Student Senate Minutes  
Wednesday, February 2, 2011  
Sorrell Center 2010, 5:30pm

I. The senate meeting was called to order by President Peterson at 5:30 PM, and Secretary Hutter Saunders took attendance.

II. There were no guest speakers as Jayme Nekuda declined to speak to the students about improving the CHL and where to hang the TVs.

III. President Peterson read the Senate constitution to make clear the attendance policy.

IV. Advisor Dr. David Carver gave his report in which he stated that the inauguration went well and he thanked students for attending.

V. The Board of Regents Update was given by President Peterson and VP Ahmed. The stated that the College of Nursing will have a new doctorate program and a masters program will no longer be offered.

VI. Committee Meetings were not held during the meeting. The Appropriations committee and the Student Development and Activities meet at the end of the senate meeting. The Activities committee chose the date for Luau, which will be held on April 16th.

VII. New business
   a. Hockey Tickets will be sold in Sorrell commons area Wednesday of next week from 12 to 1:00 PM. The game is on 2/11/2011 at the Quest Center.
   c. The CHL Improvements proposal was voted on and passed last week by the Issues and the Executive Committees. The Student Senate voted and passed the proposal with amendments as follows: TVs will not be hung by students and must be hung by either Facilities or BestBuy. The proposal is for 2 42” LCD TVs with wall mounts and extended commercial warranty. While this costs about $1400, the senate approved $2000 for the project to cover the cost of installation and FM tuner/transmitters. Student Senate will not spend any money until the UNMC gym identifies how the equipment will be installed and powered. Student Senate prohibits the funds to be used on installation and/or providing electrical improvements.
   d. The Spring Blood Drive is Feb 28th and March 1st. The two options for locations were the Sorrell events center on the 1st floor and the Center for Healthy Living. The Sorrell room costs $300 to rent while the CHL is free but further to walk to. The Senate voted and CHL will be the venue.
e. Student Delegates update: Next meeting is Feb. 8th. Student Delegates will select which of the previously identified impact bills they plan to invest their efforts towards.

f. Alvin Earl Award: an award given to an outstanding professor that is nominated by students. The award is monetary and is presented at a lunch that is provided by senate. Appropriations committee will determine if senate has the funds for this next fall.

IX. Officer reports
   a. President – Jeremy Peterson: nothing more to report
   b. Vice President – Faisal Ahmed: Reminds the Senate to bring up issues in the designated committees and not to the group as a whole in order make meetings more efficient.
   c. Secretary – Jessica Hutter-Saunders: nothing more to report.
   d. Treasurer – Ben Reiner: student senate does not have a large surplus

X. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.