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## Minutes of the Student Government Association November 10, 1998

**Call to Order:** Executive Vice President Chad Lewis called the regular meeting of the Student Government Association to order at 5:00pm in the Congressional Chambers of the Downing University Center.

**Roll Call:** Vice President of Administration Matt Bastin called roll. Those members absent included: Sarah Duckworth, Robert Lightning, John Tebault, Sarah Kreicher, Philip Stanley, and Kathleen Speicher.

**Minutes:** It was moved and seconded to suspend with the reading of the minutes. Motion Approved.

**Officer Reports:** President, Stephanie Cosby – The Council on Post Secondary Education meet on Monday to discuss the sprinkler system. The President announced that the decision from the meeting is that each individual university shall be responsible for placing the sprinklers in the dorms. Stephanie reminded everyone that there is a men's exhibition basketball game tonight at 7:00pm. President Cosby closed her report by reading a letter (see attachment) from a concerned Congress member.

Executive Vice President, Chad Lewis – Chad reported that the Provide-a-Ride use is back up to an average of sixty users per week. He reminded Congress of the Student Alumni Association's guest speaker tonight. Patrick Combs will be speaking in DUC at 7:00pm on "Majoring in Success"

Vice President of Finance, Carleton Ruminer – Carleton announced that the previous account balance stood \$31,661.42. Expenditures for the week totaled \$413.27, which leaves the account balance at \$31,230.15.

Vice President of Public Relations, Brad Sweatt – Brad thanked everyone who helped with Pride Week. The Vice President reminded everyone of the last home football game on Saturday against Indiana State @ 1:00pm. He passed around a sign up sheet for those members interested in participating in the secret Santa's. Brad then passed out a PR award to all of those that attended the coffeehouse.

Vice President of Administration, Matt Bastin – Matt announced that open positions for the week include Graduate and Business Colleges, Bemis, Barnes, Junior, Freshman, Keen and At-Large. The Vice President mentioned that the reason for the increase in positions was due to Judicial council hearings. He thanked Kyle Matthews for doing a good job last week. Matt commended all those that attended the Pride Week events last week. He closed his report by thanking Christen Gibbs for doing a great job on the seconds.

**Committee Reports:** Academic Affairs – Larry's committee worked on the implementing and details of the Teacher in Excellence Award Bill which was passed last year. They are continuing to plan for the Faculty Appreciation Day Planning. Larry's committee has resolution 98-17-F up for first reading tonight and he would appreciate everyone's consideration of it.

Legislative Research – Dwight announced that his committee discussed the following

resolutions and recommends them to congress for consideration: Resolution 98-16-F *Campus Phones Outside Residence Halls*, Resolution 98-1-F *Placing of Crosswalk on Normal Drive*, and Bill 98-7-F *Placing Ashtrays Outside Residence Halls and Campus Buildings*. Resolution 98-15-F *Publishing of S.G.A. Advisor Checklist in fall and Spring Schedule Bulletins* was tabled because of no author. Dwight also mentioned that his committee is working on a bill to have an orientation each semester for the new Congress members.

Public Relations – Amanda's committee is working finishing up the new bulletin boards and spent most of their meeting on brainstorming legislation ideas.

Student Affairs – Tim Hatton thanked all those who helped with the Big Red Bowl this past Monday during Pride Week. His committee is continuing to work on the SGA Survey table and the camp fair for the spring semester.

Campus Improvements – Chairwoman Hancock discussed ideas for next semester, update on the buying of ashtrays for the campus. Her committee is also working on partnering up with Habitat for Humanity to possibly help build a house. They are also working on getting SGA an Adopt-a-Spot.

Hillraisers – Chairwoman Sally Eillerman is working on the preparations for the basketball season. They are working with Coach Felton to speak to the organizations on campus to stress the importance of attending the basketball games. Sally encouraged everyone to attend her committee meeting following the Congress meeting.

**Academic Council Reports:** Potter College, Jason Nemes – Jason announced that the committee met to review proposals for many different departments within the college.  
Ogden College, Mandy Coates – No Report  
Business College, Open – No Report  
Educaiton College, Christen Gibbs – No Report  
Graduate College, Open – No Report

**C.O.A.** The Council on Organizational Aide met today and had President Ransdell as their guest speaker. They discussed such issues like improving upperclassman scholarships, enhancing school spirit, increasing attendance at the ball games, and painting big red towels along the exits of I-65 and other major arteries into campus. The next meeting will be in January with a date to be determined.

**Special Orders:** No Special Orders

**Unfinished Business:** Resolution 98-16-F *Campus Phones Outside Residence Halls* was read for second reading. Author Laura Hancock spoke in favor of the resolution. Joe Morel asked a question in regards to what would happen to the damaged phones. Laura stated that the Housing would be responsible just like any other campus vandalism. Adam Howard made a motion to accept Resolution 98-16-F and it was seconded. Motion approved.

Resolution 98-1-F *Placing of Crosswalk on Normal Drive* was read for second reading. Author Laura Hancock spoke in favor of the resolution. David Wilkins raised the question as to who owned the street and it was answered that the city owned the street. Joe Matheis spoke against the resolution. Adam Howard asked if the crosswalk had to meet A.D.A. standards, he made a note that it was too steep. Mike Wiatr spoke in favor. Duan Wright spoke in favor. Amy Mothersbaugh spoke in favor. Adam Howard moved to postpone the resolution so that further research could be done and Mitchell Bailey seconded it. Motion was defeated 13-28. David Lodmell spoke in favor of the resolution. Tim Hatton spoke in favor of the resolution. Rick

Malek spoke against the resolution. David Wilkins spoke against the resolution. Mitchell Bailey spoke against the resolution. Billy Lyons spoke in favor. Joe Matheis spoke against. Mandy Coates spoke in favor. Castle Martin made a motion to suspend with the debate and it was seconded by Billy Lyons. David Lednall made a motion to pass Resolution 98-1-F and it was seconded. Chair called division and the Resolution passed by a vote of 33-9.

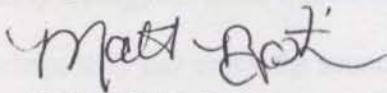
Bill 98-7-F *Placing of Ashtrays Outside Residence Halls* was read for second reading. Author Laura Hancock spoke in favor. Dwight Campbell raised the question as to how much money the ashtrays would cost. Laura mentioned that they would be thirty dollars a piece for a total of \$390 dollars. Laura also stated that facilities management would maintain them and place the sand in the trays. John Crowe made amendment to Adam Howard made a motion to pass and it was seconded. Motion approved.

**New Business:** Resolution 98-17-98 *Teacher Education* was read for first reading.

**Announcements:** Sally Eilerman made a statement that some debate is good for Congress and is needed on important legislation to make sure that a resolution is good. Young Democrats will meet at 8:30pm on Wednesday in DUC.

**Adjournment:** William Jones moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was passed and approved unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 5:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Matthew D. Bastin  
VP of Administration, 1998-1999