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Student Association Senate

Tuesday, September 19, 2017

8:45 PM – CC 375

**SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA**

1. **Call to Order and Opening Roll**
   * 1. Introductions
     2. Pledge of Allegiance
2. **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from September 12 approved.

1. **Public Comment**

Senator Shayo:

a. I just want to sayhello and welcome. I have been here quite some time, and thought that these 3 don’ts will be helpful: (1) don’t let your grades drop

(2) don’t lose friends and (3) don’t let it get to your head.

1. **Opening Remarks**
   * 1. Sen. Jarrett Altilio, Chairman of the Senate

a. Later on, we will have a training which I will try to make productive and engaging. Also, welcome to everyone, and I am looking forward to meeting all of you.

1. **University Reports**
   * 1. Representative Webb:

a. I am a graduate assistant for student government from the Office of Student Engagement (OSI). I have been involved in senate in my undergrad, so I bring this expertise to OSI. I am also from long island! Anyway, if you have any questions come talk to me. Congrats to everyone!

* + 1. Chairwoman Haft:

a. I am the Chair of Elections Commission, congrats to the new senators. I want to thank you for making our jobs on the Elections Commission pretty easy! I also work in OSI, feel free to stop by to say hi.

* + 1. Alondra Berroa, University Council Representative

Representative Berroa:

a. Hello, I am Alondra. Thank you for those who voted for me, and welcome to new senators. I am currently on the Board of Finance, UAS, SORC, and ResLife, so please talk to me if you have any concerns. Also talk to me, to the people you represent, tell me what they want to be brought up to the council.

Chairman Altilio: What is the university council?

Councilwoman Berroa: One student is elected, and the others are nominated by Governor Cuomo. I am there to advocate for the students, and to make sure that the university’s laws are in accordance with the state’s laws. I will be able to change what is happening.

1. **Judicial Report**
   * 1. Monica DeJesus-Ramirez, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court

Chief Justice DeJesus-Ramirez:

a. Hello everybody. The Supreme Court will be meeting to approve the constitutions of clubs and organizations. I will induct the new senators now.

1. **Board of Finance Report**

No report

1. **Executive Reports**
   * 1. President & Vice President

Pres Fontaine:

a. Hello everyone, I am Julissa Fontaine, the current president of the student association. I am excited to be working with you all, and want you to know there is a reason you all have done this. I want you to be on board with the executive branch, and get involved with everything the Student Association has to offer. You are all committed, and very active students; I am so inspired by you.

b. Vice President Khan couldn’t be here tonight because of ResLife, but we are in the process of hiring the office manager. Hopefully they will accept, and you will see a new face in the office in the coming weeks.

c. A student approached me the other day and told me that besides the Halo Project, there isn’t a place to go when people are losing loved ones. So we want to create a space that can support them and is there for them because it is happening whether we are aware of it or not. So we need to be there for these students that are going through a very difficult time.

d. I will also be meeting with Provost Stellar to see what we can do to have faculty be more involved in student life.

Chief of Staff Cadesca:

a. Today we had our MOE rally. As representatives of the Student Association, you should be at all of the events we have. You should also be promoting the events as well.

b. The Peer Mentorship Program is having an event on October 9

c. We will be adding people to SA SQUAD chat.

Executive Cutrone:

a. I don’t have an official report but I want to let you know what I do. We want to work together as legislative and executive, to make best experience for the students.

b. Remember self-care. You need to take some time for yourself, you do a lot, go through a lot mentally, emotionally, and spiritually, physically. Please recognize when you need a break or help, and take one.

Chief Strategist Elahi

a. My job is to advise President Fontaine on policy in higher education. I talk to assembly members, there is a very new council in the works. There is a plethora of things to do for elections.

* + 1. Comptroller & Deputy Comptrollers

Comptroller Hackshaw:

a. I am your comptroller this academic year. This means I look through Financials of clubs and organizations, get the officers to take the treasurer’s exam. We are also looking into purchase requests that have been done in previous years. In the future, we are working on having ducks in a row for UAS and OSI and sticking to bylaws. I am looking forward to talking to you all.

Deputy Comptroller Polanco:

a. We are working on a presentation for clubs so that they know how to submit purchase requests, and we want to be more transparent.

* + 1. Executive Directors

Director Frempong:

a. The civic action side has voter registration on September 26.

b. The CEO side has Hunger Heroes on September 27. On October 29, there will be a Pine Hills cleanup which will be Halloween themed.

President Fontaine: I just wanted to say good job at Meet, Munch and More!

Director- Landwehr-

a. The Coming Out Reception has been moved to October 21. There will be an open bar for those of age and we are working with alumni. We will be having students share their story.

b. I have also been talking to ResLife about gender inclusive housing and the importance behind it.

c. On November 20, is Trans Remembrance Day and Chosen Family Thanksgiving. More details to come on these events.

Director McDermott

a. On September 27, we are partnering with the Planned Parenthood club on campus. We will be giving out condoms, lube, and pamphlets in the Lecture Center.

b. We are working on 5 Quad and EMS to renew certification for heart healthy campus.

c. We are also working on bringing the online farmers market to life and will be partnering with UAS.

Director Duran:

a. I am known as the IT guy. I have been in constant contact with UAS for server errors. I have been working on updating the old website, but the old developer coded incorrectly. Luckily I have help from my associate and interns, and ITS said they would help update the site and senate site.

b. The *Tech Savvy* web series is coming too.

Albany Student Press Reporter McNeil: What is the timeline for the finished website?  
Director Duran: There’s a memory problem, so unfortunately it is not updating. Once that is fixed you will have a time table

Associate Directors Thomson, Lazzaria:

a. On September 28, we are having Conversation for Change, ask Director Luna any questions you need.

b. MSAC meeting has been moved to October 5 due to Fuerza Latina is having an event in the room.

Director Randolph:

a. Just fair warning: you will be all over SA Instagram.

b. We do make flyers for clubs and events, so let student groups know this.

c. UALBANY chant is over because it is no longer supported by the whole university.

d. Post stuff on your socials to promote the Student Association, and please feel free to text/email me.

Sen. St Hubert: Will there be t-shirts again?

Chairman Altilio: Yes, there will be. So if you are good at designing, let me know so you have the opportunity to do so.

President Fontaine:

a. Joey Fambrini could not stay for the meeting, so I am giving his report for him.

b. On November 11, we are bringing back Fall Fest, so now there will be two concert series. We have to keep the artists a secret because there is discretion in this business.

c. Scholar series will begin October 2, 6-8. We will be doing business first; official flyer will be coming soon.

Director Maestre:

a. A little more about my job as the Public Relations Director: Undergrad, UAlbany community and Albany community come together.

b. Another note on the scholar series which is done by alumni relations, and Joe Desantis.

c. I am creating brochures, to bring the face of SA back onto campus. They will include how and why we do what we do.

d. We are also creating an events calendar, which is a google calendar, to see when clubs and organizations have different events so that events are better promoted.

Director Perez:

a. My job is to help clubs with temporary and permanent recognitions.

b. The court just elected the Chief Justice so constitutions can be approved.

c. Please meet my associate Nick.

1. **Committee Reports**

No committee reports.

1. **Legislative Agenda**
   * 1. S.1718-033R Dean of the Senate Resolution

Sen. Agnes: This isn’t a bonding contract, it is a resolution. It’s just to recognize Chairman Altilio for being in senate for so long, and his dedication to the students.

Sen. Rybak: You do not have to do anything, this is just pointless, giving pointless titles.

Sen. Capuano: Chairman Altilio is already the Senate Chair, this is just a pointless. Vote against bills that aren’t bonding is just a waste of our time.

Sen. Shayo: Currently, he is one of the longest serving senator. I don’t care if he’s chair already. Also, according to precedent he should hold the title.

Sen. Shapiro: Point of inquiry- Isn’t dean the third in line of secession?

Chairman Altilio: Great question, but no. Rules chair is third in line.

Sen. Tasnim: I just want to echo Sen. Shayo’s point, and it is important to recognize Chairman Altilio.

Sen. Quinn: Chairman Altilio deserves this title, so let’s not waste anymore time.

Sen. Rybak: Resolutions goes somewhere, titles to people do not.

Sen. Sevor: Motion to call to question

Sen. Demma: Second

Voice count: Ayes have it.

1. **Old Business**

No old business

1. **New Business**

Chairman Altilio: The Vice Chair is my right hand man/woman and takes over for senate if I step down.

* + 1. Election of the Vice Chairperson of the Senate

Sen. Holdrige: Motion to nominate Sen. Tasnim

Sen. Correia: Second

Sen. Tasnim: I accept

Senator Tasnim:

a. I am Subha, and the Vice Chair is a direct assistant of Chairman Altilio. I have served on the sponsorship, appropriations and sponsorship committees. I have served on the UAS Board of Directors as well where I have had to work with administrators which is important for this position. I plan to hold the committee chairs accountable, I also want to help everyone function better, so let me know if you have any questions.

Sen. Tasnim received 2/3rds the first round.

1. **Closing Remarks**
   * 1. Sen. Jarrett Altilio, Chairman of the Senate

a. Congrats to Subha!

1. **Closing Roll and Adjournment**

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| **S.1718-033R** | **DATE INTRODUCED:** September 19, 2017 |
| **SPONSORED BY:**  Sen. Agnes | **COMMITTEE:** N/A |
| **COSPONSORS:** Sen. Holdridge |
| **SUBJECT:** Dean of the Senate Resolution | **COMMITTEE VOTE:** N/A |
| **SENATE VOTE:** | **LEGISLATIVE RESULT:** |

**Be it hereby proposed that the following be enacted:**

1. WHEREAS, The longest serving Senator must be recognized as the Dean of the Senate by their peers; and
2. WHEREAS,Senator Jarrett Altilio was elected in the fall of 2014; and
3. WHEREAS,No other Senator elected in the fall of 2014 remains serving as a Senator; and
4. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That this Senate recognizes Senator Altilio as the Dean of the Senate and confers upon him the respect and honor, along with our congratulations on his achievement.

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| *Jerlisa Fontaine*, *President* |