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Student Government

"You can handle whatever this week throws at you." -Unknown

Student Senate Minutes

The 3rd day of April 2019

- I. Call to Order-7:08pm
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Hogan and White
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. Yeakel and Perri
- V. Audience Participation
- VI. Advisor Report – Ceci Brinker
 - a. No Report
- VII. Graduate Report – Sophia Sarver
- VIII. Speaker Report – Tarve’a Durant
 - a. There was no motivational Video for the meeting and the Speaker asked for a show of hands to determine if people really enjoyed them and the majority of the Senate responded in the affirmative.
 - b. Let Your Voice Be Heard Tabling Series: Final event will be happening on Tuesday April 9th in Thomas Hall from 11am till 2pm and those who are signed up will be forwarded more information about the event.
 - c. Speaker Position: The speaker reminded everyone that nominations will be the following week and that 2 people will need to speak on the nominated candidate’s behalf and then there will be a discussion and vote the following week.
 - d. The senate was again reminded that there were only 4 weeks left and that all the events that would be coming up need the support of the senators.
- IX. Executive Reports
 - a. Student Body President – Rebecca Cash
 - i. Unofficial Election Results:
 1. Student Vody President: Carson Gordon – 270
 - No Confidence- 28
 2. Student Executive Vice President: Katie Conlin-263
 - No Confidence- 33
 3. Student VP for Student Affairs: Claude Samira Abdoulaye- Pedila-269
 - No Confidence-28
 4. Student VP for Academic Affairs- Noor-UI-Haash Khamisani-252
 - No Confidence: 43
 5. Senators
 - Nathan Yisrael- 85

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- Brianna Hogan- 159
 - Randall Becker-99
 - Iliana D Trifanova Ingram-73
 - Michael Vincent Perri-60
- ii. It's On Us: The Social Media Contest is set to have started and so the senate was reminded to reach out to people that they know in order to increase the number of participants. Senators who attended the bowling event were appreciated and the Scavenger Hunt was cancelled as a result of poor marketing.
 - iii. Edwyn Mitchell: former Senator and Alum of EIU has had an award named after him due to his Persuasive Speaking Skills.
 - iv. The Election Timeline was Outlined as below:
 - The Official election results and Speaker Announcements will be released on the 10th of April.
 - The Speaker elections and Senators of the Semester and Year will also be nominated on the 17th of April.
 - v. Panther Service Day: The event will happen on Saturday the 6th of April and participants were advised to check Panthermail for any updates.
- b. Executive Vice President – Zachary Cohen
 - i. EVP Cohen went over the Student Action Team's Lobby Visitation to Springfield.
 - ii. EVP Cohen informed the senate about the transition report currently in works for the next person to take over their position.
 - c. Vice-President of Academic Affairs – Carson Gordon
 - i. Prowlin with the Prez: The event will be a part of the Destressing Events line up for the week before Finals and it will be in conjunction with the Academic Affairs Committee and it will be on the 22nd of April at 5pm.
 - ii. Student Deans: The College of Education will be having a Shelbyville Trip and the College of Arts and Sciences will be handing out snacks and all the Deans were encouraged to find replacements for their positions as soon as they can so as to ensure an easier process following the next academic term.
 - iii. Faculty Senate: The meeting was held on Tuesday from 2-4pm and they were updated on the new developments in Student Government. Some of the discussions that were had include the Think Tank Proposal, Departmental Visits and Vitalization Workgroups Review.
 - iv. Council on Academic Affairs: The meeting for the week was said to have been cancelled and so more work was done concerning the Faculty Laureate Committee.

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- v. Judicial Research Committee: During the Selection Process, interested parties were sent a questionnaire and Carolyn Bates was reached out to in an effort to help get things going in the right direction. The Committee met on Wednesday at 6:30pm to discuss Goals and will be having another meeting the following week.
- d. Vice-President of Student Affairs – Alicia Matusiak
 - i. Apportionment Board: All the Budgets brought before AB were said to have been passed and for Student Government, the budgets will be introduced and tabled to be voted on at the next meeting
 - ii. Small Talk of the Week: Where is your favorite place you have travelled and why?
- X. Old Business
- XI. New Business
 - a. Senate Bill 18-19-20
 - i. Motion to Table: Yeakel and Osborne
 - b. Senate Bill 18-19-21
 - i. Motion to Table: Caden Miller and Perri
 - c. Senate Bill 18-19-22
 - i. Motion to Table: Becker and Caden Miller
 - d. Senate Bill 18-19-23
 - i. Motion to Table: Douglas and McClarien
 - e. Senate Bill 18-19-24
 - i. Motion to Table: White and Luter
 - f. Emergency Bill 18-19-25
 - i. Motion to Amend with Correct Amount: Yeakel and Hogan
 - ii. Motion to Call Bill to Question: Perri and Douglas
 - g. Emergency Bill 18-19-26
 - i. Motion to Call Bill to Question: Douglas and Caden Miller
 - h. Emergency Bill 18-19-27
 - i. Motion to Amend Spelling: Caden Miller and Douglas
 - ii. Motion to Call Bill to Question: Luter and McClarien
 - i. Emergency Bill 18-19-28
 - i. Motion to Call Bill to Question: Osborne and Luter
- XII. Committee Reports
 - a. Academic Affairs – Senator Conlin
 - i. Clear Skies Clear Mind-
 1. Monday April 22nd at 5pm: Assisting VPAA Gordon with pets with the Prez event.
 2. Tuesday April 23rd from 11:30am till 1pm there will be a tabling event which will feature handing out goodie bags packaged as mini Finals survival kits. This event will be in Partnership with University Board and will be happening outside of Coleman.

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- ii. Thursday April 25th from 11:30am till 1:30pm partnering with Cloud Appreciation Club for an event in the quad.
- b. Alumni Relations – Senator Hogan
 - i. Senior BBQ
 1. The Committee had earlier during the meeting presented their budget to the senate for approval, and for the things they were still working on, they would need to secure the games for the event, send Food Permit to Kelly, Look to Alumni relations to sponsor and getting a head count of interested parties.
- c. Business Affairs – Senator White
 - How to save money for school
 - Career Services information
 - Ramen, Hot Dog and Chick-Fil-A Budgets
 - April 26th from 1am till 1pm in between Coleman and Lumpkin and the committee is still coordinating reservation with the Graduate Student in charge.
 - i. GAME OF LIFE
 1. How to budget while in College
 2. April 16th from 1am till 1pm in the Alumni Lounge
 3. All plans for the event have been finalized.
- d. Diversity Affairs – Senator Khamisani
 - i. MINORITY TALK
 1. All different diverse RSOs will be invited and featured
 2. Some guest speakers as well as videos ,free pizza and lemonade
 3. Main question: what difficulties and situation have you faced on EIU's campus and outside in community?
- e. External Relations – Senator Yeakel
 - i. High school visits
 1. Emails have been sent out to staff in charge of their Student Council.
 - ii. EIU Discounts
 1. Responses with priority to T- Garden, Tan Express, Mi Casa Tu Casa and others.
- f. Internal Affairs – Senator Osborne
 - i. Intramurals Teams
 1. Men's And Women's Tennis- March 29
 2. Men's And Women's Big Pink Volleyball- April 3
 3. Men's And Women's Bags Doubles- April 5
 4. Men's And Women's Spring Kanjam- April 12
 5. Men's And Women's Homerun Derby- April 17
 - ii. Senate Stars
 1. <https://castle.eiu.edu/stdtgov/machform/view.php?id=19106>
 - iii. Bonding Events

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1. April 4th- service to go and movie – Lawson hall basement at 5:30pm. Promoting greater senator interaction and utilizing eiu campus organizations, we would utilize CEVO to do a service to go project. With them determining the project, senators would watch a movie and bond while giving back.
 2. April 27th – End of the Year Cookout
 3. Senators Only Study Night April 22nd-26th
 - g. Student Affairs – Senator Douglas
 - i. Sexual Assault and Awareness Seminar:
 1. SACIS and Dr. Webb will not be in attendance.
 2. Counselling Services will be attending and there will be fliers and pluggers with information from SACIS available at the event.
 3. Senior BBQ Co-Sponsoring with Alumni Affairs.
 - h. University Enhancement – Senator Malloy
 - i. Timeline for Earth Week
 1. 4/20: Lake Charleston Work Day (9am-11am)
 2. 4/22: EIU Tree Ceremony (11am-11:50am)
 3. 4/23: Trash Pick Up Day (4pm-5pm)
 4. 4/24: Kids Info Day @ Newman Catholic Church (4pm-5pm)
 5. 4/25: Pledge and Think Tank (4-5pm)
 6. 4/26: Rain Garden Planting (11am-1pm)
 - Lake Charleston Tree Planting (1pm-3pm)
 - ii. Panther Shuttle surveys have been created and will be distributed the following week and a gift card will be given to a random student who fills out the survey.
- XIII. Announcements
- a. Senator Yeakel announced that he will be presenting his Research in Old Main if anyone was interested attending.
 - b. Senator Khamisani listed off potential events that would serve as diversity requirements which are due April 12th and promised to put them in the GroupMe.
 - c. Senator Osborne encouraged people to apply to be Night Assistants and Panther Pals.
 - d. President Cash encouraged people to attend Greek Week Events
 - e. Student Drag Show
 - f. WEIU Reception in Doudna.
- XIV. Adjournment- 8:00pm
- a. Osborne and Luter

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