

47th Senate Minutes

March 20, 2015

- I. Call to Order @ 2:32pm
 - A. Roll Call - By Clicker
 1. Present: 16
 2. Absent: Chair McBurney, Senators Francois, Queiros, Alanazi
- II. Adoption of Agenda
 - A. Chair Ramey/ Chair Thrasher move to remove, removal hearing 16-0-0
 - B. Chair Ramey/ Senator Vinson Add appointment of Ryan Denney as a Justice 16-1-1
 - C. Senator Riley/ Senator Pater Adopting proposed agenda 17-0-1
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Senator Riley/ Chair Ramey 18-0-0
- IV. Appointment
 - A. Ryan Denney - Supreme Court Justice
 1. Appointed 18-1-0
- V. Guest Speaker
 - A. Patricia Barrington - Smoke Free Task Force
 1. In the process of developing a tobacco policy that would be enforced campus wide, looking for feedback on the program.
- VI. Legislative Addresses
 - A. Senate President Hebert
 1. No report
 - B. Treasurer Duke
 1. In executive meeting, we discussed changes in internal budget. There is leftover funds in different accounts, and the bill coming up will pull the money out of these accounts, and put it in the president's special project funds. No money will be lost, just relabeling and reshuffling.
 2. McBurney - clarified executive meeting.
 - C. Budget and Allocations Committee
 1. \$300 IEEE
 2. \$1000 AIRG Research Group
 3. \$200 Kate Singletary
 4. \$300 John and Jamie
 - D. University Outreach Committee
 1. Next Friday, March 27 Honors Convocation will be at 11am where the DTA awards will be presented.
 2. Friday, April 3 DSA interviews will be conducted.
 - E. Student Outreach Committee
 1. Smoking survey was sent out to over 1000 students, to receive their thoughts on a tobacco free campus. So far 130 students have responded to the survey.

2. It's on Us - Take Back the Night will be Wednesday, April 1st
3. 11 Cards are going around Senate for the families of the fallen military members
4. Retention tabeling has been postponed to April.
5. Spiritual and Meditation garden should be up and running by the end of the semester.

F. Rules and Statutes Committee

1. Make sure your attendance is being accurately portrayed, also make sure you are attending your committee meetings.
2. Working on the Green Fee Resolution and bills on current SGA stipends.

VII. Executive Addresses

A. President Friedland

1. Absent

B. Vice-President Wilson

1. Read letter of resignation from President Friedland.

C. Chief of Staff Sosa

1. Represented UWF at the Rally in Tally event this past week, quoted many of the numerical improvements of the University. This year we are only points away from the lead in the Board of Governors Matrix.
2. FSA has partnered with Rick Scott, to stop taxes on textbooks, bring back summer Bright Futures scholarship, as well as stop tuition increases. A link to the full press conference is available online.

VIII. Administrative Address

A. Dr. Kevin Bailey, VP of Student Affairs

1. Absent

B. Dr. Brandon Frye, Dean of Students

1. Take Back The Night is on Wednesday, April 1st and welcomes everyone to participate.
2. It is important to utilized the Chairs in SGA.

IX. Unfinished Business

A. 14-15 Resolution VI

1. Chief of Staff Sosa, summarizes the bills intentions.
2. Debate: Senator Vinson/ Senator Riley, amend resolution, "no significant effort was made to" should be taken out, and replaced with "significant effort should be made and continued to be made"
3. Debate: Senator Hebert/ Senator Riley, now reads "significant effort should be made"
4. 19-0-0
5. Chief of Staff Sosa/ Senator Riley, "now reads "by both faculty senate and administration"
6. 19-0-0

7. Chair Thrasher/ Chief of Staff Sosa, "throughout events list above" take out
8. 19-0-0
9. Vote on second reading of Resolution VI - passed over 50 %

X. New Business

- A. Swearing in of the President
- B. Election of the Vice-President
 1. Nominations were uncontested, swearing in of Brittany Denny.
 2. 17-0-1
- C. 14-15 Resolution VII
 1. Chief of Staff Sosa, read resolution VII.
 2. Senator Vinson, asked how much goes in the fee - \$0.75 per credit hour.
 3. 18-0-0 to amend capitalization of student
 4. Senator Ramey/ Senator Patel, announced many grammatical amendments to the resolution - 18-0-0
 5. Chief of Staff Sosa welcomes senators to sponsor.
 6. Vote on first reading - 18-0-0
- D. Removal Hearing
 1. Removed from agenda, see II.A.

XI. Adjournment

- A. Standing Committee Report
 1. Chair McBurney, SACS COC accreditation went extremely well, the review committee only have one formal recommendation that will be sent out soon. The recommendation was about a foreign language class, but did not have enough credit hours to teach the class.
 2. Senate President Hebert, will no longer be absent Friday, March 27th.
- B. Closing announcements
 1. Chair Kendrick announced that trolley covers construction should start soon.
 2. Chair Patel announced next Friday, March 27 at 6pm will be the mentor and mentee day.
 3. President Wilson, asked that everyone respect Ethan Friedland and the decision he had to make.
 4. Advisor Jenny, announced their are still a few positions open in the elections. Filling still open until Monday at 5pm, for open position. Please support the SGA candidates.
- C. Final Roll Call - By Clicker
 1. Present:18
 2. Absent: Senator Francois
- D. Adjourn
 1. Senator Vinson/ Senator Ramey 18-0-0 @ 3:27pm

Session Name: New Session 3-20-2015 3-28 PM

Date Created: 3/20/2015 1:42:47 PM Active Participants: 19 of 21

Average Score: 0.00% Questions: 5

Results By Question

1.) Vote 1 (Multiple Choice)

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	100%	16
No	0%	0
Abstain	0%	0
Totals	100%	16

2.) Vote 2 (Multiple Choice)

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	95%	18
No	5%	1
Abstain	0%	0
Totals	100%	19

3.) Vote 3 (Multiple Choice)

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	68%	13
No	32%	6
Abstain	0%	0
Totals	100%	19

4.) Vote 4 (Multiple Choice)

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	100%	18
No	0%	0
Abstain	0%	0
Totals	100%	18

5.) Vote 5 (Multiple Choice)

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	100%	18
No	0%	0
Abstain	0%	0
Totals	100%	18

Senators,

Effectively immediately, I formally announce my resignation from the post of Student Body President. If you haven't heard already, I recently sustained a serious fracture in my right foot and as a result, I have been going through a long and painful healing process. This is something I didn't ever expect to happen but it unfortunately did. I wish I could avoid resigning but it is not only what is best for myself but for the Student Body at large. I couldn't hold my Office while not being at my highest performing level and that has been a conversation I have had with many of my advisors. However, I have nothing but the utmost confidence in Vice President Wilson to faithfully and properly execute the duties of Student Body President.

As for the future, I wish you all more than the best and I know you will continue to make me proud. After four years of dedication and service within Student Government, I wouldn't have ever imagined that this is the way my tenure would end but that's the beauty of life I suppose. It's time now to finish what we started and I know my dear friend and Vice President is best suited for the job. It's now become time for me to focus on having a full recovery.

Even though I am no longer your Chief Executive, I am still your friend. If you ever need anything, you can still call me at any time. I'll always be willing to help with anything you might need. Take care Senate and God Bless.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Ethan Friedland', with a stylized, cursive script.

Ethan Friedland