



UNDERGRADUATE SENATE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT

101st Undergraduate Student Senate
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Undergraduate Student Government
1 October, 7:30 pm
Gardner 309

- 1) Call to Order
 - a. 7:33
- 2) Roll Call
- 3) Approval of Minutes
- 4) Receipts of Petitions and Messages
 - a. Messages from the Student Body President
 - i. Board of Trustees meeting was last week. The legal team gave results of the AAU Sexual Assault Survey, they become public in the next two weeks. The results are not good. The executive branch is working on textbook affordability and creating an LGBTQ+ coalition. The mental health peer support groups began this week. Fee increase proposals are wrapping up. The tuition and fee advisory task force begins tomorrow to hear all the fee changes. For the first time in several years, the Board of Governors is allowing consideration of increasing the security fee and are giving an approval of a 3% increase in tuition for in-state students.
 - ii. The issue with the increase in mental health fee is that it is significantly higher in comparison to other schools. However, she encourages Senate to draft a resolution in support of the mental health fee.
 - b. Messages from the USG Vice President
 - c. Messages from the USG Treasurer
 - d. Messages from the USG Director of State and External Affairs
 - e. Messages from the Undergraduate Student Attorney General
 - f. Messages from the Undergraduate Honor Court Chair
 - i. In November, there will be an honor week. She asks for Senate's help in recruiting interest in the event.
 - g. Messages from the Undergraduate Senate Faculty Advisor
 - h. Papers Addressed to the Senate
- 5) Public Comment Period
 - a. Reports of the Officers of Senate
 - b. Ethics Committee Chair's Report
 - c. Rules & Judiciary Committee Chair's Report
 - i. This past week, executive and legislative appointment were heard for the Student Advisory Committee to the Chancellor. There were some demographic worries but felt that it would inhibit the committee's progress more than develop it. For the ethics committee, he says that we need to revise the code with the membership of the Ethics Committee.
 - d. Finance Committee Chair's Report

- i. There was a successful funding meeting and SFAC meeting.
 - e. Oversight & Advocacy Committee Chair's Report
 - i. We heard the first six of twenty three appointments. They plan to be finished by the end of October and then work towards advocacy projects in the next few months. He will also be discussing a bill for an Asian-American center and asks for Senate's support.
 - ii. When questioned about the appointment who was not on the consent calendar, he says the committee felt as though they did not receive enough information on if the appointment is appropriate.
 - f. Speaker Pro Tempore's Report
 - i. She says there was a well organized Finance meeting. The Public Forum was held and there was only people from leadership, and she says that senators were expected to be in attendance.
 - g. Speaker's Report
 - i. SFAC met to hear about the campus health fee, and these will move on to SFAS and then TFAT. She does second the resolution in support of the mental health fee, which would benefit CAPS and other campus health. JGC meets tomorrow, there was an oversight in election day and this has been edited that would circumvent this issue which would allow the BOE to edit the day of elections.
- 6) Veto Messages from the Student Body President/USG President
- 7) Election of the Ethics Committee Chair
 - a. Selection of Ethics Committee
 - i. Erik Beene and Keshav Javaadi were nominated.
 - ii. Javaadi says he loves senate and has many goals in Senate and O&A, and he sees much potential. While the ethics committee isn't as prevalent, he says it is an important committee to ensure accountability. He describes himself as approachable and a moderator.
 - iii. Beene describes himself as impartial. He says that attendance is primary and he is passionate about communication. He feels though he would be strong in informing senate about their responsibilities.
 - iv. When asked how they used their Senate seat, Javaadi says he made advocacy his primary responsibility. He is attempting to inform others about Senate and tries to be transparent. He has reached out to see if Computer Science students to work on ConnectCarolina and has tentative ideas on textbook affordability and interest in SFAC and student fees. He describes his goals as transparency and advocacy. Beene says he has worked on election laws and increased the legitimacy of Senate. He has worked at cleaning up election laws. He has also worked on the structure and diversity of the committee and looking at how to make Senate be a more impactful organization.
 - v. When asked why an active Ethics chair is important, Javaadi says that making the legitimacy of the rules equates to the legitimacy of the chair in attendance and ensuring that Senate is staying within their power. He says it's important to fulfill the responsibilities that we have assumed. He wants to prevent another situation in which clubs do not receive funding. Beene says that it is

about trust. A chair ensures trust in the Senate in making sure that we do everything that we are expected to do and that everyone is informed. It's making sure that everyone can trust each other's work and be well informed about their responsibility.

- vi. When asked about the role of the Ethics chair and responsibility, Beene says his understanding is primarily centered around attendance and ensuring quorum. Otherwise, it is ensuring that questions about outside disciplinary issues are valid, unless there is three of the same charge. It's also steering investigations in the right direction. Javaadi echoes what Senator Beene had said in ensuring that Senators are present. The code says that the Ethics chair keeps track of districts and senators, ensuring Senators reach out to constituents, and reaching out to the BOE on graduations and expulsions. He also speaks about making Senate more fulfilling, while attendance can be pushed, the Ethics chair is not there to be a punishment but rather a visual of the future of the Senate.
 - vii. Henson says he nominated Beene due to his dedication to Senate, in that he wrote bills before the session began. He is dedicated to the code and what makes Student Government function. He is very well rounded in kindness and passion. He describes him as available and involved.
 - viii. Weiner says he nominated Keshav because he has been very committed to learning. He is learning of Senate, and not afraid to face any setbacks. He is attempting to be productive, efficient, and mindful. He says that Javaadi wants to have a clear understanding of the rules and bylaws. He was the only person interested in sitting into SFAC and has had incredible attendance. He says it is important to the Ethics Chair be an example, and he says that Keshav embodies the role well.
 - ix. Purdie says that Keshav has been an outspoken member on SFAC and as a proxy, he describes that as rare. He says that Javaadi is committed and fits the role of the Ethics chair well.
 - x. Dauderman says that from the code, he says that Javaadi had the more developed understanding of the role of the Ethics Chair. The Ethics Committee handles discomfort in Senate and attendance, and it is important that both of these duties are vital.
 - xi. Weiner says that he says that the Ethics Chair makes people feel passionate about Senate. He says that someone passionate needs to be in the Ethics Chair, and is in support of someone who makes that their goal.
 - xii. Dauderman says that Keshav, since he is a sophomore, will have room to develop in this role. He says this will allow the Ethics Committee to have a stronger start.
 - xiii. Keshav Javaadi was elected. Membership will be Senator McKinney, Senator Ellzey, Senator Morningstar, Senator Nelson, Vice-Chair Staley, and Senator Jacobs.
- 8) Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting
 - a. Apportionment of the Select Committee on Equitable Pay
 - 9) Special Orders

- a. Committee of the Whole
 - i. USB-101-073 RENAMING OF DISTRICT 5
 - 1. We are renaming the district to match the school.
 - 2. Amendment to correct the naming of the business school.
 - 3. Moved to General Orders
- b. USB-101-025 TO AMEND THE STUDENT CODE
 - i. Motion to move bill from the consent calendar to special orders. Senator Henson spoke about the bill and that it was passed unanimously. This bill is to enforce that senators need 25 votes from the constituents in their district.
 - ii. The bill passed.
- c. USR-101-026 TO AMEND THE STANDING RULES
 - i. Motion to move bill from the consent calendar to special orders. This bill is to allow vocal adjournment from a meeting.
 - ii. The bill failed.

10) Unfavorable Calendar

11) Consent Calendar

- a. USR-101-016 PRESIDENTIAL SACC ↓
- b. USR-101-017
- c. USR-101-018
- d. USR-101-019
- e. USR-101-020
- f. USR-101-021
- g. USR-101-022
- h. USR-101-023 PRESIDENTIAL SACC ↑
- i. USR-101-024 SENATORIAL SACC
- j. USB-101-027 FINANCE ↓
- k. USB-101-028 / USB-101-068
- l. USB-101-069 FINANCE ↑
- m. USR-101-070 PRESIDENTIAL STV
- n. USR-101-074 HARDSHIP PARKING
- o. USR-101-075 PRESIDENTIAL CUBD
- p. USR-101-077 HARDSHIP PARKING
- q. USR-101-078 PRESIDENTIAL CUBD

- i. Consent calendar was approved with the exception of the 2 bills on special orders calendar.
- ii. Motion to move special orders calendar to after general orders.

12) Introduction of Concurrent Resolutions

- a. USR-101-071 STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY ADDRESS
 - i. The resolution was adopted.
- b. USR-101-072 AAC RESOLUTION
 - i. About \$4,000 have been donated to building an Asian American Center at UNC over the past semester. The space would be opened next fall.
 - ii. The resolution was adopted.

13) General Orders Calendar

- a. USR-101-076 SENATORIAL RESPC
 - i. Alfredo Ellzey is a returning member to RESPC, and Speaker Wright believes he would be a great senator to continue his role.
 - ii. Senator Wiener mentioned that there was some question about Alfredo's commitment and involvement with RESPC in the past, which is why his role was brought in front of the senate. He spoke on Alfredo's behalf in support of him.
 - iii. The resolution was adopted.

14) Notices and Announcements

15) Adjournment

a. 9:45