

STUDENT SENATE  
Executive Summary  
March 2, 2016

I. Invocation

- A. Rohit Fonseca led invocation

II. Roll Call

- A. 4 absent; 3 tardy

III. Approval of Minutes

- A. Ryan Heard moved to approve
  - a. Katelyn Markley seconded

IV. Officer Announcements

- A. Mr. Bryan Ricketts, Student Body President
  - a. I'm stepping out early for the diversity and inclusion meeting in preparation for the spring Board of Trustees meeting
- B. Ms. Nidia Ruelas, Student Body Vice President
  - a. We will try to move quickly today, and please remember that we have the option to table things for the next meeting
- C. Ms. Sibonay Shewit, Chief of Staff
  - a. If you are planning on going to SDH anyways, go up to Oak Room and join the conversation

V. General Orders

- A. SO1516- 05: Senatorial Order Re: Judicial Council Revisions
  - a. Zach Waterson, Judicial Council President
    - i. Jack Kill moved to consider
      - 1. Kelly Smith seconded
    - ii. Michael Conlon moved to close discussion and approve
      - 1. Christine Zavakos seconded
    - iii. SO1516- 05 passes
- B. SO1516- 06: Senatorial Order Re: Redundancies in the Constitution
  - a. Zach Waterson, Judicial Council President
    - i. Zach Waterson: I looked for redundancies, inconsistencies, grammatical errors
    - ii. Kathleen Rocks moved to consider
      - 1. Christine Zavakos seconded
    - iii. Kathleen Rocks moved to close discussion and consider
      - 1. Jack Kill seconded
    - iv. SO1516- 06 passes
- C. SS1516- 18: Resolution Re: Judicial Council President Emeritus Status
  - a. Zach Waterson, Judicial Council President

- i. Zach Waterson: In recognition of the way Katherine continued to reach out to me and help me out, I would like to grant her emeritus status
  - ii. Kathleen Rocks moved to consider
    - 1. Isabel Fox seconded
  - iii. Abe Jenson: How often is emeritus status bestowed upon the Student Body Vice President or President?
    - 1. Zach Waterson: I don't think this has been granted to Judicial Council president before
  - iv. Tommy Schneeman: What is the next step if this is approved?
    - 1. Zach Waterson: It is a title; a formal way to thank her
    - 2. Nidia Ruelas she can come back and announce herself with this title.
  - v. Michael Finan: So there is no requirement for being granted emeritus status?
    - 1. Nidia Ruelas: Just your vote!
  - vi. Ethan Coleman moved to close discussion and vote
    - 1. Sarah Kim seconded
  - vii. SS1516- 18 passes
- D. SO1516- 07: Senatorial Order Re: Hall of the Year Presentation Composition
- a. Seamus Quilty and Meredith Fraser, Hall Presidents Council Co-Chairs
    - i. Christine Zavakos moved to consider
      - 1. Ariana Zlioba seconded
    - ii. Kathleen Rocks moved to vote
      - 1. Christine Zavakos seconded
    - iii. SO1516- 07 passes
- E. SO1516- 08: Senatorial Order Re: Hall of the Year Review Board Composition
- a. Seamus Quilty and Meredith Fraser, Hall Presidents Council Co-Chairs
    - i. Kathleen Rocks: Does this take into effect for this year's hall of the year
      - 1. Yes
    - ii. Kelly Smith moved to consider
      - 1. Abe Jenson seconded
    - iii. Zach Waterson: We want to avoid the use of Student Government
      - 1. JP Bruno: I move to strike the words "Student Government"
      - 2. Accepted
    - iv. Isabel Fox: do the new directors take office April 1st?
      - 1. Yes, but the presentations happen before the transition
    - v. Sean Kent: When they come down to deciding, does it ever come down to two groups?
      - 1. It is based on points so it is basically an average
    - vi. Jack Kill moved to close discussion and vote
      - 1. Tommy Schneeman seconded

- vii. SO1516- 08 passes
- F. SO1516- 09: Senatorial Order Re: Hall of the Year Scoring Composition
  - a. Seamus Quilty and Meredith Fraser, Hall Presidents Council Co-Chairs
    - i. Isabel Fox: what do you do when a dorm has one signature event?
      - 1. They use that as their signature event
    - ii. Wilson: are the rocknes evaluated by a different group than you?
      - 1. Yes
    - iii. Michael Conlon moved to consider
      - 1. Alex Fincher seconded
    - iv. Kathleen Rocks moved to end discussion and vote
      - 1. Christine Zavakos seconded
    - v. SO1516- 09 passes

## VI. New Business

- A. Jack Kill: Currently we are not scheduled to have senate the week we get back from Spring Break due to the Women's group. As we are constitutionally obligated to meet once a week, and there is work to discuss coming up, I strongly recommend having senate the week we get back. I move to discuss holding Senate.
  - a. Wilson Barrett seconded
    - i. Christine Zavakos is there a resolution coming about Bill Cosby, and is the second part of magnus opus ready?
      - 1. neither will likely be ready (Alex Fincher; Zach Waterson)
    - ii. Jack Kill: We received a C+ C- rating from the observer and we are constitutionally obligated to meet
    - iii. Morgan Dunn: If they aren't ready why should we meet
    - iv. Wilson Barrett: I agree with Jack
    - v. Michael Finan: I agree
    - vi. Abe: Maybe I have high respect for the constitution, but I believe we should have Senate as well.
    - vii. Jack: We should meet every week constitutionally
    - viii. Sarah Kim: since we can't meet during the usual tme what would we do??
      - 1. Jack Kill: We will still have quorum
      - 2. Nidia Ruelas: They are only enabling 10 people from each student group and I have gotten maybe 2
    - ix. JP Bruno: Nidia, if you are gone and 10 senators are gone will there be quorum?
      - 1. Nidia: Yes, and I will plan on being here and going to the dinner late
    - x. Wilson Barrett: Abe and I are working on something in terms of the constitution that I think we could have ready to discuss

- xi. Jack Kill: I would strongly caution against the attitude that we should miss senate just because there will not be something ready to discuss
- xii. Morgan Dunn: Not that I don't want to miss senate; the proposal was already there
- xiii. Christina Murphy moved to vote
  - 1. Sullivan Curry seconded
- b. Nidia: 12 for, to 10 against, to 9 abstaining: this motion does not pass
- c. Isabel Fox: are we going to be brought before the Ethics Committee?
  - i. Zach Waterson: we'll see if anyone submits something
  - ii. Nidia Ruelas: someone needs to bring it to their attention
- d. Marisa Thompson: So this is not regarding that particular vote; but is there a particular rule saying why people can abstain
  - i. Sara Dugan: Typically abstain is used if you don't agree with something but it is clearly going to pass
- B. Zach Waterson: Today I must appoint my successor
  - a. Zach Waterson reads his letter of recommendation for nominee Caitlin Geary
  - b. Tommy Schneeman moved to consider
    - i. Katelyn Markley seconded
  - c. Kathleen Rocks moved to close discussion and vote
    - i. Kelly Smith seconded
  - d. Caitlin Geary approved as Judicial Council President

## VII. Announcements

- A. Rohit Fonseca: SUB Announcements
  - a. Jimmy Fallon's animal guy in Jordan 101 Thursday at 7:30pm
  - b. Tropical themed AcoustiCafe this week
  - c. executive board apps due Friday
- B. Zach Waterson: Judicial Council Award nominations: submit applicants please! no limit
  - a. Nidia Ruelas: Y'all get to vote on these
- C. Marisa Thompson: week after spring break is club budget meeting run by CCC: meetings are held the 15th 16th and 17th. Any club that does not attend a meeting has an immediate deduction from their next year's budget request
  - a. anyone interested in joining CCC: put them in contact with us
- D. Seamus Quilty: Hall of the week committee must have 2 senators, held March 18 19 and 20
  - a. must recuse yourself from your own dorm's presentation
- E. Tommy Schneeman: Senior Class Council event coming up
- F. Nidia Ruelas: 2 Senates left! please be here, we must have quorum
  - a. your successors have been elected by now - take time to speak with them about expectations/transitions into new role
  - b. Christine Zavakos: can we bring them to a Senate?

- i. Nidia Yes! also communicate attendance - this year we noticed that even if you have a proxy it counts as an allotted 4 absence - expectation you should be held to

G. Lauren O'Connell: GlobeMed tanks are \$15

#### VIII. Adjournment

- A. Jack Kill moved to adjourn
  - a. Michael seconded
- B. meeting adjourned at 6:55pm