The Undergraduate Senate—99th Session

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

*February 20th, 2018*

*Dey 301*

*8:00pm*

1. Call to Order (Roll Call)
   1. Meeting called to order at 8:00 pm
   2. Attendance taken by Chair Prachith
2. Reports of the Officers
3. Report from Rules and Judiciary Committee Chair
   1. No reports
4. Report from Rules and Judiciary Committee Vice Chair
   1. No reports
5. Special Orders
6. Bills and Resolutions
   1. USB-99-XXX – A BILL TO INCENTIVIZE SENATORS TO ATTEND EVENTS
      1. Chair Prachith presents the bill
      2. Stands for queries and motions
      3. Senator Miller asks a question regarding concerns about preexisting low attendance rates
      4. Move to close the floor to questions
         1. Seconded
      5. Senator Cullifer makes a friendly amendment
         1. Friendly amendment is accepted
      6. Senator Miller asks a question regarding USOs
      7. Motion to pass favorable
         1. Seconded and consent
   2. USB-99-XXX – A BILL TO AMEND SENATORIAL COMMITTEES
      1. Chair Prachith presents the bill
      2. Senator Miller stated that the bill was reviewed at a previous meeting
      3. Chair Practhith reviews the changes proposed to the bill
      4. Open to queries
      5. Motion to pass favorably
         1. Second and consent
   3. USB-99-XXX – A BILL TO APPROPRIATE A STIPEND TO THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT CHIEF OF STAFF
      1. Motion to table until audited by Oversight and Advocacy
         1. Seconded and consent
   4. SCB-99-XXX – A BILL TO ALLOW SENATORS TO STUDY ABROAD DURING THEIR TERM
      1. Chair Molesworth presented the bill
      2. Stands for queries
      3. Senator Miller states that he appreciates the regulations in the bill but voices concern over the fact that that by taking away the voting privileges, the seat will be essentially left “empty”
         1. Chair Molesworth states that due to lack of participation currently, it is better to allow Senators who study abroad to participate
      4. Motion to end question
         1. Seconded and consent
      5. Motion to enter debate
         1. Seconded and consent
      6. Enter debate
      7. Senator Cullifer states that the constituents and the Senator studying abroad would be disadvantaged by this legislation
      8. Speaker Shriver states that losing Senators to study abroad has been impactful but the legislation poses a problem because the Senators are pulled out of their district. She also voices concerns about time differences.
      9. Chair Molesworth responds to both concerns
      10. Senator Cullifer states that he would be interested in potentially creating legislature regarding students studying abroad in the Spring being able to run in the general elections for Senate for the following session
      11. Motion to report unfavorably
          1. Second and consent
   5. USR-99-XXX - A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE CREATE OF A PUBLIC SAFETY MODULE REGARDING AN ACTIVE SHOOTER SITUATION.
      1. Vice Chair Henson presents the legislation
      2. Stands for queries
      3. Senator Cullifer asks if this module exists at any other university
         1. Vice Chair Henson states that other universities have adopted this kind of module
      4. Senator Cullifer asks if the module would be “streamlined” version that is used by multiple universities
         1. Vice Chair Henson states that it would be specific to the school
      5. Senator Miller voices concern over the language of the resolution
      6. Senator Miller states that he would prefer to table it to review the language
         1. Vice Chair Henson voices that it would not be preferable to do so
      7. Vice Chair Henson stresses the time-sensitivity of the legislation
      8. Senator Lewis voices that the legislation might want to be adjusted to address “What to do in a lockdown situation”
      9. Vice Chair Henson agrees that it could be expanded
      10. Senator Lewis voices concerns regarding the open campus and supports the legislation
      11. Friendly amendment
      12. Motion to close questioning
      13. Motion to close debate
      14. Senator Cullifer states that this legislation is not likely to be approved
      15. Senator Cullifer states that it would be more efficient to ask Public Safety to release a statement and require professors to make a statement before class starts regarding the procedures that would have been expressed in the online module.
          1. Senator Cullifer states that he would like to see a bill regarding the above statement
      16. Senator Miller voices agreement and discusses a prior situation from earlier in the year
      17. Vice Chair Henson states that he is open to changes
      18. Motion to close debate
          1. Second and consent
      19. Motion to pass unfavorably
          1. Second and consent
   6. USB-99-XXX – A BILL TO MANDATE THAT THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS MAKE ALL REGULATIONS AND PRECEDENTS GOVERNING ELECTIONS CLEAR
      1. Vice Chair Henson presents the legislation
      2. Stands for questions
      3. Senator Miller asks why a similar situation, where the 5 vote minimum was not abided by, did not happen during the last election
      4. Vice Chair Henson states that this bill is just to encourage clarity in the future
      5. Senator Brown states that the clarity has always been present
      6. Vice Chair Henson states that some of the things addressed in the bill are not organized or written down by the BOE
      7. Senator Brown asks whether the precedents are being added to a bill
      8. Vice Chair Henson states that the BOE would be responsible for publishing/handling this
      9. Senator Cullifer asks what other precedents exist
      10. Vice Chair Henson states that he does not know because they are not transparent
      11. Motion to pass favorably
          1. Objection
      12. Chair Prachith asks Vice Chair Henson to define “clear effort”
      13. Vice Chair respond and states he is open to language changes
      14. Senator Miller asks how the bill will help if there BOE is already responsible for publishing this information
      15. Vice Chair Henson states that it would clarify
      16. Speaker Shriver expresses concern
      17. Chair Molesworth expresses similar concern regarding the weight of the legislation
      18. Chair Prachith asks if Vice Chair Henson would be open to strike section 2-202 to create 203- Vice Chair Henson responds
      19. Motion to end debate
          1. Second and consent
      20. Motion to pass favorably
          1. Second and consent
   7. USB-99-XXX – A BILL TO FINALIZE JOINT CODE, TITLE I, GENERAL REGULATIONS
      1. Speaker Shriver presents the document regarding appointments, the union board of directors and other divisions where Undergraduates and Graduates work together- it will be formatted by the next full senate
      2. Open to queries
      3. Speaker Shriver states that she believes that this will help future sessions
      4. Motion to end questioning
         1. Second and consent
      5. Motion to pass favorably
         1. Second
         2. Objection
      6. Chair Prachith moves to make an amendment to page 19
         1. Amendment is made
      7. Motion to pass favorably
         1. Second and consent
   8. USB-99-XXX – A BILL TO FORMAT JOINT TITLE III
      1. Speaker Shriver presents bill
      2. Motion to end questioning
         1. Second and consent
      3. Motion to pass favorably
         1. Second and consent
   9. USB-99-232 – A BILL TO FINALIZE CHAPTER 2 OF THE CONSTITUTION
      1. Speaker Shriver presents bill
      2. Senator Miller asks a question regarding the journal of the senate
      3. Senator Cullifer asks if it has to be passed by the rest of Senate
         1. Speaker Shriver states that it would have to be passed by referendum
      4. Senator Lewis makes amendment to change the word “graduate” to “undergraduate” on the first page
      5. Senator Miller amends to change language
      6. Senator Cullifer asks if this will be going through another group to be reviewed
      7. Motion to end questioning
         1. Second and consent
      8. Motion to pass favorably
         1. Objection
      9. Motion to put on general orders calendar
         1. Second and consent
7. Notices and Announcements
   1. None
8. Adjournment
   1. Motion to adjourn
      1. Second and roll call vote
   2. Meeting adjourned at 8:52