

55th Senate Meeting April 7th, 2023

I. Call to order: 2:37 p.m.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call
 - a. Absent:
 - i. Senator Brewer
 - ii. Senator Vasquez
 - iii. Senator Strickland
 - iv. Senator Cavier

II. Adoption of the Agenda

- A. April 7th , 2023
 - 1. Vote to adopt the agenda
 - ✓ VOTE

Yay: All Nay: None

Agenda PASSES

III. Approval of the Minutes

A. March 24th, 2022

✓ VOTE

Yay: All Nay: None Abstentions: None

• Minutes PASSES

IV. Administrative Addresses

- A. Dr. Gregory Tomso Vice President of the DAESA
 - a. I am in charge of SGA and work with all of the student organizations
 - b. Wanted to advertise our fundraising is the Day of Giving Campaign (I am wearing the Argo Dillo, partnering with them to get some student engagement and student fundraising challenge)
 - c. I'm here to welcome you and congratulate the new VP and President and the leaders and to say goodbye to those who are leaving
 - d. This is a very strange time for SGA, and we took a hit to governance because of the Post covid world
 - e. Make sure we have a vibrant and engaged student body
 - f. Student government is very important
 - g. There are myriad issues we note and we need a good team to address opportunities and challenges as they arise.
 - h. We are living in a very politicized moment, and there are things we need to talk about, talk about civil discourse
 - i. We need to be good stewards of the millions of dollars
 - j. Fun stuff- events program agendas, your legacy at the University of West Florida
 - k. Keep this in mind for the new leaders
 - 1. I want to let you know that I am here, Lindsey Woods, Dr. Anderson here to help you and guide you, I won't come in too often because I try to separate myself for neutral purposes, I try to come to budget committee meetings
 - m. Encourage you that all committees have good leadership, junior members, and leadership continuity
 - n. Institutional memory, is why we do things this way
 - o. I wish you all the very best and thank you for your service, let's make this SGA the best and brightest together
 - p. Congratulations!
- B. Dr. Mary Anderson Dean of Students
 - a. Thank you to our outgoing SGA officers
 - b. I can't believe that the year is already over it feels like you were just here
 - c. It's been such a pleasure to work with you all this year, especially budget and allocations
 - d. Meet the needs of students and the division
 - e. I appreciate the work that you all do
 - f. The university could not work without your dedication
 - g. I will be sad to see the outgoing members leave, but looking forwards to working with the 56th Senate this year
- C. Lindsey Woods
 - a. Thank you to our gallery members thank you for ensuing this here with us today
 - b. Thank you so much 55th Senate
 - c. We had the opportunity to learn and challenge each other
 - d. For those who are continuing on, please come find me
 - e. You all have a great ability to make impactful change on campus

V. Guest Speaker

A. None

VI. Appointments

a. None

VII. Unfinished Business

A. None

VIII. New Business

A. Resolution XV - UWF SAFE RIDE

- a. First reading of Resolution XV by President Marshall
 - *Questions: Senator Allick: Who would provide the rides? President Marshall: UWF roster with Uber, use the discount*
 - *ii.* Debate: President Marshall:
 - 1. This is an initiative me and Brooke have been working on
 - 2. We want students to have the option to get places safely

✓ VOTE

- Yay: 14 Nay: 0 Abstentions: 0
 - 1st Reading PASSES
- b. Motion for second reading of Resolution XV by Chair Costa
 Seconded by Chair Fess

✓ VOTE

Yay: All Nay: 0 Abstentions: 0 • Motion PASSES

i. Questions: None Ii. Debate: None

✓ VOTE Yay: 14 Nay: 0

Abstentions: 0

2nd Reading PASSES

VIII. Executive Addresses

A. President Marshall

- Thank everybody for coming
- It was a pleasure serving as president
- I want to thank faculty and staff with letters and flowers

B. Vice President Proffitt:

- Thank you all for supporting Brooke and Pat
- Freshman Committee I am so excited to what you do
- Thank you, faculty and staff,

D. Treasurer Gilbert:

• No report

IX. Legislative Addresses

A. Senate Pro Tempore Range:

- Thank you everyone
- I am excited to address you as President Range

B. Secretary Brown

- No report

C. Budget and Allocations Committee Chair Costa:

- Big shoutout to the staff for helping me
- I can always go to you for questions
- Angie has save dme so many times
- Made my life a lot easier
- I have done seven years of my life in SGA Thank you Ryan and Steven for sticking with me and growing since freshman year
- Big thank you to Ariauna and Brooke and Pat for supporting me
- Thank you Kyanna for being a great Vice Chair
- To the future 56th Senate, good luck
- I'm so grateful for my committee, for making thebusgedt committe the best

D. University Affairs Committee Chair Fess:

- I'm not leaving, but I want to thank evyerone
- Espeically Lindsey and Dierre, that was a really big responsibility that I didn't have to do alone
- Thank you for Brooke and Pat for introducing me to SGA

- E. Student Affairs Committee Chair Wiktorski:
 - I know this is weird
 - I am graduating this semester
 - I have been involved in SGA for the past three years
 - My experience at UWF would not be the same without SGA Thank you Vice Chair Nolan
 - Thank you, committee members
 - We really resorted the student affairs events and we have had many events this semester
 - Our biggest project was Argo Den
 - We are finished a project with Peer Educators to supply menstrual products
 - *My* mentee has been amazing this semester
 - Thank you to my current mentee

F. Freshman Committee Chair Hicks:

- Than you Lindesy and Dierre I really gained a lot of knowledge about how to be a leader
- Thank you FC
- Thank you Mallory and Eliie you've been amazing, passing two bills and resolution
- Seeing everything come into fruition is amazing

F. Senate Addresses:

- None

X. Installation

A. Brooke Proffitt-

- a. As the old members leave, thank you for your service to the student body
- b. Now I would like to welcome Ariauna Range as the new Student Body President
 - *i.* Please raise your right hand and repeat after me: "I state your name; promise to uphold my duties and responsibilities as the state your position in accordance with the University of West Florida and student body Constitution and statutes. Congratulations
- c. Now I would like to welcome Kyanna Mai Montoya as the new Student Body Vice President
 - i. Please raise your right hand and repeat after me: "I state your name; promise to uphold my duties and responsibilities as the state your position in accordance with the University of West Florida and student body Constitution and statutes. Congratulations
- d. Student Body Treasurer Maggie Brown

- *i.* Please raise your right hand and repeat after me: "I state your name; promise to uphold my duties and responsibilities as the state your position in accordance with the University of West Florida and student body Constitution and statutes. Congratulations
- B. CASSH Senators (AC Hicks, Dom Carrapazza, Nicholas McCloskey, Izzy Claussen)
 - i. Please raise your right hand and repeat after me: "I state your name; promise to uphold my duties and responsibilities as the state your position in accordance with the University of West Florida and student body Constitution and statutes. Congratulations
- C. CEPS (Bravian Hicks, Dylan Pogreba, Mallory Bell)
 - i. Please raise your right hand and repeat after me: "I state your name; promise to uphold my duties and responsibilities as the state your position in accordance with the University of West Florida and student body Constitution and statutes. Congratulations
- D. Hal Marcus Science of Engineering (Mackey Wright, Tammy Dortch)
 - i. Please raise your right hand and repeat after me: "I state your name; promise to uphold my duties and responsibilities as the state your position in accordance with the University of West Florida and student body Constitution and statutes. Congratulations
- E. College of Health (Ly Fess, Sydney Dawson, Veronica Zaldana)
 - i. Please raise your right hand and repeat after me: "I state your name; promise to uphold my duties and responsibilities as the state your position in accordance with the University of West Florida and student body Constitution and statutes. Congratulations
- A. AC Hicks Director of Diversity Initiatives
 - This is my third time as a Senator
 - I have wanted to be DODI since meeting Kayla last year
 - I have a plan for the entire year
 - I will strive to recognize the multi cultural campus and student body
 - I plan to include many other student organizations for Diversity Week
 - And I want to start a committee to allow students and organizations to talk about issues they want to address
 - I started SAGE and it is currently the largest student organization and identity organization on campus (250 registered members)
 - It has been an honor to be in that role, and I feel like I can do even more with the DODI position
 - *i. Questions:*
 - Senator Dortch: How much time can you dedicate to this role?
 - Senator Hicks: I am stepping down from my position in SAGE because I already established the structure

- *I want to allow someone who is passionate about SAGE to step into that position*
- i. Debate:
 - Senator Fess: I am arguing in favor of AC
 - They have done so much to try and promote diversity on campus
 - They will do great in this position, and are an amazing fit
- ✓ VOTE Yay: 11 Nay: 2
- Appointee PASSES
- Please raise your right hand and repeat after me: "I [state your name]; promise to uphold my duties and responsibilities as the state your position in accordance with the University of West Florida and student body Constitution and statutes." Congratulations.

Senate Leadership Elections:

- A. Senate Pro Tempore Bavarian Hicks
 - i. Senator Bravian Hicks nominated by Senator Bell
 - ii. Seconded by Senator Dawson
 - a. Point of Clarification:
 - i. Dierre: You can self-nominate
 - b. I'm a first-year student majoring in Legal Studies and minoring in Political Science
 - c. I served as FC Chair
 - d. I have strengthened my communication skills and learned to collaborate well with others
 - e. I believe that these skills allow me to become a competent Senate Pro Tempore
 - f. I want to give recommendations for student resources to enhance the student experience
 - g. I want to maintain the 56th SGA and make sure that the statutes are up to date
 - h. I am excited to work closely with Vice President Montoya
 - i. I want to write resolutions about current events
 - j. My time has been short ut sufficient enough to serve in this position
 - k. Thank you for your time
 - i. Questions: None

- *i. Debate:*
 - Senator Bell: I am for Bravian Hicks. We've worked together well as Director of Communications. She has great listening and communication skills. Please vote in favor of her.
 - Ellie Savini: Everything we've done in FC could not have been done without her. This position is perfect for her and I'm excited to see where she goes.

✓ VOTE

Yay: 12 Nay: 0

- Appointee PASSES
- o Motion for block swear-in by Senator Fess
- o Seconded by Senator Pogreba

✓ VOTE

Yay: 13 Nay: 0

Motion PASSES

B. Budgets and Allocations Chair - Dylan Pogreba

- i. Self-nominated by Senator Pogreba
- ii. Seconded by Senator Fess
- b. I want to represent the student body
- c. To all the new faces here today, I cannot wait to work with all of you
- d. Last term, I served as a CASSH Senator and previously with FC
- e. I ran under the plans of the ARGO Closet, transparency and involvement and running for Budgets Chair
- f. I stand with you to fulfill all of these priorities for the term
- g. I have prior experience with this committee
- h. I want projects that will impact the students
- i. I am leading the generation of new blood
- j. I am financially competent
 - i. Questions: None
 - *i. Debate:*

- Senator Fess yields time to Nolan Costa: He was on the committee with me and he is really excited to do it. He's great at showing up and he's a good speaker. Also really passionate, loves SGA and UWF.
- Senator McCloskey: I stand in favor of Dylan. From what I've seen he is dedicated to this school and SGA. I hope you think so too.

✓ VOTE

Yay: 12 Nay: 0

- Appointee PASSES
- C. Student Affairs Chair Mallory Bell
 - i. Self-nominated by Senator Bell
 - ii. Seconded by Senator Fess
 - b. I was the past FC Director of Communications
 - c. This is my first year, I feel like I really had an impact on the community
 - d. Being student affairs chair will allow me to do events that students would enjoy and do service activities
 - i. Questions: None

i. Debate:

- Senator Hicks: I have known Mallory Bell since high school. She has the experience to fulfill this role. As FC DCOM she was active in our events. She's really good
- Senator McCloskey: I have only known Mallory since the beginning of this year. She has great communication and leadership skills, one of the best people I've met this year

✓ VOTE

Yay: 12

Nay: 0

• Appointee PASSES

D. University Affairs Chair - Izzy Claussen

- i. Nominated by Senator Carrapazza
- ii. Seconded by Senator Claussen
- b. I've seen most of you around campus
- c. I am new to SGA as a former Supreme Court Justice

- d. I am excited to meet you all
- e. I want to create events and a place where we can feel happy and comfortable
- f. I would like this opportunity to be University Affairs Chair
 - i. Questions:
 - Senator Dortch: How much time do you think you can give to this position?
 - I would like to dedicate my time to this position
 - i. Debate:
 - Senator Carrapazza: She is a treasure in our life. I know that you have stressed the importance of experience, fresh blood is good. She is a hardworking and organized person to be around. Honestly, I've worked under Ly, and I have stressed that they have not been up to their role because of their commitments. Izzy has professionals and level to learn
 - ✓ VOTE

Yay: 4 Nay: 0

- Appointee FAILS
- E. University Affairs Chair Ly Fess
 - i. Nominated by Senate Pro Tempore Hicks
 - ii. Seconded by Senator Dawson
 - b. I was the previous Chair, started out as Vice Chair
 - c. The transition to becoming Chair was sudden and it took a lot of time and attention to detail is important
 - d. It was a lot of work, but now I know what to do
 - e. I hope you give me the chance to work well, and I want to change the perception of University Affairs on campus
 - i. Questions:
 - Senator Dortch: How do you plan on managing your time?
 - Senator Fess: When I became Chair suddenly, I didn't have time to prepare but now I do. I will make time for this because I love SGA
 - DODI Hicks: Can you speak about your time as University Affairs Chair and how they have prepared you for this position?
 - Senator Fess: being thrown into this position was difficult, but then I was able to run it effectively. I got to see what people wanted on campus and make an impact. I am now able to run it and make

sure there is enough people that know Green Fee exists, and to increase awareness about DTA/DSA. I can better advertise it. I can build on those experiences and make them more accessible

i. Debate:

- DODI Hicks yields time to Chair Pogreba: I am arguing in favor of Senator Fess. During that time, I have watched them have an incredible ability to balance what they are doing and stepping into a role that was thrown onto them. No one else could have taken in. They took the role and did the best they could. DSA/DTA was successful. It's not a flamboyant role but they have a personality suitable for it. They already have experience with Faculty Senate and put immense effort into the position. Izzy is a lively person but she is better suited for Student Affairs chair
- Senator Dortch yields time to President Range: We've worked with Ly and I taught them what they needed to do and they ran it smoothly. It's really great to have continuity with leadership and have institutional memory like Dr. Tomso mentioned. Izzy is new and doesn't have Senate experience. It is not easy to go into a Chair position, and a vice chair is a great learning experience. We need to have someone who has experience with this role because it is intricate and detail-oriented.
- Vice President Montoya: I have worked with Ly in many organizations, and I see their leadership. New blood is good but Ly has responsibilities and devotedness to student government. I believe in unity, and it's important that we have the experience.
- ✓ VOTE Yay: 8
- Appointee PASSES
- o Motion for a blind vote by Senator Fess
- o Seconded by Senate Pro Tempore Hicks

Vice President Montoya:

- Senators will be placed into legislative committees
- Applications for appointments are open on Argo Pulse

XI. Adjournment

A. Standing Committee Report

- None
- B. Closing Announcements
 - None

C. Public Statements

- None
- D. Final Roll Call 1. Absenta.

E. Adjournment:

- A. Motion to adjourn the meeting by Chair Fess a. Seconded by Senate Pro Tempore Range
 - ✓ VOTE

Yay: All Nay: None

- Adjournment PASSES
- Adjournment: 3:50 p.m.