



Meeting Minutes
Oakland University Student Congress
Thomas-Engnell Administration
Oakland Room, Oakland Center
Monday, October 17, 2016
4:00 P.M.



- I. Call to Order
 - A. Meeting was called to order Monday, October 17th at 4:00pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
 - Legislator Fox, present and voting
 - Legislator Kubinski, present and voting
 - Legislator Mabrouk, present and voting
 - Legislator Nasry, present and voting
 - Legislator Poppe, present and voting
 - Legislator Sanders, present and voting
 - Legislator Rourke, not present
 - Legislator Seeger, present and voting
 - Legislator Kleinschmidt, present and voting
 - Legislator Thompson, present and voting
 - Legislator Harris, present and voting
 - Legislator Walton, present and voting
 - We had quorum
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 10th, 2016
 - Vice President Engnell opened the floor to additions, subtractions, and amendments to the Meeting Minutes from October 10th, 2016
 - There were no changes to the October 10th, 2016, Meeting Minutes
 - Show of Hands Vote
 - The Meeting Minutes from October 10th were unanimously approved
- V. Comments from the Gallery
 - Ms. Judith Ableser, the director of Center for Excellent Teaching and Learning (CETL), said that CETL is a faculty development resource to help them improve their teaching and students' learning. One way in which CETL is able to support and help faculty with teaching is by communicating with students and receiving student perceptions and perspectives on what works and on what doesn't work in the classroom. Thus, this semester, CETL is hosting two forums. The first one is on Tuesday, October 24th from 12:00-1:00 in Elliot Hall, suite 200A; since lunch will be provided, Ms. Ableser asks that students register for this event. This purpose of this forum is for students to express what works and doesn't work in the classroom in regards to teaching styles, including both highlights and challenges that one encounters in the classroom. Then, after hearing student concerns, CETL often develops workshops that enable faculty to improve in these areas. For example, one year at this forum, students expressed that they found it helpful when professors utilized Moodle to post materials, assignments, and grades. After hearing this input, CETL worked with the e-Learning Department to

create workshops for faculty members that weren't currently using Moodle. She continued onward to say that on Tuesday, November 22nd, there will be an additional forum that enables students to share their perspectives on the current course evaluations. Currently, the course evaluations don't have a consistent format, rating scale, or questions. Due to these inconsistencies, it can be confusing for both students filling out the forms, as well as confusing for faculty members reviewing the evaluations. The provost has created a 3-5 year task force whose goal is to revise the course evaluations in order to provide some consistency. Therefore, the purpose of this forum is to receive student input about course evaluations and how they can be improved.

- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to questions and comments
- Legislator Fox inquired about what other kinds of advertisements CETL was implementing in order to ensure that there are as many students as possible at these forums.
 - Ms. Ableser replied to Legislator Fox, saying that CETL works with the advisors, so that the advisors are able to communicate this information to their students. Additionally, she "had tried a number of times to get into the newspaper, but they haven't responded, so I'll continue nudging away at that, because I think that that would be a really effective way."
- Legislator Fox said that he might be able to help with reaching out the Oakland Post.
- Ms. Goldwater inquired about how many students are able to attend these forums and if she would like us to communicate information about these events to students via our social media accounts.
 - Ms. Ableser replied to Ms. Goldwater, saying that they can accommodate 25-30 students, as well as said us sharing information about these forums would be wonderful.
- President Thomas said that he knows that Ms. Ableser is also looking for a student member on her Advisory Board and that if anyone is interested in this opportunity, to please discuss this with him after the meeting.
- Ms. Ableser said that if anyone wants more information about the Advisory Board, he/she can feel free to contact her via email, as well.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further questions and comments
- There were no further questions
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further Comments from the Gallery
- There were no further Comments from the Gallery

VI. No Guest Speaker

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

A. C.B. 17-08 Dabke Night Bill, *Tamara Mabrouk*

- Legislator Mabrouk said that Dabke Night is basically a night to promote Palestinian culture and cuisine. She continued onward to explain that Dabke is a traditional dance performed across all of the Middle Eastern countries and that this dance will be taught at the event on November 30th, at 6:00pm in the Gold Rooms. Thus, what this bill will do, is transfer the money (\$3,300) from the Noor Tagouri event, under the Diversity and

Inclusion Director's budget, since the speaker couldn't lecture this semester due to a scheduling conflict, to the line item Dabke Night.

- Vice President Engnell clarified the bill, saying, "There are three points to the bill. The first is adding the line item Dabke Night under Director Naseem's budget. The second is transferring funds from an event line Noor Tagouri to Dabke Night. And the third is removing the Noor Tagouri event."
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to questions and discussion
- Legislator Fox said, "Well first, the one thing that I noticed is that under support you have SAFB chair, Mr. Jorge Garcia, and chair is not capitalized. Mr. Garcia is a very respectable individual and deserves respect [by capitalizing the word "chair"]."
- Legislator Kubinski inquired about the time and location of Dabke Night.
 - Legislator Mabrouk replied to Legislator Kubinski, saying that the event will take place on November 30th at 6:00pm in the Gold Rooms.
- Legislator Seeger said, "There's just a couple of political issues with Palestine, so I just wanted to make sure that it's open to everybody and that we're accepting all Middle Eastern traditions. That was my only concern."
 - Legislator Mabrouk replied to Legislator Seeger, saying that the event is open to everyone and will not be focusing on the politics of the area, but rather, the culture and cuisine.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further discussion
- There was no further discussion

B. C.B. 17-09 International Night Bill, *Tamara Mabrouk*

- Legislator Mabrouk said that we will be co-sponsoring International Night with the CSA. Since some money (\$1,000) was left-over from Fiesta in Detroit, this bill transfers this money from Fiesta in Detroit to International Night.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to questions and discussion
- Legislator Fox said that finding "dead money" that's left-over from previous events is a smart idea and that he encourages other legislators to look for this dead money when trying to plan an event or work on an initiative.
- Mr. Queen inquired about the location and time of the event.
 - Legislator Mabrouk replied to Mr. Queen, saying, "....."
- President Thomas said, "Legislator Fox that is a fantastic point. I would just like to emphasize what Legislator Fox said. If you're ever looking for funding for your initiatives, I think it would always be a great idea to come to either Mr. George or myself to talk about the budget and maybe some leftover funding, so that way we're not just taking it out of uncategorized, necessarily. That's still allowable, but it would be cool to use that "dead money" before any of the other active funds."
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further questions and discussion
- There was no further discussion

C. Administrator of the Month Campaign, *Victoria Goldwater*

- Ms. Goldwater said that she is launching a new social media campaign, called Administrator of the Month. Thus, once a month, at an OUSC meeting, there will be an open discussion as to who should be the Administrator of the Month. She continued onward to explain that anyone at the meeting can nominator an administrator and then there will be a discussion and vote. Then, the administrator will be showcased on our Facebook and Twitter pages, along with his/her picture, a brief biography, and a fun fact. Furthermore, “the purpose behind this entire campaign is not only to draw attention to our social media and to create content for our social media, but it is also to show our collaboration with administrators and to help encourage a good, ongoing relationship between students and administrators.”
- *Legislator Rourke entered the room; she is present and voting*
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
- President Thomas said that we have had our fair share of negative press, in which we pressured the administration in certain ways with petitions, such as the ones regarding the Florida retreat and the Student Organic Farm. He continued onward to say, “However, it is also important to show that we have a balance and that we’re not a radical organization. So, I think that this is a good step in the right direction to show that we can also provide positive press; it’s good for students and administrators to work together in a transparent, helpful manner.”
- Legislator Fox said that he thinks that this campaign is a great idea, but his only concern is that it may take up a considerable amount of time in meetings, especially if there are several nominations. He went on to inquire if there was a way to streamline this nomination process, for the sake of saving time in meetings.
 - Ms. Goldwater replied to Legislator Fox, saying that perhaps an email thread could be started, in which people will send her a list of nominations prior to the meeting materials deadline, so that these nominations can be sent to Legislator Nasry to place on the agenda.
- Vice President Engnell said that perhaps both the nominations and discussion can take place prior to the meeting, so that the individual is just voted on for Administrator of Month at the actual meeting, rather than having nominations, discussion, and a vote take place solely at the meeting.
- Legislator Kubinski said that she would suggest utilizing Google docs rather than an email thread, so in this way, everyone can easily access and update the document, without being bombarded with emails.
- Legislator Rourke said that she was going to suggest a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet for the process, which would include the nomination, person’s name, and the reasons as to why this individual should be the Administrator of the Month.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to nominations

- Legislator Kubinski nominated Jean Ann Miller
 - Seconded by Legislator Fox
- Legislator Nasry nominated Dr. Harper
 - Seconded by Legislator Rourke
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further nominations
- There were no further nominations
- Legislator Kubinski said that Jean Ann Miller is an alumni of Oakland University and she's been in her position for a long time. She continued onward to say that Jean Ann Miller has helped OUSC, in several different ways, over the years. Additionally, she has done a wonderful job with the It's On Us Campaign, as well as does a phenomenal job with bringing speakers to Oakland University. Furthermore, Jean Ann Miller is close with a majority of the organizations on campus, which is absolutely amazing.
- Legislator Nasry said that Dr. Harper is the Dean of Honors College and he makes a great effort to get to know each and every student of the Honors College and assist them in their research, as needed. She continued onward to say that Dr. Harper always has his office open to hear student concerns. Furthermore, he's heavily involved in tabling and tries to take every opportunity that he can to show his face on campus and interact with students.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
- There was no discussion
- Show of Hands Vote
 - Jean Ann Miller, 7 years
 - Dr. Harper, 5 years
 - By word of the Chair, Jean Ann Miller is the Administrator of the Month

D. Legislative Chair Nominations, *Zack Thomas*

1. Parliamentarian
 - President Thomas said that Legislator Fox resigned as the Parliamentarian and that he wholeheartedly recommends Legislator Poppe for the position.
 - Legislator Kubinski nominated Legislator Poppe
 - Seconded by Legislator Fox
 - Vice President Engnell said, "Legislator Poppe, do you accept the nomination?"
 - Legislator Poppe accepted the nomination
 - Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further nominations
 - There were no other nominations
 - Legislator Poppe said that he is honored to have been nominated for this position. He continued onward to say that his a fair person and that he would fulfill the "role to the upmost of my ability with complete and full integrity."
 - Show of Hands Vote
 - Legislator Poppe was approved as the Parliamentarian

2. Senior Legislator

- President Thomas said that we're able to have two Senior Legislator and we currently only have one. He continued onward to say that the Senior Legislator position acts as a liaison to the Executive Board and as an advisory/supervisory role to the Legislature; it's a very important role and it's reserved for our most experienced members.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to nominations
- Legislator Fox inquired as to whether the Greek Representative and RHA Representative can fulfill this position.
 - Vice President Engnell replied to Legislator Fox, saying that both of those roles have the full responsibilities and abilities of a normal legislator and are able to serve as a Senior Legislator or any of the other legislator positions.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to nominations
- Legislator Fox nominated Legislator Harris.
 - Seconded by Legislator Kubinski
- Legislator Harris accepted the nomination
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further nominations
- There were no further nominations
- Legislator Harris said that this is her second year on Student Congress and she knows what is expected of the Senior Legislator position.
- Legislator Kubinski said that she has worked with Legislator Harris quite a few times in the past and that she's absolutely amazing to work with and she would love the opportunity to work with her further within this position.
- Vice President Engnell said, "Legislator Harris has hosted bomb tailgates. The last one was phenomenal."
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further discussion
- There was no further discussion
- Show of Hands Vote
 - Legislator Harris was unanimously approved as a Senior Legislator
- *Legislator Kubinski motioned to add Scholarship Chair to the agenda as a line item 3 under Legislator Chair Nominations*
 - Seconded by Legislator Fox
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
- There was no discussion
- Show of Hands Vote
 - The motion was passed
 - Scholarship Chair nomination was added to the agenda

3. Scholarship Chair

- President Thomas said that they have an opening for a Scholarship Chair and he has appointed Legislator Rourke to serve as the Scholarship as the meantime, but she has been working with Ms. Merogi on a scholarship and he recommends her as the permanent Scholarship Chair.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to nominations
- Legislator Kubinski nominated Legislator Rourke
 - Seconded by Legislator Fox
- Vice President Engnell said, “Legislator Rourke, do you accept the nomination?”
- Legislator Rourke accepted the position.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further nominations
- There were no further nominations
- Legislator Rourke said that she thinks she would be a good Scholarship Chair and is already working with Ms. Merogi on developing a scholarship, with collaboration from the book store.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
- Legislator Fox said, “I think that Legislator Rourke is extremely qualified and I think that she has the dedication to get the job done.”
- Ms. Mishack said that Ms. Rourke is driven and she has faith that she is going to create some phenomenal scholarships.
- Ms. Merogi said that Ms. Rourke and she are working on providing scholarships for students that can’t afford textbooks. She continued onward to say that she thinks “that Legislator Rourke would do an amazing job at working with the Financial Aid Office and higher ups, with the E-Board, in order to solve financial aid scholarship issues that we have here on campus.”
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further discussion
- There was no further discussion
- Show of Hands Vote
 - Legislator Rourke was approved as the Scholarship Chair

E. Approval of Marketing Committee, *Victoria Goldwater*

1. Derek Queen

- Ms. Goldwater said that Mr. Queen would make an awesome addition to the Marketing Committee. He is a dedicated and talented worker and since he is the Visual Communications Director, she already has a close working relationship with him. She continued onward to say that Mr. Queen has already offered her good advice on social media posts, as well as created his own social media graphics/posts. She further expressed her excitement of having Mr. Queen on her committee.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
- There was no discussion
- Show of Hands Vote

- Mr. Queen was unanimously approved as a member of the Marketing Committee
- 2. Marcelle Wallace
 - Ms. Goldwater said that she has been working with Ms. Wallace since summer and they have been having regular meetings since the beginning of the academic year. She continued onward to say that Ms. Wallace is very much a people person, which is essential for her role on the Marketing Committee. Ms. Wallace also has close relationships to other organizations on campus, which will be good in order to build our connections on campus.
 - Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
 - There was no discussion
 - Show of Hands Vote
 - Ms. Wallace was unanimously approved as a member of the Marketing Committee
- F. Approval of Student Activities Funding Board, *Jorge Garcia*
 1. Kayla Dafoe
 - Mr. Garcia said that Ms. Defoe will serve as the Meetings Director and be responsible for scheduling hearings and budget presentations, composing the agenda, and taking the meeting minutes.
 - Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
 - There was no discussion
 - Show of Hands Vote
 - Ms. Dafoe was approved as the Meeting Director of SAFB
 2. Manuella Orahah
 - Mr. Garcia said that Ms. Orahah will serve as a general executive board member and perform any tasks that need to be done for the board.
 - Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
 - There was no discussion
 - Show of Hands Vote
 - Ms. Orahah was approved as a member of SAFB
- G. Approval of Prospective Legislators, *Tamara Mabrouk*
 1. Austin Church
 - Legislator Mabrouk said that Mr. Church is a great guy, who not only has experience with student government, but with the state government, as well.
 - Mr. Church said that he was on student council in high school and he thinks that he has a unique input to give to Student Congress and that he is motivated and hard-working. His initiative is to better enforce the no smoking policy at OU because he feels as though it is a huge issue.
 - Vice President Engnell opened the floor to questions

- Legislator Kubinski inquired as to how he would enforce this policy.
 - Mr. Church replied to Legislator Kubinski, saying that there is a few ways in which this policy could be better enforced. Currently, the administrative policy says that the enforcement is the responsibility of all. Furthermore, the policy outlines fines, which are sufficient, but not well advertised. Thus, he feels as though the first step is to make these fines more apparent and advertised around campus.
- Legislator Kubinski said that the police force on campus doesn't hand out fines, partly because smoking on this campus is legal, from a legal standpoint because the city of Rochester Hills hasn't passed or approved any ordinances against smoking on campus.
- President Thomas said that Mr. Church is extremely motivated and this was showcased during his participation in the Go for the Gold Event, in which he stayed for the full four hours. He continued onward to say that this administration acknowledges that the OU smoking policy hasn't been enforced in a proper way and there has been negative sick effects due to the lack of enforcement of the policy, such as the tremendous amount of cigarette butts on campus. However, this administration is in support of having designated smoking areas on campus to address this issue, so that smokers have the freedom to smoke and are provided with proper resources to dispose of cigarette butts. He then inquired if Mr. Church would be willing to adapt and support this solution to help fix the smoking problem.
 - Mr. Church replied to President Thomas, saying that he would be willing to take this approach to the problem.
- Legislator Fox inquired as to where Mr. Church is from and what committees he is interesting in joining.
 - Mr. Church replied to Legislator Fox, saying that he is from Waterford. Furthermore, he is interested in joining the Legislative Affairs Committee.
- Ms. Mishack said that she would like to echo everyone's sentiments—he seems like a motivated individual who is passionate about this smoking issue. Furthermore, she said that “the smoking issue on campus is a beast.” She said that this is an issue that her committee will be focusing more on in the upcoming weeks and she would like if he would join her committee. She said that she is in support of having designated areas for smoking and if this were to occur, it would definitely need to be enforced so that people aren't negatively affected by secondhand smoke.
- Legislator Kubinski inquired as to whether he has read the Bylaws and Constitution.
 - Mr. Church replied to Legislator Kubinski said that he has read the Bylaws and Constitution.

- Vice President Engnell said that the university smoking policy contradicts local ordinances, so enforcing the policy would go against local law. Thus, this policy is “essentially for looks.” He continued onward to say that we need a motivated individual to tackle this issue and that he appreciates Mr. Church’s ambition.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further questions
- There were no further questions
- *Mr. Church was asked to momentarily leave the room so that the Congress could have a private discussion*
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
- President Thomas said, “Mr. Church is a very fantastically motivated person who is dedicated already to this organization.” He continued onward to say that he is impressed that Mr. Church is already bringing up big, important issues, especially so early in his career at Student Congress.
- Mr. Queen said that he remembers showing Mr. Church around the office and talking to him about Student Congress at a new student orientation. He continued onward to say that Mr. Church is one of those individuals who wants to get involved as soon as he learns more, which is a great quality.
- Legislator Rourke said that she worked the Go for the Gold event with him and he is just a really nice individual. She continued onward to say that she thinks that he would make a great addition to Student Congress.
- Vice President Engnell said that he appreciates that Mr. Church is someone who is willing to tackle big issues.
- Legislator Poppe said that Mr. Church had an idea on how he wanted to resolve the smoking issue on campus and he took on quite a bit of constructive criticism. He continued onward to say that Mr. Church received the criticism really well and is willing to listen to new ideas, which is a great quality to possess.
- Legislator Kubinski said that she appreciates how well he received the constructive criticism and she thinks that it’s impressive that he was able to change his approach to the issue to be in accordance with the administration goals. She continued onward to say that she admires how he read the Bylaws and Constitution, as well.
- Ms. Mishack said that she was impressed that Mr. Church read and quoted the university smoking policy. Furthermore, she thinks he’ll do well as he learns more about the complexity of the smoking issue.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further discussion
- There was no further discussion
- Mr. Church was brought back into the room
- Roll Call Vote
 - Legislator Rourke, yea

- Legislator Fox, yea
- Legislator Harris, yea
- Legislator Kubinski, yea
- Legislator Mabrouk, yea
- Legislator Nasry, yea
- Legislator Poppe, yea
- Legislator Seeger, yea
- Legislator Sanders, yea
- Legislator Walton, yea
- Legislator Kleinschmidt, yea
- Legislator Thompson, yea
 - Austin Church was unanimously approved as a legislator

- Legislator Seeger motioned *“to add a discussion topic, which would be about campus maintenance.”*
- Vice President Engnell said, “Could you please provide a quick reason?”
 - Legislator Seeger replied to Vice President Engnell, saying that there’s some issues, such as graffiti on the bathroom stalls, which he thinks should be addressed by campus maintenance.
- Legislator Fox seconded this motion
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to discussion
- There was no discussion on the motion
- Show of Hands Vote
 - 9 yeas
 - 4 nays
 - By word of the Chair, the motion passed
 - Campus Maintenance was added as a Discussion Topic

IX. Discussion Topics

- Campus Maintenance
 - Legislator Seeger yielded the floor to discussion
 - Legislator Fox said that this is something worth looking into because although events like Talkin’ Trash are a good way to clean up litter on campus, we do have a maintenance department that “could take some of that burden.” Additionally, graffiti in the bathrooms is definitely a problem, especially in South Foundation Hall.
 - Ms. Merogi said that if anyone has anything on campus that they would like fixed, they can send in their concerns to the OUSC text suggestion number and she will relay these concerns to the appropriate department. She continued onward to say that maintenance is usually efficient and have the concerns addressed and fixed within a few days.
 - Legislator Kubinski said that she was also going to suggest utilizing the text suggestion number. She continued onward to say that she has never seen graffiti in the women’s bathrooms, though.

- Ms. Mishack said that she would love if we were able to implement a task force that keeps the campus pristine at all times, but she realizes that this isn't realistic because it would require too many individuals having to put forth continuous effort 24/7 to pick up all of the litter on campus. Therefore, she is proud about what is accomplished at Talkin' Trash.
- President Thomas said that he thinks the underlying issue is an information gap, in which the maintenance department isn't aware that such issues exist, especially if there's problems in very specific areas. Therefore, they don't have the conviction or resources to solve the problem unless they're made aware that such an issue exists. Therefore, we should relay these concerns to the maintenance department to resolve the information gap and have these issues addressed.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further discussion
- There was no further discussion

X. Legislative Updates

A. Greek Council Representative, *Vicki Harris*

- Legislator Harris gave the following updates:
 - Monday, October 17th: Chipotle Fundraiser until 8:00pm
 - Tuesday, October 18th: Exhale Hookah Fundraiser from 4:00pm-midnight
 - Friday, October 21st: Bake Sale in the fishbowl of South Foundation Hall from 10:30am-1:30pm

B. Updates related to Legislative Projects and Initiatives

- Legislator Seeger said that last Friday the Environmental, Health, and Wellness committee met with the Library Committee to look into the possibility of the greenhouse roof initiative. He continued onward to say that he thinks that this initiative is too costly and that the library should be focusing on other maintenance issues. Furthermore, the Library Committee is sponsoring a full week of different events towards some publishing on campus, in regards to scholarly works written by students and professors.
- Legislator Fox said that Ms. Merogi and he have a meeting two weeks from next Wednesday to discuss the lost and found bins in housing. Additionally, he had a student approach him expressing a concern about sign language not fulfilling the foreign language requirement. Therefore, he will be proposing a resolution with Mr. Naseem to show to that OUSC is in support of having sign language fulfill the language requirement, as well as hopefully spark a change in this policy.
- Legislator Kubinski said that everyone needs to reply to her email and give her an update on their legislative initiatives.
- Legislator Nasry said that the Environmental, Health, and Wellness Committee had a tour with the Dean of Kresge Library and others last Friday to discuss a potential green-roof initiative, which she thinks is a great idea, despite it being costly.
- Legislator Harris said to please add her on Facebook so that she can invite everyone to events.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further updates

- There were no further updates
- C. Questions related to Legislative Reports
- Mr. Queen said inquired as what he is doing with ASL.
 - Legislator Fox replied to Mr. Queen, saying that he plans on working with Mr. Naseem to propose a resolution, as well as talking to the appropriate people in order to have it so that sign language fulfills the foreign language requirement, because it's "very difficult to learn and it certainly requires the same amount of skill and time to master it as any other language."
 - Mr. Queen expressed his interest in helping with this matter.
 - Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further questions
 - There were no further questions

XI. Executive Reports

A. Student Body President, *Zack Thomas*

- President Thomas said that are voter registration efforts have ceased for the time being and we're shifting our focus towards handing out absentee ballots forms, for those who are eligible, as well as providing general voting information. Furthermore, he met with individuals from the registrar's office to discuss the new class registration system. There is a new registration model launching soon, which has an "Amazon cart" feature that allows students to add and drop multiple classes at once. Additionally, there's going to be student schedule on the same page in which you search for classes on, so that one is able to see his/her class schedule while registering for classes.

B. Student Vice President, *Anders Engnell*

- Vice President Engnell said that the parking survey is going to be launched Wednesday at 11:00, which will enable us to ascertain the student opinion on various parking solutions, so that we'll know what stance to take on these various parking solutions. Furthermore, he is launching a Campus Life Task Force in order to work on a masterplan that we can present to administration so that every weekend a department or organization hosts a major event that will make students want to stay on campus. Additionally, Ms. Hock and he are meeting with the provost to discuss changing the spring break time period, so that it's actually in spring. This change won't happen this year because it would be too difficult to make the appropriate adjustments, but hopefully next academic year, this change will be implemented.

C. OUSC Advisor, *Stephanie Jurva*

- Advisor Jurva was unable to make it
- Ms. Shippy said that wheelchair basketball is currently taking place right now, so if anyone has any time after the meeting, he/she should attend the event. SPB is hosting a hoe-down on Friday, as well. Furthermore, Make a Difference Day is this Saturday and one is still able to register online via GrizzOrgs.

D. Updates related to E-board Projects and Initiatives

- Mr. Queen said that he painted the large canvas and he will be tracing the Grizz head on it sometime this week. Furthermore, he will be meeting

with his committee this week to discuss the Student Health Campaign infographic, as well as finalize the design. He has also updated the website with all of this administration's agendas and meeting minutes and he will upload the current Bylaws and Constitution to the website sometime this week.

- Ms. Merogi said that the OUSC text suggestion number is (248)957-1665. There are little notecards with this text suggestion number on them in the office and each student who receives a Scantron also needs to receive the little notecard relaying this information about the text suggestion number.
- Ms. Mishack said that last Friday she attended a tour of Kresge Library to discuss the green-roof initiative. Ultimately, there are 88 compliance issues with the top level of the roof being a rooftop garden and serving as a meeting space; however she wants to see if there's any possibility of having a green-roof. Nonetheless, the wings/terraces on the side of the library are very much a possibility of transforming into a green space. Additionally, her committee and she are thinking of trying to push for a green-roof being incorporated into another construction project, such as the OC expansion. Also, this Friday is the trip to Miller's Big Red Farm, in which we're covering the costs for the students to be transported to the farm, admission into the farm, and apple-picking.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further updates
- There were no further updates

E. Questions related to Executive Reports

- Legislator Kubinski inquired as to whether it would be possible to try and host more than two tailgates an academic year. She continued onward to say that she thinks that the OC expansion is already budgeted for and that the plans are finalized, but Ms. Mishack could still inquire about the possibility of adding a rooftop garden.
- President Thomas reminded the Congress to pass out the OUSC text suggestion number notecards along with the Scantrons.
- Vice President Engnell said that there is a possibility of having more tailgates because tailgates, in general, increase athletic event attendance.
- Vice President Engnell opened the floor to further questions
- There were no further questions

XII. Comments from the Gallery

- A. There were no Comments from the Gallery

XIII. Announcements

- Leg Fox said that the Meadow Brook Ball Committee is hosting a number of fundraisers, including a fundraiser at Boston Sports Bar on Hall Road, a bottle drive, and \$20.00 tickets to Classic Lanes, which includes pizza, pop, bowling shoes, and several games of bowling. He encouraged everyone to participate in these fundraisers.
- President Thomas said that he will be available after the meeting to answer any questions.

XIV. Adjournment

- A. The meeting was adjourned at 5:26pm