

Indiana University Purdue University Undergraduate Student Government Minutes 9/21/2012

Devin Bready: I call this meeting to order. I entertain a motion to approve the minutes.

Andrew Davis: I move to approve the minutes

**Multiple Seconds** 

Chris Gault: Is it too late to approve the minutes?

Devin Bready: Yes it has been seconded.

All In favor of approving the minutes:

Approval: 15

Opposed: 2

Abstaining: 1

Devin Bready: The minutes are approved.

Devin Bready: Cole is going to present about the Pulse survey.

Cole Johnson: I've been working with the pulse survey and they would like to get our opinion about these topics here. They wanted us as USG to rank what our top 4 interests would be. I just handed out pieces of papers if you rank your top 4. 1 most important 4 least important. As I get more information, they only meet once every other month, so as soon as I get more information I will give you more information. If you guys could fill those out and pass them down.

Bill 08-12

Tony Greco: A bill to reduce unnecessary rules from the constitution. This would help secretary to better focus on action items.

Hannah Muldoon: doesn't feel it is USG's job to maintain the councils

Andrew Davis: No councils have followed the rules as far as submitting minutes

Tony Greco: No one has the 51% in place

Chris Gault: Supports the bill based on the simplification

In favor: 20

Opposed: 2

Abstaining:0

Chris Gault presenting 9-12 and 10-12

CRC

Chris Gault: I think CRC needs to be back and then add more responsibilities like maintaining relations with the judicial branch. Creating more efficiencies in the constitution itself and so we can get rid of those quicker.

Mitchell Gauger: would this add another committee chair and another 500 dollars to the committee chair

Chris Gault: Yes it would add a committee chair but would not add a committee

James Wallis: We've rehashed this and rehashed this and there is nothing that needs to be changed. I thought we agreed that if we need to bring it back we will as an ad hoc. I move to table this indefinitely.

Multiple seconds

Vote to table indefinitely

Approve:17

Opposed:4

Abstain: 2

Devin Bready: This bill is tabled indefinitely.

Next bill 10-12

Chris Gault: This would require committees to require a budget before they can have expenditures. This would add an amendment to the constitution. This would be the sixth by the way. A student organization has to submit a budget so it only makes sense to have a committee do the same thing Ben Judge: First I'd like to point out this should be labeled as an amendment. If I'm correct someone has to submit to the treasure to say it is reasonable and if not the committee will not be reimbursed.

Andrew Davis: First thing the committee budgets were already approved when we approved the overall budget. Your assuming all the events can be planned out the entire year when we don't have enough student input. I have significant experience with finance.

Chris Gault: Yes we passed a line in our student government's budget but there's no line budget you have to break it down. With SOG grants you only have to know three weeks before this will only require you to bring you a week before.

Cole Johnson: I want to play devil's advocate for a minute. SOG is 3,000. There is no line in the budget that gives them more. I think this turns into a lot of red tape. These people are meeting with people who specialize in those areas Mary with Josh Manlove they are already working on initiatives with pride month and have sponsorships. How the money gets used isn't up to me. It gets discussed with in committees and I can give my opinion. And then executives discuss it. I am not the only one. Then Tou discusses. There are a lot of checks and balances they just don't come in and I say yes or no.

Andrew Engle: I think it's important that committees have transparency I think that has been pointed out this is a lot of extra work a line item budget. Getting a committee to do a budget would be detrimental.

Devin Bready: Don't just keep saying the same thing someone else has it lengthens the process.

Mitchell Gauger: Table indefinitely

Multiple seconds

Approval: 19

Opposed: 3

Abstaining: 3

Devin Bready: Discussion Tabled indefinitely

Devin Bready: Next is discussion on justice applicants by Tony Greco.

Tony Greco: As refresher we had discussion on these and I asked to e-mail me with questions. I didn't receive any. We will re-present today and everyone will be able to ask questions. And then we will vote

Andrew Davis: How many applicants do we have?

Tony Greco: 4

Jin Zhang: I'm a freshman at IUPUI I heard about this opportunity as a justice application and it sounds like a great opportunity. I have experience as a leader.

Mitchell Gauger: Can you elaborate on your skills and experience as a leader?

Jin Zhnag: Not from student council I have experience with small group like taking a group to and organizing and giving teammates advice.

Justice Discussions

Maria Harlan: How many spots are there and how many applicants

Tony Greco: this has been an interesting spot we have to do now. We have 3 spots and 3 applicants. I have to present justices.

Maria Harlan: If we say no it's okay right.

Mitchell Gauger: So are you more interested in filling position or making just having people.

Renice Kenney: POI do we have to put our name and orgs on these ballots

Devin Bready: It's going to be confidential.

Tony Greco: Application is on homepage.

Public: Application due date?

Lauren Schommer: We need anyone who is interested to apply.

Tony Greco: All descriptions are online.

Caleb Comoglio: Move to vote

Multiple seconds

Maria Harlan: You're not going to record right?

Devin: This is just to make sure we have right count.

Jin Zheng will not be a justice.

## Ryan Plump

Tony Greco: I want to speak a little to Ryan Plum I knew him before I knew his name on application we've had it all summer. We had intro to law together at our mock trail he beat me he is a constitutional wizard.

Ryan Plumb: I'll just go ahead and ask you guys what questions you have?

Chris Gault: Do you believe in the interpretation of original intent or you are a living document person?

Ryan Plumb: Both are necessary no law can't be no law you can't have rigidilism constitution is there to make sure government is bound. I don't see this as a yes or no.

Mitchell Gauger: What are your leadership skills and involvement?

Ryan Plumb: Never done a student organization. I've always had an extreme thought about law and have always had care for the law. As far as leadership I was a flight attendant so I have that leadership experience.

Brandon Young: How do you feel being USG justice? How do you feel you can contribute to USG?

Ryan Plumb: By upholding the constitution. A judicial body is not an active body. You do things that are the will of students. Authority is to resolve disputes. I think as a justice and my extreme respect for constitution and judicial I will make sure everything is far

Devin Bready: Does anyone have any concerns?

Chris: Gault I took law with him and we would be a great justice

Justin Lee: I am currently in judicial politics with him and he is my adversary and we go back and forth and we always come back together.

Devin Bready: Put down yes or no on ballot and please put down his name

Ryan Plump is approved as Justice.

Adryan Brown

Erin Engels has him as a teacher and recommends him along with Amy Jones

Adryan Brown: I'm in introduction to law and the constitution has always interested me. I am on the verge on becoming a corporate lawyer. I want to go to law school here or in Bloomington. I have already have leadership in center for leadership development. Drama club I was in officer and I am in the thespian society. Any questions?

Devin Bready: Anyone?

Brandon Young: What's your motivation?

Adryan Brown: I think great experience since I want to go into law.

Devin Bready: If you could please step outside

Devin Bready: Any concerns?

Devin: seeing as no objections go ahead and vote.

Devin Bready: Adryan Brown is a Justice

Discussion and voting of chief justice

Tony Greco: We had one carry over and she declined to be chief justice. I am nominating Greg Paris. Greg is a junior so he will bring stability to the court. 6 chiefs over the last 3 and a half years and we need stability and his vision is founded in what we stand for in USG. I think he will help them led to correct decisions. He was in CRC and now he has come back.

Greg Paris: As far as student involvement I was a senator I held two positions in engineering and technology student council and am in Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

David Willard: Will you have the time to be the chief justice you have plenty positions?

Greg: I only work part time so I have a lot more free time and this is something I want to do so I feel I can devote as much time as needed to this position.

Public: can you remain neutral?

Greg Paris: Tony and I don't always agree. We argue on pretty much everything

Chris Gault: Tony said you have a vision. Can you elaborate on the vision?

Greg: He wants to see more involvement. He wants it to grow. More touch and go and coming to senate. Some of the plans I proposed he doesn't agree with but he hasn't shut me down yet.

Ryan Plumb: We are here to resolve disputes do you find your involvement could make it difficult to resolve impartially?

Greg Paris: Um possibly and if that was the case then I would step down

Greg Paris: I believe all three branches should work together. That's up to us but it would help with transparency.

Justin Lee: What main ideas?

Greg Paris: If we wanted to expand for example parking ticket disputes.

Justin Lee: Expanding authority?

Greg Paris: Maybe but the court doesn't really do anything right now.

Sarah Parker: Is he the only nominated for position?

Tony Greco: President only picks one.

Public: if he can't be impartial how can he be a justice?

Mitchell Gauger: You're asking too much from a chief justice he can be impartial but I think he's smart enough to do well at this.

Devin Bready: It's unrealistic to expect no other ties.

Charles: He can't completely remove himself

Tony Greco: They have their own advisor so if there was an impartiality thing they would go to the advisor.

Ryan Plumb: it's just one vote he sits on advisory cabinet so it's more of an influential position.

Devin Bready: Move onto a vote

Greg Paris is Chief Justice

Discussion and voting on safety and violence prevention chair they have selected

Kevin Cook: I was nominated as chair it's a topic that interests me I feel like I can give it a lot and make it a well known

Bindu Podila: You're freshmen. What makes you think you can have the commitment because you have so many already?

Kevin Cook: Even though I hold a lot of positions but I have everything managed I have my time taken care of. I have my time committed I have experience with committee this is a brand new committee I have leadership from high school and was a member of student concern committee. I was also a member of blood drives which led to one of the best blood drives in my high school's history.

Public: I just want to ask why you want to this

Kevin Cook: I haven't dealt with a lot of technical security issues it's something I've put a lot of thought into and we are already have conference taking place on October 4<sup>th</sup> to have. I have plans to university security council. I'm talking to them about my agenda.

Public: What is your expectation?

Kevin Cook: Our expectation is to make it well known and if they have any safety concerns they can come to us and make IUPUI a safe campus.

Devin Bready: Step Outside please. Any concerns?

Mitchell Gauger: He was nominated by the committee?

Andrew Engle: I'm on the committee we had the committee and we discussed us came to the mutual conclusion that he was more willing to directly take part in the committee. He's worked hard and already made contacts with university officials. We've already mapped out plans. I think he will make a great committee chair.

Devin: anyone else we will move onto a vote on this.

Kevin Cook will be committee chair

Devin Bready: Open forum

David Willard: I would like to talk about an idea. While we represent about 50% of campus students there are many schools that aren't represented due to them not having a council or not large enough to have one? In order to be a senator you have to be in an RSO. I want to see if there's any support for at large senators who

Chris Gault: I think that's a grea.t

Andrew Davis: Write a bill and present it formally.

David Willard: I was seeing if there was no support

Public: Minority representative

Devin Bready: If want to draft a bill minority representative that would be a great

Mitchell Gauger: write a bill

Devin Bready: Let's not do this right here

David Willard: IF anyone has a few minutes come see me after.

Andrew Davis: As of right now I have no one committees come see me after the meeting.

Devin: As I said last week everyone has to be on committee so I'm going to have lists up here so anyone can sign up or we will assign you. Meeting adjourned.