

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
99th Undergraduate Student Senate
2 April, 7:30 pm
Gardner 105

- 1) Call to Order 7:31
- 2) Roll Call
 - a. 11 senators absent, 1 senator left early
- 3) Approval of the Minutes
 - a. There was a motion to approve the minutes, there was a second, there was consent.
- 4) Receipts of Petitions and Messages
 - a. Messages from the Student Body President
--Thank you all so much for the hard work you've put in, and special thanks to Speaker Shriver.
 - b. Messages from the USG Treasurer
--Echoing Liz's message. Used to be a senator and it made a great impact. Looking forward to a good year ahead. Has thoughts to share later
 - c. Messages from the USG Director of State and External Affairs
--Currently out of town with family. Speaker Shriver gave his report. He enjoyed working with O&A and would like to fully show support for the Stipend Bill on the agenda.
 - d. Messages from the Undergraduate Student Attorney General
--Not in attendance
 - e. Messages from the Honor Court Chair
--No message
- 5) Public Comment Period

--Sarah Leck - speaking in favor for the Stipend Bill on the agenda today. Applauding senate for the hard work they put in on making this bill great. Commended Speaker Shriver for her dedication this past year.

--Bobby (Student Government Advisor) We've had a lot of law writing and transitions this year and wanted to thank you all for your hard work.

--Food for thought: when writing bills, think about the proactive aspects as well as reactionary aspects in relation to the Precedent Bill and the reasons for why policies were written
- 6) Reports of the Officers of Senate
 - a. Speaker's Report
--Since the last Full Senate, we had a really successful Special Election with 40 members
--Attended ASG in Western Carolina
--Joint Governance Council
--Met with Kenneth and GPSF to finalize the Joint Judicial Code.
--Announces the first meeting of the 100th Senate on Wednesday April 4th.
--Went from 15 senators to 37 this past year, had a staff this year, worked with GPSF, and fought for many social justice issues. There's still a lot of work to do, but

Speaker Shriver looks forward to the year ahead.

--Never had a more passionate Undergraduate Senate, special thanks are given to staff and each member of the Senate Leadership.

- b. Speaker Pro Tempore's Report
 - Attended JGC, and completed the Joint Judicial Code with Speaker Shriver.
 - Committee meetings went exceedingly well. Introduced a bill in R&J which is on the agenda for today.
 - Goal as Speaker Pro Tempore was focused on retention and minority issues and has followed through with those goals.
 - Though specific duties in the Code are vague, it's allowed him to grow and fill roles as necessary.
 - He thanks Speaker Shriver for working with him through the ups and downs and thanks to the Leadership and senate as a whole.
 - c. Rules & Judiciary Committee Chair
 - Will not be joining in the 100th session, but commends the senate for the work and passion they show even in super long meetings.
 - Thanks Speaker Shriver, the leadership team, senate, and the executive branch
 - d. Finance Committee Chair's Report
 - Appropriated \$300,000 to 286 organization's, they prioritized student organizations on campus and free activities/events those organizations offered for students.
 - Approved a lot of speakers to come on campus to talk.
 - This is a really hard job and the finance committee has done an incredible job, especially considering the funding system shifted this year.
 - Thanks to Bobby, Leadership, and senate as a whole.
 - e. Oversight & Advocacy Committee Chair's Report
 - Finished the stipend hearings this week and we all feel good about the Stipend Bill on the agenda today.
 - Thanks Speaker Shriver and Pro Tempore Echerriva, the Leadership, and senate.
 - f. Ethics Committee Chair's Report
 - This year has been a challenge, but a good one.
 - Has had the pleasure of meeting people who are passionate about the issues we discuss.
 - Thanks to the Leadership team, staff, and Speaker Shriver
- 7) Introduction of Concurrent Resolutions
- a. USR-99-390 A Concurrent Resolutions To Support The Naming Ram Village
 - Starting a campaign next semester to name Ram Village 1 after the first African American students to attend UNC.
 - Q: Would the name be Frasier Frasier
 - Q: How did you come up with this? A: These students lead the way for other minority student to come to Carolina and I believe they deserve more recognition than the scholarship named after them.
 - Q: Do you know what people to contact to get this idea formalized. A: I will be an uphill battle because people usually pay to get their names on buildings, however, it's worth the effort.
 - Q: Have you thought about starting a donation campaign? A: I have, however 10

million is a lot so may a take a long time even with the donations.

Q: Is't there a 17 year ban on naming halls? A: Looking into the details of the
There was a motion to pass the resolution, there was a second, there was consent.

- b. USR-99-391 A Concurrent Resolution Recognizing Speaker Pro Tempore Eccheveria For Exemplary Service To The University And Its Students
--Senator Miller wrote this to thank Pro Tempore Echeverria for his dedication to the Undergraduate Senate.

Q: Are you sure is the right avenue for this? A: Yes, because this kind of work should be remembered and recognized.

There was a motion to pass this resolution, motion was seconded, there was consent.

- c. USR-99-392 A Concurrent Resolution Recognizing Speaker Shriver For Exemplary Service To The University And Its Students
--Senator Miller wrote this resolution to recognize the hard work and character of Speaker Shriver. He tells a story of how he first met Speaker Shriver.

There was a motion to pass this resolution, motion was seconded, there was consent.

8) Unfinished business of preceding meeting

--There was no Unfinished Business

9) Unfavorable Calendar

--There were no items on the Unfavorable Calendar

10) Special Orders

--There were no Special Orders

11) Consent Calendar

- a. USR-99-386 A Resolution To Confirm The Honors System Outreach Coordinator

- b. USB-99-388 A Bill To Finalize Undergraduate General Regulations

--There was a motion to pass the Consent Calendar, there was a second, there was consent.

12) General Orders Calendar

- a. USB-99-387 A Bill To Prevent Governing Undergraduate Elections By Precedent

--Senator Henson speaks on the meaning of the bill and

Q: Do you think we should hold off on passing this bill until we have a set of regulations we want to pass? A: I want the Board of Elections to make a case to us for the precedents they want so we can determine which precedents should be in place.

Q: Parliamentarian questions the section stating that the Undergraduate Senate is in control election regulations his bill may set a dangerous precedent about how we choose our senators A: I believe the code implies this and I don't think this will cause issues.

Friendly amendment to delete "sole" Chapter 7, Article 1, Section 705B.

--There is discussion about stipulation already in the Student Code and what Section 705B could imply.

Friendly amendment to delete Chapter 7, Article 1, Section 705B.

Motion to pass this bill, there was a second, with a vote of 14 to 9, this bill passes.

- b. USB-99-389 A Bill To Amend Stipends Of The Undergraduate Student Government

--Describe the process of how stipend

Q: Why didn't you want to put anyone higher than the SBP in terms of stipends? A:

It's in the code and the SBP has the largest time commitment.

Motion to enter debate, there was a second, there was consent.

--Discussion about restoring the amount given to the Chief of Staff seeing as they work about 30 to 40 hours a week.

--Discussion about how this bill is great for student organizations seeing as it allows for more money to be appropriated to them as well as expanding stipends to other members of the Student Government Leadership.

Q: Why was the Attorney General's stipend increased? A: The Attorney General must oversee every single case that comes up, stated in the Student Code.

--Discussion about how UNC has the lowest stipends for student leaders. Some see as a negative, while others see it as allowing for more student groups to receive funds.

--Motion to amend the Chief of Staff stipend back to \$200 per month from \$175.

--With a vote of 11 to 8, and 3 abstentions there was a tie.

--There was a revote, with a vote of 15 to 7, with 1 abstention, the motion passes.

--There was motion to pass the bill, there was a second, there was a roll call vote.

With vote of 20 to 0, with 3 abstentions, the bill passes.

13) Notices and Announcements

a. Closing Remarks about this past session

--Speaker Shriver gives her last remarks and encourages everyone to attend inauguration.

14) Adjournment 9:02

--There was a motion to adjourn, there was a second, the motion passed.