    - Vice President Peiffer
      - i. Rules committee for this year – we would like to form a new one this year – goes over bills and makes sure the bills are inline with Constitution
      - ii. We had our welcome back picnic this month—it was successful!
      - iii. The time commitment for the rules committee is 1-2 hr/month
  - c. Report of the Treasurer and Finance Committee
    - Treasurer McCarville
      - i. Needs to form finance committee – please sign up
      - ii. Forms budget for next fiscal year and allocations for Spring and Fall for student groups
  - d. Report of the CIO
    - CIO Kemmet
      - i. Website
      - ii. Placards
  - e. Report of the URLA Chair
    - URLA Chair Allen
      - i. Open Committees – please put name down if you are interested or write department name down
      - ii. Prize for women in politics - \$1,000 cash prize for proposal – Nov 2 is due date
      - iii. Let URLA Chair Allen know if you are on a committee
      - iv. Needs to form committee – Policy committee
      - v. Post list online
  - f. Report of the PAG Chair
    - PAG Chair Wells
      - i. Professional Advancement Grants - provide financial support for students traveling to conferences – up to \$200 for presenters and \$120 for non-presenters
      - ii. Apply for 1/fiscal year
      - iii. Application form is on the website
      - iv. Most of the money comes from GPSS (some from Graduate College)
      - v. Looking at reforming PAG system for more centrally located bill
  - g. Graduate and GSB Senator Report
    - i. Filling empty positions
  - h. Other Committee Reports
- VI. Old Business
- a. None
- VII. New Business
- a. Senate Bill F09-02 – 2009-2010 Standing Rules
    - i. Read rules
    - ii. In favor as written – 43
    - iii. Opposed – 0
    - iv. Abstention – 0
    - v. Passed as written
  - b. Senate Bill F09-02 – Modifying the Articles of Cooperation

- i. Allow URLA chair to sit on GSB board
    - ii. Amendment Offered by Senator Allen – we will not vote until September meeting – no questions
  - c. Senate Resolution F09-01 – Supporting an Intermodal Facility
    - i. Amendment submitted
    - ii. Open floor for debate
    - iii. Question
      - 1. In favor - 42
      - 2. Opposed - 2
      - 3. Abstention - 0
    - iv. Passed as amended

VIII. Announcements

- a. Amendments to agenda

IX. Adjournment

- a. Adjourned