Stony Brook University Undergraduate Student Government Senate Regular Meeting Tuesday, April 20, 2010

Meeting called to order at 7:06 PM in SAC Ball Room B, Executive VP John Kriscenski presiding.

	Present	Absent (at roll call)	Late/leaving early	Excused
Abrishamian, Tiffany (by proxy Franck Joseph)	X			
Ahmad, Tahir	X			
Baum, Ory	X			
Benelyahoo, Aharon (by proxy Adam Kent)	X			
Bose, Aneta	X			
Cushing, Spenser	X			
Cushner, Jordan	X			
Dimitriyadi, Alexander	X			
Fan, Runyu (<i>by proxy Sarah</i> Sheikh)	X			
Geckle, Theresa	X			
Hand, Jennifer	X			
Haq, Syed		X	Arrived 7:33 pm	
Harounian, Jonathan	X			
Kashan, Mahyar	X			
Khan, Aysha		X		
Machalow, Deborah	X			
Mahmud, Kirin	X			
Mbisike, Nicole		X	Arrived 7:46 pm	
McCarthy, Craig	X			
Russo, Joseph	X			

Spinelli, Michael (by proxy, Frank Fanizza)	X			
Total	18	3	2	
Non-voting members				
President Wilson	X			
Treasurer Khan	X			
VP of Communication Mazza				X
VP of Academic Affairs Forbes	X			
VP of Clubs/Orgs Reji		X		
VP of Student Life Tilley	X			
Senior Class Rep Georges		X		
Junior Class Rep Chan	X			
Sophomore Class Rep Patestas		X		
Freshman Class Rep Young		X	Arrived 7:20 pm	

1.0 Attendance: See above.

2.0 Announcements

-None

3.0 Approval of the Minutes from 4/13/2010

-Sen. Cushing made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded and passed without objection.

4.0 Presentation on the Campus Recreation Center by Dr. DiMonda

-Dr. DiMonda gave a powerpoint presentation on the development of the Campus Recreation Center. The facility will open in about 2 years. She then took questions from the Senate.

5.0 2010 Establishment of Student Life Act

-Presented by Sen. Dimitriyadi. A discussion was held. *Sen. Haq arrived at 7:33*. *Senate stood at ease at 7:36 pm. Debate resumed at 7:41 pm.* Sen. Machalow made several amendments to Article 5 of the Student Programming Agency Bylaws and Article

III of the SAB Bylaws. Proposed amendments were submitted in writing. Proposed amendments to Article V of Student Programming Bylaws: Under V.1 insert "1. Shall be responsible for organizing film screenings for the undergraduate student body." Under V.2 insert "1. Shall be responsible for organizing, planning and orchestrating Brookfest, the large-scale, campus-wide concert each spring." Under V.3 insert "1. Shall be responsible for organizing, coordinating and orchestrating events for Opening Week, with the assistance of the appropriate University Administration officials." Under V.4 insert "1. Shall be responsible for organizing, coordinating and orchestrating Homecoming festivities." Under V.5 insert "1. Shall be responsible for organizing, coordinating and orchestrating Senior Week festivities, with the assistance of the Senior Class Representative and other appropriate officials." Amendments to SAB Bylaws Article III: Under section 1, insert a new line 3 and renumber the following lines accordingly. The new line 3 should read, "3. Be the liaison between the USG SAB, the other branches of the USG and the Department of Student Affairs; and" and insert in III.2 as the end of line 2: "including the maintenance of detailed records of all financial transactions." Seconded. The amendments were read to the Senate. Sen. Mbisike arrived at 7:46 pm. After no debate a vote was taken and the amendments were approved (18-0-2). Proxy Kent made a motion to amend the previous amendment to the Student Programming Agency Bylaws Section 5.5 by striking "Senior Class Rep and other" and insert at the beginning of V.5.1: "Shall be chaired by the Senior Class Representative and." Seconded. After a brief discussion a vote was taken and the amendment passed (14-3-3). Discussion resumed. Proxy Kent made a motion to approve the 2010 Establishment of Student Life Act and have the vote taken by secret ballot. Seconded. Lengthy debate was held. Sen. Ahmad called the question (passed 15-5-0). James Miranda and KeKelly Ketemepi were appointed tellers for the vote. A vote was taken and the Act was approved as amended (16-4-0).

6.0 Senate Resolution Decrying the Scheduling of Classes during Campus Lifetime

-Presented by Sen. Geckle. A discussion was held. Sen. Machalow made a motion to approve the resolution. Seconded. Debate was held. Sen. Cushner called the question. (passed, 19-0-1). A vote was taken on the resolution which passed (14-3-3).

7.0 Open Agenda

- -Business from the Senate: None.
- -Business from the Gallery: A question was asked regarding how an act could be repealed.
- -U19 Stony Brook rugby match tonight at 9 pm.
- -Daniel Graber read a statement to the Senate regarding his removal from the Senate.
- -Proxy Kent made a motion to enter executive session to discuss disciplinary proceedings. Seconded. After a brief debate a vote was taken and the motion carried (12-8-0). *Executive session started at 8:57 pm.*