Student Government Association
Student Senate Meeting
November 17, 2016
Location: Senate Chamber

Call to Order: At 7:34PM

Approval of Minutes: Yes
Pass: Yes

Roll Call:

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Members Present: 22

Guest Speakers: N/A

Officer Reports:

- President (Jared Moses): TigURS Garden
  o President tweeted out about the parking situation
  o The garden will remain where it is
  o Richardson towers will be parking and green space
  o Parking expansion general or priority?
    - No answer yet

- Speaker (Tony Joe):
  o TJ will thank senators for their participation in Town Hall.
TJ will remind senators of special meeting called by President Moses. Next Monday 7pm in the popular room.

End with closing comments for last scheduled meeting of the semester.

Update on Stop Sign Bill for Carpenter Complex
- Seth Rowland has sent that to Campus Design and Planning they should have them put up by February
- What size will they be?
  - TJ will report

Committee Reports:

- **Student Services**
  - Rec Center Hours Bill and UMLaw Students parking bill was passed
  - Considering UofM soccer game locations

- **Student Development**
  - “Complete to Compete” campaign
    - Had the campaign on Tuesday and it was extremely successful
    - Had a lot of students come to check it out and some advisors

- **Judicial**
  - Discussed a bill regarding the appointment of courts clerks
  - Discussed and passed in further detail Dalton's bill.
  - Discussed and passed Lainey’s bill.

- **Finance**
  - The committee discussed the travel bill for David Scott with the Student Veteran Association.
  - David Scott attended the meeting to discuss the bill. The bill was passed.

- **Environmental**
  - Discussed and passed the Green Fee bill

Old Business:

New Business:

List in this order please:

- **Senator Appointments**
  - Ashton Toone
    - Junior communication major
    - Extremely involved
  - Darius Wade
    - Junior
  - Jacob Chan
    - Sophomore Sport and Leisure management

- **Discussion**
  - Motion to slate and approved
  - All approved

- **Finance Bills**
  - Aldhahri
- Asking $495
  - Goss
    - Asking $447
  - Houston
    - Asking $567
  - Pederson
    - Asking for $279
  - Sanders
    - Asking for $504
  - St. John
    - Asking for $300
  - Tucker
    - Asking for $308
- Still have money left over
- We did not go into next semester’s budget
- Motion to slate the bills
  - Seconded
  - All bills approved
- Scott (Undergraduate)
  - Allocating $4036
  - Fall semester
  - Doing a lot of stuff that is beneficial
  - Motion to open the floor to voting
    - Seconded
    - Abstaining: 1
    - The bill was passed

- Green Fee Funding Bill
  - Courtney is passing out the bill
  - She sat on the green fee committee
    - Meets every year in the spring
  - Students and faculty can submit bills to this committee
  - Saw a cut to the budget last year
  - Began in 2007
  - Transition from TBR e are not sure how Green fee is going to be funded
    - They may want to raise the green fee
  - Move offices being funded from green fee to university funding
  - Listed all programs that are funded from the green fee
  - Breakdown graph for new projects and returning projects
  - Princeton review has put us on its list for green colleges
  - After a project, has been funded for 2 years the need to go to university to get 50% funded and then green fee funds the other half of the project
  - On year 4 they move to university funding
  - If the bill passes tonight Courtney and Seth and they will go talk to these programs and ask them to go to the university to ask for funding
  - Green fee score sheet
    - Panel would be good to see who is successful
- Fair process for money allocation
- Making sure that you hit their criteria
- Innovative

**Discussion:**

- Chart?
  - No weight given
  - If enacted they would find a more concrete way to score orgs
- If the bike share is not being utilized will we cut it out?
  - That would be up to the University
  - A lot of the projects being funded have gotten comfortable
- Where is the funding coming from and ideal?
  - It would come from the University
  - The lighting fee was not able to be passed because it did not have the funding
- What if they do not take the recommendation?
  - You can always come back to the green fee and ask.
  - It wouldn’t change the cycle maybe.
  - In the bill it states that it has to be a recommendation not a permanent fix
  - The SGA will recommend that the University will take these.
- This is a problem that we want to consider not what is exactly going to happen
- Next year we are transitioning away from TBR
  - This set the donation at $10
  - In the future that may change or not
- The green fee is a board to bring in new projects not the same projects
- Feels futuristic not right now
  - Not going to change everything right now
- Its saying that the university needs to fund things not just the students
  - We want more green initiatives so this is how we get this
  - Why not ask the university to fund these things if they are for this?
- University has already agreed to start taking on some projects
- What is the current policy?
  - They can come to the committee and ask for as many years as they want
- The University supports a project and does not fund it do we have the right to drop it?
  - Go to the Green Fee and ask for money
- Who’s going to be on the panel?
  - University will ask SGA for help

**Voting:**

- Bill passed

**Senator Attendance Bill**

- Changed it
- Current bylaws gone over
- The way he read it was that you can miss as many as you want if you send excuses
- Want to 3 absences per semester
- Will take effect Jan 1, 2017

**Questions:**

- Do away with excuses
- Allowed three and that’s it
  - Motion and seconded
  - Vote:
    - Favor (13)
    - Opposed (5)
    - Abstaining (1)
- Bill Reporting Bill
  - Need to report passage of bills to executive
  - Article 3 Section 1
    - Speaker reports
  - Questions:
    - Since bill passes it will be reported and given to the executive branch
    - Makes it more clear
  - Motion to vote and seconded
    - Bill passed
- UM Law General Parking Bill
  - Second year law student and it’s not easy
  - Downtown there is no parking provided
    - $60 month
    - Not included in tuition
    - Females pay a little more to park closer
  - Lot of services that you can be utilized that they can’t utilize
    - Gym
    - Etc
  - Law students don’t know that they can come to main campus
    - No parking to come campus
  - Law students don’t come to main campus hardly at all during busy times
  - Elevate the issue for law students coming to main campus
  - The law students voted not to pay for general parking
  - Recommending that law students want to come to main campus
  - Full time law students
  - Comments:
    - There is no parking lot specifically for students
    - Staff and faculty are taken care of but not students
    - During the day students can’t park there
    - How will this affect parking services?
      - Don’t know how much it costs to print the tag
      - Just getting the tag
    - How many full-time law students?
      - 350
      - Give them all general parking for main campus
    - Still part of main campus
    - For now, it will help with the idea that law students can come to main campus.
    - Motion to approve the bill:
      - Bill is passed
UM Law Rec Center Hours Bill
  - Let the main campus know that the hours for the rec center are not good for graduate and law students
  - Don’t know what the budget will be
  - Open the entire rec at 5:30AM
  - On Saturday, it needs to open at 5:30AM
  - Sunday needs to open at 7am and close at 7pm
  - Needs to act like a gym
  - Group classes:
    - All Monday through Friday
    - Conducted a survey and saw that more popular classes need to be offered on the weekend
  - Questions:
    - It’s not being utilized now they may not go for it.
      - A lot of grad students and law students will use this
    - Not as many people there in the morning but it will still be utilized.
    - Keep the holiday hours now
    - If they could extend the hours at night in the morning that would be great
    - Is there any way to see the cost?
      - David Taylor
      - Jared will talk to them about these new hours
    - She likes the ideas and it could open job opportunities for students
    - This would be a suggestion to the people at the rec
  - Motion to approve the bill:
    - Bill is passed

Lambuth Report
  - Furniture plans for the second floor of Wilder
  - WiFi issues- Michael
    - Following up on
  - Marketing for Undergrad and Graduate travel funding
  - Computer lab times
  - Discount list
    - New Business
  - Comment Box

Announcements
  - New Tapingo App
  - Special Meeting reminder to vote on proposed constitutional changes.
  - Final Exams are closely approaching.
  - Remember to stay focused on your academic priorities and best of luck on exams!

Roll Call:
Adjourn: 9:03

Tony Joe Connell
Speaker of the Senate

Jacquelyn Joosse
Chief Clerk