Agenda
Wednesday, May 29, 2013
6:00 PM

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Bryan Buenaventura (BB): I call this general meeting to order; the day is Wednesday May 29th, 2013, the time is 6 o’clock PM. In attendance is myself Bryan Buenaventura, Daniel Shapiro (DS), Michael Kalmowicz (MK), Sammy Hamed (SH), Corey McCance (CM), our clerk Brandon Telchi (BT), from SGATO we have Katherine Burkhard (KB), and as a guest we have Jean Cocco (JC).

JC: Jean Cocco.

BB: Jean Cocco. There are no absences, so is there a motion to move into additions/deletions to the agenda?

SH: so moved

BB: Are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in additions/deletions to the agenda. Are there any motions to add to the agenda? Is there a motion to approve the agenda as it is?

SH: so moved

BB: Are there any objections? Seeing none, the agenda is approved-approved. Is there a motion to move into additions/deletions to minutes?

DS: so moved

BB: Are there any objections? Seeing none, we are in additions/deletions to the minutes. Our clerk Brandon Telchi did send out minutes from our last meeting so is there a motion to add those minutes from May 15th, 2013?

SH: so moved

BB: Those minutes have been added. Is there a minute-is there a motion to approve those minutes?

DS: motion to approve minutes

BB: is there a second?

SH: second

BB: the minutes are approved, thank you Brandon. Is there a motion to move into open forum?

DS: so moved

BB: Are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in open forum. Does anyone have anything to say? Does anyone from the gallery have anything to say?

JC: happy to be here. Let’s keep the mission moving forward. Go bulls.

BB: thank you Mr. Cocco. Is there a motion to move out of open forum and into judicial reports?

SH: so moved
BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in judicial reports and let the record reflect that the solicitor general has now entered the room at 6:02pm. Could you state your name please?

SN: Shaheen Nouri (SN)

BB: thank you. We are now in judicial reports so I will start with Daniel Shapiro, you can go ahead with your report.

DS: thank you. I went to the budget meeting today at 12:30; that was very successful. We have a decent amount of money left over and we have been focusing on how to allocate it most efficiently. We had our outreach committee just before this one and we went over the allocation of funds and we think we have a great spending plan. That’s about all I have.

JC: how much is left over?

DS: from our payroll, we have $16,000 or $16,592.

JC: payroll.

DS: left over.

JC: okay.

DS: probably due to the fact that we haven’t had a full court for most of the earlier year, throughout 2012 and 2013.

JC: and it has to be done by July 1st?

DS: June 10th.

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DS: for the transfer

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DS: so we’re planning on going before appropriations on Monday.

JC: okay

DS: is it June 10th?

CM: June 13th.

JC: June 13th.

DS: but we’re planning on going before appropriations pretty soon.
JC: you’re presenting?

DS: we have a PowerPoint, so the court as a whole will optimally present, but so whoever would like to show up will be a part of the presentation.

BB: okay, thank you. Mr. Kalmowicz, do you have anything to report?

MK: so I as well attending the budget meeting this morning at 12:30; assuming now it sounds like we are going to get a video choreographer, assuming we do, I’m going to work with the video choreographer to oversee that the video is going... oh, videographer, I apologize. I will oversee the video to make sure it’s as we want it and that’s basically it.

BB: okay. Mr. Hamed?

SH: I attended the budget meeting this morning as well. Just a few things to keep busy, I started working on the website with Brandon, we’re trying to get all our pictures up there and information updated. I updated the flyer that we’re going to be handing out at the bull market to come; we just have to print those out and fold them up as brochures. I found the master list of all the student organizations and the contact information and I’ll be working with justice Shapiro to plan our meetings with them so we can outreach to them and let them know what we do and the rights that the students have to appeal to us. Last week I emailed Corey some of my ideas for the remainder of the allotment of the budget. I attended senate yesterday and last Tuesday, that was interesting. And there is also a sign-up sheet for senate throughout the summer, if you guys want to sign up just to make sure we always have someone there updating them on what we’ve been doing. And that’s all I have to report.

BB: thank you, and Mr. McCance.

CM: so I did receive most of your emails about what to do with the allocation of the funds, and most of the ideas are already being worked out in some way or another. The idea for tomorrow hopefully is to have Justice Shapiro and myself meet with one of the videographers. I’ve been spending a lot of time with PATS, parking and transportation, doing a lot of ride-alongs with them and I’ve got a lot of useful information that I’m going to go over with the court, maybe not during the general meeting, but on some clarification points that I think would be very useful moving forward. And that’s about all I’ve got right now.

BB: alright, thank you. And for myself I have a report. I as well attended the budget meeting, and just to clarify some things, the budget overall we had was $52,397, we spent a total of $27,145.46. The remainder of our projected payroll is $8,732.52 and the amount that is left over is $16,519.02. And of that remaining, we’re going to use around $2500 to $3000 of it for our outreach goals. As far as that goes, I created an ad-hoc or the court-the current court leadership created an ad-hoc committee, I have the copy here for those of you who haven’t seen it; it says who is on the committee, so you can go ahead and pass this down for those of you who haven’t seen it. It’s pretty much all the justices that are in this room so far. And it’s for the creation of the ROP committee that we’ll be discussing later on in the
agenda. JuSeNex meeting is on Wednesday June 5th, 2013, at 4 o’clock pm; I’ll be in attendance as well as Shapiro, but the court can go to this meeting as well. And I encourage you all to go if you can.

MK: what time was it?

BB: at 4 o’clock pm, on a Wednesday.

SH: could you repeat the date please?

BB: yes, June 5th, 2013. Another thing I did today was I signed up as a financial officer. I know that Corey McCance is a financial officer; they allow two people to be on it, so just in case you’re not here I’ll be able to do that as well. I submitted my form in today. And as far as that goes, I attended a meeting earlier this week at-on the 28th of May at 9 o’clock in the morning discussing the possibility of creating a non-academic alumni society for alumni members of USF who were also SG officers in the past, so be on the lookout for that if you’re interested-if that interests you. And they’ll be implementing new statutes for that in the future I believe. And as far as that goes, I have nothing else to report.

JC: you’re working with Bill McKoslin on that?

BB: I just went to the meeting because they wanted a representative of each branch but…

JC: who was there for senate?

BB: there was nobody there from senate.

JC: cause we weren’t told. Okay. Let me know how that goes... see what happens...

BB: will do

CM: did you also sign the form from my chief justice, or my chief financial officer?

BB: that is in your mailbox, yes.

CM: okay.

BB: and as far as that goes, does anyone else have anything they want to add to reports?

SH: something I forgot: tomorrow I’ll be attending the PLUNGE meeting and so if there’s any ideas that you guys want me to bring along to that you guys can let me know.

JC: what are some of your ideas?

SH: I was hoping the court would inform me of some ideas.

JC: I was hoping you would have some ideas.

SH: well currently I wanted to see what everyone would bring and add along to that. I’ve never done it before, this will be my first time, so I’m definitely excited to help plan out PLUNGE and see how that’s
going to work. Gotten some feedback from people who went in the past few years so I’ll be sure to bring that along.

JC: what’d you get?

SH: I got that some of the activities were a little too in-depth personally, so we want to ease up on that I guess; I wasn’t there so I can’t say for sure.

JC: how’s the budget look?

SH: our budget?

JC: for PLUNGE.

SH: I have not received any information about the PLUNGE budget, we’ll find that out tomorrow. You can attend too if you have any other questions.

JC: tomorrow I don’t know if I’ll be in town, but I’ll try.

BB: let the record reflect that Adam Aldrich (AA) has entered the meeting at 6:10 pm. Please have a seat.

JC: who from senate is on the PLUNGE Mr. Aldrich. You? Okay. How’s the budget?

AA: (inaudible)

JC: Ms. Burkhard?

KB: it’s our first meeting so all of that we’ll be able to discuss tomorrow.

JC: okay, it’s your first meeting. Okay.

BB: okay so if no one else has anything to report, can I get a motion to move out of judicial reports and into SGATO reports?

SH: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, Katherine, you’re recognized.

KB: I’ll actually continue the conversation on... I’ll be attending the meeting tomorrow with Sammy, and with Adam, so if you do have input, if you have any questions, speak them now and we’ll be able to report back to you.

JC: okay. It’s going to be on campus right?

SH: it’ll be in this room tomorrow at 4 o’clock.

JC: no, I’m saying the PLUNGE event.
KB: we’re not entirely sure yet.

JC: okay

KB: a portion of it will probably be. Some ideas are flying around of maybe doing a ropes course, but it will depend on many different factors.

JC: right

KB: still working out the logistics.

JC: cool

BB: okay, if there is no more in SGATO report, is there a motion to move out of SGATO report into old business and open old business?

DS: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in old business. There is no old business currently, so can I get a motion to close old business and open new business?

MK: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in new business. And as you can tell, this is the only thing on the agenda, the only pressing matter this week, and it’s for the ROP revision committee. If you guys got to all see the list those, all the members that are on the committee; I think it’s best that we just keep it the way we have it structured during our general meetings, and in place of having general meetings, since we don’t have too many pressing issues, we’ll simply have the committee meeting during our scheduled general meeting and keep it going from there. And, if we want, we can go ahead and choose chairmans and vice-chairmans, but I think it’s best we just keep it the way it is right now with the current chairman as it is in the general meeting, so we can move along with the ROPs, so if everyone is okay with that, we can implement that for this committee. Does anyone have any questions specifically on what the main goal of this committee is about? What we’re going to do is pretty much all meet during regular business, general business meeting times, and take the ROPs that we have and as collectively as a group go through them and submit revisions if we want, and whenever we get through the whole entire ROP we’ll be able to bring it up at the next general meeting so we can group it all at one time. And...

DS: what I’d start doing now, I’d start familiarizing, or I’d start looking into it so we at least have the general outline and stuff, because as this goes I don’t want to go line-by-line in the meetings, that will take forever, so if we could all kinda learn the ROPs, the general outline, and as we’re going along kind of do our homework and just make sure we know what’s in them and what can be changed.

BB: yes, definitely familiarize yourself with the ROPs, come prepared to our next meeting if you have any general things that you want to get off right off the bat in the committee. But I think what we’ll do is go
through them section by section together, we’ll talk about that in the committee, but what I want to do right now is just formally tell you guys who’s in the committee so we can move on and do that. As far as giving reports and any other pressing matters, if we need to we can do a general meeting. If we need to, but I feel like we can do our reports and all of that in our outreach meetings as well; give updates and summer initiatives in those meetings and just focus on the ROPs for the ROP committee. And if there is nothing else, is there a motion to move out of new business and into- and open announcements?

DS: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in announcements. Does anyone have any announcements to make?

MK: congratulations to our soliciting general

DS: solicitor general

MK: whatever

BB: yes, if you could just please announce your name and tell us about yourself.

SH: again, my name is Shaheen Nouri, I was confirmed as solicitor general last night, and I thank everyone for their time and being part of that process, and I look forward to working with all of you.

BB: likewise, thank you. Are there any other announcements?

SH: I just have a quick thing, I know that pretty soon we’re going to be emailing Sarasota-Manatee and St. Pete about going over to their campus and communicating with them, so just be on the lookout for that email. And hopefully we can have someone from senate and exec come with us and branch out to those two as well. So just keep a lookout for that email.

JC: is there a date you had in mind?

SH: keep a lookout for the email and we’ll have that date and time set away, but we do have money set aside for that, for transportation.

JC: alright, okay.

BB: are there any other announcements? Seeing none, is there a motion to close announcements and into adjournment?

SH: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, this meeting is now adjourned at 6:16pm.