

GSU Board or Reps Meeting 2/10/2021

Meeting Begins 3:02pm

Rollcall:

Melinda Bratsch-Horsager (she/her) VP of External Affairs (Voting)

Trygve Vandal (he/him) VP of Internal Affairs (Voting)

Rayni Lussier (she/her) Communications Liaison (Voting)

Demetrius Romero (he/him) Chief Justice (Non-Voting)

Zach Lynch (he/him) Legislative Liaison (Voting)

Sophie Parker (she/her) Director of Legislative Affairs (Voting)

Abbey Maroney (any pronouns) historian and policy analyst (Non-Voting)

Not present:

Kayla Mahnke Hargett (she/her) Advisor

3:06 - Acknowledgement of the Medicine Creek Treaty

Public Comment 3:07

- Kat Beck (washpirg organizer)
- Exciting things happening
- Raised \$600 for the food bank this quarter
- City council meeting with greener council meeting and another this evening about the green cars campaign and anti-plastic campaign
- Everyone is invited to come to these

3:09 – approval of the minutes 2/3/21 and 2/5/21 BOR meetings

- Melinda motions to approve the minutes from both the 2/3/21 and 2/5/21 meetings
- Zach seconds the motion
- Passes 5-0-0

3:11 – officer reports

- **Sophie Parker-** I posted some infographics on a bill for post-secondary education programs in prisons in the evergreen covid relief Facebook page. I will send this to you as well Kat Beck. I will also send them to Rayni to be shared on the Instagram page.
- I'm also doing research for a suicide prevention bill.
- Zach- your looking for info on campus related suicide prevention stuff? What does that mean?
- Sophie- how many counselors per students, how many students are seeing counselors, how many meetings they're allowed with a counselor, counselor retention rates. I would appreciate if anyone has resources for where I might find some of this data. The bill is #1477
- **Demetrius-** I'm working on the change log and public disclosure agreement and a side project collecting data on the field by the pavilion.
- **Zach-** I attended over 50% of the lobby day, it went really well. We had some good participation from students. I med with joni and Melinda on the basic needs center and other student food need issues. Sophie and I met again with the folks from the downtown alliance, it's a longer game move to brainstorm food access through these avenues.
- **Rayni-** I've been working on internal communication stuff. Working with the internal communication committee, though I am unable to make their meetings so we are currently play phone tag. Staying active on the Instagram page. I've been looking at other schools student government pages to see what kind of stuff we should be posting.
- Sophie- how many students are following our page?
- Rayni – around 200, I'm not sure how to grow it right now
- Sophie- maybe we could plug it in an all campus email?
- Rayni- that's a good Idea I will reach out to try and get that done.
- **Melinda-** I've been doing a lot of individual student advocacy recently. It's a little over the top right now. I've been working on conflict resolution resources. Lots of advocacy for student needs both physical and cultural. This and the usual dealing with the administration. Its going quite well for in the middle of winter quarter.
- **Abbey-** doing minutes and going through the bylaws
- **Trygve-** I never expected internal affairs to have so many issues surrounding external entities. I've been doing a lot of research, going through every GSU document that exists. Its been time consuming. In addition, I reached out and spoken harry and andy corn, john carmichel, and a few others and the RAC committee and new academic directions. The new academic directions group that I'm a part of really has their shit together. Its exciting to see how well developed it is.

3:28 – Hiring updates -Melinda

- We are working on and in the process of hiring an elections commissioner and historian and policy analyst. The posting is in CODA if anyone knows someone who wants to be an elections commissioner. Its been a struggle to get people to engage because of how much is going on nationally and institutionally. That's my update.

3:31 – HCC 24 hour pantry – Melinda and Zach

- Zach- we are working on getting a 24 hour pantry going for students on campus. We are hoping for some slight modifications to the space including more room temp and refrigerated spaces. We are looking into what avenues to go through to make modifications even though they wouldn't be permanent.
- Melinda- I gave the rough draft that will go to Sharon goodman in the chat. The HCC is locked but the laundry room is open 24 hours a day. WE want to move the shelves near the laundry room so they're accessible 24 hours a day. The internal shelves are inaccessible after 10pm. We're waiting on measurement and non-conflict from Aramark. WE want to open it by 2/22/21 so its available for spring quarters and finals.

3:37 – Student advisory committee update.

- Zach- the week after next we are meeting with some admins and the president for an introduction meeting as we announced our presence to the leadership network. We talked about what we want the structure and workflow to look like. Anyone have thing else to fill in about it.
- Melinda- we got an add out to the students to try and petition for more students to join.

3:41 – advisor reports

- Trygve- I reached out to Kayla. The response I got I will throw into chat.
- From chat: "Hey Trygve! I will be out of the office tomorrow. If you could make a list of the questions you need answered when I get back on Thursday, that would be great!" -Kayla
- Melinda – I have questions for Kayla and better understanding policies surrounding GSU. We need to first petition our advisor for further information.

3:44 – Zach's unrelated question

- Does evergreen do any sort of end of the quarter celebration? Do they do anything fun?
- Sophie- usually we have potlucks in class
- Zach- so nothing from the school itself.
- Rayni- I just want to say that, also off topic, they put down "sand" but its more like crushed asphalt. I think it will be very slippery on campus
- Melinda and Zach- working on finding out Evergreen's plan is we have snowmageddon again.

3:56 Melinda motions to adjourn the meeting, sophie seconds it. Unanimous passing 5-0-0