

02/08/2018

Meeting called to order at 4:32

Roll Call

Absent: Richard White, Johnathan Dunn, Samantha Hackney, Chancey O'Dell, Shayla Ingram, Hannah Norton, Yasmeen Phillips, Mark Foley, Nathan Watkins, Katey Brosche, Jordan Gustus, Breyhana Johnson, Martavious McBride, Meghan Miller, Monica Thomas,
Late: Davontarious Henry

Reading of the Minutes:

- Motion made to forgo the reading of the minutes
- Motion seconded
- No objections
- Motion passed

Special Guests:

- Raiderthon

Officer Reports:

- Vice President of Marketing
 - Senator of the Week: Chris Hilton

Committee Chair Reports:

Senator Thompson:

- Tyler Patrick - excused 1/25/18
- Margaret Mahaffey - excused 1/25/18
- Sydney Harris - excused 1/25/18

Old Business

n/a

New Business

2-18-S-FC

“MTSU Smoke Free Week”

Suggestions/Comments

- Senator Slatton wants to know where the money will come from and what it will go towards
 - Sponsor - SGA programming fund; used for brownies and hot water from Aramark
- Senator LeClaire wants to know if this program will be an annual event
- Senator Ciecka wants to know why 6 pm due to low foot traffic

- Up for debate; the woman giving the talk, Ms. Lisa, can't do 6:30
- Senator Slatton questions the marketing plans
 - Marketing through brochures and social media
- Senator Hilton wanted to know who is the target audience
- A suggestion was made to live-stream the event

3-18-S

"A Resolution Regarding University Policy 313"

Suggestions/Comments

- Senator Hedges asks for clarification on the process
- Senator McDonald wonders if the heads of departments have been disapproving of grade appeals
- Senator LeClaire wonders if the difference in grade would be between an A and B or passing and failing
- Senator Slatton wonders who the sponsor talked to about this legislation; Senator Slatton agrees with this resolution.
 - The sponsor talked to Dr. Byrnes
- Senator Ciecka wanted to reiterate that the job of the department head is to maintain the integrity said department
- Senator Lester agrees that we should educate students about the different appeal processes, but also fix the broken system
- Senator Bicknell agrees that students should be educated on this different appeal process, but also wonders is there was a specific time frame
 - Senator Bicknell wondered if they extend the time frame
- Attorney General Leyhew agrees with this legislation
- Senator Cartwright suggested that the legislation should specify a certain amount of time for the heads of the department to turn in the appeal process.

4-18-S

"A Resolution Regarding MTSU Parking Garages"

Suggestions/Comments

- Senator Slatton wonders what this resolution would cost and if the sponsor talked to parking services about it
 - Senator Harrell said he had a "brief" phone call with parking services
- Senator Hermann suggested the wording: "an active student parking pass needed"
- Senator Eisenberg says that the first and fourth whereas are redundant
- Senator Cansler reminded the assembly that there were already plastic signs in front of the parking garages saying "Parking passes required"; suggestions move the sign to the four-way stop
- Senator Ciecka wonders what questions need to be asked after this resolution is passed to decrease the amount of time

5-18-S

“A Resolution to Discourage the Requirements of “Clickers” in Classrooms”

Suggestions/Comments

- Senator Cartwright wonders what the replacement of clickers would include; some teachers take attendance with clickers in a huge class
- Senator Lester wonders if the letter should be targeted towards small-class sizes vs. large class sizes
- Senator Cansler suggests that there are already different options for clickers on campus already
 - He suggests these are a necessity for large classes
 - The sponsor suggests that this bill would just discourage professors from using these; not force them to stop...they can still use them if they want
- Senator Hedges likes the idea of the letter discouraging
 - She suggests MTMobile having a clicker program – a student made program that could change this check in process
- Senator Mahaffey states that clickers are annoying; she asks how much the cost of the software is compared to the cost an entire class has to spend to use these clickers
 - Better cost
 - Students should be put first above the department
- Senator LeClaire likes this legislation; numerous technological problems with the clickers
- Senator McDonald suggests that there are other ways to take attendance vs. a clicker
- Senator Dedicatoria points out that there are exams taking through clickers
- Senator Hilton suggests that the alternative programs “freeze-up”
 - The sponsor suggests that the clicker software freezes up as well
- Senator Harrell wonders why the sponsor chose to get this message out through a letter format
 - The letter is coming from the Student Government Association
- Senator Bicknell suggests that the teachers may ignore the letter
 - If I pass the legislation, then it may be ignored and not implemented

Announcements

Motion made to adjourn the meeting

Seconded

No objections

Motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 5:42