

**VCSU Student Senate  
Meeting Agenda  
February 2, 2015**

- I. Call to Order
  - a. 6:32pm
- II. Roll Call (hours)
- III. Approval of Minutes
  - a. Courtney Pederson moves
  - b. Jessica Sanden seconds
  - c. Minutes pass
- IV. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Tanner moves to approve the agenda with no objections
- V. New Business
  - a. Doug Dawes Presentation
    - i. Higher Education Funding Formula Implementation status and proposed changes
    - ii. Tuition freeze
    - iii. Senate Bill : Paid for actual student credit hours successfully completed
      1. No funding for a failing grade
    - iv. Funding formal
      1. General fund base appropriation per institution = (weighted student credit hour \* institutional size factor \* credit factor) \* based per student credit hour
    - v. Ratio for institutional size factor 2.50 (1.0)
    - vi. Implementation Process:
      1. Proposed statutory changes
      2. Data consistency and reliability
      3. Two year schools should teach remedial classes
    - vii. Increase for the institution should be given this year
    - viii. Questions?
      1. Dallas-Slide 2 question
        - a. Grade inflation for students
      2. Brianna- two million dollars increase on funding
        - a. Add more faculty – have full time benefited faculty
        - b. Technology 30% fee (\$1200 save the students)
        - c. Structure of the campus
        - d. These are possibilities
      3. Jessica Puhr- How much funding does this cover of the operating needs?
        - a. 70% is state funded
        - b. Bills: institution can fund the 30% or state could cover it
          - i. Things could get cut if the institution had to pay for the 30%
        - c. Covering everything without raising tuition would be hard

- d. 4.1 % increase of tuition each year
    - 4. Brianna- two year schools got a tuition freeze?
      - a. Two year schools did get a tuition freeze last year
      - b. Two year schools cost more than regional advantage
      - c. Freezing at two year is more common than other institutions
    - 5. Tyler: Give a number per credit completed
      - a. \$103 per credit hour
    - ix. Thank you for coming!
    - x. If you have any other questions for Doug
  - b. Get to know your senators
    - i. #VCSUenators
    - ii. Please come talk to Madelyn if you have any questions or concerns
    - iii. Fill out questionnaire
    - iv. 11-1 on February 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>
  - c. Election Update
    - i. Tried sending it out usual way through polls
    - ii. Most people did not get the email
    - iii. Brianna has contacted them and there are headquarter problems
    - iv. Through bylaws, in uncontested election, the president can pass the candidates
    - v. I move to approve Jordan and Katelyn W. has new senators-Brianna
    - vi. Second – Natasha
    - vii. Motion Passes
- VI. Old Business
  - a. 125<sup>th</sup> Senate Involvement
    - i. Senate will be willing give something for 125<sup>th</sup> Senate
    - ii. Collaborative gift from each class
      - 1. Tuition add on
    - iii. Viking Statue
      - 1. Work with other organizations to pay for this
    - iv. Gazebo
      - 1. In McFarland area
      - 2. Ship shaped
    - v. Get together with other organizations
    - vi. Leave the conversation open until next week
- VII. Reports
  - a. President
    - i. Request: say your name and your position
  - b. Vice President
    - i. No Report
  - c. Treasurer
    - i. Meeting on Thursday
  - d. Secretary
    - i. Hand in the questionnaires
  - e. NDSA

- i. Sign the sheet of people to say if you are going to NDSA in February
  - ii. Meeting to follow this in Denmark room
  - iii. NDSA was explained again to senators
- f. VCAB
  - i. Looking for Student Senate support
  - ii. activities to include: mechanical bull, cotton candy machine, popcorn machine, karaoke, doughnut machine, prizes, balloon dart, photo booth
- g. IRHC
  - i. No report
- h. Viking Ambassadors
  - i. No report
- i. Athletics
  - i. Men's Basketball
    - 1. Fresh off their first conference win against Dickinson (1-3 in Conference)
    - 2. play in Mayville on Wednesday, and Jamestown on Saturday at Home
  - ii. Women's Basketball
    - 1. Hot off another conference win against Dickinson (3-1 in Conference)
    - 2. Play in Mayville on Wednesday at 5:30, Jamestown @ Home at 4 on Saturday
    - 3. Receiving votes in the poll
  - iii. SHOW FOR THE DOUGH
  - iv. Track and Field
    - 1. Competed at Concordia- with place winners
    - 2. Next Meet is February 6-7 @ NDSU
  - v. Softball
    - 1. Working out
  - vi. Baseball
    - 1. Practicing
  - vii. Golf
    - 1. Offseason
  - viii. Volleyball
    - 1. Offseason workouts
  - ix. Football
    - 1. Started offseason workouts
- j. Fine Arts
  - i. 7:30 tonight - faculty recital
  - ii. 7:30 next Monday - Dr. Ong' piano recital
- k. Communication and Social Sciences
  - i. No report
- l. Business and Informational Technologies
  - i. No Report
- m. Education
  - i. No Report
- n. Science and Math

- i. AFSSSU Gumbo Feed February 3 from 5-7:30 at VFW
    - ii. Student Nurse Organization Blood Drive Thursday and Friday this week.
    - iii. Speaker from University of Mary to talk about exercise science, physical therapy, and occupational therapy programs on Thursday at 11 in McFarland 121
  - o. Other Reports
    - i. Nick- raffle tickets for prizes:
      - 1. EBC fundraiser
      - 2. 1 for \$5 and 3 for \$10
    - ii. Tanner-picking the new laptops
      - 1. Question: Living without touch screen
- VIII. Announcements
  - a. Constitution Committee Meeting
    - i. Directly after senate meetings
- IX. Adjournment
  - a. Courtney Pederson move to approve with no objection