

## Student Government Association Senate

Northern Illinois University

2:00 p.m. – Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Holmes Student Center Sky Room

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**Members of the public wishing to give public comment, please submit an [Intent to Speak](#) form, no later than 11:59 pm, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call: Meeting stated at 2:05pm
  - a. Senators: Osman, Deputy Speaker English, Sergeant-At-Arms Bereolos, Robinson, Geurrero, Onebunne, Khanjian, Lazaric, Chairperson Musgraves, Rosales, Speaker Hensley, Specker-Elect Corpuz.
- II. Verification of Quorum: met
- III. Public Comments: none at this time
- IV. Approval of Minutes:
  - i. Motioned by: Bereolos
  - ii. Seconded by: Rosales
  - A. From April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
*Minutes are distributed electronically to the Senate.*
- V. Approval of Agenda
  - i. Motioned: Hensley
  - ii. Seconded: Rosales
    1. Hensley Motioned SR55073
    2. Seconded: Rosales
    3. Approved
  - iii. Chris Motioned change of order of agenda.
  - iv. Cole motioned to move new to old business, Seconded by Guerrero
  - v. Cole motioned, English second Item P to A
  - vi. Cole Motioned, English second Move N to B
  - vii. Approved
- VI. Speaker's Report
  - a. Cole- Finance report, State of SGA, and working with Marzana.
- VII. Special Report
  - A. A. Chief-Justice Weiskopf
    - i. on recommended policy as stated in the Supreme Court opinions
    - ii. Spoke on the ruling of SY24-001
    - iii. English spoke on legislation passed.
- VIII. Office of the Speaker Report(s)
  - a. English: Happy Graduation, For those continuing in senate remember you are the voice of the senate, Senate will be at a different time.
  - b. Corpuz, Thanks for your support and I am collecting transition material.
  - c. Bereolos, Musgraves needs 2 hours of volunteering with another hour for SGA event, Osman needs to submit his outreach form.
- IX. Committee Report(s)
  - a. Chris OO: OO is holding an event next week and senators that need to get volunteer hours can attend, We have put up 43 student orgs in total.
  - b. Chris CLGA: All four Greek councils got funding and awards on the 28<sup>th</sup>

- X. Executive Branch Report(s): none
- XI. Cabinet Report(s)
  - a. Director Innis, talking about the orgs approved this year 43 including the ones on this agenda. Also talking about legislation that was passed to help student orgs and making transition materials.
- XII. Old Business
  - A. SR55073: A resolution to amend and re-approve the meeting schedule of the 55th Session.
    - a. Motioned: English
    - b. Seconded: Rosales
    - c. Rosales calls the question.
    - d. Second by Robinson
    - e. Vote: 10-3-0 Passed
  - B. SP55003: An introduction to A petition to terminate Chief-Justice Weiskopf
    - a. Motioned: English
    - b. Seconded: Anukwuocha
    - c. Vote: not voted upon this week
  - C. SR55054: A resolution to change the amount of time allowed to update the Constitution and Bylaws
    - a. Motioned: Onebunne
    - b. Seconded: English
    - c. Vote: 11-2-0 Passed
  - D. SR55055: A resolution to ensure the SGA election policy requires a two-thirds (2/3) majority to change
    - a. Motioned: Hensley
    - b. Seconded: Guerrero
    - c. Vote: 12-1-0 Passed
  - E. SR55056: A resolution to update the definition of bills and resolutions in the SGA Constitution
    - a. Motioned: Bereolos
    - b. Seconded: English
    - c. Vote: 12-0-1 Passed
  - F. SR55057: A resolution to ensure the SGA Supreme Court follows their Code of Procedure
    - a. Motioned: Guerrero
    - b. Seconded: Hensley
    - c. Vote: 9-2-2 Passed
  - G. SR55058: A resolution to clarify Article X in the SGA Constitution
    - a. Motioned: Guerrero
    - b. Seconded: Robinson
    - c. Vote: 13-0-0 Passed
  - H. SR55059: A resolution to update and clarify Article VI Elections of the Constitution
    - a. Motioned: English
    - b. Seconded: Guerrero
    - c. Vote: 12-0-1 Passed
  - I. SR55061: A resolution to allow Senators to receive a stipend
    - a. Motioned: English
    - b. Seconded: Khanjian

- c. Motion to recess at 3:33 for ten minutes until 3:43 pm
  - i. Attendance: Osman, Englis, Hensley, Bereolos, Robinson, Guerrero, Anukwuocha, Onebunne Khanjian, Lazaric, Musgraves, Roslaes, Sofia, Corpuz
  - ii. Quorum is met.
- d. Motion to table to R&P by Hensley, Second by English: Tabled to R&P.
  - i. Meeting would be at 3pm on Monday might be moved to later next week.

Motion to table items J-L, N to R&P Hensley, Seconded by Anukwuocha.

Remove J from motion to table by Chris, Second by Guerrero: Passed

Motion to table items K,L,N, to R&P Hensley, seconded by Anukwuocha: Passed

- J. SR55062: A resolution to allow Senators to receive a stipend if they are receiving a stipend already from SGA
  - a. Motioned: English
  - b. Seconded: Bereolos
  - c. Vote: 9-3-1 Passed
- K. SR55065: A resolution to clarify the office hours for both legislative and executive branches for paid position holders and applicants to know the number of hours needed in regard to working that position
  - a. Tabled to R&P
- L. SB55026: A bill to grant SGA Senators a stipend for their work accomplished over the semester.
  - a. Tabled to R&P
- M. SR55067: A resolution approve funding allocations for AY 2024-2025
  - a. Motioned: Hensley
  - b. Seconded: Lazaric
    - i. Motion to suspend the rules Rosales, Second by Hensley, Passed
      - 1. Treasurer Larkin explained next year's budget.
    - ii. Motion to reinstate the rules by English, second by Rosales, Passed
  - c. Vote: 12-1-0
- N. SR55068: A resolution to decide the Fall 2024 Senator Stipend amount
  - a. Tabled to R&P
- O. SR55070: A resolution to recognize student organizations
  - a. Motioned: Robinson
  - b. Seconded: Guerrero
    - i. Motion to modify wording English: Second by Robinson
      - 1. Remove Items 1-3 and Friendly amendment to add TEDx Northern Illinois University
  - c. Vote: 8-5-0 Passed
- P. SR55071: A resolution to confirm a Supreme Court Justice
  - a. Motioned: Anukwuocha
  - b. Seconded: Onebunne
    - i. Khardell Phelps speech: Vote: 12-1-0 Passed and Khardell Phelps is now a Justice.
- Q. Motion to move item K off the table and into consideration by Hensley, seconded by Robinson.
- R. Motion to hear item K SR55065
  - a. Vote: 9-4-0 Passed

- XIII. New Business: none
- XIV. Good of the Order:
  - a. English, next week is now the last week for new legislation for the last time and get it turned in before R&P
- XV. Announcements
  - a. Hensley, we are meeting next week Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm in the Sky room
  - b. Anukwuocha, inviting senators for an inauguration event
  - c. English congrats to all senators who are graduating, to those not graduating congrats on finishing the year. Have your constituents to check their emails over two different emails.

Adjournment: 4:48pm

- d. Motioned by Bereolos
- e. Second by Hensley
- f. Attendance: Osman, English, Hensley, Robinson, Guerrero, Anukwuocha, Onebunne, Khanjian, Lazaric, Musgraves, Rosales, Sofia, Corpuz, Bereolos.

Please be advised that public comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per person, and that any one topic may not be discussed for more than 15 minutes.

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the Peoria, Kaskaskia, Piankashaw, Wea, Miami, Mascoutin, Odawa, Sauk, Mesquaki, Kickapoo, Potawatomi, Ojibwe, and Chickasaw Nations.