

## **Senate of the Undergraduate Student Government At Stony Brook University**

The regular weekly meeting of the Undergraduate Student Government was held on Thursday, September 24, 2009, at 8:35 PM in room 311 of the Student Activity Center, Executive Vice President Kriscenski being in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as corrected by the Chair.

### **1.0 Attendance was taken; quorum was achieved:**

Senator Tiffany Abrishamian	Present
Senator Tahir Ahmad	Present
Senator Ory Baum	Present
Senator Aharon Benelyahoo	Present
Senator Jordan Cushner	Absent
Senator Runyu Fan	Excused
Senator Daniel Graber	Present
Senator Michael Hagler	Present
Senator Syed Haq	Present
Senator Jonathan Harounian	Present
Senator Mahyar Kashan	Present
Senator Aysha Khan	Present
Senator Moiz Khan	Present
Senator Kirin Mahmud (CSA)	Present
Senator Nicole Mbisike	Present
Senator Craig McCarthy (RHA)	Present
President Pro Tempore Keith Tilley	Present

#### Non-Voting Members:

President Jasper Wilson	Present
Treasurer Matt Anderson	Absent
VP of Communications David Mazza	Present
VP of Academic Affairs Shamell Forbes	Present
VP of Clubs & Orgs Ashley Reji	Absent
Junior Class Rep Jennifer Chan	Absent

**2.0 Previous Minutes.** As previously noted, the minutes were amended and approved for the meeting of September 10, 2009.

### **3.0 Approval of the Elections Timeline**

Senator Harounian moved to approve the elections board timeline. The timeline was adopted without objection.

### **4.0 Confirmation of the Elections Board Members.**

President Wilson presented the following nominees to the Senate for confirmation to the Elections Board:

(1) Daniel Schwartz:

Senator Graber moved to confirm Daniel Schwartz. Mr. Schwartz was confirmed by 12-0, with 3 abstentions.

(2) Ryan Lindeman

Senator Haq moved to confirm Ryan Lindeman. Mr. Lindeman was confirmed by 14-0, with 1 abstention.

(3) Dominique McIntosh

Senator Ahmad moved to confirm Dominique McIntosh. Ms. McIntosh was confirmed by 11-0, with 4 abstentions.

(4) Jen Kalar

Move by Senator Graber to confirm Jen Kalar. Ms. Kalar was confirmed by 12-0, with 3 abstentions.

## **5.0 Confirmation of Associate Justices**

(1) Gregory Bernardi:

Senator Kashan moved to confirm Gregory Bernardi. Mr. Bernardi was confirmed by 13-1, with 1 abstention.

## **6.0 Confirmation of the SAB Chair**

Da’Nashja Davis:

Senator Benelyahoo moved to confirm Da’Nashja Davis. Ms. Davis was confirmed unanimously 15-0.

## **7.0 Confirmation of the Advocate General**

Peter Demato, Jr.

Senator Ahmad moved to confirm Peter Demato, Jr. Mr. Demato was confirmed unanimously 15-0.

## **8.0 Assistants to the VP of Academic Affairs**

Alex Aronis

Senator Kashan moved to confirm Alex Aronis. Mr. Aronis was confirmed unanimously 15-0.

Carolina Cortes

Senator Moiz Khan moved to confirmed Carolina Cortes. Ms. Cortes was confirmed by 13-0, with 2 abstentions.

### **9.0 Special Services Council Allocation for ASCEND - \$750**

The President Pro Tempore moved to postpone consideration until the next meeting. Motion adopted, 14-0, with one abstention.

### **10. FSA Board Of Directors Representatives**

The following business relates to the election of two Senators to the Faculty Student Association's Board of Directors:

#### *Resident Student Representatives*

Senator Tilley nominates Senator Haq as the resident student Representative on the Board; nomination was accepted.

Senator Graber nominates Senator Benelyahoo as the resident student Representative on the Board; nomination was accepted.

By a ballot vote, Senator Benelyahoo *was elected* with 11 votes. Senator Haq received 4 votes.

#### *Commuter Student Representative:*

Senator Benelyahoo moved to postpone election of this representative until the next meeting. Motion adopted, 10-4, with 1 abstention.

### **11.0 CSA Contract**

Senator Benelyahoo moved to approve the CSA Contract. Motion adopted unanimously, 15-0.

### **12.0 Open Agenda**

Extensive discussion engaged in relating to possible University plans for a campus in South Korea. No decision or business relating to this discussion took place.

Meeting Adjourned by Chair at 9:58.