



# Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis

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### Senate Meeting Minutes – September 16, 2011

#### **I. Called to order at 12:01pm – Ben Judge**

#### **II. E-Text Presentation-Brad Wheeler, Vice President for Information Technology**

- a. This program is ready for Spring 2012
- b. Power point will be posted online at [etexts.iu.edu](http://etexts.iu.edu)
- c. A model of the eText can be found at the same website
  1. David Williard, ADAA, - Is the eText in HTML format
  2. Brad Wheeler- Yes , all HTML 5
  3. David- When will the book go away
  4. Brad-The will stay as long as you're an IU student
  5. Rishi Chandra, Democracy Plaza,- What happens is a student downloads and gives out to people, who aren't in the program
  6. Brad- Student would need to understand that's a violation of copyright law. Same as music and movies. The student would be dealt with accordingly.
  7. Josh, UCSC,- You can share with classmates, does everyone in the class get to see what you're doing
  8. Brad-You can manage your privacy settings
  9. PEMTSC- Different sections have different books and some required books aren't used in class. How would this work with eTexts
  10. Brad- The professor makes the choice to use this program and the deal is around required books only. We are pushing professors to use the required books in class
  11. Lyda, DSP, -Can a student opt out of the eText if professor has it. Can they avoid paying the fee
  12. Brad-No can't opt out if professor is doing. They will pay the fee, but if the student can print out the book. Also, if student didn't choose eText at the time of enrollment and student can't go back and get it.

#### **III. Director of Discussion/ Approval**

- a. The approval of both directors is passed
- b. Ryan Burke, Director of Civic and Student Engagement
- c. Lindsey Wright, Director of Communication



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- d. The approval of the Justice is passed
- e. Tim Wright is the new Court Justice

#### **IV. Committee Chair Discussion/ Approval**

- a. Elections committee chair
  - i. Tori Stanley
  - ii. Tori- 3<sup>rd</sup> year in USG and has experience with elections
  - iii. Senate votes and the nomination is approved
- b. CRC
  - i. Derik Taylor and James Brown are both running
  - ii. Derik-New to USG and open to new ideas
    - 1. Tori-Do you have any plans on changing anything
    - 2. Derik- I have plans on changing a few things. One is voting on the Budget
  - iii. James- This is his 2<sup>nd</sup> semester as senator and has looked over constitution and has some ideas for changes
  - iv. Senate voted by secret paper ballot
  - v. Derik Taylor is the new CRC chair

#### **V. Open forum**

- a. David- Planning Special Olympics event with Ryan Burke
- b. Tony, LASC,- Be the Student Voice and join PRC for after senate meeting. Need more help with surveys , town halls etc
- c. Corey- USG President
  - i. USG Oncourse site available,
  - ii. A student is need to serve on the Learning Environments campus committee
  - iii. The Health and Wellness petition is online at <http://go.iu.edu/3TI>. Please sign
  - iv. The Harvey Milk dinner is coming up. See Corey if interested in attending
- d. Taylor- USG Secretary
  - i. Looking for student to serve on an Earlier Textbook adoption focus group



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- ii. Needs student stories about textbooks. For example if B&N had a different book listed then the professor asked for. Creating a report and would like student stories
- e. Ben- Committee placement will be next week, will allow committee time next meeting.

**VI. Ben Judge adjourned the meeting**