



Senate Meeting Agenda
November 21, 2022

I. Call to Order Matthew Hayes

Called to order at 5:04 PM

II. Pledge of Allegiance Ben Byers

III. Invocation NaTaviya Owens

IV. Roll Call Landen Hinrichs

Sen. Aaliyah Smith

Sen. Alex Soule Here

Sen. Aliyah Henderson Here

Sen. Bailey Milburnn Here

Sen. Benjamin Byers here

Sen. Bianca Domino Here

Sen. Elizabeth Fontenot here

Sen. Jaclyn Pichon-Ciavarella here

Sen. Kenneth Woods here

Sen. Landen Hinrichs Here

Sen. Matt Matthews Here

Sen. Nataviya Owens Here

Sen. Sierra Lewis

Sen. Alaina Apple

V. Approval of Minutes Joshua Freeman

VI. Question of the day Landen Hinrichs

VII. Reports

A. SGA President Baileigh Picou

B. SGA Chief Justice Michala Torres

C. SGA Advisor Brendan Daigle

Talked about meeting with the accessibility office and services that can be offered moving forward, also talked to housing about providing resources for emergency housing and looking into speaking with the community for resources to help.

D. Internal Affairs Chair Bailey Milburn

Last meeting was mostly bylaw changes, went over 4 bill that were last semester, also went over a appointee bill for a Victoria Verbiene which was referred to by the senate.

E. Appropriations Chair Landen Hinrichs

Last meeting we had a ton of bills to go over. One of those was bill FA22-36, which is a bill to preserve friendship Oak. Which is very important. One of the bills was a latina travel grant for the ladies to go to Harvard. We also had a bill from SGA VP Freeman, which was for the Student Leadership Conference for Kinsesiology.

F. Student Life Chair Matt Matthews

Going over the town hall and making free speech alley more of town hall and changing the setting of town hall, cookies and concerns is a possible name. Talked more about the December social which includes white elephant and pj social.

G. Senate Chair Matthew Hayes

Nothing new to report on.

VIII. Old Business

A. FA22-36 A Capital Outlay Bill to Sponsor the Friendship Oak Preservation Project

Carlos Doolittle spoke about the capital outlay bill which is funding the markers for the preservation project that will tell the story of friendship circle, in which most of the work will be done during winter break. Big takeaways are that the sidewalks will be moved and that foot traffic will be reduced underneath the tree due to damage to the roots. Senator Fontenot asked about the markers price in which Carlos answered that the outlay bill will only be paying for the markers. Senator Milburne made the motion to adopt bill which was seconded by Senator Matthews, the motion is passed and the bill was voted on and adopted

B. FA22-38 A Travel Grant For Tau Kappa Epsilon To Attend The 2023 Regional Leadership Conference

This Bill will be tabled

C. FA22-39 A Travel Grant For The International Student Union To Attend The 2023 Latina Empowerment And Development Conference

Kathery Esquedal spoke on this and let us know that the importance of this is for expansion of networking opportunities and knowledge from many successful latinias from all over the country. Leaders will be building leaders and the funds requested will be going to the housing, that way more can attend with more representation. The motion to vote on the bill was made by Senator Domino, seconded by Senator Woods, motion was passed and the bill was voted on and adopted.

D. FA22-40 A Travel Grant For The Association Of Latin American Students To Attend The 2023 Latina Empowerment And Development Conference

Sophia Santan spoke on this, which is the same conference which was spoken about in the bill before, in which the same thing was reiterated on what Kathery said. Senator Woods motioned and was seconded by Senator Soule and motion passed, bill was voted on and adopted.

E. FA22-41 A Travel Grant For The Southeastern Spanish Club To Attend The 2023 Latina Empowerment And Development Conference

Kathery Esqueda spoke on this and let us know that the importance of this is for expansion of networking opportunities and knowledge from many successful latinias from all over the country. Leaders will be building leaders and the funds requested will be going to the housing, that way more can attend with more representation. The motion to vote on the bill was made by Senator Matthews , seconded by Senator Byers, motion was passed and the bill was voted on and adopted.

F. FA22-42 A Travel Grant For Department Of Kinesiology And Health Studies To Attend The 2023 Sport And Recreation Law Association Conference

Joshua Freeman came to speak on this bill and let us know about the opportunity to attend this conference in Las Vegas, in which is directed towards the legal topics of sports such as lawsuits, legislation and recreation use such as parks which are covered at this conference. He was able to do a poster presentation when he went as an undergraduate and is looking forward to bringing more undergraduate students to get the same experience, in which most of the attendees at this conference are masters and doctoral students. Senator Fontenot makes the motion to vote, this is seconded by Senator Milburn, motion was passed the bill was voted on and adopted with one abstaining.

G. FA22-43 A Organizational Grant For Women In Business To Host Back To School Social Event

This bill will be tabled due to no applicant

H. FA22-44 A Finance Bill To Sponsor SGA Scholarship For Student Advancement

Baliegh Picou spoke on the scholarship, which was one that has been in the works for quite some time and had been brought up once but needed things to be fixed and met with OSA and Title 9 to workout the kinks in the scholarship This is going to come from the assistantship fund in which will help students who meet a needs criteria that the scholarship offers. We looked at the breakdown of how much will be used in a semester and also the rubric on figuring out who gets the money and how much. This is a big thing because of the positive change it can have on the applicant according to Baliegh and she mentioned that whoever has the higher rubric score, this will increase the amount of scholarship received and compared this grading process to how it is used in the study abroad selection process. Motion made by Senator Byers made the motion to vote on the bill, this was seconded by Senator Domino. Motion passed and bill was voted on and adopted.

I. FA22-45 A Bill To Appoint Victoria Verberne To The Student Government Association As A Senator For The College Of Nursing And Health Sciences

Victoria Verbene spoke to the senate and told why she was interested in SGA and why it would be a good fit. She is a Junior Kinesiology major and has been looking for a way to get involved with the school and wanted to get involved with SGA to make a difference and

had been reached out to by Vice President Freeman in which she realized that this should be the organization that she should take part in and fit in well too. Senator Hayes made a boo boo and exited the meeting but then we returned to the meeting. Victoria continued by saying that this would be something she would enjoy doing and would love to help the school with. Motion made by Senator Domino and seconded by Senator Woods, motion passed and bill was voted on and adopted.

IX. New Business

A. FA22-46 A Bill to Appoint Thais Lindemayer Gomes to the Student Government Association as Co-Director of Communications and Marketing

There are no objections to this and will be referred to the internal affairs committee

B. FA22-47 A Bill to Appoint Brenna Stamper to the Student Government Association as Director of Financial Affairs

There are no objections to this and will be referred to the internal affairs committee

C. FA22-48 A Bill to Appoint KeRon Jackson to the Student Government Association as Student Advisor to the Student Government Association

There are no objections to this and will be referred to the internal affairs committee

X. Announcements and Remarks

Senator Milburn mentioned that Internal Affairs needs new members now that Thais is part of the executive branch.

Senator Woods mentioned that the school choir will be performing on the 3rd of December

Senator Pro temp Hayes thanked the senate and showed his appreciation

XI. Adjournment

6:03