Student Government of Loyola Chicago  
September 6, 2016, 4:00 PM  
McCormick Lounge  
Senate Minutes  

I. Roll Call  
   A. Speaker Dumbauld calls meeting to order at 4:05PM  
   B. Sen. Gutierrez is absent.  
- Chief Justice Pine swears in Sen. Mary Ennis  
- Sen. Gutierrez is present at 4:07PM.  

II. Visitors and Guest Speaker  
    a. Kelsey McClear, running 15 minutes late.  

III. Approval of Minutes.  
    a. Minutes are approved.  

IV. Unfinished Business.  
    a. Articles of Governance Reform Act of 2016  
       Sen. Mannam: There was one section that wasn’t approved, it has been changed now.  
       Speaker Dumbauld: Is there a motion to the original question?  
       Sen. Nowak: I move to the original question.  
       Speaker Dumbauld: All those in favor of passing the Articles of Governance Reform Act:  
       Speaker Dumbauld: The motion passes and the Article of Governance Reform Act of 2016 are approved. 22 approve-0 opposed-1 abstain.  
    
    b. Unmoderated Caucus Procedure Resolution  
       Sen. Mannam: This piece of legislation serves to clarify and make the process easier when discussing legislation so everyone can discuss what is going on.  
       Speaker Dumbauld: Speeches of affirmation? None. Speeches of negation? None. Can anyone move to the original question.  
       Sen. Mifsud: I move to the original question.  
       Speaker Dumbauld: The motion passes.  
       All those in favor, opposed, abstain.  
       Speaker Dumbauld: The motion passes and the Unmoderated Caucus Procedure is approved. 21 approve-0 opposed-2 abstain.  

V. Reports  
   a) Standing Committees  
   1) Academic Affairs (Hornik)  
      1. We are fixing the textbook situation regarding students wanting to resell their books.  
         There is a Facebook page but that isn’t efficient enough. Also, we are working on a fall kick off event that would provide snacks and study tips but it is still in the works.  
   2) Allocations (Mannam)  
      1. Spot 1 Budget Requests are due Friday, open house is on Friday, Tues., Wed., and Thursday from 7-9PM, Spot 1 Budget Requests are due Friday, first time on a weekend so yeah it will be exciting. Open houses are held in the SGLC office.
3) Facilities and Transportation (Wild)
   1. Meeting time is Tuesday’s right after senate. I reached out to Nick and Aaron and we
      are working on a meeting time and getting things rolling. Speaker Dumbauld, Sen. Flowers, and
      myself are meeting with Wayne on Thursday at 4PM.

4) Justice (Mifsud)
   1. This week we decided to meet every Thursday 8PM in either the SGLC office or
      outside of it. Last week we decided on groups to talk too and how we can better help their
      mission and beginning thoughts and initiatives. The list of clubs is in committee report.

5) Residents, Commuters, and Dining (Flowers)
   1. Not much is going on. We are meeting this Thursday at 3:30PM and after myself,
      Speaker Dumbauld, and Sen. Wild are meeting with Wayne.

6) Safety and Wellness (Joseph)
   1. We are meeting on Wednesday around 6-7PM, mainly we want to work with wellness
      center and a new way of doing our mental health center and if they have cool ideas we can
      incorporate them into our mental health center. We want to add blue lights on campus,
      extending blue lights to Pratt St. We want to walk with campus safety around Rogers Park and
      police can say where things happened so we can be aware.

b) Special Committees

   1) Fall Elections Committee
      1. There are 19 candidates running. I want to commend the committee, they put
         in a ton of work and a lot of being present in the office, a lot of students are still very interested
         and want to wait until next semester, next spring we will have a strong internals and spring
         elections. Voting is Monday and Tuesday, there is also a geo-filter for voting, so snap away.
         Sen. Diop: So you aren’t accepting any more applications?
         Sen. Flowers: No, but we are suggesting they go through internals.
         Sen. Flowers: Internal elections packets are due when?
         Sen. Mannam: They are due Sunday at 4PM.
         Sen. Flowers: Actually, it states that they are due Saturday at midnight.
         Sen. Buchholz: Out of 19 freshmen, how many will take the positions?
         Sen. Flowers: 7 positions are available.
         Attorney General Chmielewski: Please send in by laws by today, for a future reference send all
         documents on time. Also, walk through by-laws with your committee, it is easy to glance at the
         by laws but make sure everyone understands them.

xx) The Judicial Board (Pine)

   a. Follow up with Attorney General Chmielewski, thank you for going through the format
      and really it is just how can we make this uniform and also Judicial will vote and approve your
      by-laws and that is when you will sign them with all your committee members.
      -Speaker Dumbauld: We are now going to go the guest speaker because she just arrived.

II. Visitors and Guest Speaker
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a. Guest Speaker Kelsey McClear: I am a senior here at Loyola and I am one of the representatives working with 2020, the five year plan. Pres. Chavez and Vice President Adams asked me to come in and talk to you about Plan 2020. I am passing out a phone case that you can keep your ID in. I only want to give you a brief overview and how it relates to the work you are doing. Jesuits and Catholic traditions, implement the values. So, for a flashback to the previous plan, is from 2009 to 2014, commitment to excellence. It was easy because you could see it on campus, in buildings, IES, and DeNobili. It was very much all about bettering our campus. So, the tag line for Plan 2020 is building more of a just and sustainable world, it drives our mission here at Loyola. There are three out of the four priorities has a student representative. They want to bridge the gap between students and administration. I am going to show you a video which outlines the plan. Here are the four priorities that we have: Student access and success, Arrupe college, Support for students, and an alert systems and make students more aware of their classes and grades. Students sometimes don’t have teachers that post grades right away, so this is a program that allows students to be more aware and a consul for student success, giving our students here the tools that they need to succeed. Priority two, faculty development, doesn’t have a student on it. We need to make sure Loyola is having a strong social justice, including extracurriculars and social media justice, and professor training and focusing on the faculty. Priority three, special needs is going to be the implementation of our engineering school, increasing in stem classes, as well as more campus safety initiatives. Priority four, connecting local and global partnerships for example, the Loyola and family services clinic, it is in the Grandada Center and residents here can use that clinic to bridge the gap between residents and the students. One of the things we are coming up with is how is it going to connect us all and make students aware. How does this plan benefit us? By making sure students are aware of what we are doing here. The freshmen are the class of 2020 so they will be able to see the plan through, our degrees will forever say Loyola Univ. Chicago so the more Loyola betters themselves, the more your degree will be looked at. Also there are opportunities for student involvement and it hit home this idea that it is something that is important whether or not you are a freshmen to a senior. I am so excited to present to this group, we represent all grade levels and act as ambassadors and maybe questions are arriving about how they can get involved, and if you all can have this overarching framework and explain why it is important for our students to know the Magis Scholarship and students have a lot of influence on it and it has a lot of presence and making sure our voices are heard. In the bottom, of the page, I included your mission statement and notice how it directly correlates with our mission statement. It is something that relates to all of us, funding opportunities. There are programs we know that we are working on and we are accepting proposals of what to do to help fundraise and give ideas of what they want on campus. How to get involved, maybe you don’t have an idea for a fundraiser, but we are looking for volunteers, students or faculty to be involved. Take a volunteer application and if it interests you, know you can get involved. Here is our website with the list of positions. You can see the Plan 2020, we are using the LUC website to promote plan 2020. Lastly, on Oct. 5th, 6-7:30PM in Damen Den, it is an opportunity for
students to come in and talking to representatives and students can come talk about the plan more and opportunities to get involved. Any questions? If you have any questions or want to get involved I am more than happy to help you.

Sen. McNealis: Funding opportunities you mentioned. In IES, there are a lot of students who would love to apply, should I direct them to the website?

McCleary: If they go to the Plan 2020 template, it will take them to the form they need to fill out. We are working to make it more user friendly, but you can also give my email.

yy) The Executive Board (Chavez and Roberts)

  a. Vice President Roberts: Thank you so much to Fall Elections Committee, Mariana and I want to give kudos, thank you so much for everything. A strong government means strong student body. Last year we appointed three out of the four people for university senate, today we are excited to appoint Thomas Sallcese. Hopefully you all have a chance to take a look at Thomas’s application.

  b. Thomas Sallcese: Thank you for having me. I am from Wisconsin. I have been looking to go into Loyola for about a year now and I am ready to get involved as soon as possible, I love helping people and furthering change as a whole. The Loyola degree is what we will have forever, the better we do, the more we want to make that change and make it a positive thing. I am already proud of being at Loyola.

VP Roberts: Thomas’s diligence to help serve our committee, fresh perspectives and representing our student body and our peers would be great on USenate. Any questions before we close the meeting?

Sen. Nowak: Have you had any past experience that makes you qualified?

Sallcese: I have had a lot of leadership experience, I was not a part of our student government in high school, but I was a captain of the football and swim team. I gave over a 100 hours in leadership, I would run different volunteer groups so I have experience with that.

Speaker Dumauld: Is there a motion to close meeting to outside members?

Sen McNealis: I move to close the meeting.

Speaker Dumauld: For those that don’t know, we close the meeting for confidentially sake. The motion is to close, all in favor?

The motion passes and the meeting is closed.

- The nomination is approved.

Speaker Dumauld: Is there is motion to reopen the meeting?

Sen. Nowak: I move to reopen the meeting.

Meeting is reopened and Sallcese is approved.

Pres. Chavez: Lit is the initiative to get students directly engaged and we finally got it up and running. Adam was tasked with making sure everyone knows the lingo.

VP Roberts: You should have received an email from me and you will be directed to this website. Do not share the link with people outside SGLC. On Monday, we plan to official launch the site. You must use luc.edu email, this is a closed student forum, the LUC email is the only way you
can log in. You can be anonymous when voting and your vote will not be reflected by your username, it can be anonymous or you can say your name. My hope is being in SGLC, we can submit something using our name. Once you sign it, then it is sorted and from there it is in categories, it does the thinking for you. It provides inspiration for you. A word to the wise, seed it with things you want to do throughout the year. Like I said, we will be tracking to see who meets this deadline. We are also redoing the logo and ordering swag.

Speaker Dumbauld: Have we reached out to freshmen in UNIV classes?
VP Roberts: This is actually how we found Thomas, we have been building these relationships and telling the freshmen and getting them involved.

Sen. McNealis: How do I submit something?
VP Roberts: There is a box and it says “let’s get working,” click that and it takes you to the forums, it should work. This is why it is important to use your LUC email.

Sen. Flowers: I did this today. Confirm your LUC email, create a password and do that before you can submit anything. Since I have all those emails from the freshmen students that didn’t run, this would be a great way to get them involved.

VP Roberts: We pay for this so we need to utilize it.

Sen. Gutierrez: Does it automatically post?
VP Roberts: Yes, press give feedback, then enter your idea there and you can give ideas. The ones there are ones that people voted on already. The never ending saga of “fix the ice cream machine” in Damen, we can see who all likes that and Sen. Flowers will see that.

Sen. McNealis: Question for Judicial, is this a seated citation or would you prefer actual polling?
Speaker Dumbauld: Can someone defer to Chief Justice Pine?
Chief Justice Pine: We will talk through it but, I think it is still acceptable to go ahead and use this.

Sen. Gandhi: How was the name decided?
VP Roberts: We asked students to get involved and based on the Facebook page, it was decided that LIT was the most appropriate way and it was something we had to do. “WTF,” Brown is able to have that name and it is separate from their school.

Sen. Gandhi: Why not LOL?
VP Roberts: It just wasn’t voted on.

Sen. Hummel: How many votes until it is noticed?
VP Roberts: Oh it doesn’t matter, it is just what the top posts are for the day. One of the incredible things you all came up with was including student feedback and not having to have a forum.

Attorney General Chmielewski: Do you see this being abused?
VP Roberts: The administration does have the right to take down a post and in response we hope that everyone will handle this site in the right way. It is student regulated so we can help down vote things.

Speaker Dumbauld: Where is that?
VP Roberts: Oh actually it isn’t there, just don’t vote.
Sen. Flowers: Is there anyway you can see what people post before they do?
VP Roberts: We don’t see this as a place to abuse the website.
Advisor Moore: If there is an issue, it is trust students first then if there is an issue, we can address it through administration.
VP Roberts: We run that risk saying we want to hear what students have to say but we limit it, this is listening to students issues that students get to hear about.
Sen. Mifsud: I am totally for the whole trusting students, but is there something where we can flag it and administration can take a look and get action on it.
Advisor Moore: Each of your committees is who this is organized by and this is how you will know what to take up and if you see something, send Adam or myself a note, but in the meantime I recommend that all of you are looking at this and regulating it.
VP Roberts: It is traditional practice, I will be monitoring this site. I don’t have time to screen every single post, so all of us checking, is the best action.
Sen. Makarious: Are you the only administration for the website?
VP Roberts: No.
Advisor Moore: From year to year one of the advisors needs to help, I hope not to be involved, so there is a maximum of two people.
Sen. McNealis: May I casually suggest, we add “what needs to be worked on.”
VP Roberts: If you see anything that needs worked on, email me and I will take them into suggestions.
Pres. Chavez: Anymore questions about LIT? This all depends on how you all go about using it.
Sen. Mifsud: When can we share this?
VP Roberts: The launch is Monday.
Sen. Wild: Is that for sure?
VP Roberts: Yes it is happening, look for the email blast and after this we are working on having this all over Loyola’s website and plant the roots that need to be done.
Speaker Dumbauld: You shouldn’t need another reason, but for the student body, this is really helping us.
Advisor Moore: This is not to replace tabling, this is out reach to students and what you are working on as committees, for example, I can see it is a student body that wants this and see that other student agrees. Lastly, all I’ll say is you paid for this, it costs money annually.
VP Roberts: Anymore questions, email me.

c. Pres. Chavez: Banquet and retreat, retreat is in two weeks. Fill out the Google Doc and please get that to us as soon as possible and we have to turn in roommate forms. I have been checking the LUREC forms, so I need those forms ASAP, because I have to turn those in by the end of the week. Adam sent out an email about the banquet, it is in McCormick Lounge and please respond by saying you will be here. Finally, as promised, I will pull up the SGLC calendar for the year. Last year this was very effective for us. I will send an email to all committee chairs to put your meeting time and then there is no excuse that you didn’t know about a meeting. I encourage you all to invest in this calendar and I wanted to show you it is created.
VP Roberts: Last thing, CCO Kovathana has put up the the media requests forms.

CCO Kovathana: Fill out the requests forms for when you need social media posted. There are 3 different forms. Website, media, and graphic design. Each person is represented for one of them. Social media will be a one week out deadline and website updates is one week as well.

VP Roberts: So if my committee is expecting to have an event, the final draft will be evil in a week?

CCO Kovathana: Yeah, so depending it could be a week.

Pres. Chavez: Can we give a round of applause to Adam for working on LIT, props to him.

Sen. Nowak: Point of personal privilege at 5:17PM.

Pres. Chavez: Thank you so much for saying Happy Birthday to K.C.

zz) The Advisors Report (Moore and Mmeje)

  a. Full disclosure, it was KC’s turn to take the meeting. That means I don’t have a self care tip because it wasn’t my meeting. Today is the last day to add classes, also Board of Trustees is going to be on campus in Damen next Tuesday through Thursday. What is important is that, how many people sit on Board of Trustees? There are other folks that were appointed through SGLC process, it is important to bring that information back to this group to stay informed. Sitting there, you can inform the Board of Trustee’s, there is a confidentially statement, if it is private then honor that but a lot of that information is not, so engage in conversation and you are talking about what the experience is. November 4th is the presidential inauguration, so hold that on your calendar and you will all get invites, it is something you should put on. Trainings happen at the send of this month for SDMA, anything going on out there that I can help with? Thank you.

VI. New Business and Discussion

  a. Sen. McNealis: I know a lot of committees are looking for new things to do, helping make veterans students feel for welcome and the Office of Veteran’s is very busy and they appreciate anything and helping them feel just as welcome as everyone else.

Speaker Dumbauld: Can someone defer to Pres. Chavez?


Pres. Chavez: Chief Diversity Officer office is open and will be open until tomorrow and we also have Chief Sustainability Officer, that position is also open. Kristin Courage took a step down to focus on academics and she will still be active and a part of our family, however that position is currently being searched for. Please let them know today because the application closes tomorrow.

Sen. Diop: CDO what is that?

Pres. Chavez: That position was created in response to wanting to have student government take on issues that involve diversity and then I created an executive order for that position. Also, working with SDMA and finding opportunity for students that need us, we try to have diversity and when students come in it is important to have that position. This position will be the pilot year.

Speaker Dumbauld: Have many have applied?
Mariana: We have 3 or 4 applicants. This is the time for you to be here and bring things to the table and when you are walking to class and you think, “Oh we could have benches on the quad, we can have a discussion about it. It is a waste of time to not have anything to bring. This summer I went through a lot of student government to see how we can better executive committee and the senate. When the senate is doing things that is the beauty, I want you all to be prepared because there is so much we can do here.

Sen. Ennis: I’m on the board of another club and our treasurer was complaining about SAGA and they won’t give us money for a reusable object.

Sen. Wild: The only reason I can think of is the space, once the storage gets bigger maybe that will help.

Sen. Mannam: In the student organization handbook for a banner, correct me if I am wrong George, if it is specific to the event, you can use it for that, but I do think it is something that we should change.

Advisor Moore: I can speak on that a bit, is the banner specific to the club?

Sen. Ennis: Yeah, it has our name on it that we could use at tabling.

Advisor Moore: It is all students funds and it has to represent all students and a banner with only a student organization, it is that limitation because it isn't reusable for all students.

b. Sen. Flowers: At Lu’s you can use your meal plan on all sandwiches, as I found out people are upset about the gold coast being gone, but it would be a great thing to put on LIT. I am sure you here people complain all day long about things that have to with my committee. I would love for whatever you hear to be posted on LIT then I can work with our committee and address the problem. When we are taking about things like this, what are some things you have heard regarding dining halls, food options, things like that.

Sen. Hornik: Was there ever talk including the fruit variety?

Sen. Flowers: I will make note of that because of the fruit season, there is a limited amount of fruit and depending on the season, it gets more expensive.

Sen. Hornik: The dryers, I know they are new but they aren't the best.

Sen. Flowers: In the spring RCDC, worked with a new laundry vendor so we shouldn’t be having this issue.

Sen. Buchholz: About the whole fruit thing, have we talked to LUREC about providing fruit?

Sen. Flowers: LUREC is not run by Armark, also you have to factor in the cost of transporting it and we go through a lot of food.

Sen. McNealis: How often do they steam clean the carpets?

Sen. Flowers: We have squares of carpet, I don’t know what they do for cleaning them, but all of Damen steam cleans them. Something for Facilities and Transportation, right?

Sen. Davidson: Metropolis, if we fought for it to come back, why don’t we have it in all other locations?

Sen. Flowers: Places that have metropolis are Nina’s, IC, and engrained. Students wanted speciality beverages so they switched to connections. Lu’s and Rambler Express use Settle’s Best, which makes Starbucks and it is actually better.
Sen. Wild: I was walking in Damen and I heard this kid say that this space would be an awesome place for a fish tank.
Attorney General Chmielewski: I hate to going back and forth to do laundry, will there be a way I can check when my laundry is done?
Sen. Flowers: I addressed that in my last meeting and there will be an app.
Thomas Salcese: One thing I have thought of was a radio station, 12th grade history, fireside chat’s, I was thinking we could have a representative from student government and go onto the radio and talk about SGLC, and it is a lot like LIT. You can get a lot of feedback, great way to get feedback.

VIII. Announcements
   a. No announcements and upcoming events.

Speaker Dumbauld: Is there a motion to adjourn the meeting?
Sen. Wild: I move to adjourn the meeting.
- Meeting is adjourned at 5:43PM.