

**Stony Brook University Undergraduate Student Government Senate
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 4, 2010**

Meeting called to order at 7:08 PM in SAC Ballroom B, Executive VP Kriscenski presiding.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent (at roll call)</u>	<u>Late/leaving early</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Abrishamian, Tiffany				X
Ahmad, Tahir	X			
Baum, Ory	X			
Benelyahoo, Aharon				X
Bose, Aneta		X		
Cushing, Spenser	X			
Cushner, Jordan	X			
Dimitriyadi, Alexander	X			
Fan, Runyu		X		
Geckle, Theresa	X			
Hand, Jennifer	X			
Haq, Syed (PPT)	X			
Harounian, Jonathan	X			
Kashan, Mahyar	X			
Khan, Aysha	X			
Machalow, Deborah	X			
Mahmud, Kirin	X			
Mbisike, Nicole				X
McCarthy, Craig	X			
Russo, Joseph	X			
Singh, Harminder	X			
Spinelli, Michael		X		

Total	16	3	0	3
<u>Non-voting members</u>				
President Wilson		X		
Treasurer Moiz Khan	X			
VP of Communications Mazza	X			
VP of Academic Affairs Forbes		X		
VP of Clubs/Orgs Reji		X		
VP of Student Life Tilley	X			
Senior Class Rep Georges		X		
Junior Class Rep Chan		X		
Sophomore Class Rep Patestas		X		
Freshman Class Rep Young		X		

1.0 Attendance: *See above*

2.0 Announcements

- This is the last Senate meeting for 2009-2010.
- Senate reports are due. Please email them to EVP Kriscenski.

3.0 Approval of the Minutes from 4/27/2010

-Sen. Machalow made a motion to add a period at the end of the NYPIRG report in open agenda. Seconded and approved without objection. Sen. Hand made a motion to strike 'balance' and replace it with 'ballot' in Sec. 6.0. Seconded and passed without objection. Sen. Dimitriyadi made a motion to rename the title of Sec. 12.0 and have it read '2010 Repeal of Southampton Statutes Act'. Seconded and passed without objection. Sen. Cushner made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded and passed without objection.

4.0 2010-2011 Undergraduate Student Government Budget

-Presented by Treasurer Khan. A discussion has held. Sen. Ahmad made a motion to approve the budget. A vote was taken by roll call. 16 votes yes, zero votes no, zero abstentions. 2010-2011 USG Budget approved unanimously (16-0-0).

Roll Call Vote:

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstentions</u>
Abrishamian, Tiffany			(Absent)
Ahmad, Tahir	X		
Baum, Ory	X		
Benelyahoo, Aharon			(Absent)
Bose, Aneta			(Absent)
Cushing, Spenser	X		
Cushner, Jordan	X		
Dimitriyadi, Alexander	X		
Fan, Runyu			(Absent)
Geckle, Theresa	X		
Hand, Jennifer	X		
Haq, Syed (PPT)	X		
Harounian, Jonathan	X		
Kashan, Mahyar	X		
Khan, Aysha	X		
Machalow, Deborah	X		
Mahmud, Kirin	X		
Mbisike, Nicole			(Absent)
McCarthy, Craig	X		
Russo, Joseph	X		
Singh, Harminder	X		
Spinelli, Michael			(Absent)

5.0 2010 Due Compensation Act

-Presented by Sen. Dimitriyadi. Sen. Cushing made a motion to amend Sec. 8.9, increasing the USG Senator Stipend from \$60 → \$75/week. Seconded. After a brief discussion a vote was taken and the amendment was approved (6-5-5). Sen. Khan made a motion to approve the 2010 Due Compensation Act. Seconded. After no debate a vote was taken and the Act was passed as amended (12-0-4).

6.0 Open Agenda

-Business from the Senate:

-Sen. Hand distributed a resolution – 2010 Senate Sensitivity to Disability Resolution. Sen. Dimitriyadi made a motion to strike the resolving clause and replace it with ‘Be it resolved by the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Government’. Seconded and approved without objection. Sen. Ahmad made a motion to approve the resolution as amended. Seconded. Sen. Machalow made a motion to make several grammatical changes, striking the seventh and eighth paragraphs and inserting the following paragraph in their place: “That a clear sign, reading ‘Please Yield for Students with Disabilities,’ be put on the wall next to each elevator on campus, on each floor that the respective elevator stops at, establishing a courtesy rule to allow those with physical disabilities and equipment to have priority in the elevator;” Seconded. A brief debate was held. Sen. Ahmad called the question (passed, 13-3-0). A vote was taken on Sen. Machalow’s amendments. The initial vote was a tie (6-6-4), Executive VP Kriscenski cast a vote in favor of the amendments. Sen. Ahmad called the question (passed, 14-1-1). A vote was taken on the amended resolution which passed unanimously (16-0-0).

-Sen. Baum’s band is playing the Friday after finals (5/21). All are invited. Talk to him after the meeting for additional information.

-Sen. McCarthy: the artist from the Zebra path will be on campus, this Friday at noon. Student Life Awards tomorrow at 5:30.

-Business from the Gallery:

-April from the Statesman thanked the budget committee and the USG for the newly passed budget.

-Frank from Statesman (incoming editor) thanked the Senate.

-NYPIRG reported on the Good Government Campaign.

Executive VP Kriscenski adjourned the meeting at 7:44 pm.