

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

**ORDER OF BUSINESS
Twelfth Meeting of the 33rd Senate
Bluebonnet Room, University Center, 7:00 PM
September 4, 1996**

1. **Call to Order by the Presiding Officer** - Jon M. Erickson, Speaker of the Senate, 33rd Administration
2. **Call of the Roll**
3. **Reading and Approval of the Senate Journal**
 - a) Eleventh Meeting
4. **Special Reports**
5. **Students Wishing to Address the Senate**
6. **Two Minute Speeches by the Members**
7. **Report of the President** - John Moore
8. **Report of the Vice President** - Kay To
9. **Report of the Speaker** - Jon M. Erickson
10. **Reports of the Standing Committees**
 - a) Academic Affairs- April Erickson
 - b) Internal Affairs- Steve Hairgrove
 - c) Student Life- Joel Westra
 - d) University Administration and Finance- Benjamin Fricke
11. **Reports of the Select Committees**
 - a) SA Constitution and Code Committee- Brad Castelo
12. **Special Orders**
13. **Introduction and First Reading of New Legislation**
 - a) Legislation Turned into the Speaker Prior to Publication of the Agenda
 - b) Legislation Introduced on the Senate Floor
14. **Unfinished Business and General Orders**
 - a) Presidential Nominations and Appointments
 1. Committee on Academic Affairs
 2. Committee on Internal Affairs
 - a) **Kristen Wethington - Senator for the Graduate School of Social Work**
 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
 - a) SAB 33001
 - b) SAB 33004
 4. Committee on Student Life
 5. Committee on University Administration and Finance
 - a) UB 33002
 - b) UB 33003
 6. SA Constitution and Code Committee

15. **New Business and General Orders:**
 - a) Introduction of Presidential Nominations
 - b) Motions on Committee Bypass
 - c) Other New Business and General Orders
16. **Closing Call of the Roll**
17. **Comments and Announcements**
18. **Adjournment**

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1. Call to Order by the Presiding Officer

The meeting was called to order by Jon M. Erickson, Speaker of the Senate, at 7:10 p.m.

2. Call of the Roll

The following Senators were present: Jaime Aguero, Kathryn Alvarado, Andrew Archilla, Allison Beauvais, Jason Casero, April Erickson, Benjamin Fricke, Raquel Garcia, Andre Garrett, Steve Hairgrove, Brenda Johnson, Calvin Pollard, Monica Quintero, Andrea Rachiele, Eric Ramirez, Shawn Russell, Sabita Soneji, Hillary Stewart, William Watson, Joel Westra, Kristen Wethington, Nathan Wittman, and Zeke Ziliak.

The following Senators were not present: Robert Anderson, Ryan Boyd, Brad Castelo, Chad Evans, and Cheyenna Smith.

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

The following University Officials were present: David Daniell.

3. Reading and Approval of the Senate Journal

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

4. Special Reports

Director of Public Relations Melanie Orange expressed an interest in meeting with all the Senators in the very near future.

5. Students Wishing to Address the Senate

Mr. Micheal Chamberlain gave an update on the Cuban Friendship Committee. Mr. Chamberlain then spoke out on what he calls "intolerance" of the new Chair of the Board of Regents, Mr. Eduardo Aguirre Jr. He continued his report by reading from the attached article. Finally, Mr. Chamberlain highlighted a visit to Cuba by two of our students and asked one, Lief Casudashmidt, to speak.

Lief explained that his trip to Cuba was very eye opening to him. He said that Cubans enjoy having Americans in their country. He mentioned that they did a lot of "stuff". He noted that Cubans are friendly. He said that surprised him since we isolate try to them. He said that he had a lot of time to walk the streets and talk to people. He said that the Cuba Coalition is trying to have an ad-hoc committee plan a tour of a Cuban Diplomat tour our state. Lief continued by saying that we should let people say what they want.

6. Two Minute Speeches by the Members -- There were none.

7. Report of the President -- President Moore began by discussing the results of the Evening Student Surveys. He mentioned that the needs in the survey would be addressed by the various committees. He mentioned that the final draft of the Self Study is now in his office. Mr. Moore concluded his speech by reminding Senators about his Town Hall Meetings.

8. Report of the Vice President --- Vice President To was not present to give a report.

9. Report of the Speaker

Speaker of the Senate Jon M. Erickson told Senators that there are several open positions. Speaker Erickson urged Senators to bypass all committee appointments. Mr. Erickson continued by noting an interesting piece of mail that he received from President Goerke. Erickson said he was upset and perturbed that the resolution was not supported by the President. The speaker then addressed the Senators obligation to hold their Town Hall Meetings. Speaker Erickson asked that any Senators that can help with the Red & White Ball final touches contact Stacey Hall. He announced that the Senate Journal for the 32nd Senate has been completed and is in the office. He concluded with a salute to the Football Team and Senator Ben Fricke.

10. Reports of the Standing Committees

- a) Academic Affairs- There was no report.
- b) Internal Affairs- Senator Hairgrove said that the committee met and will be releasing things at the appropriate time.
- c) Student Life- Senator Westra announced the Committee had met and was working on the Social Event Policy changes.
- d) University Administration and Finance- Senator Fricke said the Committee met and discussed UB33002 and UB33003.

11. Reports of the Select Committees

Speaker Erickson said that Titles five and nine are now being looked at.

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 -- None.
- b) Legislation Introduced on the Senate Floor -- None.

14. Unfinished Business and General Orders --

- a) Presidential Nominations and Appointments
 - 1. Committee on Academic Affairs
 - 2. Committee on Internal Affairs

Kristen Wethington - Graduate School of Social Work Senator

Senator Hairgrove Discharged her from committee favorably, there was no discussion and she was approved unanimously. She was then sworn in.

- 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
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SAB 33001 - A Students' Association Bill to Provide for Certain Limited Exceptions to Article II, Section 8, Clause 2 of the Students' Association Constitution

Sponsors: Brad Castelo, and Jon Erickson

Senator Hairgrove discharged the bill favorably, there was no discussion on the bill and the bill passed unanimously.

SAB 33004 - A Students' Association Bill Establishing A Permanent Students' Association Budget as Per Title 5 Section 2.0.2 Part C of the SA Code

Sponsors: Jon Erickson, Hillary Stewart, William Watson

Senator Hairgrove said the budget would be held in committee pending changes.

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

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 Bills 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) **Brent Parker--Athletics Advisory Board, SFAC, and Organizations Board**
- 2) **Donald LeGrande--HFAC #1 Senator**
- 3) **Gerardo Ramirez--Undergraduate Council**

- b) Motions on Committee Bypass

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

16. Closing Call of the Roll

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17. Comments and Announcements

Senator Westra asked for help on Senior Challenge.

Senator Pollard mentioned that he still had positions open for Homecoming '96.

Senator Garcia announced that the College of Pharmacy would be hosting the Texas Pharmacy Week. She pointed out that they would be having several workshops that Senators might be interested in.

18. Adjournment

The Meeting was adjourned by general consent at 7:49 p.m.