

## **Senate of the Undergraduate Student Government At Stony Brook University**

The regular weekly meeting of the Undergraduate Student Government was held on Thursday, December 3, 2009, at 8:38 PM in room 311 of the Student Activity Center, the Executive Vice President being in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as corrected by the Chair.

### **1.0 Attendance was taken; quorum was achieved:**

Senator Tiffany Abrishamian	Present
Senator Tahir Ahmad	Present, left at 10:48 without leave.
Senator Ory Baum	Present
Senator Aharon Benelyahoo	Present
Senator Aneta Bose	Present
Senator Spencer Cushing	Present
Senator Jordan Cushner	Absent
Senator Alexander Dimitriyadi	Present
Senator Runyu Fan	Excused
Senator Theresa Geckle	Present
Senator Daniel Graber	Present, left without leave during the Ex. Session
Senator Michael Hagler	Present, arrived late 9:10
Senator Syed Haq (PPT)	Present
Senator Jonathan Harounian	Present
Senator Mahyar Kashan	Present
Senator Aysha Khan	Present
Senator Moiz Khan	Present
Senator Deborah Machalow	Present
Senator Alexandria Lanza	Present
Senator Kirin Mahmud (CSA)	Present
Senator Nicole Mbisike	Present
Senator Craig McCarthy (RHA)	Present

### **Non-Voting Members:**

President Jasper Wilson	Present
Treasurer Matt Anderson	Present
VP of Communications David Mazza	Late
VP of Student Life Keith Tilley	Present
VP of Clubs and Orgs Ashley Reji	Late
VP of Academic Affairs Shamell Forbes	Late
Senior Class Rep. Alice Yu	Late
Junior Class Rep. Jennifer Chan	Late
Sophomore Class Rep. Kate Patestas	Absent
Freshmen Class Rep. Catherine Young	Late

### **2.0 Announcements**

**3.0 Previous Minutes.** As previously noted, the minutes were amended and approved for the meeting of November 12, 2009. (Copies of amendments are in the possession of the Executive Vice President).

#### **4.0 Executive Council Reports**

The following officers presented the reports on their respective duties and activities:

- (1) President Wilson stated that the new dorm building with 600 beds is scheduled to be open in the spring, which will end the tripling issues. Groundbreaking for Recreation building is expected in January-February.
- (2) The Vice President of Clubs and Organizations submitted a written report.
- (3) The Vice President of Communications, stated his written report would be submitted after the meeting.
- (4) The VP of Academic Affairs presented his report. He stated that there would be a midyear cut for SUNY, this year and the year after will be the worst due to the federal stimulus plan. Flex tuition is still on the table. Also, he is working with PASS.
- (5) The VP of Student Life presented a written report. He stated there is a date for the presidential meeting: February the 9<sup>th</sup>.
- (6) The Senior Class Representative submitted a written report.
- (7) The Junior Class Representative submitted a written report.
- (8) The Sophomore Class Representative was absent, no report was submitted as of the meeting time.
- (9) The Freshmen Class Representative submitted a written report.

#### **5.0 Agency Reports**

The Advocate General and Events Management Chair each submitted a written report for their respective offices.

#### **6.0 SSC Allocations**

No representative of the SCC was present to present this item to the Senate. Senator Benelyahoo moved to postpone the allocation until a representative is present. The motion passed. 10-8, with 1 abstention

#### **7.0 Campus Media Outreach Act.**

Senator Graber presented the bill.

Senator Graber moved for an informal vote in support of the bill. Motion passed, 19-0 with 1 abstention.

The informal vote was taken, 18 in favor of the bill, zero opposed, with 2 abstentions.

Senator Ahmad moved to pass the bill. The bill failed to be passed, 1-16, with 3 abstentions.

## **8.0 Appropriate Office Behavior Enforcement Act**

Senator Machalow presented the bill.

Senator Graber moved to amend Section 2(B) by inserting after the word "Obscenity" the words: "(Must include all of the following:)." The amendment passed, 19-1.

Senator Haq moved to pass the bill as amended. The bill was passed 17-3.

## **9.0 Zebra Path Resolution**

The resolution was presented by Senator McCarthy.

Senator McCarthy moved to adopt the resolution. The resolution was adopted 16-3, with 1 abstention.

## **10.0 Appropriations Act #7**

Treasurer Anderson presented the bill relating to an appropriation of \$1,530.00 for a presidential meet and greet and USG mixer.

Senator Ahmad moved to pass the bill. The bill passed unanimously.

## **11.0 Appropriations Act #8**

The Treasurer presented a bill to appropriate \$22,000 for Senior Week.

Senator Benelyahoo moved to pass the bill. The bill was passed 19-0, with 1 abstention.

## **12.0 PASS Bylaw Revisions**

Revisions to the PASS bylaws were presented by the VP of Academic Affairs.

Senator Machalow moved to recommit the revisions to the Rules Committee. The motion passed 16-0, with 4 abstentions.

## **13.0 Open Agenda**

Community Service Club inquired about budget confusion, which appeared to be resolved to their satisfaction.

## **14.0 Executive Session for Considering Disciplinary Matters**

Senator Haq moved to enter executive session to discuss disciplinary issues. The motion passed 19-1.

Senator Graber moved to invite Treasurer Anderson as a guest with speaking privileges to the Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously, 20-0.

As the meeting time was about to expire, the Senate voted to extend length of meeting until issue was disposed of. The motion, requiring a two-thirds vote, passed 18-1.

Senator Machalow moved to adopt the Resolution Impeaching Matthew Anderson, Treasurer of the USG. The vote was directed to be taken by secret ballot. The Resolutions were adopted unanimously.

Senator Haq and Senator Benelyahoo volunteered to be the case managers. They were approved by the Senate without objection.

Meeting Adjourned by the Chair at 11:00 PM.