

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

ROADEN UNIVERSITY CENTER

MEETING MINUTES

Voting Members Present			
Sahera Abumariam	Benjamin Ask	Sammi Bugter	Aisha Bukhari
Taylor Cadenhead	Caleb Cashion	Alannah Davis	Svetlana Earls
Cesar Espinosa	Brynn Hagar	Katie Hall	Tyce Henderson
Reed Hester	Stephen Johnson	Callie Johnson	Seth Jones
Amber Lovell	Katherine Malone	Jessica Massey	Josh Maupin
Ally Perry	Macey Pickle	JD Rankin	Melody Roth
Kayla Sorenson	Aaron Stewart	Mark Stubblefield	McKinley Thomas
Elijah Tidwell	Maggie Tweel	Anya Wegner	Megan Wharton
Catherine White	Maelybeth Young		
Voting Members Absent			
Mary -Grayson Hamrick	Hannah McAllister	Austin Wattenbarger	
Executive Members Present			
Brent Drexler	Addison Dorris	Claire Myers	Jackson Lelle
Braxton Westbrook	Mariam Abbas	Jacob Cherry	
Others Present			
Jerry Keeton	Hannah Storie		

SUMMARY

- i. Guest Speakers Jerry Keeton and Hannah Storie
- ii. Parliamentarian and Speaker Pro Tempore Elections
- iii. Approval of Senate Rules of Order

PROCEEDINGS

Speaker Cannon Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:34p.m. A motion was made to approve the agenda, seconded and motion was approved.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from September 13, 2021, seconded and motion was approved.

A motion was made to move agenda item "SOLO Applications" before guest speaker Jerry Keeton and Hannah Storie. The motion was seconded and approved.

SOLO Applications were brought forth by Treasurer Savannah Griffin.

Application 1: Peer Empowerment Program

Requesting \$499.00 for National Coming Out Day– an event taking place on October 5 to celebrate students through tie-dye t-shirts, photo booths, and other activities.

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 2: American Institute of Chemical Engineers

Requesting \$700.00 for an outdoor game night– an event open to all students on campus for a mental health break. They will have yard games for prizes and hosted at the intermural fields.

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 3: Tennessee Tech Gymnastics Club

Requesting \$2,500 for a Halloween Bash – an event hosting a costume contest, serving food, and giving out free Halloween themed items.

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 4: ASMBM

Requesting \$2,000.00 for 5K Event– an event hosted on campus to promote the mission of the club through 5k event.

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 5: FUTRO

Requesting \$40.00 for Hispanic Heritage Month– an event hosted on campus to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Requesting funds for the plates, cups, and drinks.

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 6: Data Science League

Requesting \$225.00 for interest event – an event to spread information about an upcoming contest that will be hosted by the organization

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 7: Cyber Eagles

Requesting \$120.00 for Cyber Eagles Meeting – an student panel to discuss upcoming and previous students internships.

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Application 8: Computer Science Graduate Student Club

Requesting \$200.00 for a Ph.D. Speaker Series – an event for Ph.D. students to present their work to other students.

The application was approved through acclamation of voice.

Hosted Jerry Keeton, Director to discuss upcoming events on campus. Discussion was held for SGA Members to voice their opinions events and the role SGA plays in the events. President Lay encouraged attendance to these events as it is a required expectation for SGA members.

There was no University Committee Reports.

University Standing Reports

Governmental Committee

Election Results: Chair – Jackson Lelle

Vice Chair – Elijah Tidwell

Secretary – Austin Wattenbarger

Environmental and Sustainability Committee

Election Results: Chair – Claire Myers

Vice Chair – Jessica Massey

Secretary – Kayla Sorenson

Academic Affairs Committee

Election Results: Chair –

Vice Chair – Hannah McAllister

Secretary – Macey Pickle

Student Affairs Committee

Election Results: Chair – Addison Dorris

Vice Chair – Ben Ask

Secretary – Steve Johnson

SOLO Committee

Election Results: Chair – Savannah Griffin

Vice Chair –

Secretary – Maggie Tweel

Health and Wellness Committee

Election Results: Chair – Katherine Malone

Vice Chair – Catherine White

Secretary – Amber Lovell

Constitutional Committee

Election Results: Chair – Braxton Westbrook

Vice Chair – Jacob Cherry

Secretary – Joshua Maupin

There was no Unfinished Business

New Business

Hosted election for the Parliamentarian.

Results – Senator Elijah Tidwell named Parliamentarian for 2021 – 2022

Hosted election for the Speaker Pro Tempore

Results – Senator Megan Wharton named Speaker Pro Temp for 2021-2022

Senate Rules of Order

An amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

On the first page of the Senate Handbook, strike “11” and in its place insert “Newly Revised: 12th”. In Rule 49, strike “11th Revised Edition” and in its place insert “Newly Revised: 12th ed.”.

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice

A second amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

In Rule 5, strike the first sentence and replace it with: “The motion to Lay on the Table is used to temporarily stop considering a motion so that a more urgent motion or issue may be dealt with.” And at the end of the Rule, insert the sentence: “It is improper and out of order to dispose of a bill or motion by laying it on the table; the only proper motion to dispose of a motion or bill without a vote on the motion itself is to Postpone Indefinitely.”

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice.

A third amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

In Rule 10, paragraph 14, insert a new sentence after “Amendments to the title of the bill are out of order.” that reads: “Amendments that are not germane to the motion it is amending are out of order.”

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice.

A fourth amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

In Rule 15, paragraph 4, strike the phrase: "The Chief of Staff, who also serves as the chief parliamentarian," and in its place insert: "The Parliamentarian".]

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice.

A fifth amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

Strike Rule 16 and renumber all subsequent Rules accordingly.

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice.

A sixth amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

In Rule 19, strike the word "Chief".

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice.

A seventh amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

In Rule 25, strike the phrase "at least a two-thirds (2/3)".

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice.

An eighth amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

Strike Rule 32 and renumber all subsequent Rules accordingly.

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice.

A ninth amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

Strike Rule 46 and renumber all subsequent Rules accordingly.

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice.

A tenth amendment was put forth by Senator Tidwell stating

In Rule 29, strike the existing text and in its place insert: "The Speaker or Speaker Pro Temp shall only vote on a motion to break a tie."

Amendment was approved by acclamation of voice.

A motion was made to approve the Senate Rules of Order with amendments.
Approved unanimously.

Motion was made to postpone the Policy Brainstorming to a later date due to extended agenda items. Motion was seconded and approved.

Executive Cabinet Reports

Chief of Staff – Reminder to be submitting the Eagle Points form. Eagle Points System will be rewarding gift cards once a month for this event.

Secretary of State – Sign up for TISL Interest Form. The last day is September 27. Guest Speakers are lined up for the upcoming meetings, but any ideas you may have, please submit to Jackson Lelle.

Internal Affairs – Requesting a Proxy for Building & Grounds Committee in September (Proxy found)

External Affairs – Reminded to sign up for tabling if you have not already.

Secretary of Environmental Affairs – Putnam County wide clean up taking place September 18-25, 2021. Tennessee Tech is planning a campus wide clean-up during this event on September 22 at 4:00. The Senate is encouraged to participate. Wings UpCycle is still taking place.

Executive Legislative Advisor – Encouraged Senate to follow through with the bill ideas that have been discussed.

Executive Judicial Liaison – Requested three more Senators for the Constitutional Committee.

Executive Council Reports

Secretary – Encouraged to bring laptops once again... Any requests for absence or virtual accommodations may be sent to SGASecretary@tntech.edu

Treasurer – Took poll from Senate if they would benefit from a TEAMS lesson

Vice President – Reminder of upcoming events on Campus.

President – Request for Senate members to be recommended for any vacancies.

Mental Health Resource Fair on October 6, 2021. SOLO Concert on October 14, 2021.

Attendance is mandatory for members to help.

Meeting was Adjourned by Speaker Cannon Johnson at 9:36