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UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Fifth Meeting of the Summer Senate
Monday, August 14, 1989
Dallas/El Paso Room 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order by the Presiding Officer:

The meeting was called to order by the Speaker of the Senate, Michael Danke, at 7:00 p.m.

2. Call of the Roll by the Secretary:

The following Senators were present: Barrus, Browne, Danke, Marino, Nava, Parker, Sharma, and Wuthrich.

The following Senators were absent: None

The following Senators were excused: Potter and Saeed

The following Executive Cabinet members were present: Reed Paseur

The following University Officials were present: Thomas Mercado.

3. Reading and approval of the Senate Journal from the Previous Meeting:

The Senate Journal was approved as corrected by the members.

4. Report of the President: President Belicove was in Washington D.C.

5. Report of the Vice President: Faisal was in Pakistan.

6. Report of the Speaker: Speaker Danke had several business items: 1) He began by referring to the recent article in the Daily Cougar. He clarified that he was not on the Assistant Dean Search Committee, which the article had reported. 2) He will be attending the Division of Student Affairs Retreat on August 16, 1989. 3) The Senator packet mailout will be mailed as scheduled on Tuesday, August 15, 1989. 4) Donna Penoli, Assistant Director for the Office of Publications, thought it would be nice to plan some nostalgic activities this next year reflecting the Nineteen Sixties. 5) President Belicove talked with Michael before the meeting this afternoon. Belicove reported that the meeting with James Cicconi, Assistant to President/Deputy Chief of Staff, went well and he will be home soon. 6) The first meeting of the Fall Senate will not be in the Dallas/El Paso Room due to Fall Rush activities. 7) He applauded all Senators for attending the Summer Senate.

Agenda Item for the Week:

Speaker Danke spoke on the need to revise the Bylaw and Constitution. He feels that the Students' Association Constitution needs to 1) Use a clearer appointment procedure. 2) Have no typographical errors 3) Change Budget and Appropriations Committee to Internal Affairs Committee 5) Make the Constitution more accessible to the members of the Students' Association. 6) Descriptions of duties for all cabinet members. 7) And revise the Election Code.

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On the issue of Computer Viruses, according to the Daily Cougar article, and the committee research, there are only two places to get virus protection software, in the Art Engineering Annex and the English Lab. He polled the Senators, of whom only one knew the location of the Art Engineering Annex. Speaker Danke felt that this was inadequate protection for the students of this campus. This should not be tolerated. He felt virus protection software should be available at all computer clusters.

7. *Special Reports:* None

8. *One Minute Speeches by the Members.* Senator Marino said that Senator Barrus, Senator Potter, Speaker Danke, and President Belicove attended the Student Programming Board Orientation meeting in Galveston last weekend. He extended his appreciation to the Student Programming Board for inviting them to the meeting. All the members said they enjoyed the event and also learned a lot.

9. *Report of Standing Committees:*

1. Academic Affairs - Karl Barrus, Vice Chair: None
2. Student Life - Rekha Sharma, Vice-Chair: The Student Life committee met at 6:00 p.m. Monday night. They went over all nominees put forth by committee. All were approved for consideration.
3. University Administration and Finance - Biren Kumar, Chair: None
4. Internal Affairs - Chris Browne, Chair: Met August 9, 1989 with President Belicove, Reed Pasuer, Speaker Danke, and Senator Marino. They discussed Senate Resolution #26003: A SENATE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY OPERATING BUDGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH SB#25010. Senator Browne felt that there was enough explanation to justify the resolution. The committee reported out favorably on SR26003. The committee also interviewed Brian Wilson and reported favorably on his nomination. There was no action taken on SB26001: A SENATE BILL AMENDING TITLE 5 OF THE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION ELECTION CODE. Senator Browne said the main goal is to amend the Election Code.

10. *Report of the Select Committee::* None

11. *Special Reports:* None

12. *Unfinished Business and General Orders:*

a. Presidential Nominations and Appointments:

Senator Barrus moved to discharge and consider Vicky Cannon to the Under graduate council. This was seconded by Senator Marino. The motion was brought to a vote and it passed unanimously.

Senator Sharma moved to vote as a block on all nominees in committee. As Speaker in favor, Senator Sharma felt this would save time because all committees were in favor of their nominees. There was no Speaker Against. The Speaker raised a point of order that there were four appointments recently referred to committee. In General Debate, Senator Marino moved to amend the main motion to strike these four appointments. In further General Debate, Senator Barrus added that he thought the nominees in his committee were all very qualified. Senator Browne and Senator Marino felt their nominees were also equally qualified. By General Consent, Khaled Ali spoke to the Senators. He had been involved with the

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Programming Board for five years at the University of Texas. He believed the Student Programming Board at the University of Houston was what it should be like. He was visual and Performing Arts Chairman last year. He has produced seven plays with the Student Programming Board. In addition, he likes to see different people working together, especially the Students' Association and the Student Programming Board.

A vote was taken on the motion to strike out the four nominees, and it was unanimous.

On the motion to advise and consent favorably on the following candidates:

John Walker, Academic Computer Advisory Board,
Vicky Cannon, Undergraduate Council,
Laura Friedl, Undergraduate Council,
Brian Cantor, Undergraduate Council,
William Marko, Organizations Board,
Sharon Walsh, Health Center Policy Board,
Catherine McBrian, Handicapped Students' Advisory Committee,
Jason Wilson, University Hearing Board,
Dina Abrahamson, Handicapped Student Advisory Board,
John Parker, Handicapped Student Advisory Board,
Kandara Harris, Organizations Board,
Laura Jansen, Handicapped Student Advisory Board,
Brian Wilson, The College of Optometry,
Khaled F. Ali, SPB Director of Special Projects,
Karl Barrus, Activities Funding Board, and
Duane Lee Grooms, Activities Funding Board,

A vote was taken and it was passed unanimously.

b. Legislation

Senator Browne moved to consider SR26003: A SENATE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY BUDGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH SR 25010. As Speaker in Favor, Senator Browne added that he had met with Internal Affairs. During this meeting, he found sufficient answers to his questions pertaining to SR26003. He commended President Belicove on reducing the salaries and putting the money to use in other ways such as trips and conventions. Senator Browne felt it was a good budget. There was no Speaker Against. In General Debate, Speaker Danke added a point of information. He clarified that last years was approved by three people. Because of that, now and in the future it will be an operating budget resolution, followed by a Budget Bill in the Fall. In the future it will be a budget bill, but for now it is just an operating Bill. A vote was taken on SR26003, and it was unanimous.

13. *New Business and Reconsideration of Presidential Vetos:* None

14. *Introduction and First Reading of New Legislation:*

The Senate Secretary read the title of SR26003: A SENATE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY OPERATING BUDGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH SB25010. This was referred to Internal Affairs.

Senator Marino introduced SB26002: AN AMENDMENT REQUIRING EXECUTIVE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY. This was referred to Internal Affairs.

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Senator Sharma introduced Senate Resolution 26004: A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT TO CONTINUE THE TRADITION OF A LIVE MASCOT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON. This was referred to Student Life.

Senator Barrus introduced UB26007: A UNIVERSITY BILL CREATING SEPTEMBER 15, 1989, "NATIVE AMERICAN AWARENESS DAY." This was referred to Student Life

Senator Marino introduced UB26008: A UNIVERSITY BILL CHANGING THE DESIGNATION AND SCOPE OF THE AD HOC BOOKSTORE REVIEW COMMITTEE. This was referred to University Administration and Finance.

15. Presidential Nominations and Appointments: The Senate Secretary read the following nominations to Standing University Committees:

Dennis McDougal, Protection of Human Subjects, University Administration and Finance
Hank Courson, Student Publications Committee, Student Life
David Anderson, Campus Safety Committee, University Administration and Finance
Reed Passeur, Students' Association Treasurer, Internal Affairs

16. Comments and Announcements:

Senator Sharma: The next meeting concerning the live mascot, is August 18, 1989 in room 212, at 3:30 p.m. Senator asked for support from all Senators on the Mascot Legislation.

17. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by general consent at 7:42 p.m.