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The fourth meeting of the ninth session of the Student Senate of the University of Houston Student Association was called to order at 7:45, p.m., in the World Affairs Room of the University Center by President COLLINS. The following corrections to the minutes were submitted. Senator KINGSBURY voted for Senate Resolution 18004. Senator SHAINOCK wished to clarify that the day hours for the LRC in the Education Building were from 7:30 to 4:30.

Senator DELMORE was absent.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President COLLINS announced that summer absences in the Senate and committee meetings were counted. He then read a letter which he is mailing to all Undergraduate Advisors on campus, along with a copy of Between Your Navel and your Knees and The New Student Handbook. President COLLINS then announced the following openings:

THE PRESIDENT'S CABINET

Dept. of Academic Affairs	1
Dept. of Campus Events	1
Dept. of Justice	1
Dept. of Leadership Development & Training	1
Dept. of National & International Affairs	1
Dept. of Organizational Affairs	1
Dept. of Personnel	2
Dept. of Public Relations	5
Dept. of Research	1

UNIVERSITY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Admissions Committee	2
Athletic Committee	1
Confidential Records Committee	2
University Calendar Board	2
Election Commission	4
Experimental College Coordinator	3
Facilities and Planning Committee	1
Food Service Board	5
Director of Homecoming	1
Hofheinz Pavilion Policy Board	2
ID Committee	2

Landscape Planning Committee	3
UH Library Committee	3
Loans and Scholarship Committee	1
Organizations Board	6
Religion Center Policy Board	2
Senate Sergeant-at-arms	1
Space Allocation Committee	1
Student Life Council	4
Student Publications Committee	2
Student Seating Allocations Committee	2
Student Subcommittee for Facilities Planning & Construction	
Student Services Fee Allocation Committee	2
Student Traffic Court Alternate	4
Traffic and Security Advisory Board	4
University Center Policy Board	4

President COLLINS then appointed Jo Nelson as Alternate Traffic Court Justice and John Buckley as Alternate Student Court Justice. The appointments were sent to Rules & Judiciary. President COLLINS announced that he had vetoed Senate Bill 18005 and he read a list of objections to the bill. He added that the objections primarily applied to the original bill, and not as it was amended on the floor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Rules & Judiciary--announced that the appointments of Alberta Ross as Women's Affairs Director, Maria Jimenez as State Affairs Director, and Jeff Story to the Election Commission, were coming out of committee. Senate Bill 18007, A SENATE BILL TO INTRODUCE THE CONCEPT OF FRIENDLY AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTIONS INTO THE STANDING RULES was also reported out.

Fiscal & Governmental--announced that Senate Bills 18001, 18002 were being reported out. Senate Bill 18008 was held in committee (to fund the LRC). Senator CLAIBORN said that the man from the LRC "said he didn't want the money and wouldn't take it if we gave it." Senator CLAIBORN suggested the Senators do more research on Fiscal bills.

Student Life/Educational Affairs--announced that Senate bill 18004 and 18009 were being reported out. Senate Bill 18003 was held in committee. Senator GARRETT was elected Vice-Chairperson.

OLD BUSINESS

Senator HOWE moved the Senate accept the appointment of Maria Jimenez as Director of State Affairs. Jimenez spoke to the Senate, outlining

her plans for the department. Basically, she planned to establish a small staff for legislative lobbying for students through TISA and specifically for UH needs, such as the Day Care Center. Senator DANBURG moved the appointment be approved by acclamation; the motion was accepted.

Senator HOWE then moved the Senate accept the appointment of Alberta Ross as Director of Women's Affairs. Senator DANBURG said that her opinion was not meant to be a reflection on Ross but that last year's cultural night had been taken over by a group of Black women who felt their role was "supporting their men in the revolution". Senator DANBURG felt that this attitude did not coincide with the aims of Women's Affairs. For that reason she would abstain from the vote. Senator HOWE pointed out that the appointment was for Director of Women's Affairs, not of Women's Liberation. President COLLINS said that the position was one of a liaison between SA and other women's groups. The appointment passed 9-0.

Senator HOWE moved the Senate approve the appointment of Jeff Story to the Election Commission, explaining that he had sat on the Commission during the recent hearings. Story was present and told the Senate that he would be attending the committee meetings on the revision of the Election Code. The appointment passed 17-0.

Senator HOWE then moved the Senate accept Senate Bill 18007, A SENATE BILL TO INTRODUCE THE CONCEPT OF FRIENDLY AMENDMENTS TO RESOLUTIONS IN THE STANDING RULES. Senator CLAIBORN said that the bill applied only to resolutions and therefore would not involve money matters. If anyone objected to the amendment, then the regular voting procedure would be followed. The motion passed 18-0.

Senator CLAIBORN moved that Senate Bill 18001, A BILL TO FUND THE PRINTING OF A HANDBOOK ON BIRTH CONTROL, ABORTION, AND V.D., be approved. He felt that anyone who had seen the booklet should be familiar with its value. The bill passed 18-0.

Senator CLAIBORN then moved the Senate accept Senate Bill 18002, A BILL TO FUND A WORKSHOP FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE LEGISLATORS. Senator CLAIBORN said that a Senate without a directed purpose was going to waste time and money; he felt that such a workshop would enable the Senate to form some central ideas. Senator SHAINOCK said that he had a petition signed by dorm students disapproving the bill. He also questioned why the bill did not include bids for food as stipulated in Senate Bill 17032. President COLLINS replied that the bill stated no time period for the bids. Senator SELIG said that she did not see how the Senate could get together if they didn't know each other. Senator GARRETT said that it was very important to act together; that there was more strength in unison. He felt that group or individual splits only gave the administration and "people like Bowers a wedge to undermine SA".

Senator DANBURG said that it had been her experience in groups that this type of workshop was needed to get to know one another. She felt there was a particular need in the Senate to get over hard feelings that she felt had no validity. Senator LOFTIN added that he would like to see some attempt to gain compensation for the work the Senators must do during the year. Senator CLAIBORN pointed out that the event was not meant as compensation; there would be fun, but there would also be work. Senator STUART said that there had been "considerable political hay" made over the expenditures, which he felt were relatively small considering past expenditures for banquets, teas, etc. The motion passed 15-1. Senator SHAINOCK voted against the motion.

Senator DANBURG then moved the Senate accept Senate Bill 18004, A BILL TO ESTABLISH AN ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE AT THE UH. President COLLINS explained that UH Bills required the signature of the Dean of Students, while Senate Bills required solely the signature of the SA President. Senator DANBURG said that the bill had high recommendations from her committee.

Senator SELIG questioned the requirements on the bill. She felt it would have to include such things as Political Science, History, etc. Senator KINGSBURY said that the main point was to get the idea to the administration who would specify requirements. The motion passed 19-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Senator DANBURG moved the Senate accept Senate Bill 18009, A BILL TO LOAN VIDEO TAPE EQUIPMENT TO THE OFFICE OF ORIENTATION. She explained that Senator GARRETT would be using the equipment in the Orientation Program. Senator GARRETT said that there would be around 30 hours of taping to produce 10 hours of film on registration, training of advisors, and for analysis of the program. He added that the letter from the Office of Orientation had already be sent to SA. Senator CLAIBORN asked Pete Williamson if SA interests were sufficiently covered by the bill. Williamson said that the bill was binding, but that it was the Senate's decision--they must decide if the Office is a financially responsible organization. The bill passed 19-0.

Senator SLOVACEK then introduced Senate Bill 18010, A SENATE BILL TO EFFECT DISTRIBUTION OF COPIES OF PROPOSED SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS, and moved to bypass committee. Senator SLOVACEK explained that currently to vote on bypass, a Senator must make a decision without knowing what bill is being voted on. He wished to eliminate this practice as soon as possible. After some discussion on the necessity of sending the bill to committee since it involved a change of rules, the motion failed 7-10.

Senator CLAIBORN introduced Senate Bill 18011, A UH BILL TO CHANGE THE GRADING SYSTEM OF RPE COURSES, and 18012, A UH BILL TO PROVIDE FOR STUDENT ELECTIONS TO SELECT THE EDITOR OF THE DAILY COUGAR, and Constitutional Amendment 18001, TO CHANGE THE PROCEDURE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF SENATORS. The legislation was sent to committee.

COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator SHAINOCK in response to President COLLINS' objections to Senate Bill 18005 stated that he would seek a letter from the LRC staff saying that they had told him the Senate was their only resort for the funds they needed. He added he would request that the letter be printed in the Journal.

Senator LOFTIN, as a member of the Governance Committee, asked the Senate to consider when they would like the entire Committee to meet with them to discuss the University Senate Proposal. He added that the Faculty Senate had been very well prepared and had presented several counter proposals and ideas. The Senate decided to wait until they were more familiar with the plan. Senator VETEK suggested preparations be made to study the proposal at the workshop.

President COLLINS then announced that he would like to appoint Jim Moriarty to serve as acting parliamentarian until a student who could serve for the entire year was appointed. Moriarty said that he saw his role as a neutral observer. He said that he would take an active role, calling attention to the chair when anyone was out of order, but that it would not be fair for him to take partisan positions on issues. Senator STUART felt that Moriarty would be an aid to the Senate. Senator DANBURG said she knew of no one else in the whole school who was more qualified than he.

Senator CLAIBORN suggested that any Senators who were associated with groups seeking SA funds should begin getting their budgets together.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Correu
Senate Secretary