

April 4, 2022 | 7:30p.m.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

ROADEN UNIVERSITY CENTER

MEETING MINUTES

PROCEEDINGS

Speaker Megan Wharton called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

Motion to add an agenda to add RHA to the SOLO Applications.

A motion was made to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded and approved.

A motion was made to approve the minutes dated March 28th. The motion was seconded and approved.

SOLO Applications were brought forth by Treasurer Savannah Griffin.

Application 1: Data Science League

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 2: The Welcoming

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 3: Cyber Eagles

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 4: AICHE

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 5: E Sports

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 6: RHA

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

University Committee Reports

President Lay reported from the student experience task force | They discussed upcoming ideas for Res life and feedback from students regarding Res

Life. The Committee discussed health and wellness. The Counseling Center was a topic of conversation.

Budget Advisory | The 2 million deficit in budget was discussed – reallocation is not allowed to be shared, but will be common knowledge in June

Senator Wharton served as proxy for library committee | They discussed budgeting for publication resources for the library. The TBR has cut publication resource funding for higher education, so the committee has looked at the funding for the next few years and where they would like to make cuts.

Senator Wharton reported from Research & Advisory Committee | They discussed the scholastic research award, reviewed applications, and should have them awarded by next meeting.

There was no unfinished business

Senator Tidwell made a motion to suspend rules to add Constitutional Reform report to the agenda.

Motion was seconded and approved.

Constitutional Reform Committee – The committee reviewed Bylaw changes. The recommended changes have been reviewed. We reviewed an upcoming bill.

New Business

Proposal of Bylaws from Constitutional Reform Committee

Reorganization. Exec cabinet and exec council are two different parts of the bylaws. Tab – committee meets to approve applications for funding.

Senator Perry asked for clarification on why the committee needs to be changed. The sponsor responded the changes help in selecting the artist we have, develop planning, and play a large part in the SOLO Events. Senator Perry stated as a member of the SOLO Committee, she feels it is not necessary.

Senator Tidwell wanted to clarify a few more things – solo committee currently does those things, but the executive order changes this process last year.

Senator Hagar yielded her time to Addison Dorris. Dorris stated the TISL director was listed in section 2 – not in section 3.

Friendly amendment.

Senator Perry asked where the play-by-play report they said they would provide is located.

Austin responded he did not feel it would be beneficial as the whole document would be red, there's nothing we didn't change. We took what we already had and reorganized it, so the whole formatting was changed.

Senator Tidwell – There is not substantive changes to the document. The main thing this changes; takes vague items and clarifies them, the change were very small. Tidwell stated they are wanting someone outside of SGA to be able to be run SGA.

President Lay addressed the floor stating his support of the document. He encouraged this document – the document you see in front of you is a beautiful version of the bylaws. They have done the exact job of what you commissioned them to do. The solo committee is the only substantive changes. The senators are disengaged. The operating manual of the organization. A document that is very easy to understand, outside people need to understand what the SGA does.

Senator Wharton stated the original version is in the SGA teams channel – you can see and compare the changes within the teams channel.

Senator Henderson shared appreciation for the bill but motioned to postpone the date of the bylaws to next SGA meeting due to the Senate only have one hour to review.

Objection –

Vote by roll call. The motion Failed.

Previous question – seconded.

Reached simple majority – passes. 25 aye, 2 nay, 3 abstain

Committee Meeting

An Act to Encourage Sustainable Confetti Use on Campus

An Act to Implement Free Period Product Dispensers in Campus Restrooms

An Act to Support a Yoga on the Quad Event to Benefit The Students Mental Health

An Act to Update the Integrity of Pennebaker Hall to Satisfy Current Health and Safety Standards

An Act to Amend the Constitution, By-laws, and Rules of Order of the SGA Senate by Introducing a System for the Supreme Court to Hear Cases on the Constitutionality of Bills, Removing Unclear Language related to the Role of the Supreme Court After Impeachment Trials that Result in a Conviction, and Clarifying Language Related to Committee Membership

Executive Cabinet Reports

Internal Affairs – no report

External Affairs – tabling, this Thursday and Tuesday. Voter drive was great. Secretary of State stopped by.

Public Relations Director – No report

Secretary of State – voter registration drive was a success. Thank you for helping. The secretary was impressed with the event.

Executive Legislative Advisor – reminder, one bill cycle left.

Chief of Staff – prizes for eagle points are here...

Secretary of Environmental Affairs – wings upcycle – whf. 12- 3. Last week – clean up. Doodle poll is still in teams if you are interested in helping. This Wednesday, bike trail clean up, if you want to participate.

Executive Judicial Liaison – thanks for looking over proposed by laws. Thank you to committee as well. Supreme court will be meeting at regular times this week.

Executive Council Reports

Secretary – Committee Secretaries, please complete committee report in google forms

Treasurer – solo tickets – sign up for distribution times and being useful. Th SGA T-shirts are here. You will have to work the concert to get your t-shirts.

Vice President – no report –

Senator Wharton who served as speaker this meeting, thanked the Senate for cooperation while she presided over the senate.

President -- Each year, SGA puts forth three candidates for the Board of Trustees. They are making some changes from direction from the President's Office. This is coming up.

Tabling Wednesday – the ticket distribution is not going as it has in the past, so sign up and tell your friends. .

Banquet RSVP – April 25th. a banquet rsvp will be sent out, please respond as quickly as possible. The attire Business professional.

Elections – SGA elections are coming up. We have a lot of petitions for the senate. Meet the candidates is coming up. 3:30 deadline to request a petition for the senate. Need to be elected even if you serve this year.

Vice President of Enrollment Management has stepped down and it is now Karen Lykins.

Ben Stubbs – has moved in and starts Friday. I would appreciate a warm welcome to him if you see him on campus.

The meeting time for April 18th was moved to 6:30 PM.

Meeting was Adjourned by Speaker Cannon Johnson at 9:30