

Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis

# **Undergraduate Student Government**

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#### Senate Meeting Minutes- November 11, 2011

### I. Called to order at 12:00pm- Ben Judge

## **II.** Approval of Minutes

- a. Greg Paris, ETSC, motioned to approve Minutes and David Willard, College Republicans, seconded the motion.
- b. Minutes are approved

### III. Chancellor's Address to Senate

- a. IUPUI is world famous for the civic engagement and service learning
- b. Research is a key part of what we give back to the community
- c. I am responsible for the entire campus
- d. I have a whole team of Vice Chancellors to assist
- e. Topics to be covered include: parking, disability awareness, housing, sports, funding, Super Bowl, building projects, and Madame Walker
- f. For Super Bowl 175,000 extra people will be in the city of Indianapolis and the campus hotel will be hosting the AFC champions. There will be no classes the weekend of the Super Bowl. Professors are encouraged to find alternate ways of having class the Monday after the Super Bowl. IUPUI has no control over the decisions of Homeland Security or the FBI during these days.
  - 1. David- Are there any plans to try and bring people to the campus. Like have a big screen up in the Campus Center to watch the game
  - 2. CB- Not sure, we'll have to see. The NFL experience will be in the convention center downtown for 10 days.
- g. IUPUI is not buying the Madame Walker theatre
- h. The Master Plan can be found online. We need to make campus easier to move around. IUPUI has too many flat parking garages, purposing building more parking garages. Construction for a lab building will be starting in the spring.
  Once funding is provided the Cultural trail should be going through campus.
  - 1. David-Is there a Health and Wellness Center include in the Master Plans
  - 2. CB-We've had conversation about a Health and Wellness Center, but we need for students to express their support. The Board of Trustees want to know you want it.



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- i. Housing is on the radar. The Board of Trustees are starting to understand that IUPUI needs it. Housing can't be supported by student or government funds. We need to find funds elsewhere.
  - 1. Tony Greco, LASC, On the other side of Kelley there is nothing under the breezeway. Are there plans to build there
  - 2. CB- Building some space underneath where we are located. We are trying to recycle space and utilize it better
- j. IUPUI traded 20 acres of land with Wishard. We will have access to Wishards' new garage that will have 2600-3000 spaces. The sports garage has provided additional parking. We are looking at where the next parking garage will go. \
- k. Everything we do needs to meet the code of the ADA. Tell us if something isn't working
  - 1. David- There is no uniformity with the access buttons on the doors and the width of the doors
  - 2. CB- The lack of standardization reflects the time it was done. We've never had the resources to go back and fix it. Wheelchairs have gotten bigger and we need to start noticing places where doors aren't big enough
- 1. IUPUI is adding a men's'/women's' track and field team
  - 1. Cody Wooten, USG Treasurer,- Heard we will be dropping levels in certain sports
  - 2. CB-Research shows we can't save money, so no
  - 3. Rishi Cahdra, Democracy Plaza,- Are there any plans to make the library 24hours
  - 4. CB- It is possible and can always be asked. We've not found a big demand for it. For us to use the library as 24hour space a \$1 million elevator would have to be built.
  - 5. Rishi-Focus on study spaces or access to all of the books
  - 6. CB- Student aren't using paper resources studying that late
  - 7. Rishi- Can the library limit the amount of space on the  $2^{nd}$  and  $1^{st}$  floors
  - 8. CB- No, can't effectively close off the other floors. No parking the near the library, which leads to security/ safety concerns. Do think about trying to find another space.



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- 9. Corey, USG President, There are conversation about the Campus Center being 24 hours.
- 10. CB-It costs. It's very hard to open with only a couple of people and to shut things off. Once there are more students on campus it would be easier to justify the cost.
- 11. Anna Wilson, American Red Cross,- Will the new building have the gerbil tubes
- 12. CB- The lab building will connect to the science building
- 13. Stephanie, WIT,-Is sustainability apart of the master plan
- 14. CB- We now have a full-time person work on that.

## IV. Closing Remarks-BJ

- 1. Last Nut and Bolts will be on Dec7th
- V. Ben Judge adjourned the meeting at 1:02pm