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2023-2024 Student Government

Associated Students of the University of Nebraska-Kearney



Minutes & Proceedings

November 14th, 2023

Senators in Attendance: Sanchez, Dittmer, Manning, Nolan, Seibert, Howe, Wiseman, Torres, Simpson, Burklund, Bond, Przymus, Burklund, Schardt, Oltmans, Vargas, Hall

Senators Absent: Wilcox

Senate Executives: Speaker Schroeder, Secretary Loeffelholz

Government Executives: President Temo Molina, Vice President Ethan Ciancio, Olivia Lawless, Noah Shackelford, Kimberly Gomez, and Tanner Jonas.

The joint meeting of the Associated Students of the University of Nebraska – Kearney was held on November 14, 2023, in the Antelope Room of the Nebraskan Student Union and was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Speaker Schroeder; Quorum was present.

Public Comment:

- Alex Hammeke
 - Where can the student resolutions be accessed?
- Augie Sanchez (Director of Community Standards and Student Conduct)
 - Office located in the Student Engagement Office
 - Introduced to Student Government

Guest Speaker (Ted Eicholz-UNK Police):

- UNK parking
 - SB 2023-02 (parking)
 - Parking has been and will always be a problem on university campuses.
 - UNK police had no say in where construction of the new sorority building took place.
 - University is actively searching for ways to solve parking problems on this campus.
 - Also actively looking at permit parking to be 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

- This is a problem for residents that pay for parking when others are using those spots during non-ticketing hours during weekdays and on the weekends.
- Parking signs on campus
 - Looking at replacing faded signs and updating current ones.
- Parking spot shortage
 - There are parking spots on campus for each permit, it just may not be right next to their building.
 - Utilize safe walk here on campus to get from parking lot to building or from building to parking lot at night.
- UNK police communication
 - Communication with students and faculty is put out there for everyone in many different forms.
- Parking spots will open up come January and more residential permits will be available for students.

Cabinet Reports

Chief of Staff (Noah Shackelford):

- No report.

Secretary of Treasury (Olivia Lawless):

- If interested in a quarter-zip, let Olivia know so she can get that ordered.

Secretary of Organizations and Affairs (Kimberly Gomez):

- Women are Problematic was chosen for Student Org of the month.
- International Food Festival was a success!

Secretary of Community Relations (Tanner Jonas):

- No report.

Vice President's Report (Ethan Ciancio):

- No report.

President's Report (Temo Molina):

- Dr. Exstrom
 - Special Faculty Senate meeting held Thursday, November 16 at 7pm.
 - Will forward a Zoom link for that.
- Listening sessions on advising.
 - Looking for a couple of students to be a part of a steering committee for an advising project.
 - Focus is to access current advising program and look at possible improvements.
 - If potentially interested in being a part of that committee, let Temo know!
- November 28th
 - Vice President of External Relations will talk with us about:
 - Government relations, ideas, and methods for advocacy.
 - How to engage with elected officials as student government.
- December 5th
 - Cabinet will meet with UNK campus leaders on behalf of student government.
 - This is a routine meeting for every organization including ours.
 - If you have questions, reach out to the cabinet before that meeting.

Student Court Report (Chief Justice Peterworth):

- Have not heard of any recent issues.
- Appeal rate sitting at 28.6%

Committee Reports

Selections and Constitutional Review (Senator Hall):

- Pronghorns
 - Tanner Jonas is vice president of Pronghorns.
 - Student spirit club under the athletic department.
 - Go to sporting events to support student athletes.
 - Promote positive space for those student athletes.
 - Currently have 10-15 members and looking to expand.
 - Approved.
- Delta Tau Delta
 - Fraternity here on campus
 - 44 active members that pay dues each semester.
 - Have social events here on campus.
 - Recruit new members each year.
 - Recently had the highest fraternity GPA here on campus.
 - Approved.
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes
 - 60-100 active members here on campus.
 - Representatives from almost every athletic team here at UNK.
 - Spread the gospel to coaches and athletes.
 - Funded through FCA
 - Put on many events throughout the year.
 - Approved.

Rules and Ethics (Senator Przymus):

- Bylaw format review is going well.

Facilities, Campus Development, and Sustainability (Senator Bond):

- Campus Adoption Project is wrapped up for the semester.
- Met with someone to discuss ongoing sustainability projects.
 - Sustainability Summit is tomorrow!
 - If there is a Zoom link given, it will be sent in group-me for you guys to access.
 - People from all NU campuses came together to talk about sustainability across the campuses.
 - If interested in this, reach out!
 - Great way to get involved with the sustainability side of campus.
 - Also discussed grant money within the facilities department.
 - If anyone has any ideas of what do with the extra money, please reach out!
 - Looking to reduce overall number of disposable products across campus.
 - Idea of creating posters and labels to put on trash cans on campus to show students what all can be placed in the recycling bin compared to the trash bin.
- Final quote for whiteboard tables is in and being finalized.

Student Affairs and Public Relations (Senator Howe and Seibert):

- Last week, looked at possible updates for the pamphlet that we have.
 - Working on refraining some of the wording and adding pictures in there.
- Posting Student Organization tonight or tomorrow!

Student Programming Board (Senator Torres):

- Finalizing UPFF website.
- Japanese Student Association applied.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (Senator Simpson):

- International Food Festival went very well!

Unfinished Business

- None.

New Business

- SB 2023-07 (ISA Appropriations)
 - Purpose of this bill is to receive funds to place whiteboard tables in Burner Hall.
 - Bill passes.

Speaker's Report (Sam Schroeder)

- Tomorrow at 8pm in Antelope Room A is the mental health for leaders' discussion.
 - Very valuable presentation.
- Next week, committees will meet informally whenever they please.
- Thank you for showing support at the International Food Festival.

Secretary's Report (Abby Loeffelholz)

- No report.

Advisor's Report (Rena Zimmer)

- Great representation at International Food Festival.
- Magician in ponderosa room this Thursday at 7pm!
- If you have not received name tags or plates, send Rena an email so that can get done.
- Spring elections are March 6/7
 - Mentioning this early so everyone is aware of that.

Senator Simpson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Senator Wiseman seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.