

# **Emporia State University Associated Student Government**

Student Senate Meeting Minutes March 7th, 2024

ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT EMPORIA STATE UNIVERSITY

# CALL TO ORDER

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

#### **ROLL CALL**

• There were 17 Senators present for roll call.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Senator Lance moved to approve the minutes. Senator McDonald seconded.
  Motion passed 16-0-1.
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#### PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS

- Senator Mosher moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator Noor seconded.
- Excited for spring break
- Launched transfer student survey last Friday to around 1,000 students and have gotten 55 responses so far
- Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

# VICE PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS

- Vice-President Viorel thanked everyone for their hard work
- No office hours, committee meetings or cabinet meetings next week.
- Senator of the Month is Senator Rojas for her constant support of committee members, and works hard

#### **GUEST REMARKS**

- Kim Simmons, President of Emporia State University's Faculty Senate
- Senator Valdez Saravia moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator Cooper seconded.
- Dr. Simmons spoke on things that were happening in Faculty Senate that were important for students.
  - o Revising Academic Dishonesty Policy
    - Too many layers and too detailed
    - Added the XF, a parallel process that has been added
  - Still working on Daycare Committee and creation of constitution and bylaws for said committee
    - Hoping to have student representation on that committee
  - Updating Student Teacher Policies
    - Update role of undergraduate TAs in the classroom
- There were no questions for Dr. Simmons

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Fiscal Affairs, Senator Lesso
  - On Tuesday we concluded allocation meeting, and had a total of 44 RSO (Recognized Student Organization) hearings
    - In the process of drafting the final bill (should be ready the end of March)
  - Thanked the Fiscal Affairs Committee team (Senators Drew, Kimiya, Shakirah, and Cooper) for all their support and hard work
  - Have one reserve fund request from Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc., with representation from Guy Ramos
- Senate Operations, Senator Mosher
  - If receive anything from your assigned RSOs regarding service hours, please let them know we are working on that
    - Having problems with sheets used to calculate them, and the problem is being handled
    - Once it is resolved there will be communication sent out to the RSOs around the end of spring break to let them know the updates
- Campus & Community Relations, Senator Rojas
  - Recently had two employee appreciation events (Cake and Cards and Smores with the Staff) both events went great and were successful
  - Moving attention to Campus Safety and Disability Walk
  - May be creating an online event
- Diversity, and Inclusion, Senator Banks
  - Working on the Campus Safety & Accessibility Walk
    - Met with Police and Safety, SASS (Student Accessibility Support Services), and sent out emails to administrators and stakeholders on campus and are awaiting RSVPs
  - Waiting for the Narcan Proposal to be sent in
  - Have submitted the Women for ESU Menstrual Product Proposal and are awaiting results

# **CABINET REPORTS**

- Business Affairs Director, Okonkwo
  - Applications for the Love Your Campus Mini Grant is ending this month on the 25<sup>th</sup> so please encourage RSOs to apply and if you are in an RSO please apply for the grant
- Legislative Director, B. Arif
  - CCR you all are doing a wonderful job
  - Fiscal Affairs for being patient with me for the last-minute edits and suggestions
- President Pro Tempore, Banks
  - Sorry for not being the best stand in Chief of Staff, please bear with me and give me grace
  - Thank you for being amazing and good luck with midterms and have a good spring break
- Social Chair, Farnsworth
  - Planning on a Craft Night Social towards the end of March with preschool crafts so be prepared

- Vice President Viorel gave props to Senator Farnsworth for The Trivia Night event and how well it went and how amazing she did \*smile\*
- Election Commissioner, Tate
  - Thanked everyone for their participation in voting and to the volunteers
  - Election Results
    - President and Vice-President
      - Azwad B. Arif and Piper Glidewell (165 Votes)
      - School of Science and Mathematics
        - Emily Rojas (13 Votes)
    - School of Humanities and Social Sciences
      - Lydia Kimble (14 Votes)
      - Kayden Smith (13 Votes)
    - School of Business and Technology
      - Joel Franz (30 Votes)
    - School of Applied Health Sciences
      - Sarah McDonald (11 Votes)
    - Graduate School
      - Eusha Azmain (1 Vote)
    - School of Visual and Performing Arts
    - School of Interdisciplinary Studies
    - Write-Ins will need to be verified and finalized and will be announced later
  - o Congratulations to all elected and to those who ran and may not have been elected
  - Elected Senators will be sworn in at the last meeting on April 25th

# FIRST READINGS

- SB 24018: A RESERVE FUND REQUEST KAPPA ALPHA PSI
  - Originator: Fiscal Affairs Committee
  - Sponsor: Senator Noor
  - Committee Vote: 5-0-0
  - Senator Noor moved to drop the bill to General Order. Senator Mosher seconded.
    17-0-0
- SR 24035: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ALPHA KAPPA DELTA AS THE FOURTH RSO SPOTLIGHT FOR THE 110<sup>TH</sup> SESSION
  - o Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee
  - Sponsor: Senator Lance
  - Committee Vote: 6-0-0
  - Senator Lance moved to drop the resolution to General Order. Senator Rojas seconded.
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# GENERAL ORDER

- SB 24017: RECOGNITION OF CLAY GUILD CLUB
  - Originator: Jennifer Holt
  - Sponsor: Senator Farnsworth
  - Committee Vote: 5-0-0
  - Senator Farnsworth picked up sponsorship of the bill, and Senator Mosher seconded.

- Senator Farnsworth moved to pass the bill favorably. Senator Glidewell seconded.
- Discussion:
  - Senator Franz moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator Smith seconded.
  - Guests: Allison (Vice-President of Clay Guild Club) and Jennifer Holt (Advisor)
    - Purpose is to make the medium of clays more accessible to the students of ESU and a way to dip their toes in the medium without having to take a class
    - Planning to have a volunteer service project called the "Empty Bowls Event" which is a fundraiser
    - They also plan to attend First Fridays and other events and conferences
  - Senator Mosher
    - About how frequently are you meeting and about how many people are a part of Clay Guild Club right now?
      - Meetings will be once a month and there are about 15-25 students give or take
- Senator Mosher moved to call the bill to question. Senator Davis seconded.
- Passed 17-0-0
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  - Sponsor: Senator Noor
  - Committee Vote: 5-0-0.
  - Senator Noor moved to pass the bill favorably. Senator Wada seconded.
  - Discussion:
    - Senator Mosher moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator Lesso seconded.
    - Guest: Guy Ramos
      - History of Kappa Alpha Psi: Historically and predominantly an African American fraternity and are the only Dive 9 (Historically Black Sororities and Fraternities) on campus
      - Purpose of this reserve fund request is for a leadership conference to help build leadership skills to use on campus and across other chapters
    - Senator McDonald
      - What are you most looking forward to?
        - Initiation of new members and preparing them for leadership and service
  - Senator Lance moved to call the bill to question. Senator McDonald seconded.
  - Passed 17-0-0
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  - o Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee
  - Sponsor: Senator Lance
  - Committee Vote: 6-0-0

- Senator Lance moved to pass the resolution favorably. Senator Valdez-Saravia seconded.
- Discussion:
  - Senator Franz
    - What were the community service events this year?
      - Donated turkey to Bloom House and are going to go to elementary school and say hello as they walk in, as a new RSO they are trying to add to community service events.
- Senator Noor moved to call the resolution to question. Senator Glidewell seconded.
- Passed 17-0-0

# THIRD READINGS

- SB 24017: RECOGNITION OF CLAY GUILD CLUB
  - Passed 17-0-0
- SB 24018: A RESERVE FUND REQUEST KAPPA ALPHA PSI
  - Passed 17-0-0
- SR 24035: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ALPHA KAPPA DELTA AS THE FOURTH RSO SPOTLIGHT FOR THE 110<sup>TH</sup> SESSION
- Passed 17-0-0

# GOOD OF THE UNIVERSITY

- Motion to open the Good of the University was made by Senator Lance and seconded by Senator Valdez-Saravia
  - Senator Mosher updated on Love Like Lou, raised about \$2,100 and have raised \$10,000 total in fundraising initiatives through Phi Delta Theta
  - Senator Franz shared about an event on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, education program is having a mocktail night, you have to RSVP to Meghan Olsen or Arisa Ortiz
  - Senator Smith shared that her, Azwad, and Joel are going to the first MIAA SGA Conference the next day in Kansas City and told everyone to be safe
  - Legislative Director Azwad shared if you are into Scottish music the Sauder Alumni Center is hosting an event on Sunday, March 10, and it will be fun and is at 3:00PM
  - Senator Noor shared that the Bonner and Bonner Lecture is after Senate at 7:00PM in Albert Taylor Hall
  - President Dawson shared that Breaking Barriers will be approaching on Saturday, April 6, 2024, from 9:00AM-2:30PM and if you would like to attend, please register! Also spoke about the keynote speakers and other presenters at the conference. She spoke about scholarship opportunities through Breaking Barriers for those interested in IT, and an undergraduate student
  - Senator Franz shared that the Frist Friday ArtWalk on April 5<sup>th</sup> is going to feature some ESU organizations on the lawn in Kellogg Circle and that his fraternity is doing a fundraiser softball tournament on April 20<sup>th</sup>, which is a Saturday. It is a ten-person team minimum, with two people of the opposite gender, no matter the gender, it just has to be diverse. There are also options to donate and buy raffle tickets
- Motion to close the Good of the University was made by Senator Noor and seconded by Senator Smith

#### FINAL ROLL CALL

• There were 17 Senators present for the final roll.

#### ADJOURNMENT

- Senator Davis moved to adjourn at 6:03PM until March 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:15PM in the Senate Chambers. Senator Smith seconded.
  - $\circ$  Motion passed 17-0-0.

Respectfully submitted by \_Kellee Banks\_, Vice-President Pro-Tempore