I. Call to Order

Speaker Peter Smith called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM in the Bridge of Learning.

II. Roll Call

Senators Present- 28

Barnett, Boyd, Cowin, Davis, Debo, Dent, Dilley, Donahue, Doucet, Kaunert, Lambert, Lortz, MacFarland, Magginis, McDonald, Morris, Murphy, Myers, Newberry, Okura, Partika, Sattler, Schmidt, See, Stith, Vermillion, Wilson, Yates

Senators Not Present- 2

Lamoreaux, Stein

Also Present- President Bowers, Vice-President Rarick, Speaker Smith, Melvin Adams, Jessica Stolz

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Floor Leader Wilson of the Twelfth General Assembly led the Senate in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Devotion

Sen. Boyd, member of the Subcommittee on Campus Ministries of the Twelfth General Assembly, presented the Devotion.
V. Public Comment

Jessica Stolz came to speak about the free trade aspect of Starbucks and its presence on campus and asked for the support and thoughts from senate members.

VI. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the November 29, 2011 meeting were approved.

VII. Committee Reports

- **Academic Affairs- Bobbi Wilson, Chair**
  Legislation on docket tonight
- **Finance- Scott Partika, Member**
- **Student Activities- Rebecca Schmidt, Chair**
  Discussed organization survey
- **Student Interests- Kayla Doucet, Chair**
  Voted on new committee chair: Senator Magginis
- **Student Life- Ali Dent, Chair**
  No report
- **Judiciary- Brandon Lortz, Chair**
  Announced three open positions on senate
- **Public Relations- Vice-President Rarick**
  Discussed meetings and announced an email that members would receive

VIII. New Business

**Senate Bill #108**

Introduced by Clerk Dent
Introduction Speech by Senator Lortz
Speech of negation by Floor Leader Wilson
Speech of negation by Senator Boyd
Speech of negation by Senator Bowers
Speech of negation by Senator Partika
Senator Lortz moved to amend the bill
Senator Lambert seconded
Speech of affirmation by Senator MacFarland
Speech of affirmation by Senator Bown
Clerk Dent moved the previous question
Senator Doucet seconded
Senator Dilley moved to approve by unanimous consent
Senator Okura seconded
Seeing no decent, the amendment was passed
Speech of affirmation by Senator Schmidt
Speech of affirmation by Senator Boyd
Senator MacFarland moved the previous question
Senator Lambert seconded
Senator Boyd moved to approve by unanimous consent
Senator Cowin seconded
Seeing no decent, Senate Bill #108 was passed.

**Senate Resolution #109**

Compiled by Clerk Dent
Introduction by Senator Debo
Speech of affirmation by Senator Donahue
Speech of affirmation by Senator Schmidt
Senator Donahue moved the previous question
Senator Doucet seconded
Senator Dilley moved to vote by unanimous consent
Senator Boyd seconded
Seeing no decent, Senate Resolution #109 was passed.

**Senate Resolution #110**

Compiled by Clerk Dent
Introduction by Senator Stith
Speech of affirmation by Senator Donahue
Speech of affirmation by Senator Partika
Senator Donahue moved the previous question
Senator Lambert seconded
Senator Stith moved to approve by unanimous consent
Senator Dilley seconded
Seeing no decent, Senate Resolution #110 was passed.

Senator Schmidt moved for a vote of no confidence to Speaker Smith
Senator Yates seconded
Speaker Smith gave the floor to Floor Leader Wilson
Introduction by Senator Schmidt
Speech of affirmation by Senator Davis
Speech of negation by Senator Murphy
Speech of affirmation by Senator Yates
Speech of negation by Senator Cowin
Speech of negation by Senator Partika
Senator Schmidt moved the previous question
Senator Davis seconded
Senator Okura dissented
Speech of negation by Senator Newberry
Senator Myers moved the previous question
Senator Schmidt seconded
Senator Doucet moved to vote by secret ballot
Senator See seconded
With a vote of 7:17:3, Speaker Smith remained in his position.

IX. Senate Announcements

Senator Doucet regretted to inform senate that she would be unable to remain a senator next semester.
Senator Donahue wished the senate happy holidays.
Senator Morris announced that he had candy canes for senate members.
Senator Stith announced the tree in the Campus Center and how to donate items to the needy.

X. Clerk’s Remarks- Clerk Dent

Make sure to turn in committee reports.

XI. President’s Remarks- Vice-President Rarick & President Bowers

Vice-President Rarick- Met with Jennie Smith on the walk through and on new renovations and also met with Parkhurst, facilities, and Mel Adams about updates in the Campus Center, specifically the Cru Club

President Bowers- Encouraged communication of senate members and announced his upcoming meeting the president and provost of the university to work on a strategic plan for future work to be done at Capital.

XII. Advisor’s Remarks- Mel Adams

Commended Student Government for their important discussions and encouraged communication for a strong student government. He also wished senate happy holidays.

XIII. Speaker’s Remarks- Speaker Smith
Floor Leader Wilson returned the floor to Speaker Smith. Speaker Smith said he was proud of student government and promised to meet the expectations of senate. He also encouraged the Student Interests Committee to work with Jessica Stolz on the Starbucks discussion. In conclusion, he wished senate a Merry Christmas and good luck on final examinations.

XIV. Adjournment

Senator Donahue motioned to adjourn. Senator Schmidt seconded. Seeing no objections, the Senate adjourned at 8:45 PM.

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Ali N. Dent, Clerk  Peter J. Smith, Speaker

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Date