

Congress Minutes
December 4th, 2017 | 6:00 pm
Glensheen Mansion

- 1. Call to Order; 6:09pm.**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of the Minutes (November 27th);** minutes pass unanimously.
- 4. Approval of the Agenda;** Cody Brumbaugh amends to move the Clothing Drive Resolution to be discussed after the approval of the agenda; agenda passes unanimously.
- 5. New Business**
 - a. Clothing Drive Resolution; Thomas Djerf moves to bring forward the Clothing Drive Resolution, Allie Ulland seconds, resolution passes with one abstention.
- 6. Introduction of Guests**
 - a. Dan Hartman-Glensheen; welcomes SA to Glensheen and gives a brief presentation on behalf of the upcoming bonding bill.
 - i. Glensheen is the largest student employment of Duluth and the #1 house museum in the midwest.
 - ii. Won attraction of the year for Minnesota 2016; almost 200,000 people visited Glensheen this past year.
- 7. Dr. Erwin;** welcome to Glensheen and have a wonderful break, be safe!
- 8. Old Business**
 - a. Open Positions
 - i. SFA Senator
- 9. New Business**
 - a. Governor Forum Co-sponsorship; Jacob Griffiths moves to bring the Governor Forum Co-sponsorship forward, Thomas Djerf seconds, resolution passes with one abstention.
- 10. Governance Reports**
 - a. Strategic Enrollment Management (SEM); discussed transfer credits and making them more friendly, hoped to get more money for Boot Camp which is a crash course to help students.
 - b. Facilities
 - c. Liberal Education
 - d. Athletics
 - e. Strategic Planning and Budget; discussed athletics and UMDs updated strategic plan.
 - f. Student Experiences (SE); American Indian Studies Program is hoping to bring a new department; zoo animals will be in the library tomorrow around 11.

- g. Teaching and Learning (TLC); reports on career and internships from the tutoring center; broke up into groups to combat what TLC should represent.
- h. University Coordinating Council (UCC); discussed excused absence policy; in spring 2020 academic calendar will go into review session.

11. Cabinet Reports

- a. Vice President of Student Life- Azrin Awal
 - i. Planning a student leadership banquet for Jan. 20th.
- b. Vice President of Academic Affairs- Molly McDonald;
 - i. Late Night Library is Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday nights; meet in the office by 8:30pm; hoping to have a survey and whiteboard for student suggestions.
- c. Vice President of External Affairs- Pavel Arkhipenkov
 - i. Attended a meeting discussing Duluth & St. Louis County Days; HEAPR and Renovation of AB Anderson.
- d. Vice President of Administration and Finance- Sean Grote
 - i. Stipends will be in Friday; a few student organizations did not pick up their checks money will be going back into SOG committee funding.
- e. Freshman President- Neal Bhakta
 - i. Attended URSA meeting to discuss improving residence life.
- f. Rep. to the Board of Regents- Allie Ulland
 - i. Town Hall is tomorrow from 7-8pm in Montague 80, please come if you can attend.
 - ii. Board of Regents meeting is next week.
- g. President- Mike Kenyanya
 - i. Mike is in DC lobbying on behalf of DACA.

12. Director and Student Personnel Reports

- a. Public Relations- Haley Ebel
- b. Bulldog Taxi- Thomas Djerf
 - i. In process of renewing Bulldog Taxi contract with Yellow Door.
- c. Senate Director- Austin Evenson
 - i. SSCC met and discussed interconnectivity between system campuses especially taking online courses through other campuses. Other discussion topics were gender neutral bathrooms and mental health resources.
 - ii. Senators will be tabling at the beginning of next semester.
- d. Legislative Relations- Jake Griffiths
 - i. LRC met last week and they are now scheduling meeting times for Bulldog Lobby Day.
 - ii. Looking for other student orgs to cosponsor social media platform here in Duluth.
 - iii. Please fill out the sheet send out with the minutes.
- e. Diversity & Inclusion- Mueez Ahmad

- f. Marketing Analytics Research- Tyler Samler
 - i. MARC is working with academic affairs to create a survey for LNL.
- g. Rules and Elections- Lindsey Girtz
 - i. Happy Holidays!!
- h. Systems Administrator-
- i. Sustainability- Dave Herrera
- j. Chief of Staff- Cassidy King
 - i. Need to get posters signed off and hung up tomorrow for Town Hall, need 2 volunteers to help hand out flyers.
 - ii. Office hours will not be required next week.

13. Advisor's Minute; FINALS WEEK SPEECH

- a. Be healthy, if you are physically healthy you will be mentally healthy.
- b. Get regular sleep, don't change sleeping patterns; if you can't get 4 hours of sleep, pull an all nighter.
- c. Try to eat the same kinds of food that you eat, but try to eat a little more healthy starting now, eat an apple.

14. Chair's Corner; Thanks for coming to Glensheen!

15. Open Announcements

- a. If you are part of gentlemen's tea, please fill out the doodle Corbin sent.
- b. Homeless Bill of Rights is going to city council next Monday.
- c. Happy Birthday Austin!!
- d. Please don't touch the bag tags in the office.

16. Balla Award; Pavel gives balla to Cassidy King.

17. Adjourn; 7:21pm.