

TWENTY-THIRD SENATE  
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON-UNIVERSITY PARK

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Tenth Meeting, Monday, August 25, 1986  
Dallas-El Paso

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by the Speaker of the Senate Alfred Bennett in the Dallas-El Paso Room in the University Center.

A verbal roll call was made and the following Senators were present: Bhagani, Gold, Gooden, Ibrahim, Imperial, Kacir, Khan, Masud, Nachtigall, Ramsey, Riaz, Saade, Sheppard, Sosa, Williams J. and Williams L.

The following Senators were absent: Anctil, Brokaw, Droll, Gill, Johnson, and Lee.

Also in attendance were: Chaney Williams, Senate Secretary; Willie Munson Director of Campus Activities; and Connie Wallace Dean of Students.

The minutes were approved as corrected.

Report of the President:

President Boates welcomed the members of Senate back from Summer vacation. He congratulated the members of the Summer Senate on a very productive job.

President Boates updated the Senate on the following issues:

1. Major goal had been to strengthen representation of the students on the local and state level. This has been somewhat achieved through the progress that Peter Coltzer, Assistant to the President for External Affairs has made.
2. Senate has made a policy statement opposing further academic cutbacks; SR 32009.
3. Student Empowerment Awareness Month (SEAM); important leaders on the local and state level will be involved.
4. Wednesday, August 27th Information Drive/ Voter Registration drive. Encourages students to vote and made policy statements.
5. Expansion SA services; development of an Ombudsman Service for students. This will not increase the SA budget - but will be a service provided by Students' Association.
  - a. Centralization of Student Judiciary.
6. Strengthening the Senate; The Executive Branch will support Senate, however, the initiative needs to be taken by the Senate.

President Boates noted that emphasis for the Fall would be SEAM. He encouraged the involvement of all Senators.

President Boates emphasized that the committees need to prepare goals and strive toward them. He urged them to complete their goals by October.

President Boates announced that he had been selected to serve on the New Chancellor Search Committee. He noted that interested persons are needed to serve on the Cullen Auditorium Renovations Committee and Campus Activities Calendar Planning Committee.

Report of the Vice President:

Vice President welcomed the Senators to a new session. He congratulated the Summer Senators on a productive summer.

Vice President Husain reviewed the progress made over the Summer:

1. Completion of Students' Association budget
2. Revision of Judiciary laws.
3. Extensive planning on SEAM.
4. Orientation with new students to encourage their involvement in student issues and concerns.

Vice President Husain noted that the primary area of concentration for the Fall would be SEAM. He encouraged the members of the Senate to become involved.

Report of the Speaker:

Speaker Bennett welcomed the members of the Senate back from Summer break.

Speaker Bennett noted that Mark Bookman, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Auxiliary Services had expressed an interest in meeting with the Senate.

Speaker Bennett announced that he would be setting up an information bulletin board in the Senate Offices. He encouraged the members of the Senate to review the items posted on the board.

Speaker Bennett noted that a qualified individual is needed to serve on the Joint Faculty/Student Committee. He encouraged the members of the Senate to see him for further information.

Speaker Bennett encouraged the members of the Senate to meet with their Deans and their constituents. He commended Senators Lela Williams, Ramsey, and Brokaw for setting up session with their Deans during the Summer Senate.

Speaker Bennett announced that the recipient for the Senator Recognition Award for the Summer is Chair Ken Anctil.

Speaker Bennett noted that Thomas Mercado has been promoted from Campus Activities Advisor to Assistant Director of Campus Activities. He congratulated Mr. Mercado on his promotion.

Speaker Bennett noted that Deron Gooden had been appointed to the Senate; Business Position 3.

Speaker Bennett noted that the Executive Office had made a request for Peter Coltzer, Assistant to the President for External Affairs to speak before the Senate. Speaker Bennett called for the motion. After motion was made and

seconded, Senator Mian spoke in favor of Mr. Coltzer speaking to the Senate. The Senate went into direct consideration of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Special Reports:

Peter Coltzer, Assistant to the President for External Affairs.

Mr. Coltzer noted the position of the Texas State Legislature regarding the budget cuts in Higher Education: They are as follows:

1. 15 million cut to University of Houston-University Park 1987; loss of 485 employees; figures also include faculty. *House*
2. 6 million cut to University of Houston-University Park; 45% cut 1986; 25% 1987; loss of 82 faculty members. *Senate*

Mr. Coltzer noted that these proposals will go to the Conference Committee. He also noted that the committee will probably decide on a 9% cut in Higher Education. The university will lose about 140 faculty members and possibly the loss of Summer School 1987. Mr. Coltzer noted that there are two solutions to the problem.

1. rider of intent; attached to the Appropriations bill; to try to prevent the elimination of Summer School.
2. binder rider; amendment to the Appropriations bill; try to persuade them to spend average percent spent on Summer School.

The rider of intent looks favorable. The binding rider is not very favorable at this time. He noted in closing, that if either rider is attached to the Appropriations Bill it will be a victory for the University of Houston-University Park Student Senate.

One-Minute Speeches by the Members:

Senator Mian congratulated the members of the Summer Senate on a job well done and encouraged them to continue the good work.

Senator Bhagani commended Peter Coltzer, Assistant to the President for External Affairs on a job well done.

Senator Lela Williams noted that Senator Ramsey appears on the front of UH Pride magazine.

Senator Gooden noted that he had met with Dean McFarland to discuss pertinent concerns. He encouraged the members of the Senate to become involved with SEAM.

Reports of the Standing Committees:

**Committee on Academic Affairs: Lela Williams, Chairperson**

Chair Williams noted that her committee would be interviewing Fabian Vaksman - Graduate Studies Professional Council and Edith Mills - Academic Computing

Advisory Committee.

**Committee on Student Life: Tariq Mian, Chairperson**

Chair Mian noted that during the Summer the resolution regarding the approval for Campus Activities Advisor passed. He commended the Senate on its efforts, being that the hiring freeze on that position has been lifted. He noted in closing, that Senators interested in attending his committee meetings are welcomed.

**Committee on University Administration & Finance: Ken Anctil, Chairperson**

No report at this time.

**Committee on Internal Operations: chair to be named**

Speaker Bennett noted that interested persons are encouraged to apply for the chairship of this committee.

**Committee on Budget & Appropriations: Ben Sheppard, Chairperson**

Chair Sheppard noted that his committee would be reporting favorably on SB 32003; SA budget with some amendments.

Unfinished Business and General Orders:

Senate Bill # : 32003

Sponsor: J. Williams

A SENATE BILL ESTABLISHING THE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987.

Senator Sheppard reported favorably on the bill with some amendments. After motion was made and seconded, the Senate went into direct consideration of the bill. Senator Mian spoke in favor of the bill. The bill passed with eight in favor, seven opposed and one abstention.

New Business and Reconsideration of Presidential Vetoes:

Speaker Bennett referred the following appointments to committee:

Donald Heard - College of Pharmacy - Internal Operations  
Robert Laux - Activities Funding Board - Student Life  
Darryl Banks - Health Center Policy Board - Student Life  
Lori Francis - University Center Policy Board - Student Life  
Donald Whitfield - Handicapped Student Advisory Board - Student Life  
Jackie Giddens - A.D. Bruce Religion Center Policy Board - Student Life  
Mindy Lobeliner - Organizations Board - Student Life  
Rhonda Taylor - Organizations Board - Student Life  
Beth Aitken - Organizations Board - Student Life  
Deron Gooden - Athletic Advisory Committee - University Adm. & Finance  
Poh Tay - Advisory Committee for International Affairs - University Adm. & Finance  
Jackie Giddens - Academic Council - University Adm. & Finance  
Terry Ramsey - Undergraduate Council - University Adm. & Finance

Eric Saltzer - Academic Computer Advisory Committee - University Adm.  
& Finance  
Brooke Horak - Selection Committee for the Teaching Excellence Award  
University Adm. & Finance

Introduction and First Reading of New Legislation:

Senate Resolution #: 32010

Sponsors: A. Khan and L. Williams

A SENATE RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COURSE IN COMPUTER SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS FOR THE DEGREE REQUIREMENT FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES IN THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON-UNIVERSITY PARK.

Senate Bill #: 32004

Sponsor: D. Gooden

A SENATE BILL AMENDING RULE 19 OF THE SENATE RULES OF ORDER.

Sense of the Senate Resolution #: 32001

Sponsor: D. Gooden

A SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING ALL SENATORS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE TO BECOME VOTER REGISTRATION DEPUTIES FOR 1986.

Senator Gooden made motion to bypass the resolution. After motion was made and seconded, Senator Gooden spoke in favor of the motion to bypass. The Senate went into direct consideration of the motion to bypass. The motion carried. The Senate then went into direct consideration of the resolution. Senator Gooden spoke in favor of the resolution. The resolution passed.

Comments and Announcements:

Vice President Husain congratulated Senator Gooden on setting up meeting with his Dean. He encouraged the members of the Senate to also meet with their respective Deans.

President Boates congratulated Senator Anctil on his winning of the Senator Recognition Award. He encouraged the members of the Senate who were concerned about the details of the SA budget to see him.

Senator Gooden issued a challenge to the Senators to sponsor or author a piece of legislation for the next Senate meeting.

Speaker Bennett encouraged the members of the Senate to sharpen their parliamentary skills and procedures.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.