Carolina Union Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 16, 2014

Attendees

PRESENT:

Carly Mathews  President of the Carolina Union
Jacob Morse  President of the Student Body designee
JoEllen McBride  President of the GPSF (proxy via bylaws-attached)
Kendall Nicosia-Rusin  President of the Residence Hall Association
Connor Brady  Speaker of Student Congress
Ellen Medermott  Carolina Union Employee Forum Appointment
Gabe Chess  CUAB- Union President Appointment
Amira Shehata  Student Congress Appointment
Jacob Hinson  Student Member-At-Large
Wendell Gilland (Business)  Faculty Member Appointment
Crystal King  Carolina Union Director
Tommy Koonce  Faculty Member Appointment
Antonio Serrato-Capuchina  GPSF Appointment
Katie LaVoie  GPSF Appointment
Jake Bernstein  CUAB- Union President Appointment
Kyle Villemain  President of the Student Body designee

ABSENT:

Harold Woodard (Acad. Counseling)  Faculty Member Appointment
Hinson Neville  Executive Branch
Darius Latham  Black Student Movement
Cora Went  Campus Y
Jacob Hinton  Student Member-at-Large
Darius Latham  Black Student Movement
Jake Bernstein  CUAB- Union President Appointment
Katie Savage  Advocates for Carolina
Lauren Scanlan  Sexuality and Gender Alliance
Faculty Member Appointment

Call to Order
President Carly Mathews called the Union Board of Directors Meeting to order at 5:33pm EST.

**Approval of the Minutes**

President Carly Mathews moved to approve the March 5, 2014 and March 26, 2014 meeting minutes that she previously emailed out to the board members for review. Having heard no corrections to the minutes Jacob Morse seconded that motion and the March 5, 2014 and March 26, 2014 minutes were approved with no corrections.

**Student Organization Updates**

President Carly Mathews welcomed all attendees to the Union Board of Directors meeting. She asked each member representing the following organizations to provide organizational updates to the board.

**CUAB: Gabe Chess**
- New Board is in place
- Currently approving the first quarter of programming.
- LDOC programming scheduled for Friday

**Executive Branch: Jacob Morse**
- Announcement of Statement made backing administration and condemned inaccurate findings
- Board of Trustees University affairs committee
- Academics add-drop policy
- Announces that students will now be able to drop 16 hours in their academic career instead of 11.

**Graduate and Professional Student Federation: JoEllen McBride**
- Introduces Kyle Reeves, the new Secretary and proxy for this committee
- New cabinet members and external appointments

**RHA: Kendall Nicosia-Rusin**
- Last Board of Governance meeting was last week
- Last Executive Board meeting will be Thursday
- Announced their upcoming End of Year Banquet.
- Voted to support Tar Heel Bikes petition to add a student fee.

**Student Congress: Connor Brady**
- Connor Brady is no longer affiliated with Student Congress
- Congress recently elected Ivy Hardy as Speaker
- Peter McClellen is the new Speaker Pro Tempore
- Congress is hearing appointments of the Executive Branch
- Congress has approved funding for the summer.
- Mr. Brady has been passing down administrative duties to new officers

**CUEF: Ellen Mcdermott**
- Introduced Zach Smathers, the new CUEF Chair
- No more CUEF events this year
- This week is student staff appreciation week, which included Sugarland cupcakes, Sunrise Biscuits, and a lego appreciation activity. The activities will continue throughout this week.

**Advocates for Carolina: Katie Savage**
- Absent, no report

**BSM: Darius Latham**
- Absent, no report

**Campus Y: Cora West**
- Absent, no report

**SAGA: Lauren Scanlan**
- Absent, no report

**Faculty Representatives: Tommy Koonce**
- Faculty Council is meeting this week.

**Carolina Union Director: Crystal King**
- Provided a copy of job posting for the Senior Associate Director of Life and Leadership. Ms. King recruited for this position at the ACUI Regional Conference. The posting will close at the end of April. Board representation would be appreciated on the hiring committee.
- The Student Life and Leadership section of the Union is being reformed in order to make it more agile.
- Announced that the Union is undertaking a Union Master Plan. This will include a full analysis of the campus to plan the future of the Union.
- Publicly thanked Carly Mathews for being the Union President and the Board for their support throughout the year.

**Old Business**
There was no old business to discuss.

New Business

Bi-Law Proposed Changes

- Reduce terms to one year.
- Committees have been reduced to long-range planning, space allocation, and outreach committee, finance committee.
- General reorganization and summaries, example: Article 1, Section 5 of Operations is now a general summary about
- Finance pieces will be prepared and presented quarterly.
- Director and President Positions to have references.
- Director's expenditure allowance to increase from $10,000 to $50,000.
- In Activities Board, to add descriptions of programming chair and officers.
- Amendments now to include references to Congress.

Kendall Nicosia-Rusin inquired about the change in the Director’s expenditure. Carly Mathews responds that she wanted to ensure that the Director has the funds to do their job. She also noted that she is comfortable adjusting these numbers before ratifying the changes.

Crystal King asked about the process for using the Director’s expenditure. Carly Mathews said that there was not a formal process. Ms. King clarifies that this is from the Operating Fund. There is also an Art Fund.

Crystal King clarified what is considered part of the building fund, which does not include the operating fund, repair & replacement fund, and capital improvement fund.

The Board discussed the pros and cons of shortening the Director’s expenditure allowance to $10,000. A motion was made and seconded to change the Director’s operating fund, not building fund, to $10,000.

Congress and GPSF are now designated student members, which makes the total voting members to 13 board members. The other non-voting members are originally the Director, President-select, and three faculty members instead of four. However, the ability for staff and faculty to vote was discussed because the bi-laws do not specify whether or not they receive a vote. It was moved and seconded that faculty and staff will be allowed a vote.

Whether or not there was sufficient graduate student representation on the voting board was discussed.

In addition, the pros and cons of reducing the terms to one year were examined.

- A point was made that reducing the terms to one year would be potentially dangerous in that there would be a fresh board every year that are looking at issues that could take longer than a year to resolve.
On the contrary, presidential appointments that last two years do not parallel the term duration of the presidents themselves.

According to the by-laws, representation on the Board of Directors can be revoked if an organization’s appointees do not show up to meetings. However, there is an option to replace these appointees.

There was no proposed change to this.

President Mathews moved to leave the appointments to the Fall board.

The graffiti in the WXYC suite was addressed. WXYC has applied for space allocation and signed a contract that outlined the specific guidelines about how the space could be decorated.

There was a unanimous vote for reappointing the faculty members onto the board.

**Subcommittee Reports**

Carly Mathews will be leading a subcommittee who will meet to hash out the language used and details in the by-law amendments.

President Mathews opened the floor for any additional business.

**Adjournment**

Having no other business, President Carly Mathews adjourns the meeting at 6:43pm EST.