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2023-2024 Student Government

Associated Students of the University of Nebraska-Kearney



Minutes & Proceedings

April 9th, 2024

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

Senators Absent: Hall

Senate Executives: Speaker Schroeder, Secretary Loeffelholz

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

The joint meeting of the Associated Students of the University of Nebraska – Kearney was held on April 9, 2024, 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:

- None.

Cabinet Reports

Chief of Staff (Noah Shackelford):

- Currently working with IT to discuss moving around some printers on campus.
 - Move some current library printers to different parts of campus.
- Has been a great year working with everyone and looking forward to working with everyone next year as well.

Secretary of Treasury (Olivia Lawless):

- Currently working on installing security cameras in Lot 8 on campus.
 - Proposing to contribute \$750.
- Thankful for this opportunity this year and it has been wonderful and looking forward to next year!

Secretary of Organizations and Affairs (Kimberly Gomez):

- Alpha Phi is March student org of the month!
- Also working on dispersing the printers on campus.
- Thank you to everyone for this opportunity this year!

Secretary of Community Relations (Jashna Samuel):

- Big Event is coming together!
 - Thank you to everyone for the help!

Vice President's Report (Ethan Ciano):

- Thank you for an amazing year!
- Enjoyed working with everyone and wish everyone the best!

President's Report (Temo Molina):

- This year has been very impactful!
- Proud of the focus on student needs this year.
 - There was so much accomplished that this team should be proud of.
- To all returners, don't be afraid to speak up!!

Student Court Report (Chief Justice Peterworth):

- In total, 315 appeals were read this academic year.
 - Granted 57 of those which is 18%.
- Will continue meeting until the week before finals!
- Current parking issues
 - Specific reserved spots are not available for parking at any time.
- This fall there will be a new Chief Justice for everyone to work with!

Committee Reports

Selections and Constitutional Review (Senator Hall):

- Sigma Tau Delta
 - International English Honors Society at UNK
 - Funding through membership dues.
 - Lifetime membership
 - Started raising money through One Day for UNK
 - Monthly meetings
 - 3.0 GPA and 12 English credits to be a part of the organization.
 - Do not have to be an English major!
 - Approved.

Rules and Ethics (Senator Przymus):

- Summary of the year
 - Rewrote bylaws.
 - Filled vacancies.
 - Facilitated several new bills.
 - Worked to ensure a fair and ethical election.

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

- Summary of the year
 - Added whiteboard tables in Bruner.
 - Campus adoption project stayed strong.
 - Better relationship with facilities overall!
 - Sustainability Week coming up (put on calendar)!

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

- Summary of the year
 - Posting more than ever before!

- Doubled the number of posts from previous year.
- Strong Instagram takeovers
- Heading in a good direction moving forward.

Student Programming Board (Senator Torres):

- Summary
 - This past year assisted 6 student organizations totaling up \$12,520 for student organization programming events.
- Has been great being a part of this organizations!

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (Senator Simpson):

- Summary of the year
 - Fostered relationships on campus.
 - Got the ball rolling on initiatives.

Unfinished Business

- None.

New Business

- New member introductions
- Goals for next year
 - Important to establish relationships with new leaders on campus.
 - Would like to continue takeovers on Instagram next year.
 - Responsibly use the budget that we have.
 - Would be nice to see clarifications on the election guidelines.
 - Would like to see a shift in the process of renewing guidelines in the constitutions.
 - Would like to see students more involved in that process.
- SB 2024-06
 - Appropriate funds to repair parking lot cameras on campus (lot 8).
 - Amount shall be \$750.
 - Approved.

Speaker's Report (Sam Schroeder)

- Inauguration is next Tuesday.
 - If you were elected, please show up.

Secretary's Report (Abby Loeffelholz)

- No report.

Advisor's Report (Rena Zimmer)

- Reminder for current members to sign picture photoprint for next week's inauguration.
- Reminder Arbor Day is coming up at the end of Sustainability Week.

Senator Vargas made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Senator Orellana seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm.