

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES-REVISED
5th Meeting, 77th Session
5:00 P.M., Thursday, October 18, 2007
MU Heritage, Memorial Union

I. Call to Order

Vice President Hadley called the fifth meeting of the seventy-seventh session of the Associated Student Government to order at 5:01 P.M.

II. Roll Call

Present: Blaufuss, Boczek, Deaton, Fitzsimmons, Foster, Hadley, Irby, Jordan, Kuhlmann, Lane, McGinnis, McHenry, Miller, Padgett, Parker, Rivers, Sadler, Schulte, Smarsh, Smith, Southard, Youngers

Excused: Darling

Absent: Meyerhoff

III. Approval of Minutes

Senator McGinnis moved to approve the minutes as read, and it was seconded by Senator McHenry and passed favorably 22-0-0.

IV. Presidential Remarks

President George said she was happy to present Aaron Newton an Undeclared Student to be accepted to the Senate. Vice President Hadley asked to entertain a motion for acceptance. Senator McHenry moved to approve Aaron Newton, and it was seconded by Senator Padgett. The acceptance of Aaron Newton to the Senate was voted on and passed favorably 22-0-0. Mary Shively recited the oath of office. Aaron Newton repeated the oath recited by Mary Shively. Everyone then stood and congratulated Senator Newton. President George reminded all Senators that they are representing the ESU Student Body and that they should have fun during Homecoming and the rest of the year, but asked Senators to please remember to act appropriately. She then read an inspirational passage from "The Power of Eagles" and related the passage to Senators stepping out of their bubble and representing ASG positively during Homecoming and midterms. As an organization ASG does more than just pass legislation, ASG also sponsor events. President George encourages Senators to go to the parade, safety walk, and Ask a Politician. She then passed around two Thank You cards for Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Lane, and Jeff McCullough. President George then gave an update on the redoing of the Towers Complex stairs from the parking lot. She announced that the two side stairs will be left alone, but the center stairs may be redone along with fixing the ramps on either side of the parking lot and adding extra lighting. At the Student Advisory Committee they discussed an emergency response system using school wide text messages. President George and Legislative Director Krueger will be meeting with representatives from two-year institutions in November at the Board of Regents. They will be discussing the process of transferring credit hours and trying to answer any questions they may have.

V. Vice Presidential remarks

Vice President Hadley passed around a sign up sheet for those Senators who had not had a mid-semester interview. She asked that if none of the available times worked; for Senators to please talk with her. Vice President Hadley then

stressed the importance of logging office hours. She also asked that Senators follow decorum during meeting, and to pass notes if needed to ask a fellow Senator a question. This will help meetings run professionally and efficiently. She also encouraged all Senators to please look at the ASGA website and use it to your advantage. If Senators are having problems logging in; they should let Vice President Hadley know.

VI. Committee Reports

a. Fiscal Affairs - Senator McGinnis

Senator McGinnis announced that there is one new bill on first readings and two bills on general order. Her committee also has a very rough draft of the new line item in the finance policy, and they encourage Senators to look for that item on the next agenda. Senator McGinnis ended by reminding Senators to participate in the ASG Wars.

b. Senate Operations - Senator Schulte

Senator Schulte there was six RSO recognitions on the agenda and there should only be seven RSO's on the rescission list. Senator Schulte's committee will be looking at reassigning the seat distribution for Senate. She hopes to have a proposal for this reassignment by the end of the semester. She wanted to remind everyone that the Student Bill of Rights will be brought up soon and that there is only one SLIM and one Business seat open.

c. Student Rights and Special Projects - Senator Padgett

Senator Padgett congratulated the tricycle team on their awesome race. She was very excited for the Homecoming parade on Saturday October 20th. Senator Padgett encouraged all Senators to attend if they are able to. She also announced that the Campus Safety Committee will be meeting with SRSP on Monday October 22. Senator Padgett announced that there will be a table on Memorial Union Main Street on November 5-8 promoting Campus Safety and she passed around a sign-up sheet for Senators to help work the table. She also passed around an informational sheet about the parade with all the details. She passed around "wigs" for Senators participating in the parade as part of ASG and encouraged everyone to participate in the Homecoming activities.

d. University Affairs - Senator Meyerhoff

Senator Meyerhoff announced that Can the Bods is over. She stressed the importance that we helped people out even though we didn't win, and told Senate to be ready to start Can the Bods in April so ESU can win next year. Her committee is working on the ASG survey and hopes for it to go out before Fall Break.

Treasurer – Jessica Doll

Treasurer Doll announced that the reserve fund is sitting at \$5,997.45. She also encouraged Senators to contact RSOs about turning in their community service hours.

Executive Assistant - Ashley McCullough

Executive Assistant McCullough encouraged all Senators to sit in and help support the E-Zone at the Homecoming game. She also announced that there will be a blood drive on Monday October 22nd from 10-5 in Webb Lecture Hall, and Tuesday October 23rd from 12-6 at the First Christian Church on 202 East 12th Street. Sign up is in the Memorial Union Main Street October 17-19th from 10-2 for a reserved time to donate.

Legislative Director- Jonathan Krueger

Legislative Director Krueger started by stating that the past few weeks have been very busy, and during those times, we have accomplished much. For that, Legislative Director Krueger would like to thank Senators Meyerhoff and

Padgett as well as their committees for their work on Can the Bods and Homecoming week. These next few weeks will certainly keep the level of intensity up there. First, Ask A Politician has confirmed Representatives Don Hill, Peggy Mast, and Jerry Williams, as well as Senators Jim Barnett, Laura Kelly, Carolyn McGinn, and President of the Senate Stephen Morris. Finally Chair of the Board of Regents and former Senator Christine Downey-Schmidt and former Lt. Governor and Regent Gary Sherrer will round out the panel. These 9 members should provide a broad spectrum on political life. Legislative Director Krueger will have a table in the Union during the next two weeks on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays to inform people of the event and to gather questions. Advertising has gone out and the event is shaping together. Legislative Director Krueger would encourage all Senators to suggest that their RSO's attend the Meet 'n' Greet. Legislative Director Krueger will also have a brief together Monday for those who will be sitting at the table. Secondly, legislative initiatives were presented to the Board of Regents today and Emporia State is currently pursuing three initiatives. If you would like to learn more about those initiatives, feel free to contact Legislative Director Krueger. Lastly, Emporia State officials were able to meet with U.S. House Representative Jerry Moran during an alumni reunion held in Washington D.C.

President Pro-Tempore- Senator Schulte

Senator Schulte asked that reports be kept to a minimum, in exchange for Senators to please pay attention and not interrupt. She also stressed that the side talk is getting out of hand and encouraged notes to be passed between Senators with questions only about meeting. Senator Schulte asked that when Senators are done talking, that they specifically yield their time to who needs to answer the question. This will help keep conversations in track, and help meetings to be more efficient.

VII. First Readings

SB 08026 "Reserve Fund Request For Instructional Technology Student Association" was read in full by Senator Fitzsimmons.

VIII. General Order

SB 08017 "Recognition Of The Challenge" was summarized by Senator Deaton, moved to pass favorably, and Senator Miller seconded. Senator Padgett asked for representation in the gallery, and Anna Altweis responded. Senator Blaufuss moved to grant Anna Altweis speaking privileges and it was seconded by Senator Sadler. Senator Meyerhoff asked what The Challenge is and Anna explained the purpose and goal of The Challenge. Senator Schulte asked how many students are interested in joining and Anna said there were about twenty. Senator Blaufuss moved to call to question, and it was seconded by Senator McHenry. It was voted on and passed favorably 25-0-0. SB 08018 "Recognition Of The Rugby Club" was summarized by Senator Southard, moved to pass favorably, and Senator Boczek seconded. Senator Newton asked for representation in the gallery and Dr. Seimears responded. Senator Newton moved to grant Dr. Seimears speaking privileges and it was seconded by Senator Jordan. Senator Meyerhoff asked what the Rugby Club will do and he responded that they will follow the national rules and are hoping to eventually make it a collegiate sport. Senator McHenry asked how many students are interested and Dr. Seimears said there were twenty-two. Senator McGinnis moved to call to question and it was seconded by Senator Southard. It was voted on and passed favorably 25-0-0. SB 08019 "Recognition Of

Alpha Phi Alpha” was summarized by Senator Sadler, moved to pass favorably, and Senator Miller seconded. Senator Jordan asked for representation and Anthony Whetstone responded. Senator Schulte moved to grant Anthony Whetstone speaking privileges and it was seconded by Senator Meyerhoff. Senator Schulte asked what Alpha Phi Alpha was and Anthony Whetstone responded it was the first collegiate African American fraternity. He also said that they have ten to twelve interested young men, and stressed how this would improve the multicultural aspect of ESU. Senator Blaufuss moved to call to question but Senator Sadler objected. Senator Blaufuss withdrew her motion. Senator Sadler asked if Alpha Phi Alpha would be a part of IFC and Mr. Whetstone said they will eventually join IFC but he is just trying to get the organization started at this time. Senator McGinnis moved to call to question and it was seconded by Senator Boczek. It was voted on and passed favorably 25-0-0. SB 08020 “Reserve Fund Request For Phi Delta Theta” was summarized by Senator Fitzsimmons, moved to pass favorably, and Senator Miller seconded. Senator Padgett asked for representation in the gallery and Matt Bricker responded. Senator Meyerhoff moved to grant Matt Bricker speaking privileges and it was seconded by Senator Southard. Senator McHenry asked who the speaker was and what he would bring to the fraternity. Matt Bricker explained the purpose of the speaker and how it will help the men of Phi Delta Theta. Senator Meyerhoff asked when they knew he would be coming to speak and Matt Bricker said they didn’t know until two weeks before school started. Senator Sadler asked if he was requested by the fraternity to come speak, and Mr. Bricker said he was mandated by their fraternity headquarters. Senator Sadler asked why the headquarters wasn’t paying for the speaker and Mr. Bricker said he wished the headquarters would pay for it, but they were stuck with the bill. Senator Schulte asked Senator McGinnis about the total amount possible to allocate for a speaker and Senator McGinnis responded \$500. Senator Blaufuss moved to call to question and it was seconded by Senator Parker. It was voted on and passed favorably 24-0-1. SB 08021 “Reserve Fund Request For Black Student Union” was summarized by Senator Blaufuss. Senator McGinnis stated that they no longer want the money and encouraged Senators to vote against the bill. Senator McGinnis moved to call to question and it was seconded by Senator Boczek. It was voted on and failed 0-25-0. SB 08022 “Rescinding Student Organizations” was summarized by Senator Schulte, moved to pass favorably, and Senator seconded Smarsh. Schulte moved to make a textual amendment to strike: PRIDE, American Red Cross Club, Marketing Club, Collegiate Music Educator’s National Association, People Organized for Women’s Equal Rights, HPER Club, Engineer’s Club, Alpha and Omega, and ESU Young Democrats from the rescission list and Senator Parker seconded. It was voted on and passed favorably 25-0-0. Senator McGinnis moved to call to question and Senator Schulte objected. Senator McGinnis withdrew her motion. Senator Schulte explained that some groups specifically asked to be rescinded and Senator Miller asked which RSO’s did not express desire to be rescinded. Senator Schulte responded with the Student Association for Diversity Related Concerns and French Club. Senator McGinnis moved to call to question and it was seconded by Senator Blaufuss. It was voted on and passed favorably 24-0-0. SB 08023 “Recognition Of Up Til’ Dawn” was summarized by Senator Sadler, moved to pass favorably, and Senator Miller seconded. Senator McGinnis asked for representation in the gallery and Sarah Francis responded. Senator McHenry asked for Sarah Francis to explain the

goal of Up Til' Dawn and Sarah explained their purpose and goal. Senator Boczek asked if Up Til' Dawn will be a yearly event and Sarah Francis said they hoped to make this a yearly event. Senator Parker asked how many students were involved and she said there were approximately forty-five. Senator Boczek moved to call to question and it was seconded by Senator Miller. It was voted on and passed favorably 19-0-4. SB 08024 "Recognition Of Greeks Advocating Mature Management Of Alcohol" was summarized by Senator Deaton, moved to pass favorably, and Senator Smarsh seconded it. Senator McGinnis asked for representation in the gallery and Nick Foster responded. Senator McGinnis moved to grant Nick Foster speaking privileges and Senator Boczek seconded. Senator Jordan asked what GAMMA will do and Nick Foster said that they help fellow Greeks and improve alcohol education among their peers. Senator Sadler asked if there was a positive response from the Greeks so far and Nick Foster said there were twenty five members so far and the rest of the Greek community seemed approving. Senator Blaufuss moved to call to question and it was seconded by Senator Deaton. It was voted on and passed favorably 20-0-3. SB 08025 "Recognition Of The Emporia State University Student Chapter Of Amnesty International" was summarized by Senator Youngers, moved to pass favorably, and Senator Deaton seconded. Senator McHenry asked for representation in the gallery and Christi Hays responded. Senator Parker moved to grant her speaking privileges and it was seconded by Senator McHenry. Senator McHenry asked what the goal of the Amnesty Club is and Christi Hays said they will give support for people around the world. Senator Sadler asked if fundraisers would occur and Christi Hayes said they have already held a few and the money goes towards their projects. Senator Blaufuss asked about how many students were interested and Christi Hayes said there were ten confirmed members and several others interested. Senator Jordan moved to call to question and it was seconded by Senator Smarsh. It was voted on and passed favorably 24-0-0.

IX. Third Readings

Vice President Hadley summarized the evening's decisions and vote counts as follows: SB 08017 "Recognition Of The Challenge" passed 25-0-0; SB 08018 "Recognition Of The Rugby Club" passed 25-0-0; SB 08019 "Recognition Of Alpha Phi Alpha" passed 25-0-0; SB 08020 "Reserve Fund Request For Phi Delta Theta" passed 24-0-1; SB 08021 "Reserve Fund Request For Black Student Union" failed 0-25-0; SB 08022 "Rescinding Student Organizations" passed 24-0-0; SB 08023 "Recognition Of Up Til' Dawn" passed 19-0-4; SB 08024 "Recognition Of G.A.M.M.A." passed 20-0-3; SB 08024 "Recognition Of Emporia State University Student Chapter Of Amnesty International" passed 24-0-0.

X. Good of the University

President George wished Senator Meyerhoff a happy 21st birthday and Senate sang her Happy Birthday. SB 08015 will be vetoed, and if Senate has questions they should ask President George. Senator Sadler asked if the reserve fund request included that veto and President George said no. Senator Smarsh announced that Phi Delta Theta will be having their Pole Sit this Friday and Saturday and that the money earned will go to S.O.S. Senator Parker announced that Phi Delta Theta house construction has began. Vice President Hadley thanked Senate for a productive and well run meeting.

Senator Padgett said wigs were mandatory for the parade. Mary Shively encouraged support for ASG in the parade. Senator Smith said that nametags are essential in getting ASG out in the community and campus. Mary Shively said that paperwork must be turned into Anna Dragoo or Mary Shively if a student brings it in to the CSI and stressed that this paperwork is very important! The CSI front desk staff is trained for dealing with this, so let them take it if possible. Senator Schulte asked that if Senate uses an RSO information sheet that they please return it to where they found it. She then asked that if possible to please do not remove the RSO sheets from the binder. Senator Padgett handed out Homecoming cups. Senator Jordan announced that Alpha Sigma Alpha Chili Feed is Sunday October 21, from 11-7 and encouraged everyone to come. Senator Meyerhoff moved to close Good of the University and it was seconded by Senator Miller. All were in favor of closing.

XI. Final Roll Call

Present: Boczek, Darling, Deaton, Foster, Hadley, Irby, Jordan, Kuhlmann, Lane, McGinnis, McHenry, Meyerhoff, Miller, Newton, Padgett, Parker, Rivers, Sadler, Schulte, Smarsh, Smith, Southard, Youngers

Excused: Blaufuss, Fitzsimmons

Absent:

XII. Adjournment

Senator McGinnis moved to adjourn and was seconded by Senator Padgett. Those in favor: all. None opposed. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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