



**71st Student Senate
Student Life and Academic Affairs
02/17/2020 in BSU House**

Call to Order: 6:30pm

Members Present: Chair Daraldik, Senator Maymon, Ferguson, Selva, Jacobsen, MacMillan, Mougey, Warren

Members Tardy:

Members Absent: Levin, Chabot

Guests: Pro Temp Harmon, Sojos, Gerdtts, Gnanam

Announcements:

- Chair – Campus Safety Tour on March 4th, Highs and Lows
- Vice Chair – None
- Members - Highs and lows

Committee Business:

- Resolution 25 – Sponsors Sojos and Chabot – to commemorate the death of Natalie

Old Business:

(none)

New Business:

- **Resolution 25**
 - Sojos and Gnanam open
 - Yield with 3 minutes 43 seconds left for closing
 - Selva motions to move into roundtable, Macmillan seconds
 - Jacobsen comments on the “hit by a car” verbiage in resolution, Sojos and Gnanam respond that it is factual wording and want to be cautious to family in any amendments made
 - Selva asks if the family knows about the verbiage, Gnanam says that the family has not responded yet however Leckie is reaching out directly to family and they have been sent the resolution
 - Maymon states that the wording explains the scenario and is factual.
 - Macmillan suggests the words “struck by an automobile” rather than “hit by a car”
 - Mougey suggests using the term “pedestrian accident” and being mindful of contacts that are made to the family during their grieving, Gnanam responds that the original legislation was withdrawn due to concern for the family
 - Warren agrees that more sensitive verbiage would be better
 - Maymon moves for non committee member to speak, Jacobsen seconds
 - Gerdtts says that in order to properly commemorate her passing as well as make a call to action, the statement “hit by a car” should be changed as it conjures a negative image



- Selva comments on the message sent out by President Thrasher to the student body regarding efforts to improve pedestrian safety, in which he used the name of the student as well as the term “struck by a car”
- Sojos comments that so long as the commemoration aspects are preserved in any proposed amendments, he would be open to changing the verbiage.
- Macmillan comments that he hopes the resolution will make a big impact and be seen by many, Gnanam responds that the resolution should not be taken lightly as it will be seen by her family and friends
- Macmillan moves to amend the resolution to replace “hit by a car” in the first whereas with “struck by an automobile”
- Macmillan withdraws amendment
- Macmillan moves to table resolution
- Macmillan withdraws motion to table
- Selva states that including words like “tragic” and other words that show more sincerity while keeping it factual would be more sensitive to her friends, family, etc.
- Mougey asks why the sponsors do not favor amendments, however want the resolution to be more sensitive, Gnanam responds that the victim’s parents have not responded to the original wording and she does not feel comfortable amending before they respond to the original resolution
- Sojos disagrees, stating that it is favorable to amend the resolution and improve it so long as the victim’s name remains in the resolution
- Maymon point of informations, wondering if it was possible to wait for the response of the family before presenting the resolution to SLAA? Gnanam answers that they wanted to hear the opinions of the committee.
- Gerdts comments that the entire process is entirely insensitive, and recommends that we avoid politicizing the process
- Jacobsen moves to table Resolution 25, Maymon seconds.
- Resolution 25 is **TABLED**.
- Voting Results

YAY: N/A **NAY:** N/A **ABS:** N/A

Unfinished Business:

Resolution 25 was tabled, awaiting response from the family of the victim.

Final Announcements: None.

Date and Time of Next Meeting:

Monday 2/24 at 6:30pm in the BSU Conference Room

Adjourned: 7:40pm

Ahmad Omar Daraldik



Signature of Chair