



# **The SGA Senate**

## **Fall 2024 Session**

Called to order at 7:05 PM on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024,  
in the RUC Multipurpose Room

Harrison Simpson – Presiding  
Braxton Westbrook – Taking Minutes

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Moment of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Reading and Approval of the Previous Minutes
  - a. Speaker Simpson asked for unanimous consent that the minutes be deemed read without objection. The previous meeting's minutes stand approved.
- V. Adoption of the Agenda
  - a. Sen. Guadalupe moved that the agenda as proposed be amended by adding the Swearing-in of Arron Apple to the beginning of New Business, which was seconded. As there was no debate, Speaker Simpson closed debate and moved the chamber into a period of voting viva voce. The motion was adopted.
  - b. Sen. Rainey moved that the agenda as proposed be amended by moving the Halloween Costume Contest to the beginning of New Business, which was seconded. As there was no debate, Speaker Simpson closed debate and moved the chamber into a period of voting viva voce. The motion was adopted.
  - c. Speaker Simpson asked for unanimous consent that the agenda as proposed be adopted as the orders of the day without objection. Without objection, the agenda was adopted.
- VI. Guest Speakers
  - a. There were no guest speakers scheduled or present for this session.
- VII. Public Comment
  - a. There were no comments from Tennessee Tech affiliates during the public comment period.
- VIII. S.O.L.O. Applications
  - a. There were no S.O.L.O. Applications over the threshold necessitating a vote by the Senate.
- IX. Reading of Reports
  - a. Standing Committees

- i. Sen. Fidan delivered a summary of the report by the Academic Affairs Committee. The report was placed on file.
- ii. Sen. Cox delivered a summary of the report by the University Infrastructure. The report was placed on file.
- iv. Treasurer Bare delivered a summary of the report by the S.O.L.O. Funding Committee. The report was placed on file.
- v. Speaker Simpson delivered a summary of the report by the Legislative Council. The report was placed on file.

b. Special Committees

c. University Committees

- i. Sen. Fidan delivered their report regarding the most recent meeting of the Commission on the Status of Women. The report was placed on file.
- ii. Sen. Boynton delivered their report regarding the most recent meeting of the Chapter 606 Student Monies Allocation Committee. The report was placed on file.

d. Executive Cabinet

- i. Chief of Staff Skelton delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- ii. Advisor Long delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- iii. Sec. Seitz delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- iv. Sec. Goins delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- v. Sec. Owens gave no report.
- vi. Sec. Clark gave no report.

e. Executive Council

- i. Treasurer Bare delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- ii. Secretary Westbrook delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- iii. Vice President Simpson delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.
- iv. President Hewitt delivered a summary of their report. The report was placed on file.

X. Unfinished Business and General Orders

- a. There were no items of unfinished business or general orders presented for discussion or action at this meeting.

XI. New Business

a. Other Such Matters

i. SGA Halloween Costume Contest

- 1. The chamber stood at ease while the Halloween Costume Contest was conducted.
- 2. Subsequently, Sen. Gillis moved that the Senate recess for a period of five (5) minutes, which was seconded. The motion was adopted.

b. Swearing in of Arron Apple

- i. Arron Apple was sworn in as a Freshman Senator.

- c. Confirmation and Swearing-in of Supreme Court Justices
  - i. Sen. Heineman moved that the Senate approve the recommendation of the Commission for Nominations that Trinity Norton be appointed as a Supreme Court Justice, which was seconded.
  - ii. Seeing as there was no debate, Speaker Simpson closed debate and moved the chamber into a period of voting on the nominee.
  - iii. The nominee was confirmed and sworn in.
- d. Legislation with Favorable Recommendation
  - i. S.R. F24-001 – Bike Repair Station Resolution of 2024
    - 1. Sen. Heineman gave opening remarks on S.R. F24-001. Subsequently, Sen. Heineman moved that the Senate adopt the aforementioned resolution, which was seconded.
    - 2. After a brief period of debate, Speaker Simpson closed debate and moved the chamber into a period of voting on the resolution.
    - 3. The resolution passed with 16 members voting Aye, 0 members voting No, and 0 members abstaining.

XII. Announcements

- a. President Hewitt, Vice President Simpson, Treasurer Bare, and Sen. Ross all made announcements.

XIII. Adjournment

- a. Speaker Simpson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM.