

Student Publications Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 29, 2020, at 3:30 p.m.

WebEx

Committee Members Present: Ms. Amy Williams, Faculty Representative and Chair; Ms. Sara Oswald, *Indianhead* Faculty Advisor; Ms. Jenny Teague, *Aurochs* Faculty Advisor; Dr. Darlene Natale, *Pine Needle* Faculty Advisor; Ms. Leslie T. Bell, SPB Financial Manager and Director of Academic Resources

Guest: Zachary Young, applicant for *Pine Needle* Editor

I. Amy Williams called the meeting to order at 3:38 p.m.

II. The agenda for September 29, 2020, was approved as submitted.

III. The minutes from April 29, 2020, were approved with a correction to VI, C: Darlene Natale summarized *The Pine Needle* situation (not the *Indianhead*).

IV. The committee interviewed Zachary Young, applicant for editor-in-chief of *The Pine Needle* for the 2020-2021 year, who discussed what he had learned during his summer internship with NBC News and his ideas for improving news coverage in *The Pine Needle*. After brief discussion, the committee unanimously approved Zach's application.

V. Chair's Report: Amy Williams attended the meeting of the Student Affairs and Campus Life Committee last Monday.

VI. Reports

A. *Aurochs*: Jenny Teague reported that both the 2019 and 2020 editions have been completed and are almost ready for the printer. A graduate student has applied for the editor-in-chief position for 2020-21, and that application will be presented to the committee sometime soon.

B. *Indianhead*: Sara Oswald reported that the 2020 edition is still in production and should be completed by the end of October. Dr. Lisa Schaeffer has approved the safety procedures submitted by the photography studio that will come to campus in October to take portraits for the 2021 edition. The student who had planned to apply for the editor-in-chief position has withdrawn, but a current class member may be interested.

C. *Pine Needle*: Darlene Natale reported on student journalism awards won by *The Pine Needle* and by 5 individual UNCP students. There may be one print edition at the end of this semester; a regular print schedule may resume in Spring 2021.

D. Director of Academic Resources: Leslie Bell reported that the GA has sent a memo about 2021-22 student fees; there will be no increases allowed for Student Activity fees, only Health fees. She will be sending student fee spreadsheets to all faculty advisors sometime soon.

E. SGA Representative: This position is still vacant. Amy Williams will again request a representative be appointed before our next meeting.

VII. Old Business: Interviews for/approval of editors for *The Aurochs* and the *Indianhead* will be deferred until the next meeting.

VIII. New Business: The committee agreed to meet again on October 20, 2020, for the purpose of selecting editors for the remaining publications.

IX. Announcements: None

X. The meeting was adjourned at 4:31.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Oswald, Secretary in Rotation