



**72<sup>nd</sup> Student Senate  
Rules & Calendar  
Date: June 17th, 2020  
6:00 pm via Zoom**

**Call to Order:** 6:07 p.m.

**Members Present:** President Daraldik, Chair(s) Adams, Dean, Leckie, Martin

**Members Tardy:** Chair Adamyk, Chair Gnanam

**Members Absent:**

**Guests:** Parliamentarian Alvarez, Georgina Patient, Gabriella Hinks, Robert Gonzales

**Announcements:**

- Highs and lows
- Committee Announcements:
- Judiciary:
  - Had three bills
- Internal Affairs:
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- Budget:
  - None
- Finance:
  - None
- Student Life & Academic Affairs:
  - None
- Guests
  - None

**Committee Business:**

- Candidate Confirmations

**New Business:**

- **Candidate to confirm** - John Alvarez (Social Sciences Seat 1- Summer):
  - Opening: Current Parliamentarian, 70th Senate New Senator of the Year, Most Ethical Senator 71st, Hall of Fame. Wants to us the time during the summer to put the changes that he wants to see into legislation for generations to come.
  - TNDQ:
    - None
- *Chair Dean moves to enter questions regarding position, Chair Leckie seconds*
  - Questions regarding position:

- Chair Leckie: How do you think it will feel being the most overqualified Summer senator of all time?
    - I will see it as an honor
  - Chair Dean: Is it necessary for you to be in this position of power, couldn't you just work through others?
    - It is not my job to tell people what to do, only to direct legality. While I have been working as an independent student, I don't believe that is the most effective way to influence change.
  - Chair Dean: Would a summer term be sufficient in time? Concerned that it would take time away from a senator who wants to prepare for the fall
    - I had originally taken a break to focus on my academics, I believe that I can now effectively participate as a senator. I chose this specific summer term to get involved to not inconvenience other senators
  - Chair Martin; Would you be stepping down as Parliamentarian?
    - You must resign, but it is at the discretion of the Senate President if they want to appoint someone to that vacancy
- *Chair Dean moves to enter questions regarding character, Chair Martin seconds*
  - Questions regarding character:
    - Chair
    - Chair
- *Chair Leckie moves to call the question, Chair Dean seconds*
  - Closing: Thank you for your time, I realize this might be a bit confusing, but this is just for a short time and I am looking forward to bringing my ideas to the summer, and then returning as the Parliamentarian.
- *Chair Dean moves to enter roundtable, Chair Leckie seconds*
  - Roundtable
    - Chair Leckie: This is a no-brainer appointment, Jake Alvarez has a record to back him up. In these uncertain times, we need someone with a great deal of experience. His addition to Senate would help us get through a lot of business in a very rocky time.
    - Chair Dean: I am hesitant, as a seasoned senator with so much experience, he is overqualified. There are other candidates who would be able to grow in this position and move to the fall. It is priceless to the Senate to have such a knowledgeable parliamentarian who is not tied to any cause.
    - Chair Leckie: I understand that it is a great loss to not have him as a Parliamentarian. We need to think of the student body, not ourselves. He will be a great asset to the student body.
    - Chair Martin: Concerned about having to elect a new parliamentarian for only two months and then elect a new one, thinks that other senators should be writing his legislation. Thinks that he should be stepping back and being a mentor to senators.
    - Chair Dean: I want to clarify, my vote is not a reflection of how this will affect us. I am thinking of how this will affect the student body.
- *Chair Dean moves to enter roll-call vote, Chair Martin seconds*

**Vote:**

Y - (3) Adams, Leckie, Martin

N - (1) Dean

A - (1) Adamyk

## Candidate is forwarded to the senate.

- **Candidate to confirm - Gabriella Hinks (Arts and Science Seat 4):**
  - Opening: Thank you for hearing me, I am coming to you as a student who has never served in the Senate. I am a University Ambassador, Residential Scholar, Honors Student, and serve in the Academic Recruitment Program. All of these positions have shown me that I can advocate for these students. I want to be a voice for those who don't feel like they can be a part of the Senate
  - TNDQ:
    - None
- *Chair Martin moves to enter questions regarding position, Chair Dean seconds*
  - Questions regarding position:
    - Chair Dean: Do you believe that you are in touch with enough of your constituents to effectively represent them?
      - Yes, I am on the Student Leadership Council for the College of Arts and Sciences, so I have the ability to engage with constituents through that.
- *Chair Dean moves to enter questions regarding character, Chair Martin seconds*
  - Questions regarding character:
    - Chair Dean: Do you think you have the ability to balance all of your involvements?
      - Yes, throughout the years I have learned to manage multiple responsibilities and involvements at once, and that will serve me well in this position.
- *Chair Dean moves to call the question, Chair Martin seconds*
  - Closing: Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak, I am looking forward to having the opportunity to be a part of this change moving forward.
- *Chair Dean moves to enter roundtable, Chair Leckie seconds*
  - Roundtable
    - Chair Dean: I used to be a Biochem major, and I just wanted to say kudos to you. Candidate possesses all the traits we look for and wants to grow.
    - Chair Leckie: I will be abstaining because I know her personally, but she is someone who can balance a lot and doesn't take on anything she isn't prepared for.
    - Chair Martin: She really knows the student body, is well rounded, and I'm excited to see where this goes.
    - Chair Dean: Is this a summer seat?
    - President Daraldik: Yes
- *Chair Adams moves to enter roll-call vote, Chair Dean seconds*

### Vote:

Y - (4) Adams, Adamyk, Dean, Martin

N - (0)

A - (1) Leckie

- **Candidate to confirm - Robert Gonzales (Undergraduate Seat 22):**
  - Opening: My name is Robert Gonzales, I'm entering my sophomore year, majoring in International Affairs. Last year I interned with a representative in the capital. I'm an open minded student who wants to get more involved. I think most students view SGA as an institution that they're separate from, but I think it's something that they have an active role in.

- TNDQ:
  - None
- *Chair Martin moves to enter questions regarding position, Chair Leckie seconds*
  - Questions regarding position:
    - Chair Adamyk: Given the fact that your appointment is long-term, can you tell us a specific goal you have for your position?
      - I want to get students more involved in the decisions that SGA makes.
    - Chair Adams: Do you have any specific goals for how you want to increase engagement?
      - Get to know students with different backgrounds, expanding your constituency.
    - Chair Leckie: During these difficult times, how do you want to help students who are struggling?
      - I want to connect students to the resources that are already available- mentally, financially, etc.
    - Chair Dean: Do you have any definitive plans?
      - My work style is once I get involved, I learn from there and will be able to make a difference.
- *Chair Leckie moves to enter questions regarding character, Chair Adams seconds*
  - Questions regarding character:
    - Chair Dean: How would you describe your group work dynamic?
      - I am a natural leader, I like to hear every opinion before I make a decision.
    - Chair Martin: In your application, you mention inclusivity, can you touch on that?
      - I am able to avoid putting people in boxes. Learned how to work with partisanship in the capital.
    - Chair Adams: What is one issue that you're passionate about, and how can you use Senate to advance that?
      - Allocation resources
    - Chair Dean: What is your personal definition of leadership?
      - A leader is someone who can bring someone together. The first step is forming a community before you solve the problem.
    - Chair Leckie: In your application, you mentioned you were inspired by the inaction of students governed by a body, can you expand on that?
      - I want to engage students who don't participate in SGA
- *Chair Leckie moves to call the question, Chair Dean seconds*
  - Closing: Thank you for attending, and for having me as your candidate. I hope I can serve to the best of my ability.
- *Chair Dean moves to call the question, Chair Leckie seconds*
  - Roundtable
    - Chair Leckie: Our role is to serve the student body, not the institution, and it is important to have their best interest at heart.
    - Chair Martin: You will definitely learn as you grow, it is okay for it to be a learning experience.
    - Chair Adams:
  - *Chair Dean moves to call the question, Chair Martin seconds*
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**Vote:**

Y - (5) Adams, Adamyk, Dean, Leckie, Martin

N - (0)

A - (1) Gnanam

- Resolution 44
  - Sponsor withdrew

**Unfinished Business:**

**Final Announcements:**

- Chair Gnanam- I apologize for being late, I am sure all your responses were great!

**Date and Time of Next Meeting:** TBD

**Adjourned:** 7:07 p.m.