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Senate Meeting Minutes- December 02, 2011

- I. Called to order at 12:07pm- Ben Judge**
- II. Approval of Minutes**
 - a. Derik Taylor, Sociology Club, motioned to approve Minutes and Torri Stanley, Circle K, seconded the motion.
 - b. Minutes are approved
- III. Pulse Survey Report-Steve Graunke ,Assistant Director, Survey Research and Standard Reporting**
 - a. Wants to present results to get feedback etc. How can we better improve the student experience
 - b. Presented the Spring 2011 results
 - c. Pulse is a student led survey. Usually two surveys per semester.
 - d. Did a survey one semester about campus facilities and as a result lighting at night on campus was improved
 - e. Reports can be found on the Pulse website: survey.iupui.edu/pulse
 - f. In Spring 2011 the surveys were about campus recreation/ housing and effective instructional strategies
 - g. Next surveys will be about the Health and Wellness with faculty and staff, transition to the major, NSSE, and what you are doing this summer. These surveys will go out in Spring 2012
 - h. Understands that RSO have limited budgets and should use website, <http://food.iupui.edu/>, as a reference
 1. David Willard, College Republicans,- Have you done a survey concerning students handicapped or disables
 2. SG- We haven't with the pulse survey but can look into if for future studies
 3. Tony Greco, LASC,- Have you thought about sending surveys to all students to get a larger response. Also do you consider what students know when taking the survey. Are they aware of the services provided.
 4. SG- Our goal is to have a short survey and no we didn't explore what if they know or not. Yes we can link up the surveys to a degree program. We do school level reports. About a larger



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response, we don't want students to get survey fatigue. We can survey one student from a random sample per semester. But we do need help getting students to respond. This is your chance for your voice to be heard

5. Rishi Cahdra, Democracy Plaza,- Have you tried to get other offices to send their survey through you guys
6. SG-We are trying to coordinate that but we don't have the authority to say we they must use the Pluse. We are just trying to get the word out and love hearing from students. If you have ideas come to us. We're interested.

IV. Bills and Resolution Workshop-BJ

- a. We haven't had any bills or resolutions this semester and it's a key component of what we do
- b. Why do you care
 1. Tony, LASC,- USG has a certain prestige and power. We are one of the few who can actually make a difference
 2. David, College Republicans,- We are the representatives of the students on campus. We are responsible to help them.
- c. The PowerPoint can be found on Oncourse

V. Emergency Resolution 0611-Taylor Rhodes

- a. Torri- I move to hear the emergency resolution. David seconded the motion
- b. The motion passed to hear the resolution
- c. Taylor Rhodes, USG Secretary, -This resolution is about earlier textbook adoptions. Essentially, we are asking different department to submit their textbook adoptions earlier so students have the choice or option to buy a book from any location. This will make textbooks shopping cheaper and easier for students. Four senators and I present to the FC and the Deans Council next week.
 1. David- So this will give you "power " to present
 2. TR-Yes, it is more powerful to have student support by the resolution
 3. David- I move to vote
 4. Torri- second
 5. Vote passes.

VI. Open Forum



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- a. Tony- PRC will be presenting lots of resolution and bills next week. We also had an open mic this past week
- b. Corey Ariss, USG President,- Education student advocacy recruiting for a director. Are there any students interested in serving on that committee
- c. Point of Information- Jason Spratt- If you're interested in the new office being created please see me.
- d. Torri- I move to have pizza the first Spring meeting
- e. David seconds
- f. Ben- It will be hard to have pizza twice next semester
- g. Tony- Amends to keep it under \$100
- h. Ben- Voting to have pizza under \$100 at the first Spring meeting
- i. Vote passes 15-4-2

VII. Closing Remarks-BJ

- a. Pizza at the next meeting
- b. Last Nuts and Bolts on Dec 7th

VIII. Ben Judge adjourned the meeting at 1:08pm