

## Senate March 2, 2011

**Meeting Start: 6:39**

Pledge

Roll Call

**Associates Present:**

Gorenc- Labonte

Greene- Huntoon

Zhong

**Executives Present:**

Bowling

Eckerd

Martel

Barzideh

Schulz

Matt

**Judicial:**

Yoswa

Gallery Input

Eric: SFRB, two on Monday, athletics, 10385 no fee increase, the other is the Career Center, they are asking for a fee decrease, they haven't spent about 74% of their funds, voting will be this following fee, on Monday there will be the CSU health network and the Woman Gender and Advocacy fee presentations, it is Monday at 4pm 203

Consent agenda: minutes weren't sent out that will be moved to next week

Guest speakers? None

Ratifications? None

Swear in's? Yes

Eric Whittington- representing Liberal Arts, Cameron Doelling- senator for inter-university. Sworn in.

Judicial reports?

Associate Justice Moore's term ended on Friday and she would like to renew that for the rest of the year and that will be the Wednesday following

Senator

Roling: a few weeks ago, there was a requirement given that we had to write a bill on job descriptions and I am the only one doing it. If anyone wants to help me or work on that with me let me know please!

Jackson: outreach at Chipper Lanes on Friday, two free games and shoes

### **Associate Senator Reports?**

### **Executive Reports**

Cooper: next week is RAVE's biggest event of the year, next Tuesday, 5pm here the topic will be about tuition and student fees. I felt like the event on Monday was a success going to state legislature and it has definitely helped with certain bills. I wanted to talk about my Veto, I am not personally attached, I vetoed for two reasons, I feel like SFRB is a semi-independent and I wish that SFB had some similar, and there is a further check with the president taking... I also feel like SFB and SFRB have the stance that they have to be neutral and unbiased, the thing I am uncomfortable is the ability for senate to impeach members of the board. Not saying anyone on this senate would but there is a possibility for political gain that the senate could impeach one of them and I think that it is important for the boards to have some sort of independence. I also want to see how it would go all the way through.

Weiner: the procedure to remove someone now?

Cooper: it's a little hazy; they both have requirements that if you aren't fulfilling certain job requirements or not showing up to meetings then they will be removed from their positions. The chair can potentially remove someone from SFRB. It is written in the by-law that the chair must follow the rules

Weiner: so you are saying that you trust one person more than an entire room of the senate?

Whittington: who is to decide if they aren't doing their duties?

Cooper: the Chair member and if the member feels like they were incorrectly removed they can go against it.

Harries: why did you choose to not bring up the concerns last week?

Cooper: I was approached last week with some of these concerns and I have sat on the SFRB before and I do feel like they should have some independence.

Martel: One announcement, full on Friday and Saturday for volunteers but Saturday would be nice.

Barzideh: we had a Tilt seminar and thank you to everyone who came it was full which is great.

Eckerd: we do have city council elections coming up soon. We are in the process of how we want to tackle the elections and it is a little tricky, we have had some opinionated directors in the past and I'm not a fan of telling the students how to vote but I am gearing more towards an awareness and involvement thing. I will be bringing some ideas in front of senate in the next few weeks. We are planning another council sort of round table event and many of the state professional will come and talk to us. Originally we wanted to do some sort of debate but it was too late, let me know if you have any questions

Bowling: let senate know that the senate minutes from last week are on the website and the U drive; I would also like to encourage you to go to the SFRB meetings

Beau: student services are working on a thank you breakfast, it's for advisors or anyone who has helped you or your department, we need those names by Tuesday next week so we can send out invitations. You can either email my department or sign up and May 6<sup>th</sup> is the Eye ball

Schulz: I am the ASCSU representative for the LSC governing board. Once a month, I get to go and talk for 5 minutes about what is happening in the ASCSU so let me know what you are doing

Weiner: for people who have an opinion on the Veto, I would like to bring up old business

We will get to that in time. Objections to moving into old business

Weiner: override the Veto for 4012

Harries: what happens if we override the veto?

It will just pass the legislation like it would have gone through before.

**Unanimous consent to override the Veto. Objections?**

**Veto is overwritten**

**Back to executive reports, none**

**Committee reports**

Berlinberg: 4016, the changes were to specify the resolution, that there be a chair form ASCSU and we also added some grammatical changes.

Discussion and debate?

Shaughnessy: we discussed in committee is whether or not members from certain groups and at this point I would like to see how many people think they should be voting members on this committee. Move to add to the end of the therefore clause, "as non-voting members" added.

Discussion and debate

Shaughnessy: if these parties had voting rights they would be able to override any student decision

Schulz: if I were in their shoes I would consider it a waste of time to participate if my opinion was not considered at all. I think it would be a waste of time on their part unless you have already talked to them

Roche: our administrative and professors chances are there are some that smoke and if we are banning it then we should take that into consideration

Jackson: my only thought is that if we are going to give them votes I think we should up the number of student votes so students still hold the majority, I will see what happens and then make an amendment on this and I think it is right to give them a vote as long as there are more students

Hemphill: I think it is good to actually reach out to these people and if we do pass a resolution it is just a suggestion by us and it is not anything binding, it's not necessarily that this is a do all end all and I think it is necessary that students retain all of the voting rights on this committee

Harries: I am willing to yield to any author but I am curious what the end goal is. What is the goal?

Jackson: we added a new whereas clause is just to be clearer; my point of view is the idea behind this committee is what changes we can make to the current smoking ordinances.

Move into a hand vote: 11-5

### **Adopt committee changes**

Jacksons: unanimous consent to amend the amendments to have 5 at large members instead of 3.

### **Objections?**

### **Passes**

Move into hand vote: adopt: 15-3

### **Motion passed**

Main motion: adopt 4016

Schulz: I'd like to ask someone to send this to at the last therefore clause, Bob Schur, Director of the Office of University Policy and Compliance. I have heard rumors that he is the person to talk to if we are talking about smoking

No objections

Schulz: what this resolution is really supposed to hit at and is our goal to go completely smoke free?

Jackson: it's really showing where colleges across America are and how we are not in line with that and we need to change something. Not sure what exactly

Roche: no motions to actually change anything, it seems pretty clear that the policy will be to restrict smoking on campus and less than a majority says that it effects them, I just dislike the language of the bill

Greene: what was the sample size of the group?

Jackson: close to 600

Greene: that is not necessarily a large group, not representative enough of the student body.

Jackson: I would love to see another student voice survey and senate can make that happen. There are a lot of people on the committee and I would like to see some outreach. Being able to form a committee who can go out and solicit the information is a great way to get the necessary information and I encourage everyone to vote yes. Sorry for any personal opinions that have come across in the whereas clauses.

Roll call vote: 16:5:3 Passed

### **Old Business?**

### **New Business?**

Jackson: Nominations for the chair for the smoking committee

### **Nominations:**

Hemphill- Decline

Whittington- Decline

Shaughnessy- Accept

Berlinberg- decline

Jackson- Decline

Ewing- accept

Weiner- Decline

Roling- Accept

Jefri- Accept

Schulz- accept

Nominees come to the floor

Schulz: I think I am qualified because I have chaired the CSU governors committee, I can be impartial, and I don't really take a side on very many things

Shaughnessy- as most of you know this is my first semester at ASCSU I can see both sides of the issue and most people are really one side or another and I would like to accomplish having a diverse group of members and while a majority of students on campus don't smoke but it is one of our jobs to see the minority is heard

Roling- something I would like to accomplish is to get more involvement and a non biased view and it would be great if we could get better statistics and more views.

Ewing- I would like to do this because I was one of the writers of the bill so I have some background knowledge and I know how the statistics were found and I can be impartial and sit back and be more of an answerer

Jefri- I only have 12 credits and I have all the time in the world to do it. I have a brother who is allergic to smoke and another brother who is a heavy smoker and so I see both sides completely. I am a good devil's advocate, this is the third year for this to be brought up and I have heard a lot of information on it. I feel like we can make certain changes

### **Questions**

Jackson: do you have the time?

Ewing: yes I do,

Roling: yes I only have 12 credits

Shaughnessy: I am taking 18 and I do have time

Schulz: YES

Jefri: I have the time to do it and I really have all the time in the world

Bowling: do you all believe you have the ability to remain impartial

Schulz: Yes I can, I have done it multiple times in many different circumstances, Board of directors ASC I do this every month.

Shaughnessy: yes I can, I personally don't smoke but I have background in the military where 40% do smoke and I would like to include smokers and non-smokers in the committee

Roling: yes, I think doing research can help

Ewing: I can, when writing the bill there is obviously a side and I don't smoke but I know plenty of people who do and I would like to hear both sides

Jefri: yes, I have done it before and I am really good at asking the hard question even if I don't necessarily believe that and I have both in the background

Newcomb: have any of you formed opinions on the smoking policies on campus? Any strong views?

Schulz: the rule is the rule; I don't really care one way or another, if it stays 20 feet from doors which is state law that is fine with me too.

Shaughnessy: I don't have any strong feelings about it, since I don't smoke I don't really know them that well, I am not bothered by smokers but I have no problems going either way

Roling: I have no opinions, like the state laws say 20 feet from the door; I really do believe that it is good to get a bigger poll in many different areas

Ewing: based on the passed rules, I don't have a set idea. I have seen some that I believe are good ideas but I do think that we need to get more ideas about it; I have no set idea though

Jefri: I believe that the law is meant to be broken. If it is not done right then it will be broken. I am more concerned with making everyone satisfied and working with everyone, well the majority, happy.

Q and A Extended by 3 minutes, no more questions

## **Discussion and Debate**

### **Vote by secret ballot**

Shaughnessy- 14

Ewing- 2

Roling- 1

Jefri- 4

Schulz- 0

## **New Committee Chair: Senator Shaughnessy**

### **New business?**

### **Announcements?**

Jackson: COM TO BOWLING FRIDAY CHIPPER LANES north College 7pm bring everyone

Bowling: Please come to SFRB, this is the first bill I'm writing and I would love for you all to be there

Whittington: remember the Liberal Arts meetings; let me know if you have any questions about that.

Shaughnessy: if you would like to be a part of the new smoking Ordinance committee come see me. There is also a fundraiser at café Mexicali, see me about it.

Shank: one thing I am a bit concerned about is just small things such as talking out of term. I try to conduct the meeting in which it is the most beneficial, if you wish to talk please either wait to be yielded to until you have the floor, just respect everyone's speaking time. If you don't have a name plaque, see me. Pots Caucus, just a time where we can all unwind and talk like friends.

YAY BOX

No candy, sorry

I might even give you two pieces of candy if you get a yay if you come see me later!

Yay to the Ramride department! Yay to student services! Yay to Chase Eckerd!

**Meeting Ends at 8:10pm**

**Associates present:**

Greene

Gorenc

**Executives present:**

Schulz

Bowling