The Official Agenda of the Undergraduate Student Government General Assembly
On This Day, September 18th, 2017
Room 308 Bowen-Thompson Student Union at 7:30 pm

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
III. Swearing in of New Officers
   a. Diversity Affairs
      i. Jordan Parker
      ii. Lauren Reese
      iii. JaLynn Livingston
   b. College of Education and Human Development
      i. Connor Froehlich
   c. At Large
      i. Reagan Shull
      ii. Savannah Hinde
      iii. Anna Bolone
      iv. Lexi Morris
      v. Remington Schneider
   d. Off Campus
      i. Elizabeth Stark
      ii. Ryan Parker
   e. Hall Senators
      i. Kohl Hall
      ii. Offenhauer Towers

IV. Open Forum
   a. Dr. Mary Ellen Mazey, President of Bowling Green State University
      • Alex Solis- only student to be elected student body president twice
- BGSU is ranked one of the top universities in the country
- Business insider ranked BGSU was ranked Ohio’s most affordable school while maintaining high quality
- BGSU has the 27th safest campus in the country
- Retention rate went up last year
- Intention is to get retention to 80%
- BGSU is continually building partnerships throughout the community and the world
- BGSU is creating a partnership with a university in southern China
- Christine Lunsford- Assistant to the President to diversity and inclusion on campus
- BGSU facilities are continually being updated
- Hannah Hall becoming Maurer Center
- Harshman coming down within the next year
- Some new goals- create new academic programs; increase internships, research experiences, and study abroad opportunities; increase student success and graduation rates; bring in more external funding; continue to build national and global engagement; continue to build diversity; continue to support health and wellness; continue to increase student body; ensure that more online programs are available
- It has not yet been decided what will be done with the Harshman area
- BGSU congested parking issue- 300 less parking permits have been sold this year, so there is plenty of parking
- Parking services enlisting license recognition software
- On alleviating congestion in Falcon’s Nest- hoping people will develop new habits and plan eating times accordingly. Should improve within a few weeks
- Maurer Center- complete in 2020
- Faculty-student ratio will be kept
- Gabe Payne- how can universities help high school students better prepare for college?
  - AP programs are beneficial
• Kyle Jumper-Smith what is the current state of multicultural affairs in the union?
  o Everything is in place
  o Should be finished this academic year
• Hinde- What are we doing about sexual assault?
  o All students must be respected
  o Prevention important
  o Jennifer McH.- new hire on this issue, BGSU alum
  o Alcohol and drug use linked to sexual assault
  o Don’t be a bystander
• Reese- What is the university doing to promote diversity inclusion on campus?
  o Increasing diversity on staff
  o Speakers on topic planned to attend, for example Henry Louis Gates
  o Diversity of student body- 20% students of color
  o Always more can be done
  o Matter of numbers
  o Christina Lunsford held event for faculty of color
• Gorman- What is the university’s position on DACA?
  o We must abide by federal and state law
  o With that said, last December all public university presidents signed letter to senators stating support for DACA. Another letter was recently written
  o BGSU does everything in our power to support DACA students
• Payne- what is our position on common core?
  o No position
  o We have our own curriculum
• Froelich- What methods or classes does BGSU use to prepare student teachers for poor or rural areas?
  o That is a question for the dean of the college of education
We have partnership with Toledo public schools
We charter Toledo School of the Arts

- Jauntez Bates- What are some ways that students can get more involved in making their major more applicable?
  - Dr. Mazey does not work directly with this
  - Look at universities across country to revise curriculum
  - Support students in experiencing co-ops, internships, study abroad, etc

- BGSU wants students to graduate on time, work hard to make that happen
- Language skills are important
- Shaull- Gish Theater being closed down this year, what is the plan to get another screening space?
  - Formal announcement coming this week
  - Olscamp Hall will be the new screening space
  - Theater in the student union will become the Gish Theater

- Allmond- What is the university doing to promote health aside from the rec center?
  - Lots of options at the dining halls
  - Maybe there could be more, open to suggestions

V. Lobby Time

- Rob Goldsmith- Students for Sensible Drug Policy
  - Harm reduction is a high concern
  - Certain situations carry more risk than other
  - Alcohol is the most commonly used recreational drugs
  - Recreational drugs can be safe in moderation
  - There will inevitably be cases of drug overdose this year on this campus
  - Don’t be a bystander
  - SSDP believes medical help should be requested in emergencies
  - Shouldn’t be a question of getting in trouble over saving a life
  - SSDP wants the subjects of emergency calls to NOT be subject to disciplinary action
  - robgold@bgsu.edu
VI. Old Business
   a. Bylaw Amendments
      • Add a black student union representative, latino student union representative, military representative, LBGT representative
      • Senator Goolsby- proposed a friendly amendment to add a seat for new off campus apartments
      • Juantez Bates suggested rather than adding a seat, specify one Off Campus senate seat to those apartments
      i. Changing SBC to SOAB
      ii. Chief Administrator role description
      iii. Addition of new Senator seats
         1. QTSU Senator
         2. BSU Senator
         3. LSU Senator
         4. Military Student Senator
   b. Constitution Amendments
      i. Procedures & Appeal Board
      ii. New Senator Seats (same as previously stated)

VII. New Business

VIII. Executive Branch Reports
   a. President – Richie Racette rracett@bgsu.edu
      • Send him any questions for President Mazey
   b. Vice President – Jauntez Bates batesja@bgsu.edu
      • Faculty is a resource, ask strategic questions
   c. Cabinet Reports

IX. Procedures and Appeals Reports
   a. Chief Administrator– Khory Katz kkatz@bgsu.edu
      • Website is being worked on
      • Headshots will be taken tonight
      • Suggestion- include email and bio under headshot

X. Treasurer’s Report– Brianna Willis bwillis@bgsu.edu

XI. Speaker’s Report
   a. Speaker of the Senate – Hannah Barnes hanbarn@bgsu.edu
- Headshots taken tonight
  i. Pass around roster—fill in committee & check for correct email
  ii. Retreat September 23rd
- Location being decided
- Event is mandatory
  iii. City Council Candidate Forum (October 23)
  iv. Open Forum next week- Chris Bullins, Dress- business casual
  v. New Senators—See me when we adjourn for orientation

XII. Committee Reports
  a. Academic Affairs – Kristen Herman
     hanbarn@bgsu.edu
  - Continue discussion of new initiatives
  b. Internal Affairs – Janelle Bollheimer
    jbollhe@bgsu.edu
  c. Student Affairs – Hannah Cubberly
    hcubber@bgsu.edu

XIII. Senator Reports
  • S. Gorman- lack of bike racks

XIV. Advisor’s Remarks
  a. Jodi Webb
     jwebb@bgsu.edu
  - Involvement on university committee appointments is crucial
  - Tobacco policy committee being set up

XV. Closing Remarks

XVI. Adjournment

XVII. Internal Committees
  a. Headshot order
     i. Chairs & Speaker
     ii. Internal Affairs
     iii. Academic Affairs
     iv. Student Affairs
     v. Cabinet