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# 2023-2024 Student Government

Associated Students of the University of Nebraska-Kearney



## Minutes & Proceedings

*March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024*

**Senators in Attendance:** Sanchez, Manning, Nolan, Seibert, Howe, Hall, Torres, Burklund, Bond, Przymus, Burklund, Schardt, Oltmans, Vargas, Orellana.

**Senators Absent:** Simpson, Dittmer.

**Senate Executives:** Speaker Schroeder, Secretary Loeffelholz

**Government Executives:** President Temo Molina, Vice President Ethan Ciancio, Olivia Lawless, Noah Shackelford, Kimberly Gomez, and Jashna Samuel.

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*The joint meeting of the Associated Students of the University of Nebraska – Kearney was held on March 5, 2024, in the Antelope Room of the Nebraskan Student Union and was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Speaker Schroeder; Quorum was present.*

### **Public Comment:**

- None.

### **Guest Speaker (George Holman):**

- UNK Parking
- Starting Place
  - Has always been a challenge.
  - New building has further stressed the parking.
  - Campus Footprint not growing.
  - Parking garages are not realistic.
- Proposing to break the lots up to make parking more realistic.
- Solution
  - Tier parking based upon demand.
  - Do not oversell parking.
  - Ticket violators 24/7

- Pricing
  - R1 and R2 will be \$239 per year (24/7 ticketing).
  - R3 will be \$40.

## **Cabinet Reports**

### **Chief of Staff (Noah Shackelford):**

- Reminder of I Love NU Day tomorrow!!

### **Secretary of Treasury (Olivia Lawless):**

- Provide an update on the use of our UPFF fund.
- We spent \$1500 on high school pre-law day food.
- We contributed \$3000 for food at the International Food Festival.
- We contributed roughly \$730 to the Japanese Food Festival.

### **Secretary of Organizations and Affairs (Kimberly Gomez):**

- Have had 10 nominations for February for student org of month.
- Working on AFSP Out of Darkness Walk.
- Working with the student affairs and public relations committee to start a student outreach with senators and organizations on campus.
  - Senators, go look at one organization under your college and reach out to them!
  - Found in the share point.
- Attending a meeting tomorrow with George Holman and the advisory team.
  - If there is anything you would like them to know, let Kim know tonight!
- Period Poverty Project is out still!

### **Secretary of Community Relations (Jashna Samuel):**

- Met with Renae and got down a few dates.
- If anyone wants to be a zone leader, let Jashna know!
- Also looking for 2-3 people to help with checking in day of.
- Encourage students to participate.

### **Vice President's Report (Ethan Ciancio):**

- Have spent the previous week in Seattle.
  - Brought back some ideas to work towards advising changes.
  - Looking to implement new changes into student engagement as well.
- Additionally, have been in works to revamp the first year Loper seminar classes.
  - Promote self-efficiency and community growth within the freshmen classes.
- Might have some opportunities to do fundraising with different organizations on campus.
  - Have had 2 organizations reach out with possible partnership opportunities.
  - Don't have all information yet but working on that.
- Thursday's career fair
  - Definitely attend if available.
  - Great opportunity to connect with future employers.

### **President's Report (Temo Molina):**

- As of right now in a closed session with Board of Regents for Presidential search.
- Mark calendars for AFSP Out of Darkness Walk on March 23.
- Last week, contacted Tiffany in counseling office on UNK.
  - Meeting this week to discuss mental health trends they see from the counseling center.
- Promote Student Government Elections!
- Have a great spring break!

### **Student Court Report (Chief Justice Peterworth):**

- No report.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Selections and Constitutional Review (Senator Hall):**

- First Nations Student Association
  - Educate people on different cultures.
  - Celebrate those cultures.
  - Currently have 10 members but looking to grow.
  - Approved.
- Women are Problematic.
  - Have been around for a couple of years.
  - Strive to provide a safe place for students always with a gender approach.
  - Want to engage with students from all backgrounds.
  - Sitting around 113 members.
  - Are having a fashion show tomorrow 3/6 in the Ponderosa at 7. Stop by and support if possible!
  - Approved.
- African Student Union
  - Revived the African Student Union to show different African cultures.
  - Showcase how all cultures can combine to be one.
  - Have about 42 members currently.
  - Approved.

### **Rules and Ethics (Senator Przymus):**

- Voted to approve Jashna Samuel for the vacancy in the Secretary of Community Relations spot.

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

- Last week a few members met with the UNK Sustainability Council and discussed sustainability week.
  - Have a good idea of what the schedule for that week will look like.
  - Going to try and hold some kind of event each day of that week to celebrate!
  - Heading in a good direction currently!
  - Ironing out final details and will have a final schedule for that soon.

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

- Working on finding more ways to engage with other organizations on campus.
- Continue encouraging people to fill out student org of the month nominations.
- If interested in Instagram takeover, sign up in the group-me.

### **Student Programming Board (Senator Torres):**

- In 2 weeks, have 2 organizations coming for UPFF.

### **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (Senator Simpson):**

- No report.

## **Unfinished Business**

- None.

## **New Business**

- AFSP Bill
  - The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds from Discretionary Fund of Student Government to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) Out of the Darkness Campus Walk.
  - The amount appropriated shall be \$500.
  - Approved.

## **Speaker's Report (Sam Schroeder)**

- No meeting next week because of spring break.
- Following week will be committee meetings with a guest speaker before.

## **Secretary's Report (Abby Loeffelholz)**

- No report.

## **Advisor's Report (Renae Zimmer)**

- Email for elections will go out tomorrow and end at 5pm Thursday.
  - Run-off election is taken off the ballot for March 13/14
  - Made a motion to move the run-off election to the 20/21 (passes).
- Things going well with Big Event!
  - Share information on socials.

*Senator Przymus made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Senator Vargas seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 pm.*