



The SGA Senate

Fall 2024 Session

Called to order at 7:15 PM on Monday, November 4th, 2024,
in the RUC Multipurpose Room

Harrison Simpson – Presiding
Braxton Westbrook – Taking Minutes

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Moment of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Reading and Approval of the Previous Minutes
 - a. Speaker Simpson asked for unanimous consent that the minutes be deemed read without objection. The previous meeting's minutes stand approved.
- V. Adoption of the Agenda
 - a. Sen. Gillis moved that the agenda as proposed be adopted as the orders of the day, which was seconded. Without objection, the agenda was adopted.
- VI. Guest Speakers
 - a. Russ Coughenour – Director, Center for Career Development
- VII. Public Comment
 - a. There were no comments from Tennessee Tech affiliates during the public comment period.
- VIII. S.O.L.O. Applications
 - a. Alpha Psi Phi
 - i. Speaker Simpson asked for unanimous consent that the application from the EDM Club be considered following that of Alpha Psi Phi. Without objection, the motion was adopted.
 - ii. Sen. Cecil moved that the Senate adopt the recommendation of the S.O.L.O. Funding Committee concerning the event proposed by Alpha Psi Phi, which was seconded.
 - iii. A representative from the club addressed the Senate concerning their event proposal. After finishing their address, they answered questions from members of the Senate.
 - iv. Sen. McCulley moved that the event be declared an exceptional benefit, which was seconded. As there was no debate, Speaker Simpson closed

debate and moved the chamber into a period of voting viva voce. The motion was adopted.

- v. Seeing as there was no further debate, Speaker Simpson closed the period of debate and moved the chamber into a period of voting on the recommendation.
 - vi. The recommendation concerning the event proposed by Alpha Psi Phi was adopted with 23 members voting Aye, 2 members voting No, and 3 members abstaining.
- b. EDM Club
- i. Sen. Guadalupe moved that the Senate adopt the recommendation of the S.O.L.O. Funding Committee concerning the event proposed by the EDM Club, which was seconded.
 - ii. A representative from the club addressed the Senate concerning their event proposal. After finishing their address, they answered questions from members of the Senate.
 - iii. Seeing as there was no further debate, Speaker Simpson closed the period of debate and moved the chamber into a period of voting on the recommendation.
 - iv. The recommendation concerning the event proposed by the EDM Club was adopted with 27 members voting Aye, 0 members voting No, and 2 members abstaining.
- c. Ratio Christi
- i. Sen. Fidan moved that the Senate adopt the recommendation of the S.O.L.O. Funding Committee concerning the event proposed by Ratio Christi, which was seconded.
 - ii. A representative from the club addressed the Senate concerning their event proposal. After finishing their address, they answered questions from members of the Senate.
 - iii. Sen. Cox moved that the S.O.L.O. Funding Committee's recommendation concerning the \$1200 honorarium for Ratio Christi's guest speaker be decreased to \$600, which was seconded.
 - iv. Sen. Stevens moved to amend the amendment by Sen. Cox by striking "\$600" and substituting instead "\$800," which was seconded. As there was no debate, Speaker Simpson closed debate and moved the chamber into a period of voting on the amendment to the amendment viva voce. A division was subsequently called for, and the vote was therefore taken by electronic device. The secondary amendment was adopted with 19 members voting Aye, 9 members voting No, and 1 member abstaining.
 - v. Sen. Nucum moved the previous question on the amendment as amended, which was seconded and objected to. A division was subsequently called for, and the vote was therefore taken by electronic device. The previous question on the amendment was ordered with 21 members voting Aye, 5 members voting No, and 3 members abstaining. Speaker Simpson moved the chamber into a period of voting viva voce. The amendment as amended was adopted.
 - vi. Sen. McCulley moved the previous question on the recommendation of the S.O.L.O. Funding Committee concerning the event proposed by Ratio Christi,

which was seconded. Without objection, the previous question was ordered. Speaker Simpson moved the chamber into a period of voting on the recommendation via electronic device.

- vii. The recommendation concerning the event proposed by Ratio Christi was adopted with 23 members voting Aye, 5 members voting No, and 1 member abstaining.

IX. Reading of Reports

a. Standing Committees

- i. Sen. Fidan delivered a summary of the report by the Academic Affairs Committee. The report was placed on file.
- ii. Sen Stevens delivered a summary of the report by the Campus Outreach Committee. The report was placed on file.
- iii. Treasurer Bare delivered a summary of the report by the S.O.L.O. Funding Committee. The report was placed on file.
- iv. Sen. Cox delivered a summary of the report by the University Infrastructure. The report was placed on file.
- v. Sen. Rainey delivered a summary of the report by the Student Life Committee. The report was placed on file.
- vi. Attorney General Tidwell delivered a summary of the report by the Commission for Elections. The report was placed on file.

b. Special Committees

- i. There were no special committees at the time of the meeting.

c. University Committees

- i. Speaker Simpson delivered their report regarding the most recent meeting of the Student Affairs Committee. The report was placed on file.
- ii. Chief of Staff Skelton delivered their report regarding the most recent meeting of the Student Organizations Subcommittee of the Student Affairs Committee. The report was placed on file.

d. Executive Cabinet

- i. Chief of Staff Skelton delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- ii. Advisor Long delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- iii. Sec. Seitz delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.

e. Executive Council

- i. Treasurer Bare delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- ii. Secretary Westbrook delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- iii. Vice President Simpson delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- iv. President Hewitt delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.

X. Unfinished Business and General Orders

- a. There were no items of unfinished business or general orders presented for discussion or action at this meeting.

- XI. New Business
 - a. There were no items of new business presented for discussion or action at this meeting.
- XII. Announcements
 - a. There were no announcements made at this meeting.
- XIII. Adjournment
 - a. Speaker Simpson declared the meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.