



The Office of the Eastern Illinois University
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“Real change, enduring change, happens one step at a time.” -Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Student Senate Minutes

The 2nd day of October 2019

- I. Call to Order-7:01pm
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of the Minutes
 - a. Richards and Hagler
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. White and Richards
 - Amendment to addition to consent Agenda: Franklin and Archey
 - Amendment: Coffey and Richards
- V. Audience Participation
- VI. Advisor Report – Ceci Brinker
 - a. No Report
- VII. Graduate Report – Sophia Sarver
 - a. Sophie relayed that all the Graduate Assistants were excited to start working with the different committees and that they will try their best to make it to them and encouraged everyone to be flexible with them due to scheduling conflicts.
- VIII. Consent Agenda
 - a. Richards and Archey
 - Appointment of Jessica Meyer to the Student Senate
 - Appointment of Kourtney Wilham to the Student Senate
 - Appointment of Seth Yeakel to the Library Advisory Board
 - Appointment of Skylar Coffey to the Union Advisory Board
 - Appointment of Marcus Powell to the Bond Revenue Committee
 - Appointment of Justin Richards to the Bond Revenue Committee
 - Appointment of Miranda Martinez to the Bond Revenue Committee
 - Appointment of Arcadus Nance to the Intercollegiate Athletic Board
 - Appointment of Zachary Cohen to the Textbook Rental Advisory Board
 - Appointment of Sienna Mark to the Textbook Rental Advisory Board
 - Appointment of Cades Robinson to Apportionment Board
 - Apportion of Min Jeon to Apportionment Board
- IX. Speaker Report – Michael Perri (by President Gordon)
 - a. Ongoing Projects: The Speaker was said to be working on Council of Chairs packets and binders and in addition to that, he was also working on the Your Campus Your Voice tabling series.
 - b. Council of Chairs: President Gordon relayed to the senate that the Council of Chairs meeting will be on Mondays at 8pm, committee chairs were urged to fix this into their calendars so they do not forget. First meeting will be October 7th in

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the Student Activity Center at 8pm and that future meeting locations will be decided in the future.

X. Executive Reports

a. Student Body President – Carson Gordon

- Mental Health Awareness Week: The event the President is collaborating with student athletes already has a flier with their events and on the
 1. Monday: Tabling and handing out information about mental health
 2. Tuesday: Therapy Dog from 9-12 noon
 3. Wednesday: Life Links Speech in Grand Ballroom
 4. Thursday: Tabling focused on consent and sexual assault awareness
 5. Friday: Green for awareness and handing out stickers to those that wear green on campus.
- Future Panther Recruitment: On the 7th of October, there will be a dual-credit transfer day and senators were encouraged to wear blue and be extra friendly, and on the 15th there will be a student panel of 90 minutes held in Effingham to try to promote and recruit new students.
- Hunger Action Month: On the 21st of October there will be a Pie-in-the-Face event where President Gordon will be participating in from 11am till noon.
- CUPB: The last CUPB executive committee meeting was on Friday at 9am and they finalized the agenda for the next meeting, which will be the next Friday, also the VPAA subcommittee meeting was held on Monday.
- President Gordon reminded senators that were not in the Student Government Group me to come see her after the meeting.

b. Executive Vice President – Kathleen Conlin

- EIU Votes: EVP Conlin encouraged people to come assist her and reminded everyone that they doo count for office hours and that the tabling has been successful. She also mentioned that she has been in touch with the County clerk to talk about how students can be more involved and aware on how to be active in the voting process.
- Veto Day: A potential Veto day will be taking place at the end of October or beginning of November from noon to 4pm and that if anyone is interested they can email her.
- Challenge of the Week: “Get Ahead in Homework”

c. Vice-President of Academic Affairs – Noor-ul-Haash Khamisani

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- Student Deans: VPSA Khamisani informed the senate that the next Meeting will be Tuesday October 8th
- Faculty Senate: Met on Tuesday October 1st and talked about creating different committees and one of these will be the testing accommodations committee due to the increase in students with hearing disabilities and their next meeting will be October 15th.
- Council of Academic Affairs: The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday October 3rd.
- VPSA Khamisani reminded everyone to be at the Pumpkin with the Prez event on Tuesday October 29th at 5pm in the South Quad.
- Thank a Professor: 2nd week of November is when this will be taking place and the student deans will be contacted to determine the events they want to have leading up to the actual day.

d. Vice-President of Student Affairs – Samira Abdoulaye Pedila

- Diversity Action Council: VPAA Abdoulaye Pedila said that she will be having interviews into next week and that their first informational will be on the 14th of October at 7pm with the location TBD.
- Apportionment Board: First meeting will be an orientation for the new members and student funded organizations will give a breakdown of how they have been allocating the money that was given to them.
- Events
 1. NACWC Week
 2. Latino Heritage Month
 3. Black Student Union- Kicking it with BSU
 4. The 400th

XI. Old Business

XII. New Business

a. Emergency Bill 19-20-01

- Approval of the 5th Edition RSO
 1. The RSO was centered on students coming together to play Dungeons of Dragons board game and the representative stated that this will help students develop creativity and encourage inclusion amongst students.
 2. Motion to Open for Discussion: Noll and Franklin
 3. Motion to Close Discussion: Richards and Nance
 4. Motion to Approve: Richards and Archey
 5. Bill Passed with: 19-0-0

b. Emergency Bill 19-20-02

- Approval of the Becoming RSO
 1. The representatives of Becoming stated that their organization will focus on providing support and mentorship for girls that they need

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and to introduce them to other resources that will help them “become” the women that they want to be.

2. Motion to Open for Discussion: Yeakel and Archey
 3. Motion to Close Discussion: Richards and Nance
 4. Motion to Approve: Richards and Archey
 5. Bill Passed with: 13-2-4
- c. Emergency Bill 19-20-03
- Approval of the Women Exploring Business and Technology RSO
 1. The RSO would help create a community of women who are interested in Business and Technology and providing them with leadership and mentorship opportunities.
 2. Motion to Open for Discussion: Yeakel and Archey
 3. Motion to Close Discussion: Yeakel and Hagler
 4. Motion to Approve: Yeakel and Richards
 5. Bill Passed with: 16-0-3
- XIII. Committee Reports
- a. Academic Affairs – Seth Yeakel
 - No Report
 - b. Alumni Relations – Brianna Hogan
 - Committee meeting at 3pm on Wednesdays in the SAC
 - c. Business Affairs – Randall Becker
 - Meeting 4:30pm on Mondays
 - d. Diversity Affairs – David Hagler
 - No Report
 - e. External Relations – Zoey White
 - Meeting time potentially on Monday at 11pm
 - f. Internal Affairs – Elizabeth Stephens
 - Fridays at Noon and a poll for bonding activity in the group chat. Everyone was also told to keep on top of their office hours as some people did not complete them.
 - g. Student Affairs – Skylar Coffey
 - Meeting at Tuesdays at 1:30pm
 - h. University Enhancement – Zack Archey
 - Will be meeting after to determine what time works for everyone.
- XIV. Announcements
- a. University of Illinois Law Fair on Friday
 - b. Senator Powell speaking on Sunday at the 400th
 - c. Can Food Drive
 - d. Group Me
- XV. Adjournment- 8:54pm
- a. Franklin and Hagler



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