

Senate Meetings 3/26/09

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:27 p.m.

II. Roll Call

- a. Anthony Baron
- b. Alex Benestelli
- c. Ted Bickish
- d. Shani Foster – Matt W.B. proxy
- e. Anna Friars
- f. Derrick Goff
- g. Kristin Hagan
- h. Dan Halbstein
- i. Jim Hopkins
- j. Shane Magargal
- k. Patrice Malone
- l. Meredyth Morrison
- m. Samantha Scully
- n. Dena Sweeney – Joshua Hemmings proxy
- o. Julianne Zervopoulos

III. Approval of Agenda

Senator Benestelli moved to approve the agenda.

Seconded.

The agenda was approved.

IV. Proposal of Senator(s)

Katie Matheson spoke to the Senate as to why she wanted to be on Senate. She has seen issues that need to be fixed. There are specific things that she has in mind to at least start talking about and is interested in being in better contact with administration and SGA.

The floor was open to questions within the senate.

Questions were asked of the proposed senator by Senators Baron, Benestelli, Magargal, Friars, Goff and Halbstein.

Senator Benestelli moved to close discussion.

Seconded.

The motion was approved.

Ms. Matheson exited the room for the senate to discuss the proposed senator.

Discussion occurred within the senate.

Senator Baron moved to approve the proposed senator.

Seconded.

The motion was approved.
Katie Matheson was approved as a new senator.

V. Approval of Minutes

The minutes for February 26 and March 5th were approved as amended.

VI. Reports

i. President's Report

President LaBoy gave his report

The SFB constitution is actually ratified. The SFB is continuing their amending of the constitution which should be coming to this body soon. Met with Jamie O'Hara and Mike Recca and Anne Sears about getting a new sign in front of the school. Pres. Rozanski has expressed his support of this. What it's going to look like is very central to this project. He's been charge to put an executive committee for a discovery group.

ii. Vice President's Report

Vice President Godfrey gave her report.

Vice President Godfrey asked the senators to RSVP to Dave Keenan by this Friday for AICUNJ. AICUNJ begins at 9 am at Lawrenceville next Wednesday and ends at 2:00 p.m. Dean Annis will be coming to senate next Thursday and will be hosting dinner after the meeting. She met with Scott Hoerl with regards to the Conservatory. She will be getting in contact with Jane Ferrick and the Resident Directors.

iii. Speaker of the Senate's Report

Speaker Magargal gave his report.

Speaker Magargal asked the senate to start thinking about next year. There is going to be a need for experienced senators for next year. Please keep in mind that your experience is absolutely invaluable to SGA.

iv. Constitution and Bylaws Committee

Senator Benestelli gave a report on behalf of the committee.

v. Elections Committee

Miss Mendezona gave a report with regards to the upcoming elections.

VII. New Business

i. Written Report Bill

Vice President Godfrey read the proposed bill.

Senator Benestelli had three minutes to speak on behalf of the bill. The bill would require the reports to be written out to aid in efficiency.

The floor was open up to discussion for ten minutes.

Halbstein proposed an amendment in Section 3 part I to submit “electronic copies” to the secretary.

Seconded

Discussion occurred.

Senator Baron moved to reject any amendments that are currently on the floor.

Seconded.

The motion was approved.

Vice President Godfrey extended the discussion for ten minutes.

Halbstein moved to propose an amendment for section 3 no. 1 to read, “to first submit an electronic copy to the secretary”.

Seconded.

Call for discussion.

Magargal called the question.

Call to vote.

The nays had it. The motion was rejected.

Goff moved to amend section 3 no. 1 to read “to first submit them in writing to the secretary, preferably electronically.”

Seconded.

Call for discussion.

Call to Vote.

The motion was approved.

Benestelli moved to adopt the bill.

Seconded.

The bill was adopted.

VIII. For the good of the Order

Approved 3/2/09

Senator Hagan received an email from a constituent with regard to the parking issue. They are trying to set up a meeting with the head of public safety about this.

Vice President Godfrey will be inviting Vikki Weaver to come before the senate or the executive board.

President LaBoy asked the senators to relay to their constituents that the facebook group of parking on the Great Plains could be more damaging to the student.

Senator Baron asked about Relay for Life.

Vice President Godfrey reported that Relay for Life is happening this weekend.

President LaBoy reported that it starts at 4:00 p.m. And students can register on-site. There is an SGA team for both campuses.

Senator Baron inquired about the Student Activities Fund, if they are going to be raised or not.

Vice President Godfrey replied that there would not be any raise for the next year.

Senator Baron moved to request that Jamie O'Hara and Dean Campbell present themselves sometime before the end of spring semester to discuss tuition and fees.

Seconded.

The ayes had it; the motion was approved.

Vice President Godfrey extended the meeting for 5 minutes.

Senator Goff mentioned the possibility of changes to the source. He asked Senator Halbstein as his senator of how the Lawrenceville legislation was taking affect and changing the code of conduct affect the legislation so to come.

Senator Halbstein provided Senator Goff with specifics of the changes.

Senator Benestelli asked to clarify if the source will specify the different rules for each campus.

Senator Friars replied to Senator Benestelli's question. There will be one designated area in the back of Talbott library. It will be well lit and they are hoping to get a gazebo.

Senator Goff motioned to adjourn.

Seconded.

The motion was approved.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.