



September 9th, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Parliamentarian Cornell at 3:40 pm.

II. VALUES STATEMENT

I, as a citizen of SMU community, commit myself to upholding the values of intellectual integrity, academic honesty, personal responsibility, and sincere regard and respect for all SMU students, faculty, and staff.

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

IV. FIRST ROLL CALL

President Trespalacios	
VP Finnegan	
Secretary Norkett	
GAO Phillips	E
Chief of Staff Harker	
Parliamentarian Cornell	
Speaker Bouillion	
Senator Babin	
Senator Cui	
Senator Davis	
Senator DeMuth	
Senator Dombrowski	
Senator Forrest	
Senator Hopkins	
Senator Hutcherson	
Senator Jang	
Senator Kim	
Senator Koh	
Senator Maffei	
Senator McGinnis	
Senator McKenzie	
Senator Pope	
Senator Potter	E
Senator Rainey	
Senator Schmedding	
Senator Stockslager	

THIS WEEK IN SENATE

- First-Year Senator elections run this week! General members will be notified of their placement by Friday, and vacant seat applicants will have interviews this week as well.
- We are stilling working on extending the Add/Drop Date and the Hughes-Trigg Renovation Task Force.
- We discussed the new rules about how to become a part of The Mob!
- Look for the It's on Us campaign coming soon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Don't forget to attend one of the remaining MOM meetings!
- Apply for INTERsections at smu.edu/multicultural. The conference is over Fall Break.
- Friday Night Stampede is September 19.

Senator Stoker	
Senator Stovall	
Senator Thomas	
Senator Tuohy	
Senator Volz	
Senator Yen	
Senator Yuan	
Chair Adams	
Chair Barnes	
Chair Dang	
Chair Douglass	
Chair Finley	
Chair Hettinger	
Chair Krisht	
Chair Lee	
Chair Milmo	A

A – absent; T – tardy; E – excused

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The meeting’s agenda was approved with the addition of speakers from the SMU-in-Plano campus to the Speaker’s Podium.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the September 2, 2014 General Meeting were approved.

III. SPEAKER’S PODIUM

1. SMU-in-Plano

- i. We are a part of the Dispute Resolution Program out of the Plano campus. We want to understand how to get a United Nations chapter started at SMU. I would like to present the idea, but after going online, I could not find more information about how to go through that process. I have been soliciting the idea, and there is a lot of garnered support. This represents a big opportunity for growth since there are currently only 4 UN chapters at universities nationwide.

(1) Questions

- (a) Senator Pope: Can you explain what the association would do?
- (b) Mohammed: We are representatives and advocates of what the United Nations really does. Dallas is a huge hub of dignitaries from various organizations from the government. What I would like to do is create a forum for representatives to come talk to us on what their initiatives are. It’s a nice stepping-

stone for our members to graduate into the city chapter.

- (c) Jeremy: We would also bridge undergraduate and graduate students. This is community service on global scale.
- (d) Chair Lee: I am the chair of the Organizations Committee, so if you email senateorganizations@smu.edu, I can send you direct answers. The application for new organizations can be found at smu.edu/orgs.
- (e) Senator Kim: How is this organization different from the Tower Center, which also brings in dignitaries and is open to both graduate and undergraduate students?
- (f) Mohammed: We would directly be working with the United Nations organizations.

IV. OFFICER REPORTS

a. President Trespalacios

- i. It's on Us – The White House is creating a movement against sexual assaults on college campuses. Start thinking of how we can start spreading the word about this campaign. We can use ideas we had for Not on My Campus, or we can come up with new ideas.
- ii. The Mob – For you to be a part of the Mob, you need to attend other athletic events to gain points. Once you get to 130 points, you can buy a \$79 membership to go to basketball games. This is not the only way to get tickets, but it is the only guaranteed way.
- iii. Engaged Learning – This is the only way to get involvement outside the classroom added to your transcript. Applications are due September 30.
- iv. INTERsections – Applications are now open. Go to smu.edu/multicultural to sign-up.
- v. Friday Night Stampede – This will include the lighting of Armstrong Commons and the dedication of Mustang Band Hall on September 19. This event is put on by Office of Development and Student Affairs.
- vi. Questions
 - (1) Senator Rainey: I have heard from a non-credible source that you can sign up for games without actually being there. Do you know if that's true?
 - (2) President Trespalacios: It's possible, but it's unethical. If you see someone doing that, tell them to actually go to the games.
 - (3) Parliamentarian Cornell: Why do we receive more points for sports that do not perform as well as others?
 - (4) President Trespalacios: The points are not given out by performance; they are given out by attention given to that sport.
 - (5) Senator McGinnis: Does the \$79 fee include anything else?

- (6) President Trespalacios: It includes cups, towels, shirts, etc. I yield my time to Senator Stockslager.
 - (7) Senator Stockslager: These points add up for future years, too, so upperclassmen have a better chance of earning them later on.
 - (8) Senator Maffei: Can we sell Mob tickets?
 - (9) President Trespalacios: No.
- b. Vice President Finnegan:
- i. Hughes-Trigg Renovation Task Force – We visit schools on Fridays with JJ to look at their student center and meet with their student governments. We take notes and talk about it amongst the task force itself to create a list of what we would like in our new student center. We are looking for 2-4 students to be on the task force.
 - ii. Add/Drop Date – Alex Mace and I started this a couple years ago. Some things with administration take a long time. I am looking for members to come with me to the meetings so that this can continue even after I leave.
 - iii. Questions
 - (1) Chair Douglass: Do they have a date for the start of the reconstruction of Hughes-Trigg?
 - (2) Vice President Finnegan: They have not agreed to the reconstruction in the first place, but this is our research to try to convince the administration to do it. I yield my time to President Trespalacios.
 - (3) President Trespalacios: This is the first time students have demanded a new reconstruction. We are bringing our recommendations to the Board of Trustees.
 - (4) Senator Stovall: When would we be leaving on Fridays and when would we get back?
 - (5) Vice President Finnegan: The whole day should be blocked off.
 - (6) Chair Douglass: Who started this task force?
 - (7) Vice President Finnegan: We did. Dean Vogel gave us money to do some traveling.
 - (8) Senator McGinnis: Am I liaison for all 30 of these organizations?
 - (9) Vice President Finnegan: No, you only have the ones on your line. Hopefully by the end of this week, we will have filled the vacant seats, and they will take the rest of your organizations.
 - (10) Are these all chartered organizations?
 - (11) Vice President Finnegan: No, they are the organizations on Orgs.
- c. Secretary Norkett:
- i. Office Hours, Common Resolution Groups, Meet and Greet – Let me know if you did not receive the email.
 - ii. Website – I am the webmaster this year, so please email me with anything you want updated on the website.
 - iii. Questions

- (1) Senator Kim: Do law senators have to have office hours in Senate office?
 - (2) Secretary Norkett: No, you can go have them at the law school. The same goes for Perkins senators.
 - (3) Senator Yen: Can we move around our office hour times?
 - (4) Secretary Norkett: I want you to have the same time every week for consistency.
 - (5) Senator Yen: If we have a meeting with a head administrator, can that count as our office hour?
 - (6) Secretary Norkett: Yes, just make sure you sign in.
- d. Graduate Affairs Officer Phillips:
 - i. Graduate council
 - ii. Graduate students committee involvement
 - e. Speaker Bouillion:
 - i. Recognition – Make sure you stand up when you speak in the chamber.
 - f. Parliamentarian Cornell:
 1. No Report
 - g. Chief of Staff Harker:
 - i. Committee Assignments Complete – I am received your emails about committee preferences, and I will email you back after Senate today.
 - h. Executive Director Jones:
 - i. Social Event Registration – Any social events off-campus with alcohol have to be registered with me. Organizations no longer have to have points for Friday and Saturday parties. They still need to have points for Thursday night parties and away weekends. This is so organizations can lessen their risks. After they return their paperwork, they will be paired with a staff member. I am also responsible for on-campus events with alcohol, so come to me with any questions. Also, the women’s basketball team has not been getting a lot of love, so they have given me a list of games they would like to attend. We want to go as a Senate because we are supporting our constituents. The first game is November 14th.
 - ii. Food for Thought – 72 degrees is the comfort zone and also the dead zone. For you as Senators, you need to get out of your comfort zone and never be in the dead zone.
 - iii. Questions:
 - (1) Senator Hopkins: Would attending the basketball game count as an office hour for that week?
 - (2) Secretary Norkett: Yes.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Communications
 - i. No Report
- b. Diversity
 - i. No Report
- c. Endowment
 - i. No Report

- d. Finance
 - i. New Business
 - (1) SMU Rugby..... \$3750/3750 12-0-0
 - (a) We funded for uniforms.
 - (2) Dedman Law..... \$895/954.50 12-0-0
 - (a) We funded to send 2 students to a conference in October.
 - (3) TREAT \$150/150 9-3-0
 - ii. Old Business
 - (1) Alpha Phi Omega..... \$2,056 9-0-0
 - (2) Christopher Rios..... \$600 8-1-0
 - (3) SMU Italian Club Tabled Tabled
 - (4) PRSSA..... \$3,100 9-0-0
 - (5) SMU Cox Graduate School, Net Impact Chapter\$1,500 9-0-
 - iii. Parliamentarian Cornell: Motion to see the committee's recommendations in block. Approved.
 - iv. Parliamentarian Cornell: Motion to approve old business. Approved.
 - v. Final Vote: Committee's recommendations passed unanimously.
- e. Investments
 - i. No report.
- f. Membership
 - i. First-Year Senator Elections – The ballots are open at midnight tonight and will stay open until Thursday, September 11, at 5pm.
 - ii. General Members – We will notify general member applicants by this Friday.
 - iii. Vacancies – We are still looking for someone to apply to fill the Simmons seat.
 - iv. Questions
 - (1) Parliamentarian Cornell: How did we fill the existing Simmons, Hispanic-American, and Asian-American vacancies or the Cox vacancy created last week by Speaker Bouillion's election if we did not send out another school-wide email?
 - (2) Chair Adams: The application remained open for anyone who wanted to reply, and we encouraged those who had expressed interest beforehand in the position.
 - (3) Parliamentarian Cornell: There is some procedural stuff there we need to discuss after the meeting.
- g. Organizations
 - i. No Report
- h. Scholarship
 - i. No Report
- i. Student Concerns
 - i. No Report.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. SECOND ROLL CALL

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VP Finnegan	
Secretary Norkett	
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IX. SENATORIAL FORUM

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. President Trespacios: Make sure you work on some legislation this week in office hours
2. Senator Yuan: We are selling State Fair tickets for 30% off.
3. Senator Stoker: The second meeting of Black Men Emerging is in Portico CD at 7pm tonight. The second treasurer training will be held in this room. If an organization's treasurer does not go, they will not be able to receive check requests.
4. Jones: Please remind your liaison organizations to attend the MOM meetings. The president + 4 other officers must attend.
5. Harker: The American Heart Walk is this Saturday. Email Senator Potter.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the Senate meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna Norkett
Student Body Secretary