

University of Iowa Student Government

GENERAL SENATE MEETING

September 20, 2011

- A.) Call Meeting to Order
- B.) Quorum Call Roll Call
- C.) Public Access
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- D.) Presentations
 - ✓ Student Legal Services Greg Bal
 - ✓ Office of the Ombudsman Annual Report Presentation
- E.) Old Business
- F.) New Business
- ✓ S.S.B. 8 Dissolution of Student Elections Board
- ✓ S.S.B. 9 UISG Constitution Revisions
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- ✓ S.S.R. 15 Big Ten Sportsmanship & Spirit Agreement
- ✓ S.S.R. 16 Raj Patel for City Council Endorsement
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 - ✓ Executives
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- I.) Adjournment



Dissolution of Student Elections Board and Creation of the Student Elections Board Commissioner
Student Senate Bill 8
Submitted by: Speaker Pottebaum

Student Senate Action: Passed/Pailed/Tabled
September 20, 2011

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AN ACT, relating to Student Elections Board; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be Dissolution of Student Elections Board and Creation of the Student Elections Board Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, former Student Elections Board Commissioner Gordon Sonnenschein described SEB structure as inefficient; and

WHEREAS, former Student Elections Board Commissioner Gordon Sonnenschein suggested that SEB be run by a single person given that elections would be more efficient and effective; and

WHEREAS, President Higgins, Vice President Caplin, and Speaker Pottebaum meet with stakeholders over Summer 2011; and

WHEREAS, the best solution to running and overseeing future elections for the Student Elections Board would be through a single person in order for elections to be effective and efficient; and

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government dissolves the Student Elections Board; and

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government replaces the commission with a single commissioner to be called the 'Student Elections Board Commissioner' to be selected through the Nominations Committee process; and

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government Student Judicial Court (SJC) will hear any elections dispute appeals according to the SJC By-Laws that arise in accordance with the SEBC By-laws; and

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Student Elections Board Commissioner will act upon the former Student Elections Board By-Laws to operate; and

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Student Elections Board Commissioner By-Laws will be updated with the new Student Elections Board Commissioner, Student Judicial Court, UISG Senator(s), and UISG Executive(s) and submit a revised and updated by-laws to Student Senate by December 1st, 2011; and

THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government dissolves the Student Elections Board and replaces it with the Student Elections Board Commissioner with any elections appeals to be heard by the Student Judicial Court.

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as <u>SS-Bill</u> <u>8</u>

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED October 7th, 2011

UISG PRESIDENT



UISG Constitution Revisions and Updates Student Senate Bill 9 Submitted by: Speaker Pottebaum

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled Value (nimows)

AN ACT, relating to the update and revisions to the University of Iowa Student Government Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be the University of Iowa Student Government Constitution Revisions; and

WHEREAS, as prescribed by the UISG Constitution and By-Laws revisions and updates shall occur from time to time; and

WHEREAS, President Higgins, Vice President Caplin, and Speaker Pottebaum meet over Summer 2011 to consider revisions and updates to reflect the current structure of the University of Iowa Student Government and its operations; and

WHEREAS, updates and revisions to organizations constitutions are necessary from time to time; and

WHEREAS, a thirty-day appeals period was granted for discussion and considered changes; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution has not been updated since January 26, 2010; and

WHEREAS, in order to be an effectively run governing body these documents should be reviewed annually; and

THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the University of Iowa Student Government adopts and adheres to the updated version of the UISG Constitution, effective immediately; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as S.S.Bill – 9

CRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED October 7. . 2011



UISG By-Laws Revisions and Updates Student Senate Bill 10 Submitted by: Speaker Pottebaum

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled September 20, 2011 Unanimors

AN ACT, relating to the update and revisions to the University of Iowa Student Government By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be the University of Iowa Student Government By-Laws Revisions and Updated; and

WHEREAS, as prescribed by the UISG Constitution and By-Laws revisions and updates shall occur from time to time; and

WHEREAS, President Higgins, Vice President Caplin, and Speaker Pottebaum met over Summer 2011 to consider revisions and updates to reflect the current structure of the University of Iowa Student Government and its operations; and

WHEREAS, updates and revisions to organizations by-laws are necessary from time to time; and

WHEREAS, a thirty-day appeals period was granted for discussion and considered changes given the new structure of UISG Senate Committees and UISG Executive Positions; and

WHEREAS, the By-Laws have not been updated since January 26, 2010; and

WHEREAS, in order to be an effectively run governing body these documents should be reviewed annually; and

THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the University of Iowa Student Government adopts and adheres to the updated version of the UISG By-Laws, effective immediately; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPÉAKER OF THE SENATE

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as S.S.Bill – 10

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED October 7, 201



Student Judicial Court Reform
Student Senate Bill 11
Submitted by: Speaker Pottebaum

Student Senate Action: Passed Failed/Tabled
September 20, 2011

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AN ACT, relating to the update and revisions to the University of Iowa Student Government Student Judicial Court; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be the University of Iowa Student Government Student Judicial Court Reform; and

WHEREAS, President Higgins, Vice President Caplin, Speaker Pottebaum, and Chief Justice Tanvi Inani met over Summer 2011 to consider revisions and reforms to the Student Judicial Court to better serve the university population; and

WHEREAS, it was recognized that Student Judicial Court needed reform and given extra duties; and

WHEREAS, many considerations and ideas were taken in to gather the best direction of Student Judicial Court; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government reforms Student Judicial Court to take on the tasks of elections appeals, Parking and Transportation Review Committee Appeals, and University of Iowa Student Government Senate rules and procedures appeals; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government passes an updated version of the Student Judicial Court By-Laws which specify the new forms in detail; and

THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the University of Iowa Student Government adopts and adheres to the Student Judicial Court reforms, effective immediately; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPÆAKER OF/THE SENATE

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as <u>S.S.Bill</u> – 11

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED October 7 ,2011



Creation of the Lecture Committee Selection Committee
Student Senate Bill 12
Submitted by: Speaker Pottebaum on behalf of President Higgins and Lecture Committee

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled Vnun mom September 20, 2011

AN ACT, relating to the University of Iowa Presidential Charter Lecture Committee; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be the Creation and the Adoption of the Lecture Committee Selection Committee; and

WHEREAS, President Higgins, Vice President Caplin, Speaker Pottebaum, ECGPS Executive Officer Carr met with now former Lecture Committee Chair Zakir Durumeric and current Lecture Committee Chair David Zhang over Summer 2011 to consider reforms to how Lecture Committee members are selected; and

WHEREAS, it was desired by all stakeholders that reform to the selection of Lecture Committee members was needed; and

WHEREAS, many ideas for how to best select Lecture Committee members through the annual Nominations Committee process in March were considered; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government creates the Lecture Committee Selection Committee, which will coincide with the Nominations Committee annual process each Spring Semester; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government adopts the Lecture Committee Selections Committee By-Laws which prescribe the processes and timeline to how Lecture Committee members are selected in the future; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Lecture Committee Selection Committee be composed of eight members (seven total votes): one graduate student and one professional student each from ECGPS, four undergraduate students from UISG, and two Lecture Committee members with one vote; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as S.S.Bill – 12

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED October 7, 2011



Student Senate Committee Assignments
Student Senate Bill 13
Submitted by: Speaker Pottebaum

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled (nun, mous September 20, 2011

AN ACT, relating to membership of Student Senate committees; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be Student Senate Committee Assignments; and

WHEREAS, the Speaker meet with all Senator's being placed on a UISG Senate Committee to gather interests for the coming year in Senate, goals, and committees each Senator would like to be on; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) Governing By-Laws 2.2.9 the Speaker shall appoint all committee members with advice and consent of the Senate requiring an affirmative majority vote of scated senators, unless otherwise noted; and

WHEREAS, the Speaker would encourage the approval of the recommended membership; and

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Student Senate shall consider the following person(s) for membership; and

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS V Orin Xie GOVERNMETNAL RELATIONS V Christian Copple DIVERSITY V Anthony Ferguson V Christian Copple V Abdullah Mansour V Taylor Peterson

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the UISG shall entrust to these representative(s) to be objective and un-bias in representing the students of the University of Iowa;

THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, and we endorse these person(s) who are qualified in merit to represent the UISG to the best of their abilities;

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as SS-Bill - 13

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED October 7, 2011

UISG PRESIDENT



SABAC Supplemental I Funding Student Senate Bill 14 Submitted by: SABAC Chair Westercamp on behalf of SABAC Unanimo

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled September 20, 2011

AN ACT, relating to the adoption of Student Assembly Budgeting Allocating Committee's (SABAC) recommendation for the allocation of Student Activity Fee monies; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be Student Organization Supplement I Funding; and

WHEREAS, as of Friday, September 16th @ 5:00pm submissions were due to the Student Assembly Budgeting & Allocating Committee (SABAC) digital database (OrgSync) in order to receive funding; and

WHEREAS, the SABAC convened pursuant to adjournment on Sunday, September 18, 2011 at 4:07 PM in Room 245 of the Iowa Memorial Union to deliberate over fee allocations; and

WHEREAS, the Committee initially budgeted and allocated consistent with the Student Government@UI Constitution and SABAC Budgeting By-Laws until 8:17 PM; and

WHEREAS, the Committee made thoughtful, objective, fair and consistent appropriations and decided to award nearly \$163,449.05 to various Student Organizations; and

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the SABAC Committee pursuant to the Governing By-Laws of the UISG 2.1.2 and 2.6.1.12 the SABAC membership would encourage the approval of the Student Senate of the recommendation(s) as set forth in the informational packets provided; and

THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the Senate would direct the SABAC Chair to prepare necessary information and documents for dissemination and execution by the Chief Financial Officer if the UISG President does not further object to the adoption of the resolution pursuant to procedures outline in the Governing By-Laws 3.4.1 specifically 3.4.1.2.2.

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I bereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as SS-Bill - 14

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED

UISG PRESIDENT



Appointment of President Charter, all-University Committee Members, Student Judicial Court, and the Student Elections Board Commissioner

Student Senate Bill 15 Submitted by: Nominations Chair Sproul

Student Senate Action: Passed) Failed/Tabled

September 20, 2011

AN ACT, relating to the approval of the membership of the Appointment of President Charter, all-University Committee Members, Student Judicial Court, and the Student Elections Board Commissioner for the 2011-2012 school year; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be the Appointment of President Charter, all-University Committee Members, Student Judicial Court, and the Student Elections Board Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, the Nominations Committee convened on Sunday, September 18, 2011 to fill vacancies; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Governing By-Laws of the University of Iowa Student Government 2.6.1.2 the Senate shall retain the power to approve or reject appointments to Senate committees, the Cabinet, commission boards, or other recommendations by the Nominations Committee by an affirmative majority vote of seated senators unless otherwise stated in these By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, the Senate Nominations Committee would encourage the approval of the Student Senate for recommendations; and

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Student Senate shall consider the following person(s) for immediate membership; and

Family Issues

Chrystol (Millie) Heuer (Undergraduate Student) Bridget Dowd (Graduate Student) Michele Armststrong (Professional Student)

Financial Aid Advisory

Jay Brown (Undergraduate Student) Annah Vollstedt (Professional Student)

Hancher

Joelle Brown (Undergraduate Student) David Brauer (Professional Student)

IMI

Jeff Cook (Professional Student)

Recreational Services

Eric Hassey (Graduate Student)

Student Health Services

Kavin Sundraram (Undergraduate Student) Karly Wallace (Graduate Student) THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, University of Iowa Student Government fully endorses Raj Patel in the Iowa City City Council primary election, October 11, 2011, and in the Iowa City City Council general election, November 8, 2011; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as $\underline{\text{SS-Resolution}} - \underline{17}$

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

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University Safety and Security Kristopher Hasstedt (Professional Student)

Student Elections Board Jin (Jasmine) Dian

Student Judicial Court
Bridgid O'Keeffe (Undergraduate Student)
Amy Dalkoff (Undergraduate Student)
Andrew Birschbach (Undergraduate Student)
Hyder Chowdhry (Undergraduate Student)
Andrew Koons (Graudate Student)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the UISG shall entrust to these representative(s) to be objective and un-bias in representing the students of the University of Iowa;

THEREFORE BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, and we endorse these person(s) who are qualified in merit to represent the UISG to the best of their abilities; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as <u>SS-Bill -15</u>

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED October 7, 2011



Big Ten Sportsmanship and Spirit Agreement
Student Senate Resolution 16
Submitted by: Speaker Pottebaum on behalf of President Higgins

Student Senate Action Passed/Failed/Tabled Union: none
September 20, 2011

AN ACT, relating to the Big Ten Sportsmanship and Spirit Fan Conference and the Big Ten Sportsmanship and Spirit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be Big Ten Sportsmanship and Spirit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the University of Iowa hosted the Big Ten Sportsmanship and Spirit Fan Conference in July 2011 with representatives from 10 of the 12 Big Ten universities; and

WHEREAS, President Higgins and Vice President Caplin participated in the conference along with Center for Student Involvement representatives and Hawks Nest members; and

WHEREAS, President Higgins, Vice President Caplin, and Speaker Pottebaum participated in the Associated Big Ten Conference (ABTS) in August 2011 where 11 of the 12 Big Ten universities in attendance passed an endorsement of the agreement unanimously; and

WHEREAS, the agreement states, "We [the Big Ten] strive to create a respectful and enjoyable environment for all fans, student-athletes, coaches, staff, and officials while maintaining a competitive spirit and exhibiting positive sportsmanship"; and

WHEREAS, Hawks Nest President Kevin Velovitch and Vice President Whalen gave a presentation at the September 13th Joint UISG-ECGPS Meeting to further discuss the conference and the agreement; and

THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government fully endorses the Big Ten Sportsmanship and Spirit Fan Agreement; and

THERFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government will work with Hawks Nest, the University of Iowa Athletic Department, the Big Ten Conference, and other Big Ten Student Governments and fan organizations to publicize and promote the agreement on campus and at athletic competitions; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Nicholas D. Pottebaum

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2011-2012 Student Senate Session and is known as SS-Resolution –16

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Jessica H. Tobin

APPROVED October 7, 201