

**THIRTY-THIRD SENATE
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS
Fifteenth Meeting of the 33rd Senate
Bluebonnet Room, University Center, 7:00 PM
October 16, 1996**

1. Call to Order by the Presiding Officer

The meeting was called to order by Jon M. Erickson, Speaker of the Senate, at 7:19 p.m.

2. Call of the Roll

The following Senators were present: Jaime Aguero, Eric Cabello, Jason Casero, April Erickson, Benjamin Fricke, Raquel Garcia, Brenda Johnson, Donald LeGrande, Monica Quintero, Shawn Russell, Cheyenna Smith, Hillary Stewart, Wil Watson, Joel Westra, Kristen Wethington, Nathan Wittman, and Zeke Ziliak.

The following Senators were not present: Kathryn Alvarado, Robbie Anderson, Allison Beauvais, Ryan Boyd, Chad Evans, Andre Garrett, Steve Hairgrove, Calvin Pollard, Andrea Rachiele, Eric Ramirez, and Sabita Soneji.

The following Executive Cabinet Members were present: Lee Doherty, Natalie Merritt, John Moore, Melanie Orange, and Kay To.

The following University Officials were present: None.

3. Reading and Approval of the Senate Journal

The Senate Journal for the fourteenth meeting was amended and approved.

4. Special Reports

5. Students Wishing to Address the Senate

6. Two Minute Speeches by the Members

7. Report of the President -- President Moore discussed the upcoming trip to Washington DC. He also discussed his next visit to SVN. He also commended Ben Fricke on the Oberholtzer Dinning Hall doors. He continued by wishing good luck to Chi Omega on their upcoming carnival. He also announced that SA is now accepting applications for Election Commissioner.

8. Report of the Vice President --- Vice President To began by noting that the appointments tonight are all great candidates and they should be bypassed. She also encouraged more drive by the Senators to get students on committees. She continued by asking for help at a panel discussion on Thursday.

9. Report of the Speaker

Speaker of the Senate Jon M. Erickson told Senators that he was accepting ideas on the election code revisions. He also asked for bypass on legislation that would be introduced tonight. He reminded all senators that they have their last chance to attend a Legislative Writing Workshop on Wednesday. He concluded with accolades for the football team.

10. Reports of the Standing Committees

- a) Academic Affairs- Senator Erickson said there was no report.
- b) Internal Affairs- Senator Russell said there was no report.
- c) Student Life- Senator Westra said there was no report.
- d) University Administration and Finance- Senator Fricke said the Committee met and discussed UB33002 and UB33003. UB33002 would be discharged unfavorably later.

11. Reports of the Select Committees

Speaker Erickson said that Title Nine will be discharged later tonight.

12. Special Orders -- There were no Special Orders.

13. Introduction and First Reading of New Legislation

a) Legislation Turned into the Speaker Prior to Publication of the Agenda --

SAB 33005-A Students' Association Bill To Adopt the Title 9 - Executive and Legislative Intern Program as Amended by the SA Constitution and Code Committee. Sponsors: Jon Erickson, Andre Garrett, and Steve Hairgrove.

b) Legislation Introduced on the Senate Floor --

SAB 33006-A Students' Association Bill to Grant a Per Diem to the SA Members Traveling to Washington DC. Sponsors: Jaime Aguero, Jon Erickson, Raquel Garcia, and Hillary Stewart.

SAR 33005-A Students' Association Resolution to Commend the University of Houston Administration for Listening to the Students Regarding Campus Accessibility. Sponsors: Jaime Aguero, Eric Cabello, Jason Casero, April Erickson, Erickson, Benjamin Fricke, Raquel Garcia, Brenda Johnson, Donald LeGrand, Monica Shawn Russell, Cheyenna Smith, Hillary Stewart, Wil Watson, Joel Westra, Nathan Wittman, and Zeke Ziliak.

Jon
Quintero,
Kristen Wethington,

14. Unfinished Business and General Orders --

a) Presidential Nominations and Appointments

1. Committee on Academic Affairs
2. Committee on Internal Affairs
3. Committee on Student Life
4. Committee on University Administration and Finance

b) Reconsideration of Presidential Vetoes and Other Legislative Business

1. Presidential Vetoes to be Reconsidered
2. Committee on Academic Affairs
3. Committee on Internal Affairs
4. Committee on Student Life
5. Committee on University Administration and Finance

UB 33002 - A University Bill to Make the Doors Entering Oberholtzer Hall Dining Area Handicap Accessible

Sponsors: Brad Castelo, April Erickson, Jon Erickson, Chad Evans, Benjamin Fricke, Andre Garrett, Joel Westra, Zeke Ziliak

UB33002 was discharged unfavorably. There was no discussion and the bill failed.

UB 33003 - A University Bill to Encourage the Administration to Make the Elevators in PGH Barrier Free

Sponsors: Brad Castelo, April Erickson, Jon Erickson, Chad Evans, Benjamin Fricke, Joel Westra, Zeke Ziliak

Senator Fricke said the bill would remain in committee a while longer.

6. SA Constitution and Code Committee

15. New Business and General Orders:

a) Introduction of Presidential Nominations

- 1) Uyen L. Pham - Organizations Board
- 2) Kulsoom Rizvi - Teaching Excellence Awards Selection Committee
Undergrad Admissions Review Committee

**International Students Advisory Council
Title IX Grievance Committee**

- 3) Mindy Terence - Organizations Board
- 4) Kerri J. Green - AFB
University Hearing Board
- 5) Toi Spencer - Student Advisory Board for Students with DisABILITIES
- 6) Nathan V. Masi - Student Traffic Court
- 7) Erin Estes - Police Advisory Committee
Substance Abuse Committee

b) Motions on Committee Bypass

Senator Russell motioned to bypass and consent to all appointees in block. Motion was seconded by Senator Watson.

Vice President To said that she urges the Senators to bypass and consent all nominees.

All nominees were passed unanimously.

Senator Russell then motioned to bypass and consent SAR33005. All Senators were added as sponsors, and Senator Garcia seconded. There was no discussion and the resolution passed unanimously.

Senator Russell motioned to bypass and consent SAB33005 and SAB33006. The motion was seconded by Senator Ziliak.

Senator Westra offered a friendly amendment to SAB33006. In the third "whereas" clause without should be one word. The amendment was accepted by Speaker Erickson.

There was no further discussion and both bills passed unanimously.

c) Other New Business and General Orders -- There was none.

16. Closing Call of the Roll

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17. Comments and Announcements

18. Adjournment

The Meeting was adjourned by general consent at 7:52 p.m.