4th SESSION OF THE 44th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Thursday, May 2, 2019

I. Call to Order - 6:00 pm

II. GA is now and Electronic Free Zone


IV. Academic Awards Ceremony
   A. Completed

V. Old Business
   A. None

VI. New Business
   A. Second Reading bylaw Amendment Reading by Jack Rust
      i. Jose Escobedo: Moves to adopt amendment
         ● Seconded
         ● Verbal vote passed to enter discussion
      ii. Salman Sakib - I am against this adoption because I feel we need more time to discuss.
      iii. Drew Shelnutt - PoO - this bylaw is written in conflict with itself
         ● Section 1 refers specifically to programs and program directors and then adds additional executive appointments later on. You cannot use the words “executive appointments” because you are including Justices and Committee chairs. There are already stipulations in the constitution for those positions.
      iv. Salman Sakib - Also, our senator requirements is 2.25 not 2.00 GPA.
      v. Dylan Delgado - I motion to amend in Section 2 to read 2.25 GPA instead of 2.0.
         ● Seconded
      vi. Carlo Garcia - We are now in discussion on this amendment
      vii. Kaitlyn Law - One second please
      viii. Carlo Garcia - We will take a 5 minute recess
      ix. Jack Rust - Just so everyone is clear on what is happening. We have just identified some document integrity errors. Some pieces of this document were changed after the first reading last week. We have now changed them back to the original document that was emailed and read to the GA last week. Now Drew will clarify the contradiction in this document.
      x. Drew Shelnutt - Again, the qualifications for positions in section two are already laid out in the constitution. We need to change the language to read, at least at what I recommend, “qualifications for executive appointments outlined in this section” or “in by-line five.”
      xi. Dylan Delgado - If the expectations of these positions are laid out in the constitution, why do we have another document describing them?
      xii. Kaitlyn Law - Many of these positions are newly created by Jack and this legislation is a means to hold those positions accountable to their roles.
      xiii. Kaitlyn Law - The highlighted edits are necessary to make this document constitutional. The verbiage changes are there to ensure no contradictions with constitution occur.
      xiv. Dylan Delgado - *to GA* Does anyone not understand why the current changes are being recommended? Is anyone confused?
      xv. Gage Martin - Have the gender pronouns been changed?
xvi. Kaitlyn Law - yes, they are just not highlighted
xvii. Claudeth Garcia - Can we read through the recommended changes?
xviii. Kaitlyn Law - The major changes read “All positions outlined in this document are appointed by the president with the exception of the position of Chief of Staff. The positions may not serve as executive officers or standing committee chairs. They have a voice but no vote in the general assembly unless they are a senator.”
xix. “The qualifications of executive appointments outlined in this bylaw must be currently enrolled students at UTSA. Executive appointments outlined in this bylaw must have the minimum cumulative GPA requirement prior to the first day each semester. Executive appointments outlined in this bylaw must remain in good standing as defined by the student code of conduct of the university. Should the actions of an executive appointments outlined in this bylaw come into question, the SGA president shall be contacted immediately so the president may be aware of the concern. In addition, the person holding the concern should meet with the appointee to rectify the matter. The president shall have the ability to remove executive appointments outlined in this bylaw if they fail to fulfill their assigned duties or the expectations of a member of SGA. Executive appointments outlined in this bylaw shall have the same absence policy as senators. If an executive appointments outlined in this bylaw is not filled, the president can find a replacement or reallocate the assigned duties to other positions as necessary.”
xx. Dylan Delgado - I motion to adopt all changes as described.
  ● Seconded
  ● Verbal vote passed to move in discussion
  ● Verbal vote passed adopting all described changes to document
xxi. Drew Shelnutt - PoO - I recommend removing the UTSSAC rep. from this listing. Having the UTSSAC rep. in this document removes the voting rights of the person appointed to this position.
xxii. Dylan Delgado - I motion to strike Section 12 regarding the UTSSAC Rep. from this document.
  ● Seconded
  ● Moved into discussion
  ● Verbal vote passed to strike section 12
xxiii. Dylan Delgado - I move to previous question (voting on the adoption of document as a whole)
  ● seconded
  ● Verbal vote passed to adopt document as a whole

VII. Approval of the minutes
A. Minutes from 4/18 approved with no objection.


IX. Adjournment - 7:27pm