



**72<sup>nd</sup> Student Senate  
Rules & Calendar  
Date: September 30th, 2020**

**Call to Order:** 5:04 p.m.

**Members Present:** President Pro Tempore Harmon, Chair(s) Dean, Gnanam, Gonzalez, Leckie, Martin

**Members Tardy:** Adamyk

**Members Absent:** None

**Guests:** Senator Quentin England, Senator Renee Wang, Parker Ridaught, Jack Rowan, Rawan Abhari, Senator Brendan Gerdtts, Senator Hinks, Shayna Cohen

**Announcements:**

- President Pro Tempore - None
- Judiciary - None
- Finance - None
- Oversight - We passed two candidates who will be on the floor tonight!
- Budget - None
- SLAA - None
- RTAC - None
- PAC - None
- Guests - None

**Committee Business:**

- Resolution 58
- Resolution 69
- Bill 92
- Constitutional Amendment 2
- Constitutional Amendment 3

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- Resolutions:
  - **Resolution 58 - Sponsored by Senator Murcia (P):** Amending Student Rules of Procedure 13.8 regarding Senator absences.
    - Remains tabled as the sponsor is not present.

- **Resolution 69 - Sponsored by Senators Wang (P), Bogle Gnanam and Hinks (Co):** Amending Student Senate Rules of Procedure 5.12 regarding Ad Hoc Committees.
  - Opening: Hi Rules so as a result of the Ad Hoc committees this summer we wanted to introduce structure and rules about how they should be run. Due to the sensitive nature of Ad Hocs, this makes people aware of any they may be interested in prior to their creation
  - Technical & Non Debatable Questions:
    - Gonzalez: In relation to 5.12A-- are Ad Hocs just going to be for legislative issues?
      - Gerdts: I'd be okay with the word "legislative" being taken out. It's just we're the legislature so that's why it was included. I do see possible issues with that though. The intent was just to say the Ad Hocs should be directed to deal with a specific issue-- as they currently are.
    - Gonzalez: In relation to 5.12B, it says any Senator can join an Ad Hoc committee. Does the President have to appoint someone?
      - Gerdts: No, it means any Senator can join an Ad Hoc should they choose. The appointments in this means there is a minimum number of Senators present but any other Senators interested in the committee may join.
    - Dean moves to enter round table discussion. Leckie seconds.
    - Roundtable:
      - Dean moves to add Senator Brendan Gerdts as a primary sponsor to the bill. Leckie seconds. No objections, motion carries. *Gerdts added as primary sponsor.*
      - Gonzalez: So the leadership of an Ad Hoc can be non-Senators, correct?
      - Gerdts: Considering Ad Hocs can have non-Senators as members with voting rights, theoretically yes. The only thing they can't do is place legislation.
      - Gonzalez moves to amend 5.12A to remove the word "legislative". Gnanam seconds. No objections, motion carries. Sponsors find the amendment friendly, *Resolution 69 is amended.*
      - Gonzalez: So would the sponsor be okay with adding anything that says the Chair and Vice-Chair have to be Senators?

- Gerdts: I think we can do that by eliminating section 5.12F1.
- Wang: I'm fine with that.
- Gonzalez moves to amend to remove section 5.12F1. Gnanam seconds. No objections. Sponsors find the amendment friendly, *Resolution 69 is amended.*
- Gonzalez: So I guess my only other reservation is that there's no upper limit on how many people can be in a committee. It could be messy.
- Gnanam: I don't necessarily agree. You can hold people accountable. Having too many people doesn't seem like a big problem to me.
- Gonzalez moves for a non-Committee member to speak. Dean seconds. No objections. *Motion carries.*
- England: I think it's okay if they're big because attendance still counts. It just comes down to the chairperson to be responsible and hold their committee members accountable so they don't get suspended.
- Leckie moves to call the question. Gnanam seconds. No objection. *Motion carries.*

■ Closing:

- Gerdts: I believe one of the biggest failings of Ad Hocs in the past has been a lack of rules and structure. I believe with these rules, Ad Hocs will be more efficient and more likely to be formed. With regards to the Ad Hocs we currently have, reforming the rules and allowing for more open membership allows for more opinions and views to be shared. No longer are Ad Hocs just as good as the people on them. They can stand alone and be productive.
- Wang: I've had students reach out to me concerned about the lack of representation on Ad Hocs. This will help that!

■ Vote:

- Adamyk: Yes
- Dean: Yes
- Gnanam: Yes
- Gonzalez: No
- Leckie: Yes
- Martin: Yes

■ Reads: 5-1-0. Resolution 69 **PASSES**.

- Bills:

- **Bill 92 - Sponsored by Senator J. Alvarez, Chabot (P) and Murcia (Co):**  
Amending Student Body Statutes Chapter 304.3 with regards to the candidate screening process.
  - Remains tabled as the sponsor is not present.
- Constitutional Amendments:
  - **Amendment 2 - Sponsored by Senators Murcia (P) and Chabot (Co):**  
Amending the Student Body Constitution with regards to the number of Student Senators.
    - Remains tabled as the sponsor is not present.
  - **Amendment 3 - Sponsored by Senator Murcia:** Amending the Student Body Constitution to limit the number of students needed for a petition of recall.
    - Remains tabled as the sponsor is not present.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Final Announcements:**

- Harmon: We'll hopefully be meeting at 6:00pm from now on!
- Dean: Budget week is next week! Come sit in on the presentation or come to deliberations on Friday.
- Gerdt: I think everyone on the committee knows there's a resolution coming up on complaints I've made. If anyone wants to speak to me to know where I came from, feel free to approach me.

**Date and Time of Next Meeting:** Wednesday, October 7th, 2020 at 6:00 pm

**Adjourned:** 5:30pm



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Signature of President Pro Tempore