



Minutes

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Regular scheduled meeting

Tuesday, February 27, 2018, 8:35 PM-10:08 PM

Micco Room

Attendance

Present: Senator Sabrina Bousbar, Senator Jack Denton, Senator Morgan Dobbins, Senator Preston Mizell, Senator Juan Paz, President Peter Singhal, Vice Chair Claudia Villegas

Late: Chair Andrew Reiter

Absent: Senator Anna Lewis, Senator John McQuillan, Senator Salvatore Trinchetto

Invited guests: President Pro-Tempore Anthony Maglaqui (present), Senator Osvaldo Rodriguez (Absent), Senator Steven Spear (present), Senator Evan Steinberg (present)

Meeting documents

None

Agenda

1. Call to Order

1.1. Roll Call

Status: Completed

1.2. Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes

Status: Completed

1.3. Approval of Agenda

Status: Completed



2. Announcements, Messages, and Student Comments

2.1. Chair Announcements

Status: Completed

2.2. Vice-Chair Announcements

Status: Completed

2.3. Election Subcommittee Report

Status: Completed

2.4. Student Comments

Status: Completed

3. Old Business

3.1. Bill 22

To amend statutes to improve the CLC funding process

The main point of the bill is changing the block funding process for the summer, so that each CLC could get the right amount of money.

Under 622.3 B 1A ... Senator Rodriguez has amended this

The issue was that the college of crim were emailed over the summer about deadlines in order for them to receive funding from CLC funding committee and they did not respond to these emails so they wanted to see the process change in order for them to get their money

All of the right hand notes are amendments that he wants made

For 6.22 3B 4B ... each CLC sends people for the funding committee

CLC is presenting to the funding committee

Senator Denton moves to ammend 622.3 B 1 A ... Senator Paz seconds

Senator Denton moves to ammend 622.3 b 4 6 ... Senator Paz seconds



Senator Paz moves to ammend 622.3 B 9 ... Senator Denton seconds

Senator Paz approves amended bill

Vote on passage of Bill 22:

Yea	Nay	Abstain
Bousbar		Villegas
Denton		
Dobbins		
Mizell		
Paz		

Vote Reads: 5 Yea - 0 Nay - 1 Abstain

Bill 22 as amended does pass Judiciary Committee.

Status: Completed

4. New Business

4.1. Bill 25

The purpose of this statute revision is to clarify that students that currently hold elected or appointed positions may not also hold positions of power or influence in registered student political parties.

The idea behind the statute is to prevent conflicts of interest

Round Table Discussion moved by Senator Bousbar ... Senator Paz seconds

Senator Bousbar - disagrees with this because we should not tell students that they cannot run for certain positions.... they are still political parties

When you are an elected position you are held up to a certain standard ... political parties do different things ... political parties do other things that have nothing to do with elections ... its important to understand both sides

Some concerns and thoughts (Senator Pinango)... BSU runs elections very differently and this would affect them directly

Senator Steinberg ... BSU is around the same idea and it would not be fair to single them out, for them their culture is to be involved, they do a lot more than just hold elections ...



Senator Pinango ... to crate a political party that understands how things go people should have been involved within student government ... its a very narrow selection of individuals, it will possibly make elections messier. We would have people that do not know what they are doing running a party

Senator Bousbar ... the more you have of an sga view the more you can help a party. senate used to be a huge divide

Senator Higgins suggests that maybe no more than 50% of individuals of a party can not hold a leadership position

Senator Mizzel - in terms of disclosing a conflict of interest you are putting a huge assumption on the leaders , people are just trying to get involved ... does not think that we should make this a rule because these people actually understand what is going on in sga

Senator Steinberg - you can have a conflict of interest even if you are an independent candidate ... we cannot limit this to political parties

Senator Pinango - there is not always conflict of interest... suggests that maybe it should say no elected official should hold a position that slates

Senator Bousbar attempts to make an amendment but the senators do not find it friendly ... senator wants to make more of a point towards slating not necessarily the executive board

Chair Reiter directed the Elections Subcommittee to begin discussing how political parties are defined in Election Code as a top priority and any steps that should be taken to reform this

Bill 25 is tabled until next committee meeting

Status: Deferred: 3/6/2018

5. Closing Announcements

5.1. Weekly Debrief

During this time the committee will participate in a short group dialogue discussing ways to better Judiciary and the whole Senate, how to best represent and advocate for our constituents, any issues encountered on campus, any projects members are working on, and anything else members would like to bring up.

Status: Completed

6. Adjournment



6.1. Next meeting

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 6, at 8:30 PM in Union Room 315.

Status: Completed

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Judiciary Committee Chairman

Recorded by: Vice Chair Claudia Villegas