



Emporia State University
Associated Student Government
Student Senate
Meeting Minutes
February 8th, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

- Vice President Viorel called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

- There were 20 Senators present for roll call.

SWEARING IN OF NEW SENATORS

- Senator Noor moved to grant the motion to appoint the new Senators. Senator Glidewell seconded
 - Motion passed 15-0-0.
- Senator Ayadi, Chaparro, Franz, Lesso and McDonald were sworn in to office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Senator Lance moved to approve the minutes. Senator Rojas seconded.
 - Motion passed 20-0-0.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS

- Senator Mosher moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator Kimble seconded.
- Discussion: Recommendations for Program Discontinuance recently brought to faculty senate. Program faculty submitted two requests:
 - Program 1: Bachelor Science in Psychology Ed.: Low need of Psychology High School teachers, and very few students were completing the program. Currently there is just one student in the program who plans to graduate this may.
 - Program 2: Bachelor in Business Education: Missed match between the number of students in the program and the resources necessary to manage it properly. There are not any full-time faculty members assigned to the program. Low number of students enrolled.
 - There will be a hearing to discuss the recommendation on February 9th from 3:30 to 4:30 in the Phi Kappa Phi Room.
- Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

VICE PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS

- Reminders for New Senators:
 - This is the last week that we will send information to your student account. Please get your Senator outlook account ready
 - Please download SharePoint and Teams apps.
 - Reminder of completing your Office hours and Committee Meetings.
- Senate Updates

- There is still an opening for two senators for the Teacher's College.
- The ASG Election process is about to start. Senators for next year must run for elections if they want to be in ASG again
- Please watch the videos of IT training during office hours next week.

GUEST REMARKS

- *Gaile Stephens – Director of General Education*
- Senator Lance moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator McDonald seconded.
 - Gaile shared information for all undergraduate students.
 - **Systemwide General Education:** Kansas Board of Regents (group that oversees all public schools in the State of Kansas) is working to make credits transfers more easily for students. This means:
 - Reducing general education credits hours to 34-35 hours.
 - It will start in Fall 2024.
 - They have created a structure of seven “buckets” or “areas” that students must fulfill. All schools and universities must fit their courses into these “buckets.”
 - Course lists of each area are on their website.
 - The General Education committee is restarting next week, they still have one spot left to fill.
 - Senator Kimble asked: what if you cannot change catalogs because your major does not exist anymore?
 - Most likely you will not be able to change catalogs in that case.
 - Senator Smith asked: how this affects elective credits, can we use them as Gen.Eds?
 - You can have your Advisor send a substitution form. It gets evaluated, and if it is approved, it usually goes on.
 - Senator Rojas asked: if in the hypothetical situation that you take summer credits in your closest Community college, would that be able to transfer them?
 - You will have to change the catalog to 2024 or if it is a course that is already on the website “assistant wide transfer portal K-schools”, it will automatically come as a fall course. Caution: when you change your catalog, you cannot change it back.
 - She will share the presentation with the details
- *Nyk Robertson – Senior Diversity Officer and Assistant Dean*
 - Senator Lance moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator McDonald seconded.
 - CW 122 First Year Course
 - Information about the great impact this course had in the last years.
 - Purpose: Create access to resources, create a source of belonging, proper dialogue, boost skills learning.
 - Not online courses
 - Research showed impact as retention of students, boost of success and belonging.
 - A specialized professional is coming to develop the curriculum for this course.
 - 2 credit hour course.

- Senator McDonald asked-if this course is required as part of some scholarships?
 - This will be required for Jonh's scholars but not right now.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Fiscal Affairs – Senator Lesso
 - There are very new people on the team, first meeting after Senate (02/08)
 - Allocations
 - About 30 allocations received.
 - They will be reviewing them in the next few weeks
 - Reserved Fund Requests
 - Received, and they will also be reviewing that.
- Senate Operations – Senator Mosher
 - Senate Ops. Committe has already started.
 - RSOs coming next Monday, and one coming to this meeting for recognition.
 - Reminder about Service hours.
- Campus and Community Relations – Senator Rojas
 - They have many new members.
 - Employee appreciation month is in March, they will be preparing activities for that.
 - Campus safety and disability walk
 - They are preparing posters
 - They have set a proper timeline to get started in Hornet Central
 - They are in contact with police and safety.
 - The online event is going to be after Spring break for online students.
 - Look out for Instagram's stories of the Superbowl.
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Senator Yaseen
 - Last Monday they had their Naloxone Training event
 - 70 people registered
 - 60 attendees
 - I thanked the committee, Camila, Sophia, and the Honor's College for helping to make this event possible.

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CABINET REPORTS

- Chief of Staff – Prono
 - Introduction of herself
 - Reminder about completing your office hours and sending minutes of the committees' meetings.
 - Please let her know about absences.
- Business Affairs Director – Okonkwo
 - Love you Campus Mini grants
 - There are only 3 applications.
 - Encourage the RSOs to apply.
- Legislative Director – Arif

- Quick raised hands on sending a calendar invite on Fridays to remind you about legislation due. Accepted
- Higher Education Day
 - Thank you to all of you who signed up.
 - All final steps have been taken. It is going to be an exciting journey!
- President Pro Tempore – Banks
 - Reminder of sending your [RSO](#) emails out by Saturday.
- Election Commissioner - Tate
 - Introduction of herself
 - Elections coming up
 - Contact me if you want to run again for Senator
 - You must attend an informational meeting to be allowed to run for Elections.
 - If you cannot make it to the scheduled meetings, you can set up a meeting with her to get that required information meeting done.
- Social Chair – Farnsworth
 - Trivia night, last week of February

FIRST READINGS

- SR 24027 Recognition of Marketing Club as the 2nd RSO SPOTLIGHT for 110th session
 - Originator: Campus and Community Relations
 - Sponsor: Senator Lance
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-0
 - Senator Lance moved to drop the bill to General Order. Senator Kimble seconded.
 - Motion passed 20-0-0
- SR 24028: A Resolution Remembering the life of Luis Tapia Hernandez.
 - Originator: Vice President Viorel
 - Sponsor: Senator Yaseen
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-0
- SR 24029: A Resolution Recognizing the Social Chair as a member of the Cabinet
 - Originator: President Dawson
 - Sponsor: Senator Mosher
 - Committee Vote: 5-0-0
 - Senator Mosher moved to drop the bill to General Order. Senator Kimble seconded.
 - Motion passes 20-0-0
- SR24030: A Resolution Supporting a First-year Course (FYC) at Emporia State University
 - Originator: Nyk Robertson
 - Sponsor: Senator Mosher
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-1

GENERAL ORDER

- SB 24016: A Bill concerning the recognition of Art History Association
 - Originator: Katherine Iselin
 - Sponsor: Senator Valverde
 - Committee Vote: 6-0-0
 - Senator Valverde moved to pass the bill favorably. Senator Glidewell seconded.
 - Discussion:
 - The Art History Association has met all the requirements necessary for recognition under the Recognized Student Organization Policy, RSO Policy.
 - Representatives from the Art History Association:
 - Senator Mosher moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator Izibili seconded.
 - Art history Association will be an RSO to boost activities such as field trips to museums, first Fridays, action with kids in town that would show people what archeology does + history.
 - Current Activities: Gallery Show called “Unacademic,” it opens on March 6.
 - Courses: Art & Gender
 - Senator Mosher moved to call the bill to question. Senator Izibili seconded.
 - Passed/Failed 20-0-0
- SR 24027 Recognition of Marketing Club as the 2nd RSO SPOTLIGHT for 110th session
 - Senator Lance moved to pass the resolution favorably. Senator Kimble seconded.
 - No discussion
 - Senator Lance moved to call the resolution to question. Senator Izibili seconded.
 - Passed 20-0-0
- SR 24029: A Resolution recognizing the Social Chair as a member of the Cabinet,
 - Originator: President Dawson
 - Sponsor: Senator Mosher
 - Committee Vote: 5-0-0
 - Senator Mosher moved to pass the bill favorably. Senator Smith seconded.
 - No discussion
 - Senator Noor moved to call the resolution to question. Senator Mosher seconded.
 - Passed 20-0-0

THIRD READINGS

- SB 24016: A Bill concerning the recognition of Art History Association
 - Passed 20-0-0
- SR 24027 Recognition of Marketing Club as the 2nd RSO SPOTLIGHT for 110th session
 - Passed 20-0-0
- SR 24029: A Resolution recognizing the Social Chair as a member of the Cabinet
 - Passed 20-0-0

GOOD OF THE UNIVERSITY

- Motion to open Good of the University was made by Senator Banks and seconded by Senator Yaseen.
 - Senator Mosher: Event to raise money to LAS on 24th February at the fair ground. Live entertainment, guest speakers and more!
 - Senator Banks: Rolling night tonight! Come and have fun! Thus, the Fashion show is on the 22nd, come after Senate.
 - Senator Chioma: If someone wants or has questions about the Love Your Campus Mini grants, reach out to me.
 - Senator Rojas: The Red Cross Blood Drive will be on February 26th and 27th sign up in QR in poster in the office
 - Senator Franz: Next Saturday 17th, SIG_TAU is participating in the annual polar plunge in order to raise money.
 - President Dawson: the transfer student insight survey got approved to send it out to 700 transfer students. Once sent, please encourage all current students that have transferred to Emporia State anytime from 2021 until now.
 - Election Commissioner Tate: March 3rd is the international food festival. Memorial Union 3rd floor
 - Mosher: Superbowl party at the Phi Delt House.
- Motion to close the Good of the University was made by Senator Mosher and seconded by Senator Kimble.

FINAL ROLL CALL

- There were 20 Senators present for the final roll.

ADJOURNMENT

- Senator Mosher moved to adjourn at pm until February 22nd at 5:15 pm in the Senate Chambers. Senator Kimble seconded.
 - Motion passed 20-0-0.

Respectfully submitted by Constanza Prono, Chief of Staff