

UPS Senate General Meeting
5/3/2023

Call to Order at 2:03pm motion made by Damian Smithhisler, seconded by Tucker Hoffman

Welcome to new Senators (3)

Reading of the minutes done by secretary Elizabeth Gier, motion made by Angie Davidson, Damian Smithhisler seconded, unanimously approved

Guest Speaker- Dr. Dan Shipp

- Introductions
- Almost been a full year learning about Pitt State. He offered a genuine thanks to helping onboard someone new and expressed how he felt prepared to be effective in this role
- Dr. Shipp described that the fall was A time of evaluating our processes and figuring out what is best for our students. He said that is was foundational in creating the new strategic plan. He met with 700+ students over the fall semester and with dozens of faculty/staff. Challenged everyone to make accountability for progress together.
- Significant Actions:
 - Climate study Town Hall
 - Working group
 - Climate Action Team
 - Short Team, Long Term, and Intermediate actions being planned out
 - Intersection with the student groups feedback
 - Developing a plan to connect solutions to help all constituents for our future progress
 - Move quickly but be responsible as we go
 - Potential- Informal celebrations to help build relationships and recognize the effort that others are doing
 - Low hanging fruit, short term, let's get started
 - Gorilla Rising
 - Kelce College of Business moving downtown
 - 35-40% state funded
 - Associates Degree
 - Academic architecture in place for those who are seeking a Bachelors to earn a Associates degree and then work through their gen ed courses
 - 1st in state to do that
 - KBOR has 2 more meetings to do final approval
 - Community Colleges are slightly upset, haven't had opportunities to ask questions and get more information
 - Bridges from Com Colleges to Pitt State
 - Talking about students who start with Pitt State

- 50% finish with us who start with us
 - 2019-2022
 - Around 600 left Pitt without earning a degree but could have had this Associates
 - Starting in Spring 2023, if it passes, this will be happening
- 1M\$, reoccurring, for Student Success efforts
- \$4M put back in the State budget for Pitt State
- Student Success Center
 - One Stop, Academic and Career Advising
- Integration of facilities
 - Under one umbrella
 - All of the trades beginning to function together
 - Collaborate together to break silos down
- Interim appointment in Student Life
- Campus Recreation working with Athletics will become one unit
- New food service contract-Aladdin
- Bike Ride to raise funds for Pitt State students

Ex Officio Member Reports:

Student Senate- not present

Faculty Senate

Mtg on 5/8

2nd reading Language to plag artificial int

Constitution changes, non-tenure ranks

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1 more real mtg on 5/10

Elections

Changes in divisions

Docking survey subcommittee

Guest speaker SGA new officers

Leadership- not present

Old Business- Election Update, results, 9 new senators on the books, waiting on a few more yes's, notify the group of new elections

Senate Committee Reports:

Parking- 13 tickets, 2 appealed and granted, rest denied

Elections- cohorts have changed, gradual change in representation over the next few years

By-Laws- no report

Pro Devo- no report

Communication- no report

New Business-

Intro of new senators

Good of the order

Adjournment motion made by Michael Woodrum, seconded by Amanda Hill. Adjourned at 3:04pm.