

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES

March 26, 2024

Senate President Vijayaraghavan called the Senate meeting to order at 8:13 pm and announced that the meeting may be filmed or audio recorded and may be available to the public. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A land acknowledgment was given.

ROLL CALL:

Roll was called and quorum was established with a total of 76 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- Adcock
- Bernal
- Butka
- Desai
- Falasiri
- Golesorkhi
- Hardin
- Harrison
- Hasan
- Idiculla
- Jubran
- Marjan Khan
- Lekebusch
- Mankoff
- McNamara
- Monnett
- Phung
- Sabadash
- Vargas
- Whitaker
- Zárrate

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- There were 11 members of the public who delivered a public comment, including Senator Rodriguez, Senator Burton, Ronin Lupien, Senator Hoffer, Hunter Monson, Oscar Santiago Perez, Raj Mia, Ana Alvarez, Minority Party Leader Naidu, Senator Pelton, and Senator Banach. Senate President Vijayaraghavan welcomed each person and advised that they have 5 minutes for public comment.

FIRST READINGS:

- Chairman Rubaii calls for a recess until called back by the chair by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Vijayaraghavan calls the meeting back to order at 9:32pm.
- Senator Banach moves to suspend the rule to conduct roll call by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Nayak presents for 5 minutes on SSB 2024-1236.
- There were five minutes of non-debatable Q&A.
- There were two rounds of con-pro debate.
- Chairman Rubaii moves to make a friendly amendment to SSB 2024-1236 to change the numbering from 309.1 to 309.3 and 309.11 to 309.31 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Nayak gives two minutes of final privilege.
- In a rising vote, that motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer waives their presentation and Q&A time for SSB 2024-1237. ¹
- Senator Banach presents on Amendment 1 to SSB 2024-1237. ²
- Chairman Rubaii presents their amendment to Amendment 1 to SSB 2024-1237. ³
- There were two rounds of con-pro debate.
- In a rising vote, that motion passes. ³
- Chairman Rubaii moves to amend SSB 2024-1237 to include the amendment shown on the screen by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- There were two rounds of con-pro debate.
- In a rising vote, the motion to approve Amendment 1 to SSB 2024-1237 passes. ²
- There were three rounds of con-pro debate.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer waives their final privilege.
- In a rising vote, the motion to approve SSB 2024-1237 passes. ¹
- Senator Khan waives their presentation and Q&A time. ⁴
- Senator Khan moves to amend SSB 2024-1240 to include the following in the proviso: "Upon passage of this bill, the additions are to be made effective immediately. The author(s) of this bill would like to recognize former Student Senator Hunter Monson as an author of the contents of this bill." by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- There were three rounds of con-pro debate.
- Senator Khan waives their final privilege.
- In a rising vote, the motion to approve SSB 2024-1240 passes. ⁴

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve the bloc of all Budget & Appropriations committee seats by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Damian Rodriguez for the open Budget & Appropriations Chair seat by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Samantha Kinggard for the open Rules & Ethics Chair seat by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Marian Enriquez for the open Judiciary committee seat by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Andrew Sabadash for the open Judiciary committee seat by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Chairman Rubaii moves to make a friendly amendment to SSB 2024-1025 so that the author's line reflects the Judiciary committee, to add a proviso line that this original piece of this legislation was authored by former senator Raj Mia, and to add "Society of PC Building Treasurer Raj Mia" to the sponsor's line by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Hendricks moves to approve SSB 2024-1025 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to adopt the agenda by unanimous consent. That motion passes.

SENATE OFFICER ELECTIONS:

- Senator Banach moves to open the floor for Member-at-Large 1 nominations by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Banach nominates Senator Islam for the open Member-at-Large 1 position. Senator Islam accepts.
- Senator Bedine moves to nominate Senator Quattrocchi for the open Member-at-Large 1 position. Senator Quattrocchi accepts.
- Senator Wentworth moves to close the floor for Member-at-Large 1 nominations by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Quattrocchi presents 5 minutes on their Member-at-Large 1 nomination.
- There were 5 minutes of Q&A.
- Senator Hendricks moves to create a special rule to extend the presentation time for nominees by 2 minutes by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Senator Hendricks moves to extend the Q&A period for both nominees by 2 minutes. Seconded.
- In a rising vote, that motion fails.
- Senator Islam presents 5 minutes on their Member-at-Large 1 nomination.
- There were 5 minutes of Q&A.
- In a vote of 55-23, Senator Quattrocchi is elected as Member-at-Large 1.

- Senator Banach moves to open the floor for Member-at-Large 2 nominations by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Banach moves to nominate Senator Hoffer for the open Member-at-Large 2 position. Senator Hoffer accepts.
- Senator Marcus to nominate Senator Isakson for the open Member-at-Large 2 position. Senator Isakson accepts.
- Senator Pelton moves to close the floor for Member-at-Large 2 nominations by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Isakson presents 5 minutes on their Member-at-Large 2 nomination.
- There were 5 minutes of Q&A.
- Senator Hoffer presents 5 minutes on their Member-at-Large 2 nomination.
- There were 5 minutes of Q&A.
- In a vote of 50-27, Senator Isakson is elected as Member-at-Large 2.

STUDENT BODY OFFICER REPORTS:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Chairman Vijayaraghavan notifies of a change in their office hours and provides a reminder about how to register for public comment.

REPLACEMENT AND AGENDA COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Senator Rodriguez presents on their recommendation for Budget & Appropriations Chair.
- Senator Rodriguez receives their first warning.
- There were three minutes of Q&A.
- There were three rounds of con-pro debate.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to previous question by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- In a rising vote, the motion to elect Damian Rodriguez for Budget & Appropriations Chair passes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Senator Ruffin provides updates about the Green Caucus' new leadership.
- Chairwoman Kinggard provides information about tabling and constituency requirements.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu reminds senators to send documentation if they attended Holi.
- Senator Pelton informs senators about Transportation Caucus.
- Chairman Rodriguez thanks senators for electing them for the chair position.
- Chairman Rubaii informs senators about the deadline to submit legislation and the date for the next Judiciary meeting.

- Pro Tempore Cox informs senators that they don't need to reapply if they already applied for I&C chair and announces open seats:
- Permanent Senate Seats:
 - Graduate (2)
 - Graduate and Family Housing
- Open Committee Seats:
 - Judiciary (3)
 - Information & Communications Chair
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 - Budget & Appropriations (5)
 - Rules & Ethics (2)

ADJOURNMENT:

- Senator Wentworth moves to use voter records as final roll call by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 pm.