ASNAU SENATE MEETING #11
TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES

Date: November 21, 2014
Number on council: 12

Date of Senate Meeting: November 20, 2014
Number present: 8

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Chairman Nicholas Startt called the Senate meeting of the 2014-2015 Associated Students of Northern Arizona University Senate to order at 5:01 P.M. in the Havasupai Room A & B of the University Union.

Roll Call

Senator Tillinghast, Munhall, Buchta, and Nobis were not present.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Senator Hightower moves to approve the minutes from last week’s Senate meeting.

Second: Senator Startt

Discussion: None

Vote: Unanimous, last week’s minutes have been approved.

Call to the Audience

a. Vice President
   - She informs the senate that she has meet with several committees and planning advisors on the topic of presenting the tuition schedule change to the board of regents. She is looking for more student enrollment regarding this issue and represent the university as student leaders. Also, the student pledge for tuition program is looking to be restored because of the increase in positive responses from students. They are also looking to improve several programs across the campus by using the money from fees such as the Green fee. She stresses that the student voice is very important and that there needs to be representatives to voice their concerns or opinions. There is going to be a student survey in late April to see the student’s option on some of the tuition changes and the ways the fees are used. The board of regents are looking to here from individual students on the topics being presented. They are looking to hold a student leadership event in January. Some bad news is that the funding from the government is not bouncing back as it should so money will be tight for the next few years, but hopefully there will be an increase in funding
soon.

Unfinished Business

Item A

Motion: Senator Emerson moves to vote on Item A: SB 27-54: Beta Alpha Psi - $700

Second: Senator Startt

Discussion: The funding would go to paying for a leadership team event on January 27, 2015. This would pay for the rental of the DuBois ballroom. They are paying for the majority of the event through funding raisers.

Questions: Senator Aguilar asks if this event would be open to everyone. No, it would for the members only. Dr. B asks if the event could possibility open to others. She will need to ask the other members, but it might be possible.

Vote: Unanimous, Item A: SB 27-54: Beta Alpha Psi - $700 has been approved.

New Action Business

Item A

Motion: Senator Startt moves to vote on Item A: SB 27-57: Alpha Kappa Psi - $1,985

Second: Senator Hightower

Discussion: The purpose of the event is to honor last Spring’s Alpha Kappa Psi active members. The banquet is open to all students, staff, and faulty to learn about leadership and professional development. Alpha Kappa Psi is covering the cost for the decorations, favors, and entertainment.

Vote: Unanimous, Item A: SB 27-57: Alpha Kappa Psi - $1,985 has been approved.

Item B

Motion: Senator Pomeroy moves to vote on Item B: SB 27-58: Catholic Newman Club - $3,500

Second: Senator Alkhuzami

Discussion: The funding would cover some of the cost for attending the SEEK national conference from January 1st to 5th in Nashville, Tennessee. There will be 175 students attending from NAU. They wish to make a difference in the community and going to this conference will help with that goal.

Vote: Unanimous, Item B: SB 27-58: Catholic Newman Club - $3,500 has been
Item C

Motion: Senator Emerson moves to vote on Item C: SB 27-59: FOCUS – $3,500

Second: Senator Hightower

Discussion: This group wishes to go in joint with the Catholic Newman club to the SEEK national conference in the previous bill.

Vote: Unanimous, Item C: SB 27-59: FOCUS – $3,500 has been approved.

Item D

Motion: Senator Startt moves to vote on Item D: Club Recognition: National Association of Catering Events

Second: Senator Pomeroy

Discussion: The national association for catering and events, the oldest catering association in the world, encompasses all aspects of the catering and events industry including sub-industries such as event photography, entertainment, and floristry. They hope to bring their experience to NAU and develop highly qualified individuals through their program. They are also looking into organizing the golf tournament for scholarship fund raising.

Questions: Dr. B asks about the tournament. The money that would be raised would go to student scholarships and the event will be in April.

Vote: Unanimous, Item D: Club Recognition: National Association of Catering Events has been approved.

Item E

Motion: Senator Startt moves to table on Item E: Amendments To the By-Laws

Second: Senator Emerson

Discussion: The issues found were grammatical and punctuations such as misplaced periods and missing commas.

Vote: 7 for, 1 opposed, Item E: Amendments To the By-Laws has been tabled.

Item F

Motion: Senator Aguilar moves to amend Item F: Amendment to SB 27-5

Second: Senator Hightower
**Discussion:** This amendment would add the words “registration costs” under the list of things this bill will cover. There will be no increase on the amount of this bill awards.

**Vote:** Unanimous, Item F: Amendment to SB 27-5 has been amended.

**Item G**

**Motion:** Senator Hightower moves to vote on Item G: SB 27-60: For the Love of Thought - $65

**Second:** Senator Startt

**Discussion:** The funding they are asking for will cover the cost for food from Sodexo. They event will be used to recruit new members for their organization. Their club supplies a comfortable space for discussion.

**Questions:** Senator Aguilar asks if they have gone to Sodexo and asked for catering yet. Yes they have, but they told them to come to ASNAU. Dr. B volunteers to help them contact a student life member to help with the paper work for the transfer of the money.

**Vote:** Unanimous, Item G: SB 27-60: For the Love of Thought - $65 has been approved.

**Item H**

**Motion:** Senator Startt moves to vote on Item H: SB 27-61: Haley Shukert - $200

**Second:** Senator Pomeroy

**Discussion:** To cover travel cost to The American Educational Studies Association Conference that will take place in Toronto, Canada from October 29 to November 2. They have received money from the university in grants.

**Vote:** Unanimous, Item H: SB 27-61: Haley Shukert - $200 has been approved.

**Item I**

**Motion:** Senator Startt moves to vote on Item I: SB 27-62: Rebecca Kepner - $200

**Second:** Senator Pomeroy

**Discussion:** To cover travel cost to The American Educational Studies Association Conference that will take place in Toronto, Canada from October 29 to November 2.

**Vote:** Unanimous, Item I: SB 27-62: Rebecca Kepner - $200 has been
approved.

Item J

**Motion:** Senator Startt moves to vote on Item J: SB 27-63: Carley Colon - $200

**Second:** Senator Pomeroy

**Discussion:** To cover travel cost to The American Educational Studies Association Conference that will take place in Toronto, Canada from October 29 to November 2.

**Vote:** Unanimous, Item J: SB 27-63: Carley Colon - $200 has been approved.

Item K

**Motion:** Senator Startt moves to vote on Item K: SB 27-64: Garrett Maier - $200

**Second:** Senator Pomeroy

**Discussion:** To cover travel cost to The American Educational Studies Association Conference that will take place in Toronto, Canada from October 29 to November 2.

**Vote:** Unanimous, Item K: SB 27-64: Garrett Maier - $200 has been approved.

Item L

**Motion:** Senator Startt moves to vote on Item L: SB 27-65: Anaheed Hill - $200

**Second:** Senator Pomeroy

**Discussion:** To cover travel cost to The American Educational Studies Association Conference that will take place in Toronto, Canada from October 29 to November 2.

**Vote:** Unanimous, Item L: SB 27-65: Anaheed Hill - $200 has been approved.

Item M

**Motion:** Senator Startt moves to amend Item M: Amend SB 27-14: Chabad NAU

**Second:** Senator Alkhuzami

**Discussion:** This amendment changes the travel dates to the 5th to 14th. There will not be an increase in funding.

**Vote:** Unanimous, Item M: Amend SB 27-14: Chabad NAU has been amended.
Executive Reports

a. President- Jillian Zuniga
   - She met with Britney and went to a meeting regarding the tuition idea proposed. She attending an executive meeting when they talked about her schedule for spring 2015. Make sure to check out the website and to contact Olivia with your feedback. Make sure to get your hours in for thanksgiving and reading week and to clock normal hours.

b. Vice President of Student Affairs- Savannah Libby
   - The tailgate is Saturday so sign up shifts. Some of the clubs signed up for the tailgate and they will be helping out in the parking lot. Also, NAUPD and Art are working on further enforcing the rules at the tailgates due to the mess left afterwards with broken glass bottles, which are not allowed.

C. Vice President of Academic Affairs- Nicholas Startt
   - He completed all his monthly meetings with the senators. He asks that the senators come during their regular hours during thanksgiving and reading week.

d. Vice President of Government Affairs – Britney Simon
   - She had a great time at ABOR and they will keep in connect with the senators at both ASU and UofA. The tuition hearing is the 8th and 9th in February. They will also address the school budget. There will be another ABOR meeting in March.

e. Chief of Staff- Jared Gorshe
   - The study break event at cline is coming up so everyone try to either attend or work it. It is on the 7th and 8th of December. There is also a thankful for coffee event on the 3rd. So like Facebook, twitter, and all the other online feeds and have a great break.

Staff Reports

A. Student State Affairs- Tia Yap, Corey Permann
   - If see the interns, say hello. She went to the meeting down at UofA and took notes so contact her if you would like them. Most of the items proposed were for ASU and UofA so there are not that many new updates that will affect NAU.

B. Public Relations- Richard Trunzo, Kayla Boxberger
   - The kiss my axe designs are now up and they are working with special events for the spring concert genre revel in the spring. They are planning on doing a lot of announcements on social networking so keep up to date.

C. Special Events- Spencer Carlton, Jeremy Chan
- They are going over deadlines for next semester.

D. NSG- Ryan Cook, Sara McCaffrey
   - They are looking into dates to do a leadership program.

E. ITS- Olivia May
   - Nothing to report.

F. Parliamentarian- Amanda Dietlin
   - She talked to Ali about the by-laws and completed her office hours.

Committee Reports

A. Appropriations: Senator Soto
   - They approved this weeks new bills.

B. Legislative: Senator Buchta
   - Josh went through the by-laws and found some more errors that need to be corrected.

Senator Reports

College of Arts and Letters
   a. Reed Emerson- Attended Leg and did office hours.
   b. Scott Tillinghast- Not Present.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
   a. Benjamin Silva- Completed his office hours and talked to some clubs.
   b. Alyssa Soto- Nothing to report.

College of Health and Human Services
   a. Libby Munhall- Not Present.
   b. Ryan Startt- Attended an RHA meeting and handed out flyers for the extended library hours and bus schedule.

College of Education
   a. Cesar Aguilar- He completed his office hours.
   b. Vanessa Pomeroy- Attended Leg and wrote a bill.

College of Business
   b. Alwi Alkhuzami- He is going to do his office hours on Friday.

College of Engineering, Forestry, and Natural Sciences
   b. Brett Hightower- Attended Approps, talked with clubs about funding, and unfortunately the meeting he had was canceled.

Advisor Reports (Rick Brandel and Art Farmer)
Rick Brandel— There is a leadership day scheduled for the 30th of January. He is hoping that at least 10 ASNAU members attend. He will send out an email later on with more information. He asks that ASNU send an email to people about the GPA change for next year.

Art Farmer— Wishes that everyone has a good break.

Discussion Items

- The Supreme Court is going through some changes with ASNAU and Nick Startt will not be removed from his position and no further action will be taken on the claim.

Announcements

- Golden Pinecone award goes to Cesar for dealing with several clubs at once and completing all the paperwork for all of them.

Important Dates

Adjournment

Motion: Senator Emerson moves to adjourn the meeting

Second: Senator Startt

Vote: Unanimous, meeting adjourned at 6:13 P.M.