



UNC

Student Senate

Order of Business
40th Administrative Minutes
Zoom, 5:30PM
November 11th, 2020

- I. **Call to Order**
 - a. Meeting began at 5:32 pm
- II. **Roll Call**
 - a. Get-to-Know-Your-Senate Question: MEMBER SUBMISSION! What is the last song you listened to? If you do not recall, do you have any music suggestions?
 - b. **20 of 20** voting members present.
 - i. Meet Quorum (11)? Yes!!
- III. **Special Reports**
 - a. President Andy Feinstein Q&A (15 minutes)
 - i. Monitoring what is happening with the pandemic. Speaking to presidents of hospitals and school district – concern over the spike in cases. It is a critical time here. Very worried about what is happening around us. 60-65 individuals that have the virus and about 30 out 80 quarantine rooms. New testing kiosk that is free. Continuing in-person until Thanksgiving, more flexibility after Thanksgiving (some classes need an in-person component). Board meeting on Friday a lot about strategic planning. Will have an open conversation with the community here soon about operations.
 1. Saliva testing = more false positives.
 - a. Not exactly sure. The 2 types of testing on campus. Antigen test: about 15 minutes, we have two machines on campus. They have tendency for false positive, if test positive, will send for PCR test.
 2. If Spring semester goes online, what is the housing situation?
 - a. Spring same to Fall semester regarding distribution. The classes that need in person, will be in person. We plan to be open. Right now, we have 2,000 people living on-campus.
 3. Art students saying they are feeling unsafe to come back Spring, options?
 - a. Some of the safest places is masked up and socially distant in classrooms. Getting it from outside activities. Data says it is a safe place to be (in the classroom).
 - i. Are we mitigating spread by taking away in-person classes?
 - ii. CU, CSU, Metro, etc. Went online, why not us?
 1. Explosive growth- we have not had that yet. UNC does not have rampant spread.
 4. 14 days of no in-person classes coming back to “quarantine.”
 - a. Think about that. More testing. Beginning of the semester is vital.

- b. Testing is super important! Kiosk only needs DOB and email.

IV. **Cabinet Reports**

- a. President
 - i. Presenting at the Board of Trustees Meeting on the – Rowing not Drifting
 - ii. Academic Policies Committee
 - 1. Two Policies
 - a. Name in Use Policy
 - b. Fresh Start for Returning Students
 - iii. Faculty Senate
 - 1. COVID – 19
 - a. Yellow to Orange
 - b. Housing
 - i. Not required to send anyone home.
 - ii. Have 80 rooms (using about 25 right now)
 - c. CEBS Dean
 - i. First Week of December First Round Interviews
 - ii. Invite some candidates at the beginning of the new year.
 - 2. Board of Trustees Meeting
 - 3. Academic Policies Committee
 - 4. Pass/Fail Option
 - a. Friendly Amendment
 - i. Move the individual course withdrawal to November 17th.
 - iv. Undergraduate Council
 - 1. Engagement Task Force
- b. Student Trustee
 - i. Board of Trustees at 8:30am – please come!
- c. Director of Campus Relations
 - i. October Blogs Published
 - ii. November Blogs Published
 - iii. Will begin working on December Blogs soon
 - iv. Starting mask letters
 - v. Dining Concerns Contact
 - 1. Options available and hours.
- d. Director of Finance
 - i. T-shirts/Name Tags
 - 1. Working with the contact with the t-shirt company to get things figured out.
 - a. T-shirts have been ordered 11/09.
 - 2. Name Tags
 - a. We will be waiting to order until we have another hired on person for NHS. Yessica will still get her name tag, it will just be given to her after they are ordered.

logged on expecting someone to be there and they are not. The office hours I have for everyone is what you have sent to Katlyn.

- vii. On Monday night I helped Facilitate the HSI student conversation and we had some great conversations.
- f. Election Commissioner / Parliamentarian
 - i. Met with Evan and IT to begin work setting up the Special Election for Constitution changes
 - ii. Made three proposed changes to the Senate Constitution.
 - iii. Attended the Inclusive Syllabi meeting with the DAB for HSS and discussed syllabus workshops for faculty.
- g. Student Rights Advocate
 - i. Mandatory Training legislation.
 - ii. I am working on clarifying the Advocacy Committee role and getting ready to submit another resolution next business meeting.
- h. Administrative Assistant
 - i. Senate Newsletter went out on Monday. Let me know if y'all are receiving it okay.
 - ii. Hey RHA- has picked Student Senate to be recognized in one of their weekly newsletters. Yay! I am sending them just a little overview of what we do and what we have been working on and some quotes from our Student Senate website on why people have joined Student Senate.
 - iii. Another note about Office Hours:
 - 1. Zoom link: we are all using the same Zoom link. You can find this in the email that I sent out on November 3rd. The link was also in our Newsletter that you should have received on Monday.
 - 2. We are transitioning to all online due to the impending covid-19 level change to code orange or even red. An email was sent out earlier this week to those who are doing their office hours in-person. I am confident that we will be able to make a smooth transition to online as those in the office have already been asked to be available on our Zoom meeting while they are in the office.
 - 3. There is a survey that we are asking everybody to complete during their office hours. As it has been stated before, office hours are a big part of our job requirements and is integral to upholding our Bylaws. With everything virtual this year, it has been hard to demonstrate that we are fulfilling our Bylaw requirements, thus we have this survey. A few things to note with this survey:
 - a. Keep this page open while completing your office hours. It gives us the duration that you spent on the survey; thus, it is acting as basically a clock-in/clock out system. It is also advised that you bookmark this page for ease of use.
 - b. It is flexible: you can now enter meeting that are for Student Senate, such as meetings with your deans and fellow senators, as office hours.
 - c. It is compatible with phones and computers, so if you are still doing in person meetings, it is still available for use.
 - d. As with any technology, there are glitches that occur, I apologize in advance for any inconvenience that may bring.

V. College Senator Reports

- a. College of Education & Behavioral Science
 - i. Anti-Racism Event
 1. More diverse faculty
 2. Faculty training
 - ii. CEBS action plan by next semester
- b. College of Humanities & Social Sciences
 - i. We met with the Diversity Advisory Board yesterday to give updates on our subcommittees. I am working closely with Bailey Peterson on our subcommittee for diversified student evaluations and right now we are just diving into the literature surrounding the effectiveness of evaluations.
 - ii. Brenda and Enrique are working closely with Dr. Leek on getting any student reports made to faculty on their record. The other subcommittee that is helping the DAB is inclusive syllabi and Hunter is working with Hailey Blackburn on that (because he was a HSS senator last year and he was working on it last year as well).
 - iii. Another thing we talked about in the DAB meeting yesterday was the HSS Diversity in the Classroom Award! Any student in a HSS class can nominate a HSS faculty member for this award. These faculty members should: "demonstrate inclusive teaching philosophies and practices, enhance students' understanding of diversity broadly in terms of race, ethnicity, gender, nationality, ability, age, religion, region, sexuality, class, etc., and maintain a comfortable classroom atmosphere that helps students express diverse views."
 1. Nominations are due December 4th.
 - iv. Brenda and Enrique meeting with Tobias about post-election plans. Different resources on campus were able to let students reach out for help. Enrique and Tobias created a hotline for students for bullying, bias, etc. that is being experienced in the classroom.
- c. Monfort College of Business
 - i. Meeting with the Dean
 1. Updates
 - a. New finance professor (more diversity)
 - i. Emailed CCCC to set up panels for Latinx representation of business careers/major.
 - ii. New minors and certificates- but push back from Provost.
 - ii. Writing up message to faculty about synchronous online classes
- d. College of Natural & Health Sciences
 - i. P/F option
 1. Conversation of the benefits and consequences.
 - ii. Bonding idea (Gabi)
- e. College of Performing & Visual Arts
 - i. Progress on gender neutral bathrooms request.

VI. Representative/Committee Reports

- a. University Program Council (UPC)
 - i. 2 day/2-part event next Wednesday, Q&A on stress. Safe space to talk about stress. Thursday is poetry workshop.

- b. International Film Series
- c. Leadership for Environmental Action Fund (LEAF)
 - i. Submit projects.
- d. Student Judiciary
- e. Residence Hall Association
 - i. RLC
 - ii. Penny War: Mesa is winning.
 - iii. Calm down jar.
 - iv. Leadership development retreat “Leadership Circus”
 - v. Follow us on social media! UNCO_RHA
- f. Graduate Student Association
 - i. Nothing to Report.
- g. PASC
 - i. Discussion with Andy alike Senate.
- h. Faculty Senate
 - i. Pass/Fail
 - ii. Only change would be if we go to code red.
 - iii. Exhibits in the Michener Library for groups on campus to exhibit.
- i. Classified
 - i. Andy shared some hopeful good news (trying to build morale from layoffs). Not at liberty to share. One-time options.
 - ii. Pass/Fail
 - 1. Team with URSA they are already working on it.
- j. Yessica report from Chavez Center
 - i. Graduating this semester or graduated in the Spring and returning for online graduation. They made 100 goodie bags: stoles, pin, and a card. “You did it.”

VII. **Unfinished Business**

VIII. **New Business**

- a. 20-03: Mandatory Training for Faculty
 - i. Submitted by the Academic Affairs Committee
 - ii. clarifying Student Senate’s support for mandatory faculty training. Support the Office of Equity and Inclusion.
 - 1. Discussion/Q&A
 - a. Katlyn F.: How do we hold accountable? Would be in Faculty Annual Review (planned currently)
 - b. Yessica: for professors who already have tenure, how does this work? There are still consequences. Would guess this would still be relevant and required.
 - c. Karissa: will this include campus services (i.e., UNC Police)? Could work to make university wide.
 - d. Annabel: are we going to include “invisible” disabilities in ablism of the resolution. We can push for certain emphasis.
 - e. Sami: does it include non-traditional students? It is not an exhaustive list. The Office of Equity and Inclusion is on board to explore several types of discrimination.
 - 2. VOTE: Spencer motioned; Dakota seconded
 - a. 11 in favor

- b. 4 abstentions
 - i. PASSED!

b. 20-04: Constitution Changes

- i. Submitted by Hunter Miller adds to the clause for parliamentary authority. Instead of saying, “should be used” it will be “as a general guideline.” It gives us freedom to pick and choose. It makes meetings not as complicated. Efficiency during business meetings.

1. Discussion/ Q&A: Hunter motions, Savannah seconds.

- a. Katlyn F. this is a notable example of why parli is hard.
- b. Elena: will it affect anything else? We just do not have to be so strict about parli.
- c. Briana: how would this work? We will have to have a special election and be approved by the student body. It will go into effect then.
- d. Yessica: if this approved, would it mean that members of senate that are more equip use it still? We would still use Robert’s Rules as a guideline, but not always follow it. It would be up to parliamentarian chairing discussion.
- e. Savannah: “general guideline” seems vague. Could it be misinterpreted bad? The vagueness is what I was going for because it is hard to always follow Robert’s Rules.
- f. Emmy: how strict would the rules be then? No motions? Discussion period? Discussion and legislation would follow same pattern. We can still run meetings exactly how we run them right now.

2. VOTE: Spencer motions to vote, Dakota and Karissa second.

Yessica moves to go back into discussion for three questions:

Elena seconds. Emmy motions to end discussion, Dakota seconds.

Katlyn Frey motions to vote, Dakota seconds.

- a. In favor: 14
- b. Abstentions: 0
 - i. PASSED!

IX. **Other Discussions**

X. **Closing Remarks**

- a. Study tables!!

XI. **Adjournment**

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm