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STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY

Agenda: 28 August 23

Dress Code: Business Casual

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Moment of Silence
- III. Roll Call- 24 senators present out of 30.- Senator J. Carnes, Secretary A. Perry- Late
- IV. Approval of the Agenda- amended by Senator A. Stewart then approved- Motion to suspend the rules and add confirmation of appointment, a special interest in other appointment senators as the first item in new business.
- V. S.O.L.O. Applications- none came through senate floor tonight- in the committee they passed: 10.

2 with amendments made.
- VI. Public Comment- none
- VII. Reading of Standing Committee Reports- Vice President- explaining how senate standing committee's work- and having previous members come up and speak about
 - a. Kelsey Hewitt- Academic affairs- works on any project concerning college departments or specific student-based needs regarding academics

- b. Braxton Westbrook- Constitutional committee- responsible for proposing amendments to the SGA Constitution, providing advice on constitutional matters, and developing legislation to strengthen or clarify constitutional mandates.
- c. Cheyenne Bare- Talked about environmental committee- events take a hike with SGA- handing out supplies for earth day.
- d. Eli Anderson- Governmental affairs- researching legislation, collaborating with stakeholders, developing resolutions, and advocating for student needs.
- e. Miram Abbas- Health & wellness committee- event- Mental health matters, had guest speakers.
- f. Emma Parson- Student affairs- support collation collaboration- all things to do with student life on campus.
- g. Josh Gordon- SOLO events- work with Ms. Claybrooks and student committee- plan and implement big projects on campus.
- h. Madison Jones- Solo funding committee- review solo funding applications from student organizations.

VIII. University Committee Reports

Eli Tidwell- search and advisory committee

IX. Unfinished Business and General Orders- NONE- unfinished business

X. New Business

1. Appointment of special interest, and other appointment senators. - passed
2. Approval of Senate Rules of Order- Senator T. Brandel presenting the packet for senate rules package- main sponsor- shout out for Harrison, Chance, Claire,

Braxton, Tidwell- need rules for order what is going on in the senate- aka
“SENATE HANDBOOK”- Highlighted changes- no longer relying on Roberts
rules. Different structure than the older handbook. one major addition- including
Masons’ manual to support rules- moved to adopt- Check the new one out!

Senator H. Simpson seconded.

Senator H. Simpson spoke in support of the new rules.

AYE- 23- Passed

NAY- 0

Abstain- 0

Was adopted.

3. Supreme Court Confirmations- as selected by the judicial review committee.

Bryson Lee- Chief Justice- **23- aye- Passed**

No Nay

Dylan Hazard- Associate Chief Justice- **23 aye Passed**

Moved to vote on associate justice- yes.

Senator T. Brandel - so moved.

Senator H. Simpson- second

Rest as a Slate- 24 AYE Passed

VP Myers gave the oath of office- all justices accepted and sworn in

0-nay

4. Cabinet Confirmations

Vote on Slate? Senator M. Henderson- motion

Seconded by Senator T. Brandel

Names- 24 aye; 0 nay

Eli Anderson – sec of state- 24 aye; 0 nay

Chief Justice Lee Gave Oath of Office to cabinet- please stand- sworn in

Gave Oath of Office to cabinet- please stand. Sworn in- senate members that were appointed
were sworn in

5. Senate Officer Elections

Speaker Pro Tempore- election

Senator I. Rogers- Nominated Senator T. Brandel- accepted

Senator T. Brandel- accepted- gave a speech- college accreditations- apart of scholarship program-done academically well, involved across campus, want to encourage senators to write more bills

Senator Z. Henson- nominated senator Simpson- gave a speech- talked about experience of college- changed mentality from High school, Involved in Roundtable and involved in FYA- talked about the position of speaker pro tempore. Senator H. Simpson- accepted.

Both were excused for debate period.

Debated

Senator Simpson- 17 majority votes- dually elected.

Senator Brandel- 7

Parliamentarian- Senator P. Patel nominated Senator T. Brandel- accepted nomination- college accreditations- apart of scholarship program-done academically well, involved across campus, want to encourage senators to write more. TISL involvement.

Senator K. Nucum- nominated senator M. Henderson- accepted nomination- wants to be more involved.

Debate

Senator M. Henderson- 7

Senator- T. Brandel- 17- majority- dually elected.

Sargent at Arms

Senator H. Simpson nominated Senator Z. Henson- accepted - talked about qualifications- strong.

Senator M. Henderson nominated senator M. Henson accepted –wants to be more involved.

Debate

Senator M. Henson - 7

Senator Z. Henson- 17- majority- dually elected.

Senator R. Perry motioned for a 5 Minute recess

Senator H. Simpson 2nd

So, moved

6. **SB-F23-001** sponsored by Senator T. Brandel- Talking about the First- Year- Assembly bill- engagement program for new students on campus- this bill is “officially” creating the FYA- past year it was created, no Bill behind it. This Bill has been worked on by Tym, Harrison, Kelsey, Michele, Jeb, Pooja- talked about the semester breakdown for each semester and how it runs. See Bill for more info. Moved to adopt- Senator T. Brandel- seconded by M. Henderson. 2 forms for cosigners were filled out by Senator P. Patel and Senator M. Niec

Senator H. Simpson and Secretary Hewitt spoke in favor for Bill

Senator T. Brandel- talking about how Senator M. Niec helped work and introduce the transfer senator sections

Senator H. Simpson so moved.

Senator F. Wolford- seconded

24- AYE THIS BILL PASSED WITH THE NUMBER OF REQUIRED VOTES

0- NAY

0- Abstain Passed unanimously.

7. **SB-F23-002** presented by Senator T. Brandel- Talking about the SOAC

Senator H. Simpson had a Slate of friendly amendments. NO. 002 page 1 section 3 striking the word “essential” submitted Senator H. Simpson. ACCEPTED

No. 002 page 2 section 2.8 striking “this shall include,” and further by Senator H. Simpson. ACCEPTED

No. 2 page 1 section 2 whereas striking “Financial guidance, diversity, equity and inclusion training, sustainability initiative.” And change “providing” to “Provide.”

Senators Z. Henson, K. Nucum, P. Patel- spoke in support of these bills.

Closing Remarks Senator T. Brandel.

24- aye- THIS BILL PASSED WITH THE NUMBER OF REQUIRED VOTES

0- nay

0- abstain

Please refer to Teams for these Bills

General→Files→Legislation and Executive Orders→ Proposed Bills

XI. Reading of Executive Cabinet Reports

Braxton Westbrook- Chief of Staff- gave thanks.

Ally Perry- Sec. of Legislative Affairs – talked about eagle engage and how to submit bills

Eli Tidwell- general attorneys’ opinion- talked about it

Miarm abbas- Sec. of S.H.E.- No report.

Josh Gordon- Sec. Of D.E.I.- gave updates.

Eli Anderson- Sec. Of State- talked about TISL and gave updates on it

Madison Jones- Sec of Student Life- gave updates.

Emma Parson- Sec of PR- follow our Instagram- talking about recording senate meetings.

Kelsey Hewitt- Sec. Of FYA- figuring out when to schedule FYA meetings.

Cheyenne Bare- Sec. Of Special Projects- no report

Mattea trusty- Sec. Of P.I.E- email her about events

XII. Reading of Executive Council Reports

a. Treasurer- SGA ice cream social, SOLO warning

b. Secretary – Over these next few weeks, I'm going to look into communication processes with an SGA but for now if you have anything you need to get out to the rest of the Senate, please utilize our teams general chat or email me at SGA secretary so that way I can send it out in an email to everyone and sent it furthermore, I will be working with Ali to work on ways to update bills between submitting it on Eagle Engage and the night hits the Senate floor. If you have any questions, please reach out to me. Thank you.

C. Vice President – Talked about new Senate proceedings

D. President- Talked about a promising future for SGA

XIII. Announcements

Senator T. Brandel- opportunities about parking and a committee for it and talk about update on bills passed from last year.

XIV. Adjournment