



**74<sup>th</sup> Student Senate  
Budget Committee  
Date: 02/22/22 via Zoom**

**Call to Order:** 5:02 p.m.

**Members Present:** Chair Gonzalez, Vice Chair Bettley, Senator(s) Barker, Berger, Edouard, Ritzel

**Members Absent:** Himatsingani, Williams

**Guests:** Senator Wang

**Land Acknowledgment**

**Announcements:**

- Chair - Remember to vote tomorrow. This committee meeting should be short. I am outside right now, so if I sound glitchy let me know.
- Members - None
- Guests - None

**Committee Business:**

- Bill 13

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- **Bill #13** - Sponsored by Senator Wang - To explicitly state that A&S monies may not be used to fund weapons and harmful materials outlined in the Student Conduct Code.
  - **Opening:** Hi everyone, thanks for hearing this today. The purpose of this is to explicitly state that A&S fees cannot be used to fund weapons. Whether this is through PAC, RTAC, or another form of funding. Included is this is a basic outline of what would be considered harmful, and I used the exact wording from the conduct code. An exception would only be for the purpose of sport, we have a few RSOs on-campus that use some of the things outlined, and it wouldn't be fair to take that away from clubs. This specifically pertains to harmful weapons.
  - **Technical Non-Debatable**
    - Senator : None
  - **General Questioning**

- Senator Bettley: What are the consequences for not abiding by it, and how would you make the distinction of sport versus harmful?
  - Senator Wang: This would be for purpose of organization, any other instance would not be able to get funded for these harmful materials outlined in this Bill.
- **Roundtable Debate**
  - Senator Bettley: This is a good thing to implement. Especially because it'll be outlined whether these things will be used within the organization. It will benefit the safety of the student body and it doesn't hurt those who already use it for the purpose of sport.
  - Point of Personal Privilege Senator Edouard: From 802.9, can you explain more about the use of plastic water bottles.
  - Chair Gonzalez: The part you are asking about is already in statutes. The underlined part is the only thing we are discussing today.
  - Senator Ritzel: This is more of a question, but it is up to interpretation what constitutes a weapon? As an example, is a water gun a weapon?
  - Chair Gonzalez: That is up to interpretation of the senate, but a list of potential examples are outlined in this bill. A water gun is a toy, not a weapon, so that is not of concern, but again it would be up to the interpretation of the senate.
- **Motion to Call the Question**
  - Vice Chair Bettley
  - Senator Barker seconds
- **Closing:** Thank you guys again. I did get the question about what is considered a weapon when I was writing this bill, and it would be up to the senate to decide. But there is a list of potential harmful weapons, and a water gun is not one of them.
- **Voting Results:**
  - Yes - (5) Bettley, Barker, Berger, Edouard, Ritzel
  - No - (0)
  - Abstention - (0)
- **Bill passes**

**Unfinished Business:**

- None

**Closing Announcements:**

- Chair Gonzalez: Once again, remember to vote tomorrow. Also, just because elections are tomorrow doesn't mean we stop being a committee or we cease to exist. That doesn't happen until inauguration so please continue to come. Thank you all for being here!

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, March 1st, 2022

**Adjourned:** 5:17 p.m.

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Signature of Chair