Rackham Student Government
Board Meeting: January 28, 2015
Agenda

I. Call To Order
II. Approval of Agenda
III. Approval of Previous Minutes
IV. Officer Reports
   a. Graduate Student Body President, Phil
   b. Graduate Student Body Vice President, Chuky
   c. Graduate Student Body Treasurer, Abneris
V. Budget
VI. Committee Reports
   a. Academic Affairs
   b. Budgetary Affairs
   c. Legislative Affairs
   d. Student Life
VII. Open Discussion
VIII. Adjourn

Included in packet:
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RSG Budget (p. 5)
AAC Committee Minutes January 22 (p. 7)
LAC Committee Minutes January 22 (p. 8)
SLC Committee Minutes January 20 (p. 10)
RACKHAM STUDENT GOVERNMENT
BOARD MEETING
January 21, 2015
RACKHAM GRADUATE BUILDING
2ND FLOOR WEST CONFERENCE ROOM, NORTH ALCOVE
6:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER: 6:14pm
   b. Absent:
   c. Excused: President Saccone, Michael B

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Chuky: Greeting everyone! I believe you all received the agenda. With that I will take a motion to approve agenda.
Motion by David M second by Chris T. Approved unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES
Chuky: with this we move to approving the previous minutes.
Moved by Kyle seconded by Katie. Approved unanimously.

IV. OFFICER REPORTS
   a. President Phillip Saccone
   b. Vice President Chuky Mbagwu
      Chuky: Presidents and VP reports: Some of the committees haven't met yet but I would like to remind you that in accordance to our bylaws you should remember to create your budgets. I know SLC and BC already meet and created their budgets for the term and that AAC and LAC are meeting tomorrow.
   c. Treasurer
      Abneris: Treasurer's report: Once again remember to create your budgets. Also our account is currently at $35000 which means that this terms funds are now available. So, we have money to give out.

V. Review RSG Priorities for 2015/ Action Items
Chuky: So last meeting we came up with some initiatives for this winter term. Going off of the list then maybe Academic issues can be tackled by academic affairs and so on. Do we have any other ideas?
Chris T: I think those are doable and interesting items.
Chuky: I encourage you guys to pick an item from the list we created on the last meeting and move on it.
Chris T: I can help with “enrollment with Rackham across colleges” and “study space for Rackham students”. I know Benson is interested in “Masters student study space” so maybe Benson and I can work on that.
Katie: Point of information: What is “Enrolment across Rackham”?
Chuky answers that it is referring to the fact that sometimes your program restricts the amount of classes from other departments that you can take during your Masters or PhD. Example someone from Aerospace can't always take a music class.
Dave M: I can work on this “enrolment across Rackham” project.
Abneris: I can take the “3-4 credits cognates”
Brandon: I will be working on the “community service” COSAC for SLC
CT: I would like to work on the “safety with cycling”
Brandon: I would like to help on that.
Katie: I would like to work on the Communications. Specifically working with the Gazette and Maize Pages.
Dave B: nothing at the moment
Nate: Come back to me
Kyle: I am currently working on getting the M Card to be an official ID and the student survey
Jincheng: I would like to work on the “Grad student with Disabilities” initiative.
Abneris: I can help out with that one
Chuky: We will come back to this list in committees but for now its good to have a rough idea so we can get the ball rolling.

VI. COMMITTEE UPDATES

a. Academic Affairs Committee
CT: Academic Affairs report: We haven't had our first meeting yet. However, we are working with Dean Lynch and hoping to get good feedback from him on things like insurance for partners of the students. Also we have a lot of ground covered on the non discrimination policy. We have a number of student groups and orgs around campus signed onto the cause and are meeting with some key administrators in the coming weeks.

b. Budgetary Committee
Abneris: BC: the budgetary committee’s first meeting was today and we established a budget and we were also able to review one student application and allocate some funds for a cultural event they will be holding.

c. Elections Committee

d. Legislative Affairs Committee
Chuky: LAC: We’ll be meeting tomorrow. Some of the agenda is to work on the white papers for SAGE and taking on some of the work on the initiative lists. Also working on getting a congressional newsletter up and running.

e. Student Life Committee
Kyle L: SLC: We meet and we are working on the minutes. We put together a budget which will be detailed on the minutes.

i. Community Outreach & Social Action subcommittee

VII. OPEN DISCUSSION

Chuky: Thank you everyone for those reports. Now if there is nothing else to add we can move on to open discussion.

OD: Katie: I would like to take a picture of the group working for our higher ed class.
Chuky: if no one would like to add something I will take a motion to adjourn.
Kyle: Motion to adjourn. Seconded by Dave M.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT at X:XXpm.
### RSG Budget Winter 2015

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**Encumbered:**

- Last Semester: $1,800.00
- Summer Term: $4,350.00
- Student Orgs: $3,500.32

**Total Expected Budget Available:** $9,873.93

**Budgetary Committee**

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**Per Bylaws:**

- Total Approved Budget: $22,123.93
- Expected Expenditures: $35,678.47
- Actual Expenditures (to date): $26,028.15

- 15% of Budget: $5,351.77
- Available Budget: $3,904.22

**Summer/Fall Encumbered:** $9,650.32
RACKHAM STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
1/22/15, 8:00 PM  
ESPRESSO ROYALE ON STATE ST.

I. CALL TO ORDER: 6:35pm

II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

   Roster: Phil Saccone, Chucky Mbagwu, Abneris Rodriguez, Chris Tom, Myra Lee, Kyle Lady, Buke Hiziroglu, Michael Benson, Brandon Patterson, Dennis Johnson, Matt Gaidica

   Present: Phil Saccone, Chucky Mbagwu, Abneris Rodriguez, Chris Tom, Myra Lee, Buke Hiziroglu, Matt Gaidica

   Absent: Kyle Lady, Michael Benson, Brandon Patterson, Dennis Johnson

III. COMMITTEE CHAIR
       a. Chris approved Chair begrudgingly

IV. BUDGET
       a. $1500 for lunch with the deans

V. ACTION ITEMS
       a. Get dates for LwtD (Phil)
           i. Coordinate web Q&A with the deans with Natalie Bertolluci
       b. Master’s students requesting study/office space (Michael)
       c. Reclaiming the Rackham Building (Dennis cc Chucky)
       d. Number of courses on the books that have not been taught. Can we update the course listing? (Phil, verify that this is true first)
       e. Enrollment within Rackham across colleges- making the process easy (Abnerise)
       f. Cognate requirement 3-4 credits (Abnerise)
       g. Winter vacation break. Making the calendar more flexible

VI. OPEN DISCUSSION
       a. Nothing for open discussion

VII. NEXT MEETING
       a. Tuesday, February 3rd at 6:30pm, Espresso Royale on State

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: 7:04pm
RACKHAM STUDENT GOVERNMENT
Legislative Affairs Committee
January 22, 2015
Espresso Royale
7:10p

I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:10p
   a. Present: VP Chuky, David M, Michael B, Myra L. President Saccone, Treasurer Rodriguez, Jingcheng
   b. Absent:
   c. Excused: David B.

II. Welcome
   LAC does a lot of different things. In charge of advocacy on the city, state and federal level. We will be playing a big role in SAGE—leading taxation and indebtedness white paper. Also starting a newsletter. More on this later.

III. Election of Co-chair
   Phil asks for a motion to make Michael co Chiar.

   Moved by Malewski, seconded by Myra.
   Approved: 6-0-1

   Michael mentions transportation issues around the city and talks about expanding/resuming our advocacy agenda to State issues.

IV. Budget
   Phil will handle external SAGE funding. RSG will put some funding together for SAGE. We will also solicit funds from the provost to expand the delegation.

V. Congressional News Letter
   Michael talks about media—e newsletter or paper? Maybe both. We can target different offices with different letters. Myra and Katie to take lead.

VI. SAGE White Paper
   Explains what a white paper is. Chuky will be heading. More on this later.
VII. Open Discussion.
Regarding DOH: How will we convey the importance of graduate education given the presidential push for.
I. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30pm

   a. Present: Representatives Kyle L, Nate H, Brandon P, Jingcheng W, Chris T, President Saccone, Vice President Mbagwu, Treasurer Rodriguez

   b. Absent:

   c. Excused:

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

III. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

IV. Nomination of Committee Chair

   Phli nominates Kyle and Nate for co-chairs. Seconded by Abneris. No objections, passed unanimously.

V. Budget

   Phil: We have some already advanced planned events with Rackham (including Pistons game, ice skating) that I would like the committee to improve.

   Phil: We should also set aside a few hundred dollars for happy hours, etc. Would like to follow a similar event schedule as last term (fewer happy hours, but bigger).

   Kyle: Is anyone interested in having Pinball Pete’s again?

   Chuky: Given the venue closures, we haven’t done this in over a year or so. Would be nice to try it again.

   Kyle: Propose $800 towards Pete’s. Also, $250 towards the coffee/bagels with Reps event. Try and get that off the ground. $1000 for happy hour. $1200 for Pistons, $1000 for ice skating, $600 St Pats. $1200 for bowling. $700 for community service events
Motion to approve by Phil Saccone, seconded by Chuky. No objections, passed unanimously. Total budget $6750.

VI. Winter 2015 Initiatives

Abneris: How are we doing on the survey?

Chuky: We made some good progress on the survey last term, and we need to close off a few action items from returning individuals. Then we send out the final versions to the newer committee members and consider partnering with survey consulting group (acronym that Kyle mentioned).

Phil: Pistons, ice skating, and bowling are pretty self-running. We need to get people to spearhead the happy hours. Do we have interest for organizers on COSAC subcommittee?

Brandon: I would like to spearhead some of the COSAC initiatives. Abneris would like to work with him.

Nate: I will take over organizing and pushing forward the Meet&Greet events. Chuky will work with you on this.

VII. OPEN DISCUSSION

Kyle: Anything else people want to bring up?

Phil: Motion to adjourn, seconded by Nate.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT at X:XXpm.