

Senate Meeting Minutes October 30th, 2023

I. Call to Order Matt Matthews

Meeting called to order at 5:05 P.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance Aidan Hidalgo III. Moment of Reflection Kyle Hidalgo

IV. Roll Call Victoria Verberne Senator Bryce Gaudin Senator Victoria Verberne Senator Bailey Milburn Senator Sabrae Nasset Senator Levi Spiers Senator Zoe Jackson Senator David Fender Senator Zachary Poche Senator Alex Soule Senator Alejandra Weir Senator Autumn Smedley Senator Aidan Hidalgo Senator Brooke Richards Senator Kamryn Lebourgeois Senator Kyle Hidalgo Senator Abigail Wilson Senator Abigail Cloud Senator Adam Sawyer Senator Alexus Mcgehee

Senator Ethan Savario Senator Jade Dimartino

19/21 Senators present, quorum has been met.

V. Approval of Minutes Matt Matthews

Minutes stand approved.

VI. Reports

A. SGA President: Lacey Johnson

Polos and graduation cords are ordered. Don't forget about the investiture being mandatory.

B. SGA Chief Justice: Aaliyah Muhammad

Free speech alley was last Wednesday. We had a nice time. It was very successful and big. My associate chief justice excelled. Thank you to those to came for your help.

C. SGA Advisor Dr. Taneshia Drake

Celebration of lights is coming up. We are planning for spring events, such as Big Event and our retreat for this semester. We only have a few weeks left and this is when things get crazy, so remember that you all are students first and SGA second so take care of yourselves.

D. Internal Affairs Chair Bailey Milburn

We had a hearing for a justice. The trial will be held during senate a bit later. Tonight's meeting will be important so please stay if you can.

E. Appropriations Chair Levi Spiers

No report.

F. Student Life Chair Lucien Nasset

We have the free period products in bathrooms now and have seen use that is encouraging that this is a good initiative.

G. Celebration of the Lights Khamri Alexander (Given by Vice President Matthews)

Celebration of lights report:

We have a good idea of the activities that we will try to have there. Right now, we're just coming up with lists of items and putting lists together of everything we need. We have to advertise this event really well because it's on a Thursday evening, and it's right before exams. We want there to be a good student attendance, so in order to accomplish that, we need to be promoting this event heavy! We need to get started on that asap because the event is exactly a month away! It's gonna be super cute and I'm super excited. We will be tabling that Monday through Wednesday from 11-2 as well, if anyone is available or wants to help with that. If you know of any organizations that may want to be a part of celebration of lights, please let us know!! If you have any ideas or want to help on the committee, we meet Tuesdays at 2 in the SLGA office. Anyone is welcome to come!

H. Financial Affairs Austin O'Brien

Two departmental grants were passed last week. We now have around \$32,000 in our grants budget. We also have about \$72,000 in the direct budget. Capital outlay met last Friday and we did not pass anything, but we are meeting again soon and I will get back to you on what we go over there.

I. Senate Chair Matt Matthews

We have 1 education, 1 business, 1 science and technology, 1 senator at large, 1 arts and humanities, and no more freshman senator seats available. Celebration of lights is coming along.

VII. Programs

A. Question of the day Victoria Verbrane

How do you make a motion? ("I move to...")

Senator Fender answers the question correctly.

B. Legislative Language Pt. 2 Matt Matthews

Vice president Matthews explains the correct terminology for how to make a motion.

VIII. Judicial Proceedings Aaliyah Muhammad

When we have the meeting, I am going to make sure nothing is done unfairly and that everyone makes informed decisions. I plan on having the person introduce themselves and bring up the charges.

Senator Milburn: This is very vague in the bylaws. There is nothing saying he needed to be here for trial, just for the hearing that we had last week.

Chief Justice Muhammad: I would like to have the person here in order to speak for themselves and to allow for questions to be asked. I would then like him to leave for everyone to decide and then give him an email on the decision. I would like this to be the same as what occurred in Internal Affairs last week but now in front of the Senate.

Senator Fender: I move to table the impeachment trial for Anthony Garner.

Senator Milburn: I second.

A. Impeachment trial of Justice Anthony Garner

Tabled.

IX. New Business

A. A bill to amend to the Student Government Association Bylaws Title III: Legislative Branch Clause IV: Legislation, Add subsection 2.5 Referred to Internal Affairs.

X. Old Business

A. No new business

XI. Announcements and Remarks

Mr. and Mrs. Wainwright are going to pass out candy tomorrow from 5:30-7:00. Would anyone like to go pass out candy with them? If so, let me know.

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:24 P.M.