



ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE STUDENT SENATE
Minutes – 10 February 2011

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- I. Call to Order- *Natividad* (3:45PM)
- II. Special Order of the Day- *Chief Mentzer*
- Natividad**- I would like to introduce Chief Mentzer. **Mentzer**- I would like to thank Senate for having me today. Let's talk about LCE. That occurred a few weekends ago, they act independently and said they would come back the following night after their initial visit. I honestly do not know who was arrested. I have a name and contact number for someone on LCE. I can pass on the information, but no one in my department can give any more information. **Natividad**- Thank you for that clarification. **Behounek**- Why would they randomly come here? **Mentzer**- It is not done randomly; they go where problems are identified. Medium to large sized gatherings where alcohol is being served to underage students. Officer Matheis wanted to stress to student senate that on the night of the bus incident, those who were at the party were able to leave, even those who may have been underage. Students were already given a big break. **Carroll**- If there is an undercover agent, and we suspect it, and we ask them, do they have to identify themselves? **Mentzer**- No. They do not while they are undercover. **Taylor**- At what stage would you have been needed in the process? **Mentzer**- If one of their agents was in trouble, then we would have been called in. Recently the LCE said that they were treated very respectfully. We would only be called if they needed back up or decided to identify everyone at a place. **Post**- Unless the LCE is here for a bust, does the borough have contact with the LCE? **Mentzer**- Yes. I called him today, and let him know I was coming. We do communicate. We cannot talk about ongoing investigations though. **Calenda**- Thank you for being here. Can an LCE agent come onto campus? **Mentzer**- Yes. They have access to go anywhere the law is being violated in PA. A college is a little more complex, because it is private property. If they are asked to leave, they need to leave. **Engle**- Who has the authority to say they have to leave? **Mentzer**- A representative of the college has the authority. Anyone in administration. **Landis**- How does LCE find out about something being violated? **Mentzer**- They receive information about liquor and law violations. In this case it was ongoing documentation within issues with off campus houses. These are places that we have had before, it applies to off campus college students and E-town residents. **Desmond**- On campus violations? **Mentzer**- If we can any info from the borough, or a college student. can call individually. Theoretically they can field complaints from anyone. **Mellott**- the Cedar Street Watch group doing? **Mentzer**- At the start of the semester it was going very badly. Towards the middle and end of September, everything started getting better. Things have been very good. I commend you for helping to make it work. **Natividad**- Mentioning the snow shovels being stolen, the international incidents, and the letters of the college sign. Is there some pattern to who doing this? **Mentzer**- There is not a lot of information. We are looking for new information. It's one thing to have suspects, narrow it down and then prove something and take action. **Post**- If the borough were to investigate a noise disturbance, how does this happen? **Mentzer**- There is a noise ordinance, 9pm to 7 am, noise cannot cross over the property line. It can be called in by a neighbor

or an officer can witness it themselves. We are not looking for issues, we don't have the time. Typically, we wait for a call. No resources to be that proactive.

LaChance- At the beginning of the year, does the college give the borough a list of houses? **Mentzer-** No. We do not. Corporal Barber visits off campus houses and talks to the houses. Documents who he talks to. The information is noted on a sheet and read to everyone. This also extends to other apartments or residences in E-town. This is one more layer of information. **Natividad-** You work with the school to get that info.? **Mentzer-** No, we go off of old information and who has private property that is rented out to college students. **Calenda-** Clarify what a landlord is required to file with municipal office. **Mentzer-** Annually a landlord must get a license. Supply the address, names of everyone living there, inspect it for safety concerns. We get our information from this medium. **Clemens-** Concerns for policies and procedures on weekends. Would an average students have concerns about walking on the street? **Mentzer-** No policy on patrolling streets, unless we know the Cedar Street Watch is out. Then we are there to help them. **Mentzer-** We were doing an enforcement detail at a four way stop this past weekend, that was a random instance. There is not a standardized set of procedures in place. **Peters-** When is the Cedar Street out? **Mentzer-** They usually give us two week's notice. Officer Regal is the contact person for the neighborhood watch group. **Desmond-** Tips for encountering Cedar Street Watch group. **Mentzer-** We are in the process of getting them bright colored vests with their name on them. They become a contact person if someone needs assistance, it also identifies them. You have the right not to respond to them, respectfully. If you exercise that right. **Taylor-** Expansion? **Mentzer-** Some other neighborhoods would like to start a group. **Graham-** What do we do? **Mentzer-** Tell us if they need any additional training. **Natividad-** You mentioned that you have a lot of area to cover. **Mentzer-** 2.1, 2.2 miles. 12,000 residents living here. No less then 2 officers, usually 3 or 4 on duty. IT keeps us busy, and does not include the college. Relatively speaking we are small department, 17 officers. If something were to occur, police departments help each other out from neighboring areas. **DiGrazia-** What are their divisions? **Mentzer-** Local, county sheriff's department (officers for the court, no law enforcement, help with prison transport), state agencies (police, LCE) assist local agencies, resources. **Ashe-** Two weeks ago, cease and desist? **Mentzer-** With the influx of complaints in recent years, it was bound to happen. They warned us. Acted independently. **Natividad-** Thank you for coming today. **Mentzer-** If you have any more questions, feel free to contact me.

III. Opening- **Graham & Howson**

IV. Roll Call- **Perko**

V. Approval of Minutes (ECSS.01011.SS.017)- **Perko (Minutes Approved as Corrected)**

VI. Administrative Reports

a. Student Life- **Calenda**

Calenda- No report.

b. Campus Security- **Boyer**

Natividad- Boyer could not be here, but I will take questions. **Desmond-** What is going on with the sign. **Calenda-** All I know is that the letters are being stolen, and anyone who knows that is going on, please let me know. **Natividad-** Parking tickets are being handed out.

c. Center for Student Success-

Natividad- Tomorrow last day to drop class.

- d. Health Services- *Spayd*
LaChance- Another student saw something to do with my health and was talking about it on campus. **Spayd**- There are confidentiality statements made, please meet with me privately. **Spayd**- Doctor's office or well? **LaChance**- Health center.
- VII. Executive Cabinet Reports
- a. President- *Natividad*
Natividad- Were sent out electronically. But we have some updates and changes. Should have received some kind of e-mail contact from a member of Executive Cabinet. Send me an e-mail if you have not. I was disappointed that we received no nominations for Stellar Senator or Senator of the Month. I only received 4 people who wanted to meet with the president elect. Met with Kat Madic, about clubs and getting into business ventures. I will bring up the student handbook document. Concern brought to us by a student groups. When I met with her, we talked about how this could be interpreted. They cannot go into it with the intent of gaining a profit. The club in question figured it out. The group would receive a warning if they did. **Calenda**- Groups are allowed to have fundraisers to support the mission of the group. **Natividad**- This was something that was brought to our attention. That's all I have for my report. **Taylor**- What's going to be the deadline? **Natividad**- There isn't a normal deadline. We set a deadline last night. **Carroll**- Personally I forgot the password and the Minutes were late. **Post**- I thought have the Chief here was very helpful, it might be helpful to open this up to the student body. **Natividad**- I would ask him to come to another venue in the future and look in to it.
- b. Vice President- *Hitchens*
 (Sent out electronically.)
- c. Secretary- *Perko*
Perko- No report. Questions? **Peters**- Send out contact sheet? **Perko**- I will do that.
- d. Treasurer- *Care*
Care- Haven't met yet with committees. Questions? **Carroll**- E-mail was sent out to student groups, no allocations for conferences. **Care**- we will look in to it. **Clemens**- Internal funds? **Care**- Send out another e-mail tomorrow.
- e. Judicial Chairperson- *Lynch*
Carroll- Put away your cell phones. **Natividad**- I know we talked about a cell phone basket, unless it is an extenuating circumstances. No computers either.
- f. Elections Chairperson- *LaChance*
LaChance- 77 people voted yesterday. If I e-mailed you about faculty committee, please respond promptly. Dr. Cavender commended Mike Behounek for his work on R&P. Congrats to Jeanette as our new Senator. **DiGrazia**- Cut for committee meeting? **LaChance**- Yes, I e-mailed all of the chairs, they will be taking attendance at the meetings. It is just as important as a Senate committee. **DiGrazia**- Is that in the Bylaws? **Carroll**- I will look in to it and get back to you. **Natividad**- Looking to get voting rights in faculty committees as well. **LaChance**- If your committee is not giving you voting rights let me know. **DiGrazia**- It just seems like it was being arbitrarily chosen. **Desmond**- How applicable is that to all committees? Last year I was on Campus Life and they rarely met. **LaChance**- We will look into individual situations. For some reason, Senators have not been going to academic integrity, but I am working on that. We will contact you ahead of time and the appeals process is always in

place. **Desmond**- How will you know? **LaChance**-You committee chair will e-mail us. **Ashe**- Will there be a period of 24-48 notice for when the faculty committees will meet? **LaChance**- If you have a committee mtg. that operates like that e-mail your concerns to me. App. A, Section I, Provision A. Section 2. **LaChance**- It is a privilege that we get to serve on these committees in the first place.

Publicity and Marketing Chairperson- **McCrary-McClain**

Clemens- With **Post**'s mention of annually meeting with Chief, would it be possible to have a presentation like this at orientation next year? I was also wondering if the Senator's information and pictures could be updated on the website. **Calenda**- Just a clarification, we have had Chief met with students for the past two years. It was in Leffler "You Decide". The first years had to attend. **LaChance**- **McCrary-McClain** will update it tomorrow; he was waiting on the results from the most recent election.

VIII. Old Business

a. P&M Committee Election- (First-Year position) **LaChance**

Taylor- We are currently meeting on an as needed basis. There is no scheduled time, only when our schedules work. We do the publicity and marketing for Senate. We handle the bulletin board in the BSC, the website; student concerns tables, orientation, and elections. Nominations- **Rasmussen** nominates **Ginette**, accepts. Speech, debate, *Congratulations*: **Ginette**.

IX. New Business

X. Student Comments

Natividad- Those of you who were at retreat knew that we asked everyone to bring concerns of our fellow students. **Peters**- Talked to a group of students from one of my classes. We came away with a list: Wanted to know where our tuition money, the shower heads in Ober are non functional, card swipes in all the buildings, wireless access through all of campus. **Natividad**- Elaborate the shower heads? **Peters**- No water pressure. **Farkas**- It sprays sideways. **Rasmussen**- The drains also clog in the bathrooms. **Calenda**- Those issues will be fixed this summer. The Ober project came in slightly under budget, so it will be renovated over the summer. **Natividad**- Can anything be done in the meantime? **Calenda**- Facilities may be able to clean the shower heads and see if that improves the flow. **Natividad**- Send in a work order. **Merroth**- Compiled list of concerns from our student class Senate Meeting. **Rasmussen**- A lot of the questions had to do with dry campus. **Merroth**- Shredded carrots instead of baby carrots in the Marketplace. Open longer or more seating. Athletics, the gym in TH is not adequate. Not enough weights. Scheduling is not very organized, teams are being double booked. In general, people expressed an interest in having meal swipes in Jay's nest. Sign language being offered as a core, more languages. More work study options. EC alert should have been sent out more quickly. Not plowing cars in the parking lot. Too many students are being admitted to E-town, which is leading to difficulties in housing. Better organization of the overnight program. Classes don't align with overnights schedules'. Roommate preferencing for first year students. **Klitsch**- Smoking sophomore. **Merroth**- Library open later. **Natividad**- Please address the ones that you can by yourselves. We received a comment as your body that Senate wants to know how things are being followed up on. **LaChance**- I heard that the survey was a little repetitive. **Calenda**- They are trying to get a response from a variety of angles. What I learned from EMG, this was our first real use of the system for an alert. It took 40 minutes for everything to go through, because some phones were off. **Merroth**- I think it was more of a concern that the website was updated before people were called. **Hitchens**- Is there a way that

staff and professionals could be notified firsts? **Calenda-** The EMG will be notified. **Carroll-** What is something really bad happened? **Calenda-** I had the same concern, the idea is that enough people get the info. so it gets passed around. **Post-** I never got the call personally, what are all of the tests for? Why do we have so many issues with it? **Calenda-** That's a good question, I will ask Lori Burke. **White-** Where can students change their preferences? **Peters-** It's on EC web. **Behounek-** You are asked to change at the beginning of the semester. **Engle-** Do the professors know that students cannot e-mail when there is a power outage? **Natividad-** I understand, but what other system could be notified. **Rasmussen-** could we put another system in place. In BSC. **Graham-** Why can't our system handle this many students, when big schools can do it. **Calenda-** I will talk to Burke about it. **Calenda-** If the school is cancelled then classes are cancelled or after the delay. What's the question? **Rasmussen-** I found out through people who went to class. **Calenda-** It is hard without power to communicate effectively with people. **Peters-** I think it works during testing, because it is later in the day. The alert went out in the morning. **Howson-** With our delays, some of the classes were cancelled, but some were not. Maybe something could be put in the BSC in that case again. **Carroll-** If my campus is delayed until 10:00, and I have a 9:30? **Calenda-** It will be put in the e-mail if it happens again. **Rasmussen-** Generators? **Calenda-** Yes, the BSC had generators for selective light, and across campus. **DiGrazia-** Look into an initiative as to why students are moving off campus on the weekends. I think it is a conversation we may need to have with administrative and campus security. **Natividad-** That was a question for Senior Staff, maybe have a building like a bar. **Calenda-** DAC. Showers in Royer and Schlosser, similar to Ober. The groups is advocating more late night programming, after midnight. **Natividad-** Thank you.

XI. Announcements

Graham- Happy Birthday Johanna! **Landis-** Service Committee needs to meet following this meeting, happy birthday Mike, Mike and Steve. **Peters-** We need more volunteers for the video. Those who had forms from **McCrary-McClain** from the conduct board, please hand them in. **Taylor-** Congrats to **Landis** for getting into Med school. **Laccilade-** Don't use Nick's ID number for sign ups for the Class of 2013 function. **Knights-** Class of 2012 needs to meet following adjournment. **Clemens-** Dem. And Rep. just started sitting together in the US Senate, so we are ahead of the ball. **Natividad-** Let me know if you want to have lunch with the President Elect this coming Monday. **Engle-** Class of 2013 needs to meet as well. **LaChance-** This weekend is the last chance to see Red Herring. **Care-** Tomorrow night is the Hip Hop concert in the Kav @ 10:00PM. Dizzy and Brett Epps.

XII. Adjournment (5:15PM).

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Perko

Student Senate Secretary