

USG General Assembly Meeting

The Official Agenda of the Undergraduate Student Government General Assembly

On This Day, 4/27/15

Room 308 BTSU @ 7:30pm

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Dowell, Hinkle, and Reinhart-Anez absent
- III. Swearing in of New Officers
 - a. New members introduced themselves, were sworn in
 - b. Berry- why do you want to be a member of USG?
- IV. Open Forum
- V. Lobby Time
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Executive Branch Reports
 - a. President – Victor Senn vsenn@bgsu.edu
 - i. Good afternoon, thanks for being here, let's go over what we did last week. Last week- cabinet, some people interested but no one who fit the job has been found yet, refer anyone interested to OrgSync. Talked to Pres. Mazey. Cabinet Vacancy- Childs, , resources and communication positions opened. Met with Jodi to discuss cabinet vacancies and plan for finding more new members. HR- House bill 160 will change how students pay or don't pay for textbooks. Plans to give free books to students if the book is only used for a class on campus. More information online, ask us about more information, we will be talking to university liaison to figure out how house is dealing with this issue. Updates in the future. No questions.
 - b. Vice President – Danielle Parker dnparke@bgsu.edu
 - i. Welcome to new secretary and new senators. Senn said almost everything, quick update from me. Wednesday 7 or 8 of us will go to state house, mingle with senators and representatives, get BG's voices heard. Looking ahead to fall- standing committee will be filled soon, look for further

information over the summer. Discussed longer rec center hours with Pres. Mazey- throughout the campaign this has been a huge issue for some students. Meeting this Friday with Steve Camp, director of the rec center, to discuss logistics, finances, and further perspective. Questions or input on the situation, email me or they will be discussed in the fall.

- c. Cabinet Reports
 - i. No cabinet members at this time. Keep promoting for opened positions.
- IX. Procedures and Appeals Reports
- X. Treasurer's Report
- XI. Speaker's Report
 - a. Speaker of the Senate – Ebonee Johnson eboneej@bgsu.edu
 - i. Welcome new members, very qualified and very excited to have you. I created on OrgSync a list of people who can come in as speakers to come visit. Please fill out poll to let me know who you want to come speak. Sign up for summer gov't, do not worry if you will not be local- only for people who are staying in the area. Sometimes issues come up over summer and need discussed and decided upon. New senators interested in summer gov't, let me know so we can schedule your orientation- you cannot vote without it. Other new members who are not available for summer gov't schedule orientation in the fall. At the end we will do an activity to go around and brainstorm/get to know each other. This is a good time to get the wheels turning because a lot of people still don't understand what USG does and types of initiatives we work on, good activity to help with this. Good luck with finals and have a great summer.
 - ii. Berry- if I live out of state but can come back and forth can I still do summer gov't?
 - 1. Yes, if it's a problem to attend, however not required.
- XII. Committee Reports
 - a. Academic Affairs – Seth Bumbaugh sethjb@bgsu.edu
 - b. Internal Affairs – Alexa Woodburn woodbua@bgsu.edu
 - i. New members, we will send an email with a get-to-know-you sheet that should fill out and send back. Health & Human Services and Music

senator positions are opened (off-campus and at large), look for new people who are interested, direct them to me.

- c. Student Affairs – Keith Johnson keithlj@bgsu.edu
 - i. Summer meeting with Jill Carr with Student Affairs to see what will be going on next school year.

XIII. Senator Reports

- a. Puffenberger- Last USG lunch on Wednesday at Falcons Nest, 11am-1pm. Get to know each other and bring constituents. Good conversations and ideas happen over a more casual lunch. Stop by for a few minutes to chat with us.
- b. Berry- Diversity Affair senator. Working with constituents to collaborate for diversity affairs events in the fall, if anyone wants to join us send me an email.

XIV. Advisor's Remarks

- a. Dean Jodi Webb jwebb@bgsu.edu
 - i. Hello everyone, welcome new officers, I am advisor Jodi Webb. There's been a lot of discussion for summer gov't, great opportunity for everyone to discuss issue that come up over the summer, gives everyone a chance to have their voices heard, take the opportunity. There are many vacancies still- do not get discouraged. Many students read Campus Update emails where the announcement is placed, many people will see it and be in contact. Respond to E. Johnson's poll to help her with ideas of who to schedule throughout next semester. Grade check at end of spring semester, we like our members to be upstanding, if you are below the 2.5 minimum, E. Johnson and I will be in contact with you. Good luck with finals.

XV. Closing Remarks

- a. Johnson- Thank you everyone for coming out last Saturday for the competition event, we beat several of the other teams. Thanks for the support.

XVI. Planning Session Breakouts

- a. Planning sessions for initiatives, concerns, etc. People walk around to different posters, write new ideas and discuss. I will put encouraging music on. Learn from each other.