



## **Student Body Senate Minutes**

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at 7:00pm

Student Union, Case Study 2

- I. **Call to Order** of the Student Body Senate of the Student Government Association of Oklahoma State University
- II. **Roll Call**
  - a. Swearing in of New Senators, Supreme Court Justices, and Executives:  
“I, *state your name*, do solemnly affirm that I will discharge to the best of my ability, the responsibilities entrusted to me, as an officer of the Student Government Association of Oklahoma State University”
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. **Approval of Minutes** of the Previous Meeting
  - a. March 13, 2019
    - i. Approved
- V. **Guest Speakers and Student Concerns**
- VI. **Advisor(s) Report** – Dr. John Mark Day/Melisa Echols
  - a. **Melisa Echols**
    - i. Campus Compact is looking for student volunteers to raise awareness about the census and how important it is to college students
    - ii. Supreme Court hearings were held on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>; election results will not be announced until a decision is handed down in the pending cases before the court
    - iii. There will be a run off election held next week, on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>
    - iv. Oklahoma State’s new Vice President of Student Affairs is starting next week; SGA is seeking shirts and other items to give him a warm welcome
    - v. Kinsinger: Will election results be released even if the top vote getter is removed from the ballot  
Melisa Echols: Yes
- VII. **President’s Report**- Chase Blevins
  - a. The Student Leader Award received 30 applicants and 22 of those individuals were selected for their exceptional leadership on our campus; A banquet will be held in their honor on April 26<sup>th</sup>
  - b. In light of recent issues, be reminded that SGA resources can only be used for Official SGA Business; officers of SGA must get the permission of the Senate chair or President to use SGA Resources
- VIII. **Vice President’s Report**- Vanessa Wiebe
  - a. No report.
- IX. **Unfinished Business**
- X. **New Business**
  - a. Murphey: Motion to hear S19BL019 by special order
    - i. Second: Hutto

- ii. Approved by Unanimous Consent
- b. S19BL019: A bill amending Title III.
  - i. Albright: Why is the tie breaking vote given to a faculty member
    - 1. Carmichael: We wanted someone unbiased and someone with experience making decisions related to conduct
  - ii. Murphey: Would the author be open to a friendly amendment that, in section 3.1.8, strikes all language starting at 'in' through 'Association'?
    - 1. Adopted by the Author
  - iii. Murphey: Would the author be open to a friendly amendment that strikes all language in Section 3.2.2.2.
    - 1. Adopted by the Author
  - iv. Hutto: Motion, by suspension of the rules, pass bill by unanimous consent
    - 1. Munholland: Second
    - 2. Approved
- c. S19BL009: A bill providing co-sponsorship funds to Muslim Student Association.
  - i. Hutto: Motion, by suspension of the rules, to pass by unanimous consent
    - 1. Murphey: Second
    - 2. Approved
- d. S19BL010: A bill providing co-sponsorship funds to Omega Delta Phi, Fraternity Inc.
  - i. Albright: Motion, by suspension of the rules, to pass the bill by unanimous consent
    - 1. Hutto: Second
    - 2. Approved
- e. S19BL012: A bill providing co-sponsorship funds to ROOTED.
  - i. Hutto: What are the dates of the convention you are attending
    - 1. Harrison McClure: Need dates
  - ii. Hutto: Motion, by suspension of the rules, to pass the bill by unanimous consent
    - 1. Fisher: Second
    - 2. Approved
- f. S19BL013: A bill providing co-sponsorship funds to Student Veterans Organization.
  - i. Fisher: Do you seek partnerships with Companies?
    - 1. VSO Representative: Yes, veterans tend to perform very well in school and in the workplace and we receive a lot of recruitment interest.
  - ii. Patton: Motion, by suspension of the rules, to pass the bill by unanimous consent
    - 1. Fisher: Objection
    - 2. Roll Call Vote: Approved 39-0

**XI. Recess for Legislation to be Forwarded to Committees**

**XII. Executive Reports**

- a. Cabinet Executives

**XIII. Supreme Court Report(s)**

**a. Chief Justice Preston Lewis**

- i. Thank you to Senate for passing the legislation and for attending the hearings on Monday
- ii. Justices are still deliberating on the cases heard during those hearings on Monday

- iii. Writ of Mandamus issued to the Election Agency requiring the presentation of all documents related to the complaints heard by the EA and all documents reported to them by each campaign.

#### **XIV. Senate Reports**

##### **a. Committee Chairs**

##### **i. Budget – Jessie Hickey**

- 1. After the appropriations approved tonight go through we will have \$1317 left in our account
- 2. We be meeting next week to hear a request from one group
- 3. Nominations for Budget Chair
  - a. Murphey: Motion to open nominations for Budget Committee Chair
    - i. Carmichael: Second
    - ii. Approved
  - b. Kensinger: Nominates Jessie Hickey
    - i. Hickey: Accepts
  - c. Murphey: Motion to suspend nominations for a week
    - i. Fisher: Second
    - ii. Approved

##### **ii. CSO – Mason Martin**

- 1. No meeting was held this week but we have one in the coming week
- 2. Nominations for CSO Chair
  - a. Ventris: Motion to open nominations for CSO Committee Chair
    - i. Munholland: Second
    - ii. Approved
  - b. Kensinger: Nominates Logan Hutto
    - i. Hutto: Accepts
  - c. Murphey: Motion to suspend nominations for a week
    - i. Hickey: Second
    - ii. Approved

##### **iii. Internal Affairs – Noah Murphey**

- 1. No meeting this week
- 2. Looking forward to the many rumored bylaw reforms
- 3. Nominations for Internal Affairs Chair
  - a. Carmichael: Motion to open nominations for Internal Affairs Committee Chair
    - i. Schultz: Second
    - ii. Approved
  - b. Hickey: Nominates Noah Murphey
    - i. Murphey: Accepts
  - c. Murphey: Motion to suspend nominations for a week
    - i. Hutto: Second
    - ii. Approved

##### **iv. PAC – Zach Kensinger**

1. Lobbying trip will be on April 17<sup>th</sup> and an electronic form has been sent to all senators for the purpose of signing up.
  2. Nominations for PAC Chair
    - a. Murphey: Motion to open nominations for PAC Committee Chair
      - i. Hickey: Second
      - ii. Approved
    - b. Kensinger: Nominates Eden Patton
      - i. Patton: Accepts
    - c. Murphey: Motion to suspend nominations for a week
      - i. Fisher: Second
      - ii. Approved
- v. University – Stephanie Rojo
1. Last meeting we heard two student concerns; one about meal plan reform and one about the future of public policy surrounding marijuana.
  2. Nominations for University Chair
    - a. Murphey: Motion to open nominations for University Committee Chair
      - i. Carmichael: Second
      - ii. Approved
    - b. Jidobe: Nominates Noah Mead
      - i. Mead: Accepts
    - c. Murphey: Motion to suspend nominations for a week
      - i. Kensinger: Second
      - ii. Approved
- b. Constituency Reports**
- c. Other Senate Reports**
- i. Liaisons
    1. OSU Tulsa – Elly DeVillasante
    2. OSU Institute of Technology – Vacant
    3. OSU OKC – Logan Hutto
    4. GPSGA – Jessie Hickey
    5. FRC – Ashley Gin
      - a. Dodge for a Cause is FRC’s main event and will take place on April 17<sup>th</sup> through the 19<sup>th</sup>
      - b. FRC is looking to bring a program named Lead Learn Live to OSU; Lead Learn Live is a program that seeks to insure that individuals with special needs are able to continue their education after high school even though they might not be able to receive a diploma.
      - c. FRC is looking for individuals to showcase in the Freshman Forward event that is to be held at the Wesley House
    6. OU – Jessie Hickey
  - ii. Representatives
    1. Board of Regents for A&M Colleges – Marcus Heald

2. Board of Regents for Higher Education – Joshua Fisher
  - a. The Board of Regents is looking to add numerous graduate certifications
3. Faculty Council – Ashley Schultz
  - a. Next Meeting will be on April 9<sup>th</sup>
- d.** Vice Chair’s Report – Jaden Kasitz
  - i.** If Senators are trying to make up office hours for March, you only have a few days to do it.
  - ii.** Nominations for Vice Chair
    - a. Murphey: Motion to open nominations for Senate Vice Chair
      - i. Carmichael: Second
      - ii. Approved
    - b. Jidobe: Nominates Jessie Hickey
      - i. Ruled out of Order
    - c. Kaleka: Nominates Kasitz
      - i. Kasitz: Accepts
    - d. Murphey: Motion to suspend nominations for a week
      - i. Hickey: Second
      - ii. Approved
- e.** Chair’s Report – Holland Gray
  - i.** There will be no tolerance given to those on the absence list when reviewed next week
  - ii.** Committee Chair elections will be held on April 17<sup>th</sup> and elections for Senate Chair and Vice Chair will be held on April 24<sup>th</sup>
  - iii.** Mental Health Week is next week! April 1<sup>st</sup> through April 4<sup>th</sup>; An electronic form has been sent to all senators in order for them to sign up. Working mental health week can count as office hours and every senator is expected to sign up for at least one slot.
  - iv.** Senate is canceled next week, but Senators are required to attend the distress event at the same time. The event will be held in the Starlight Terrace
  - v.** Senators are strongly encouraged to attend a speaking event featuring Josh Rivedal that will be held Thursday in the Student Union Theatre
  - vi.** Kaleka: 43% of college students suffer from anxiety and 41% suffer from depression; its imperative to do our part to address and raise awareness about this issue.
  - vii.** Fisher: Is it possible to earn office hours while helping with Mental Health Week
    1. Kasitz: Yes, up to one plus up to two for putting out posters (1 for every 10 posters)
  - viii.** Nominations for Senate Chair
    - a. Munholland: Motion to open nominations for Senate Chair
      - i. Carmichael: Second
      - ii. Approved
    - b. Jidobe: Nominates Jaden Kasitz
      - i. Kasitz: Accepts
    - c. Patton: Nominates Marcus Heald

- i. Heald: Accepts
- d. Hackler: Nominates Noah Murphey
  - i. Murphey: Declines
- e. Ventris: Motion to suspend nominations for a week
  - i. Kensinger: Second
  - ii. Approved

**XV. Announcements**

- a. Fisher: The Wall that Heals will be here at OSU on April 18-21; 40,000 thousand people commit suicide every year and, on average, 20 veterans commit suicide per day. Participating is a small, but vital way to raise awareness about this important issue.

**XVI. Informal Discussion**

- a. Holland: Comments surrounding SGA are concerned with the lack of meaningful legislation
- b. Kensinger: A big thank you to Melissa

**XVII. Adjournment**

This agenda shall not be construed as preventing: The introduction of new legislation not listed, the reconsideration of any motion of the immediately preceding Senate meeting, or any regular procedural motion or any motions by an appropriate majority which allows the introduction and final consideration of Legislation in the same meeting so long as that legislation is listed in this agenda. Posted at 6:00pm on March 26, 2019 by Holland Gray, Student Body Senate Chair ([sgasenate@okstate.edu](mailto:sgasenate@okstate.edu)) 405-744-7555

Last Name	First Name	Attendance	
Carmichael	Aaron	present	1
Gin	Ashley	present	1
Ventris	Jacob	present	1
Munholland	Wyatt	present	1
Curtis	Riley	present	1
Crane	Kayleigh	Proxy	1
Martin	Mason	Proxy	1
Rojo	Stephanie	absent	0
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Kensinger	Zach	Present	1
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0	0		0
Hickey	Jessie	Present	1
Mead	Noah	present	1
Jdiobe	Muwanika	present	1
Heald	Marcus	present	1
Burger	Jacob	present	1
Kaleka	Franklin	present	1
Terry	Zach	Present	1
Boyd	Hunter	present	1
Kironget	Laura	present	1
Fisher	Joshua	present	1
Murphey	Noah	present	1
Ludvigson	Phillip	present	1
Dougherty	Payton	present	1
Dennis	Isaac	present	1
Smith	Lauren	present	1
Schultz	Ashley	present	1
Compean	Lexi	present	1
Patton	Eden	present	1
Muller	Luke	absent	0
Taylor	Truitt	present	1
Auer	Jacob	absent	0
Degner	Cooper	present	1
Kasitz	Jaden	present	1
Dumbauld	Callie	present	1
Dowers	Kylie	present	1
Hackler	Bailey	present	1
Hendrick	Taylor	present	1
Hutto	Logan	present	1
Slater	Rachel	present	1
DeVillasante	Elly	absent	0
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Evans	Grant	absent	0
Smith	Samuel	proxy	1
Albright	Michael	present	1
Gramling	Justine	present	1
Van Duser	Tyler	present	1
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Current Meeting Information	
Simple Majority	21
Two Thirds Majority	27
Two Thirds of Senate	17

Last Name	First Name	Vote
Carmichael	Aaron	Yea
Gin	Ashley	yea
Ventris	Jacob	yea
Munholland	Wyatt	yea
Curtis	Riley	yea
Crane	Kayleigh	yea
Martin	Mason	yea
Rojo	Stephanie	
0	0	
Kensinger	Zach	yea
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Hickey	Jessie	yea
Mead	Noah	yea
Jdiobe	Muwanika	yea
Heald	Marcus	yea
Burger	Jacob	yea
Kaleka	Franklin	yea
Terry	Zach	yea
Boyd	Hunter	yea
Kironget	Laura	yea
Fisher	Joshua	yea
Murphey	Noah	yea
Ludvigson	Phillip	yea
Dougherty	Payton	yea
Dennis	Isaac	yea
Smith	Lauren	yea
Schultz	Ashley	yea
Compean	Lexi	yea
Patton	Eden	yea
Muller	Luke	
Taylor	Truitt	yea
Auer	Jacob	
Degner	Cooper	yea
Kasitz	Jaden	yea
Dumbauld	Callie	yea
Dowers	Kylie	yea
Hackler	Bailey	yea
Hendrick	Taylor	yea
Hutto	Logan	yea
Slater	Rachel	yea
DeVillasante	Elly	
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Evans	Grant	
Smith	Samuel	yea
Albright	Michael	yea
Gramling	Justine	yea
Van Duser	Tyler	yea