Minutes of the

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION SENATE

OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

September 30, 2022

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

1. This meeting was called to order by Speaker Douglass at 2:05pm in the HSC (Holmes Student Center) Sky Room.
2. **Voting Members Present:** O’Brien, Hensley, Colvin, Ashton, DeMeuse, Olson, Perez-Hernandez, Javonovich, Innis, Althoff, Musgraves, Babcock, Rosales, Rogers
3. **Voting members Absent:** Gibbons, English, Kolawole, Woodward, Myrhe, Ramos.

**VERIFICATION OF QUORUM**

1. Quorum is met.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. There are none.

**APROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Speaker Douglass calls for motion to delay the approval last week’s minutes.
2. So moved
3. Seconded
4. Speaker Douglass asks if there is any discussion or debate.
5. There is none.
6. Speaker Douglass calls for a vote.
7. The motion is passed, and the minutes are approved.

**APROVAL OF AGENDA**

1. Speaker Douglass calls for a motion to approve the agenda.
2. So moved
3. Seconded
4. Speaker Douglass calls for a motion to move items A through D from new business to old business.
5. So moved
6. Seconded
7. There is no discussion or debate.
8. The motion passes.
9. Speaker Douglass calls for a vote to pass the agenda.
10. The vote passes.
11. The agenda is approved.

**SPEAKER REPORT**

1. Speaker Douglass talks about improvements to the navigate app. Speaker Douglass talks about his use of the planner and talks about how the registration will be opened soon for Freshman and Sophomores and although Juniors and Seniors cannot immediately sign up for classes, they can use it to see if their classes would not fit into their work like

**SPECIAL REPORT**

1. There are no requests for special reports.

**OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER REPORT**

1. Speaker Douglass recognizes Deputy Speaker DeMeuse talks about how many people need to have one on ones and that he will be moving forward in signing people up to help write pieces of legislation. This follows that he asks people to be reading their emails. Focusing on building Ad Hoc committees to build up on what they discussed in their one on ones.
2. Speaker Douglass recognizes Clerk Allen who speaks about the polos many senators received last week. Asking people to follow up with them to get their shirt.
3. Historian Babcock talks about their meeting with the library and recognizes that they have updated their laptop fleet which can be checked out for 1 semester at a time and asks if there are any individuals interested in putting up information’s on the science on sphere. As far as historian-based work, they have put together new binders with all the old legislation that has been passed which can be accessed by request.

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. Speaker Dallas recognizes Chairperson Ashton who speaks about the CLGA committees’ pride and excitement for homecoming.
2. Speaker Douglass asks if there are any questions.
3. There are none.
4. Chairperson Javonovich states that EA could not meet but still plan on their event on October 8th to clean up cans at the tailgate.
5. Speaker Douglass asks if there are any questions.
6. There are none.
7. Chairperson Hensley has met on Wednesday and has two more organizations coming to be formally recognized.
8. Speaker Douglass asks if there are any questions.
9. There are none.

**EXECUTIVE REPORT**

1. Speaker Dallas makes a motion to add an Executive Report to the agenda.
2. So moved
3. Seconded
4. The Student Trustee Tim Moore talks about their position and asks members of the Senate to continuing to interact with members of their constituency as it does a lot to make students feel heard.
5. Speaker Douglass asks if there are any questions.
6. Historian Babcock is recognized and asks the Student Trustee to respond to their email.
7. responds
8. Speaker Jovanovich is recognized and asks what work the individual has done, in their position and shares the fact that they miss the Student Trustee as they held previous position in the Senate.
9. The Student Trustee explains that they have mostly been setting up for homecoming and ask Chairperson Javonovich to share the details for the can collection.
10. Historian Babcock has asked what the Student Trustee has heard from students
11. Responds parking
12. Speake Douglass asks if there are further questions
13. There are none

**CABINET REPORT**

* 1. There are none

**OLD BUISNESS**

1. Speaker Douglass makes a motion to hear SR54016: A resolution to amend the Constitution to expedite the process for student organizations to become recognized XIII.
   1. So moved
   2. Seconded
   3. Speaker Douglass asks if there is any discussion or debate.
   4. DS DeMeuse motions to call to question.
   5. This motion is seconded by Chairperson Javonovich.
   6. The motion carries.
   7. Speaker Douglass calls for an immediate vote.
   8. Vote passes the motion carries.
2. Speaker Douglass asks for a motion to hear SR54017: A resolution to approve of Senate candidates
3. So moved
4. Seconded
5. Speake Douglass recognizes Candidate Sohum Khaladkar to speak.
6. Candidate Khaladkar speaks about their experiences as a previous member of the 53rd session, their success at networking with getting people involved on campus, their heavy schedule with the fact that they believe they can make time for senate, and the committees they are interested in including Public Affairs and Finance.
7. Speaker Douglass asks if there are any questions
8. Speaker Douglass recognizes DS DeMeuse who asks how the candidate will improve their previous service.
9. Speaker Douglass recognizes Senator Rosales who asks what committees they would like to join
10. Candidate Khaladkar responds that they are interested in Finance and Public affair committees.
11. Senator Olson asks what their schedule looks like.
12. Candidate Khaladkar responds that they have sixteen credit hours and their org meetings as well.
13. Speaker Douglass recognizes Innis who asks what committees the candidate served on last year.
14. Candidate Khaladkar responds in the affirmative listing that they served in OO and EA last year.
15. Speaker Douglass recognizes Senator Colvin who asks what orgs the candidate is involved in.
16. Candidate Khaladkar responds that they are involved in the Investment Association, the Finance student advisory board, and a fraternity.
17. There are no further questions.
18. Speaker Douglass asks if there are any discussion or debate
19. Speaker Douglass recognizes Chairperson Jovanovich who states that the senator was very present in participating in all the committees the previous year that they served as Senator stating that they will vote for this individual.
20. Speaker Douglass recognizes Historian Babcock who states that they had seen that Candidate Khaladkar chose to change their vote in their previous experience while watching another member vote. They saw this in rewatching the recordings as they served in the position of Clerk the year that Candidate Khaladkar served. This is said as a negative to their being elected to this position.
21. Speaker Douglass recognizes Senator O’Brien asks for more info from Historian Babcock.
22. Historian Babcock states that when viewing the old recordings to write minutes Candidate Khaladkar had to raise their hands to vote and witnessed this member changing vote alongside another member.
23. Speaker Douglass asks if there is any further discussion or debate.
24. There is none.
25. Speaker Douglass calls to vote
26. There is a tie the Speaker must vote.
27. The air is very tense as the speaker deliberates.
28. DS DeMeuse is recognized and requests a division of the House.
29. So moved
30. Seconded
31. Speaker Douglass asks if there is any discussion or debate.
32. There is none.
33. The motion passes and another vote ensue.
34. Speaker Douglass restarts the vote
35. There is another technological error, so Speaker Douglass sends out another vote.
36. The vote does not pass the motion fails.
37. Candidate Sohum will not hold the position of senator at this time.
38. Speaker Douglass calls for a recess as there are technical issues as well as a forced update.
39. The livestream stops running at 52 minutes and the meeting restarted at the hour approximately 10 minutes after it restarted.
40. So moved
41. Seconded
42. Speaker Douglass calls the meeting back to order at 3:00pm.
43. Speaker Douglass makes a report on the recording that the motion failed with a vote 6-8-2 in case people were not viewing.
44. Speaker Douglass calls for a motion to hear SB54009: Verification of the orgs.
45. So moved
46. Seconded
47. Speaker Douglass asks if there are any questions.
48. Historian Babcock is recognized and asks if they have all been responsive and worked with Chairperson Hensley.
49. Chairperson Hensley responds in the affirmative.
50. Senator Rosales is recognized and asks about their involvement.
51. Chairperson Hensley responds that all of them have met with him.
52. Speaker Douglass calls for a vote.
53. The vote passes the motion carries.
54. Speaker Douglass moves to hear SB540010: A bill to create a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee and reassign the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to the new committee
55. Historian Babcock is recognized and explains what resources centers that are managed by USO that the grouped inside DEI
56. Speaker Douglass asks if there is any discussion ore debate
57. Speaker Douglass recognizes Chairperson Javonovich who states that there will need to be people to join the committee and asks who would be interested.
58. Historian Babcock, Clerk Allen, and Senator Rogers raise their hands.
59. Speaker recognizes DS DeMeuse, and he states that this would help to correlate each director with their own committee which is a goal of SGA this year as well as deplete the excessive responsibilities of USO.
60. Senator Jovanovich is recognized to second DS DeMeuse and calls to questions.
61. So moved
62. Seconded
63. Speaker Douglass calls for an immediate vote.
64. Vote passes the motion carries.
65. Speaker Douglass calls for a motion to hear SB54011: A bill to change the Committee on the Management of the Student Art Collection Committee to an ad hoc committee.
66. So moved
67. Seconded
68. Historian Babcock is recognized and states that the SACC be made into an ad hock committee and allow for it to be dissolved once its work is done as all interested members are present and believe this is work that need to be done and once completed there will be no further need for student involvement.
69. Speaker Douglass recognizes Chairperson Javonovich who states that when this same bill was introduced previous year he voted no as he trusted those involved to do this work but they have faith that DS DeMeuse and Historian Babcock will make the right decision.
70. DS DeMeuse is recognized and states that they have no way to manage or hold the responsibilities of this committee.
71. Speaker Douglass asks if there is more discussion or debate.
72. There is none.
73. Speaker Douglass begins the vote
74. The vote passes the motion carries

**NEW BUISNESS**

1. There is none.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

1. Historian Babcock is recognized and states that stuff in Iran is still happening and that the level of endangerment has risen and that people still need us to get that info out there and call our government to action.
2. Senator Rogers is recognized and states an apology for their limited cognitive function in this moment but states that they have had meetings with Huskie pantry and Huskie closet who are looking for volunteers and food.
3. Clerk Allen is recognized and states that they are thankful for the individuals who wore and orange shirt and explains that it is recognition of ongoing and concurrent genocides on the indigenous people of north America through the residential school system and the more then 10,000 bodies of children that have been located who were kidnapped, tortured, experimented on, and eventually died at the hands of individuals. This affects all native students and native people as every indigenous person you know is in some way affected by the residential school system.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Chairperson Javonovich is recognized and states that they are thankful for the work Senator Rogers did for the food pantry and asks how many service hours we need to complete as well as notifying people about the can clean up on October 8th.
2. Historian Babcock is recognized and notifies the senate of the back alley market also happening on the 8th in downtown DeKalbwhich is not as suspect as it sounds.
3. Senator Perez-Hernandez is recognized and notifies the senate about the art event happening in downtown DeKalb. If anyone wants to submit art the due date is the 5th. The contact info is also available via an email.
4. Senator English is recognized Stem fest is October 15th
5. Clerk Allen is recognized and adds that if Senators want to get their service hours they can attend as volunteers and lists the website where they can fine that info.
6. Senator O’Brien is recognized and asks members of the Senate to attend as many events as they can.

**ADJOURNMENT**

1. Speaker Douglass calls for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
2. So moved
3. Seconded
4. Speaker Douglass asks if there is any discussion or debate.
5. There is none.
6. Speaker Douglass calls for a vote.
7. The motion passes and the meeting adjourns at 3:23pm.
8. Senator English talks about Stem Fest.
9. Senator Rosales Bookbags for kids

**CLOSING ATTENDANCE**

1. **Voting Members Present:** O’Brien, English, Hensley, Colvin, Ashton, DeMeuse, Olson, Perez-Hernandez, Javonovich, Innis, Althoff, Musgraves, Babcock, Rosales, Rogers
2. **Voting Members Absent:**Gibbons, Kolawole, Woodward, Myrhe, Ramos
3. **Candidate Members Present:** Pavan Aratakatla

**MINUTES SUBMITTED BY**

Clerk Allen on October 5, 2022