Elections Committee
March 23rd, 2015
SG Board Room, Memorial Union
3:00 PM

Minutes

Members
Blake Andert, Chair
Ben Grounds
Alex Schleif
Billy Legeros
Christian Slick
Danny Farris
Matt Johnson
Mitch Anderson
**Rob Reiter
Trevor Reis

Visitors
Sara Kaiser
Andrew Frelich
Tanner Franklin

*Arrived after call to order  **Absent  ***Excused Absence

I. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Andert called the meeting of the Elections Committee on 3/23/15 to order at 3:34 PM.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
MOTION
A. Schleif made a motion to approve minutes from 2/13/15, 2/20/15, and 3/6/15.

B. Legeros seconded the motion.

VOTE
(00:00:44) MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES CARRIED.

III. REPORTS

Chair
Chair Andert reported that the first debate will be held March 26. This debate will only be the presidential tickets.

Other
No report.

IV. OLD BUSINESS
No old business.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Debates

The first presidential ticket debate will be Thursday, March 26. The committee agreed that the questions should be split, and each side would get two minutes to answer. One two minute rebuttal would be allowed. Each side would be ten minutes total. The goal of the debate would be two hours long. They determined that questions will need to be written. Five prepared questions should be prepared for each debate. Jimmy Johns will be offered at the debate.

The committee discussed future moderator options. Worst case scenario, committee members could moderate.

A. Frelich advised they might have too much on their plate already to handle the debates.

T. Franklin recommended that the debates be held out in the open, to create a more open and inviting atmosphere. A good location, he said, was the Union floor. He also suggested encouraging audience questions.

A. Frelich also recommended legible time cards to help keep the candidates on time.

B. Advertising

The committee determined that they could get 25% off at the Sioux Shop. They were interested in obtaining a jersey. Raffle tickets will be handed out at the debate, and can be redeemed at the Sioux Shop for a 25% discount.

A. Frelich recommended that the committee focus more on marketing rather than promotional items.
Posters for the upcoming debate were due to go up in the dorms on March 24. The Wellness Center posters were also due to be approved on the 24th.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PUBLIC COMMENT

No announcements.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Andert adjourned the 3/23/15 meeting at 4:45 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Blake Andert
Chair

Dolly Meyer
Recording Secretary