



Emporia State University
Associated Student Government
Student Senate
Meeting Minutes
April 4th, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

- There were 15 Senators present for roll call.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Senator Mosher moved to approve the minutes. Senator Glidewell seconded.
 - Motion passed 15-0-0.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS

- Senator Lance moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator Rojas seconded.
- Updates:
 - EOF application is open! And closes by April 12th
 - Breaking Barriers is this Saturday, I encourage you to register.
- Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

VICE PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS

- Read the weekly email and remember to nominate your peers for ASG awards.
- *March Senator of the Month: This month we congratulate 3 Senators!*
 - Senator Franz
 - Senator Lesso
 - Senator Banks

FACULTY SENATE REMARKS

- April 30th is our next meeting; you are welcome to attend.
- Important part of the policy we talked about last week: training, if that legislation is signed, we are required to do better training
 - Question Mosher: How will that affect courses, as today I don't even have access to Canva?
 - Response: We will create a new canvas position to have access, so you can see documents but not private information.

GUEST REMARKS

- Senator Lance moved to grant speaking privileges. Senator Valdez Saravia seconded.
- *Dr. Deborah Hann - Social Sciences, Sociology & Criminology Associate Professor*

- I am here as a representative of the academic affairs committee and Jorge is representing the committee on campus government
- We oversee reviewing academic appeals policy and dishonesty policy
- I want feedback from you, we want you input to these decisions
- Current process:
 - Academic appeals: for any student that has a problem
 - Academic dishonesty: only for F graded student
- We have considered a campus reorganization, we want to create only one committee that oversees both of those processes, moving dishonesty under academic appeals
- Deborah presented their suggestion about how to revise and reorganize that process (chart), and asked for feedback about this process
- Discussion:
 - President Dawson: is there currently a neutral person in the process?
 - Not currently, there is not a mediator.
 - Senator Franz: What happens for online courses, like when professors stop responding?
 - That doesn't fall into academic appeals, that would be a communication problem. Academic appeals are more about when a policy has been violated.
 - Senator Kimble: who would decide the neutral person in the process?
 - It will probably be the Dean making that decision.
 - Legislative Director: I wonder about the use of AI and dishonesty policy?
 - We have had brief discussions; we are starting to talk about it. We realized that we are not qualified enough, so we are creating with a broader committee with people from IT to make a draft of that statement.
 - President Dawson: I am concern about the Dean deciding and not a neutral, because it is still a power figure making that decision... maybe it could be people that are not into the faculty, or maybe a rotating group of people?
 - A couple professors suggested that also students could be a good idea
 - Senator Kimble: maybe a list of people and the student can "pick" who they want to be their mediator?
 - Great idea, but we will have to figure it out how to cover the grey areas like picking people who are not expert in the specific issue. But I will keep thinking about that idea, thank you!

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Fiscal Affairs – Senator Lesso
 - We have been working on increasing the budgets for allocations
 - Bill is in review, hopefully ready for next senate meeting.
- Senate Operations – Senator Mosher

- Re-registration is open, recommends your RSOs and submits service hours!
- Campus and Community Relations – Senator Rojas
 - Basically, working with DEI in Campus walk – sign up if you haven't.
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Senator Yaseen
 - Also working on the safety walk
 - We've been working on a proposal to increase access on campus, last week the proposal got approved. We are excited

CABINET REPORTS

- Chief of Staff – Prono
 - Thank you for all your work.
 - Reminder about completing your office hours and sending minutes of the committees' meetings.
- Business Affairs Director – Okonkwo
 - Update on Love your Campus Mini grants review this week. We will decide by next week's end.
- Election Commissioner – Tate
 - Elections are over
 - We have two candidates interested on joining
 - Ruffle for the Air Pods done!
- Social Chair
 - Craft night next Monday!
- Legislative Director – Arif
 - Thank you, committees, for all the work!

FIRST READINGS

- SB 24021 A Bill concerning the change in name of Student Ambassadors to Student Alumni Board
 - Originator: MaryAnne McNeal
 - Sponsor: Senator Farnsworth
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-0
- SR 24022: A Bill concerning the recognition of the Clarinet Choir
 - Originator: Bailey Stines
 - Sponsor: Senator Glidewell
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-0
- SR 24039: A Resolution recognizing the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee's completion of a mandated DEI training.
 - Originator: Hibah Yaseen, DEI Committee

- Sponsor: Senator Banks
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-2
 - Senator Banks moved to drop the bill to General Order. Senator Hovious seconded.
 - Motion passes 17-0-0

- SR 24041: A Resolution recognizing worldwide humanitarian crises
 - Originator: Kellee Banks, Anna Hovious, Hibah Yaseen, DEI
 - Sponsor: Senator Banks
 - Committee Vote: 5-0-1
 - Senator Banks moved to drop the bill to General Order. Senator Mosher seconded.
 - Motion passes 17-0-0

- SR 24042: A Resolution recognizing Lindsay Bays as an Advisor for the Associated Student Government.
 - Originator: President Dawson
 - Sponsor: Senator Glidewell
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-0

- SR 24043: A Resolution recognizing the addition of Faculty Senate to senate meeting reports
 - Originator: President Dawson & Vice President Viorel
 - Sponsor: Senator Farnsworth
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-0
 - Senator Farnsworth moved to drop the bill to General Order. Senator Yaseen seconded.
 - Motion passes 17-0-0

- SR 24044: A Resolution recognizing S'mores with the Staff as a Campus and Community Relations event.
 - Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee
 - Sponsor: Senator Rojas
 - Committee Vote: 5-0-1
 - Senator Rojas moved to drop the bill in the General Order. Senator McDonald seconded.
 - Motion passes 17-0-0

- SR 24045: A Resolution recognizing Cake and Cards for Employees as a Campus and Community Relations event.
 - Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee
 - Sponsor: Senator McDonald
 - Committee Vote: 5-0-1
 - Senator McDonald moved to drop the bill to General Order. Senator Kimble seconded.
 - Motion passes 17-0-0

- SR 24046: A resolution recognizing G.A.M.M.A as the fifth RSO Spotlight for the 110th Session
 - Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee
 - Sponsor: Senator Lance
 - Committee Vote: 6-0-0
 - Senator Lance moved to drop the bill to General Order. Senator Smith seconded.
 - Motion passes 17-0-0
- SR 24047: A resolution recognizing Emporia Young Democrats as the sixth RSO Spotlight for the 110th Session
 - Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee
 - Sponsor: Senator Smith
 - Committee Vote: 6-0-0
 - Senator Smith moved to drop the bill to General Order. Senator Rojas seconded.
 - Motion passes 17-0-0

GENERAL ORDER

- SR 24039: A Resolution recognizing the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee's completion of a mandated DEI training.
 - Originator: Hibah Yaseen, DEI Committee
 - Sponsor: Senator Banks
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-2
 - Senator Banks moved to pass the resolution favorably. Senator Valdez Saravia seconded.
 - No discussion.
 - Senator Noor moved to pass to question. Senator Hovious seconded
 - Passed 17-0-0
- SR 24041: A Resolution recognizing worldwide humanitarian crises
 - Originator: Kellee Banks, Anna Hovious, Hibah Yaseen, DEI
 - Sponsor: Senator Banks
 - Committee Vote: 5-0-1
 - Senator Banks moved to pass the resolution favorably. Senator Kimble seconded.
 - Discussion:
 - Senator Yaseen: Thanks to Kellee, Anna and Kimyia who worked on this resolution. We decided to write this because it is our responsibility to have these tough conversations, and to do research about what is happening around us. These are human rights concerns. We have distributed guidebooks about the topic, and we encourage you to inform yourself and others about it.
 - Senator Noor: It is important to educate yourself; we are lucky to be seated here. Don't take just the headlines, we have the power of telling people, raising awareness about this. I encourage you to make yourself more aware of all these decisions.
 - Senator Banks: I just want to say that genocide will never be okey, no matter politics, religion of faith. No one deserves to be killed.

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- Senator Mosher moved to call the resolution to question. Senator Banks seconded.
 - Passed 17-0-0

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 - Originator: President Dawson & Vice President Viorel
 - Sponsor: Senator Farnsworth
 - Committee Vote: 4-0-0
 - Senator Farnsworth moved to pass the resolution favorably. Senator McDonald seconded.
 - No discussion
 - Senator Rojas moved to call the resolution to question. Senator Yaseen seconded.
 - Passed 17-0-0

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 - Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee
 - Sponsor: Senator Rojas
 - Committee Vote: 5-0-1
 - Senator Rojas moved to pass the resolution favorably. Senator Lance seconded.
 - No discussion
 - Senator Rojas moved to call the resolution to question. Senator Lance seconded.
 - Passed 17-0-0

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 - Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee
 - Sponsor: Senator McDonald
 - Committee Vote: 5-0-1
 - Senator McDonald moved to pass the resolution favorably. Senator Lance seconded.
 - Discussion
 - President Dawson: thank you to CCR for hosting these events, I appreciate it.
 - Senator McDonald moved to call the resolution to question. Senator Mosher seconded.
 - Passed 17-0-0

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 - Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee.
 - Sponsor: Senator Lance
 - Committee Vote: 6-0-0
 - Senator Lance moved to pass the resolution favorably. Senator Smith seconded.
 - No discussion

- Senator Rojas moved to call the resolution to question. Senator Valdez Saravia seconded.
 - Passed 17-0-0
- SR 24047: A resolution recognizing Emporia Young Democrats as the sixth RSO Spotlight for the 110th Session
 - Originator: Campus and Community Relations Committee
 - Sponsor: Senator Smith
 - Committee Vote: 6-0-0
 - Senator Smith moved to pass the resolution favorably. Senator Lance seconded.
 - No discussion
 - Senator Kimble moved to call the resolution to question. Senator Smith seconded.
 - Passed 17-0-0

THIRD READINGS

- SB 24039: A Resolution recognizing the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee's completion of a mandated DEI training.
 - Passed 17-0-0
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 - Passed 17-0-0
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 - Passed 17-0-0
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 - Passed 17-0-0

GOOD OF THE UNIVERSITY

- Motion to open Good of the University was made by Senator Lance and seconded by Senator Valdez Saravia.
 - Senator Kimble:
 - I work at Emporia MainStreet, we have nominated as Top Ten Main Street in the world– vote for us!
 - In one of my classes, we are rising awareness about community safety and lighting issues, we have a petition if you want to sing up
 - Senator Mosher:

- Ki Omega is doing several events from April 11th to 13th
- Senator Franz
 - Event coming up: softball charity tournament – Flyers all around campus, sign up! We also will have a ruffle; we will be tabling in the next days and during the event
- Senator Smith:
 - This Saturday we will have Tri Sigma Yard Sale
 - 28th Suicide prevention walk.
- President Dawson
 - Exciting news, in this room we have 4 Sheperd College Scholarship winners! Viorel, McDonald, Hovious and Noor Congratulations to all of you
 - We have 105 books of our Breaking Barriers Keynote speaker at my office, you should come and get it.
 - Pride RSO is hosting a “pride month” with many activities
- Legislation Director
 - This week we have breaking barriers
 - Volunteering thing Riparian Restauration: April 20th, May 11th, and May 31st.
- Vice President Viorel
 - Saturday: Breaking Barrier
 - Monday: Social Event on
 - Thursday: Campus & Clean up + Campus Safety & Accessibility Walk
 - ASG Gala, please RSVP
- Motion to close the Good of the University was made by Senator Noor and seconded by Senator Kimble.

FINAL ROLL CALL

- There were 17 Senators present for the final roll.

ADJOURNMENT

- Senator Lance moved to adjourn at 5:15 pm until April 4th at 6:55 pm in the Senate Chambers. Senator Yaseen seconded.
 - Motion passed 17-0-0.

Respectfully submitted by Constanza Prono, Chief of Staff