



SGA Senate

27 April 2023

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. MOMENT OF SILENCE
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- V. PASSING OF AGENDA
 - Agenda passes.
- VI. PASSING OF MINUTES
- VII. SPECIAL BUSINESS
 - Appointment of open positions.
 - Madame President explains the process of being appointed into the open positions.
 - Madame President appoints Senator Reese as Pro-Tempore.
 - Vote passes for Senator Reese as Pro-Tempore.
 - Madame President recommends Senator Wilder as Chief of Staff.
 - Vote passes for Senator Wilder for Chief of Staff.
 - Madame President recommends Michael Gilliland as Historian.
 - Vote passes for Michael Gilliland for historian.
 - Madame President recommends Nicole Ballenger as DIA.
 - Vote Passes for Nicole Ballenger as DIA.
 - Madame President recommended Abigail Kusz for Freshman Forum Advisor.
 - Vote passes for Abigail Kusz for Freshman Forum Advisor.
 - Madame President recommends Emma Holbrook for a general seat for Senate.
 - Vote passes for Emma Holbrook for a general seat.
 - Madame President recommends Kerigan Mardis for the second general seat for Senate.
 - Vote passes for Kerigan Mardis for the second open seat.
 - Madame President recommends for Senator McGinnis for Budget Oversight Chair.
 - Vote passes for Senator McGinnis for Budget Oversight Chair.
 - Madame President recommends Senator Ledlow for Student Welfare Chair.
 - Vote passes for Senator Ledlow for Student Welfare Chair.
 - Madame President recommends Senator Crawford for Elections and Recruitment Chair.
 - Vote passes for Senator Crawford for Elections and Recruitment Chair.
 - Madame President recommends Senator Holbrook for Academic Affairs Chair.
 - Vote Passes for Senator Holbrook for Academic Affairs Chair.
 - Madame President recommends Senator Mardis for Legislative Affairs Chair.
 - Vote passes for Senator Mardis for Legislative Affairs Chair.
 - Madame President recommends Sarah Lewis for Communications Director.
 - Vote passes for Sarah Lewis for Communications Director.
 - Swearing in of the newly appointed positions and senators by Chief Justice Statom.

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VIII.

STUDENT FORUM

-Justice Franklin congratulated the newly sworn in Senate.

IX.

OFFICER REPORTS

- Madame President
 - Briefly explained shared governance committees
- Madame Vice President
 - Excited to work with the senate
- Madame Treasurer
 - Excited to work with senate
- Madame Secretary
 - No report

X.

SHARED GOVERNANCE

XI.

OLD BUSINESS

XII.

NEW BUSINESS

- Appointments to shared governance committees.
 - Madame President invited Dr. Tammy to discuss shared governance committees.
 - Dr. Tammy explained shared governance committees as the students partnering with the faculty to help the campus improve for the student body using surveys, focus studies, etc. Senate's job is to be the students' voice to evaluate issues and look for improvements.
 - Historian Gilliland expressed interest in Academic Affairs.
 - Senator Purinton and Senator Driver explained why they wanted to serve for the spot on the Athletics shared governance committee.
 - Majority vote for Senator Driver for the spot on the Athletics shared governance committee.
 - Senator Reese expressed interest in Infrastructure shared governance committee.
 - Justice Franklin, Chairwoman Holbrook, and Chairwoman Crawford explained why they wanted to serve for the two spots on the Food Services shared governance committee.
 - Majority votes for Justice Franklin and Chairwoman Crawford for the two spots on the Food Services shared governance committee.
 - Treasurer Batchelor expressed interest in IPO shared governance committee unopposed.
 - Senator Deamues expressed interest in Multicultural Advisory shared governance committee unopposed.
 - Pro-Tempore Reese explained the Parking and Traffic shared governance committee.
 - Senator Purinton, Chairwoman Mardis, and Chairwoman Holbrook expressed interest and filled the three spots.
 - Pro-Tempore Reese and Senator Rhoades expressed interest in the Safety and Emergency Preparedness shared committee spot.
 - Majority vote for Pro-Tempore Reese.
 - Senator Scott and Senator Hewell expressed interest for the Strategic Planning and Budget Study shared governance committee.
 - Majority vote for Senator Scott.
 - Senator McGinnis expressed interest for the technologies advisory shared governance committee and ran unopposed.
 - Chief of Staff Wilder, DIA Ballenger., and Madame Vice President expressed interest in the two spots for the Undergraduate Readmissions shared governance committee spots.
 - Majority votes for Chief of Staff Wilder and Madame Vice President.
 - Pro-Tempore Reese explains the shared governance committee spot.

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- Historian Gilliland and Senator Hewell expressed interest in the Undergraduate Curriculum shared governance committee.
- Majority vote for Senator Hewell.
- Justice Franklin expressed interest in the Presidential Mentors Academy shared governance committee spots. They ran unopposed.
- Senator Deamues and Freshman Forum Advisor Kuzs expressed interest in the Commencement shared governance committee. They ran unopposed.
- Student activity fee increase resolution.
 - A resolution presented by Pro-Tempore Reese and Senator Deamues. The resolution would raise the student activity fee which would allow more funding for certain RSOs on campus. Concerns for inflation were raised which is another reason for this resolution that would be beneficial in raised funding.
 - Madame President informed the process of the resolution getting approved beyond the passing in Senate.
 - Madame President and Pro-Tempore Reese explained the increase in enrollment and why an increase in funding would be relevant in keeping up with the enrollment growth.
 - Pro-Temp Reese explained the impacts that the increase in funding would have for the RSOs and relayed that the increase in tuition would be small.
 - Discussion over the effects of the increase of tuition and why the funding would be increased in increments to not increase tuition a lot all at once.
 - inquiries over different theories or substitutionary amounts.
 - Dr. Tammy relayed information on the Board of Trustees and how the resolution could or could not get passed through them.
 - Madame President explained why they decided on the increase to \$68 which occurred from looking at other schools as well as the appearance selling \$68 rather than the even \$70.
 - Dr. Tammy offered a perspective of the net gain from the student activity fee and all that is obtained from the fee.
 - Madame Vice President relayed that if the fee was to be raised to \$70, we need to make sure there is a use for that \$2.
 - Madame President and Pro-Tempore Reese emphasized before increasing it, it needs to be approved by the Board of Trustees first and that the fee can be advocated for more later.
 - The resolution passes through a majority vote.
- Bill
 - Senator Driver presents a bill that would allow the bills and resolutions to either be presented as paper copies or by shown on a projector to save paper.
 - Pro Tempore Reese relayed that most bills and resolutions get thrown away.
 - Bill was passed.

XIII. OPEN DISCUSSION

- Retreat
 - Madame Vice President explains that the SGA retreat will have a set date of August 11th-13th.
 - Inquiry for Greek Life Spirit Weeks brought up.
 - Times and location are not currently set.
 - Costs covered by SGA.

XIV. ADVISOR'S REPORT

- XV. -Dr. Tammy commends the newly appointed and sworn in Senate. She also emphasized the importance of debate and conversation during discussion.

XVI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- No announcements

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XVII. PEP

- Pep to the senators and officers sworn in
- Pep to Senator Driver for his bill
- Pep to Pro Temp Reese and Senator Deamues for their resolution
- Pep to Madame Vice President for her meeting she led.
- Senator Driver moved to move out of pep. Motion passed.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

- Madame Vice President motioned to adjourn. Motion passed.