



! **Agenda of the 79th Senate** !

Hofstra University Student Government Association

February 5th, 2015

Green House, Student Center

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- ! **Call to Order**
 - I. Quorum Call**
 - II. Approval of Senate Minutes**
 - III. Approval of Cabinet Minutes**
 - IV. New Business**
 - A. Elections**
 - i. Public Relations Chair**
 - ii. Rules Chair**
 - V. Executive Board Reports**

Student Government Association Senate

December 4th, 2014

Meeting of the 79th Senate called to order at 6:04pm

- I. Quorum Call
- II. Approval of the Senate Minutes
 - a. Senator Gitlin motions to pass
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 27-0-0
- III. Approval of the Cabinet Minutes
 - a. Chair Engelson motions to pass
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 27-0-

many people who graduated and they did not recruit new people in. There is a great interest and we already have 19 members on Collegiate Link. We hope to keep recruiting and keep this going.

- v. *Senator Gitlin*: Do any competitions have an age or grade limit? Do you think that it might be beneficial to have law students come in as mentors?

- 1. *Mock Trial Team*: No, they are open to all undergraduate. We also have been in contact with the law school's Mock Trial Team and we want to get more involved with them

- a. *Senator Gitlin (Speaker For)*: Lackmann is a company and they should be doing their own PR. It is not our job to say, “Hey you should be advertising for things you do well.” This shows too much SGA support to Lackmann.
 - b. *Chair Manuel (Speaker Against)*: We are willing to listen to the student complaints. I do not believe that students understand that we don’t have it that bad. This will help alleviate that issue.
 - i. *Senator Braitman*: This would encourage Lackmann to do it and it could help our students.
 - c. *Senator Price (Speaker For)*: I do not agree with removing, but think we should change it to something more like to inform students around Hofstra’s community.
 - d. *Senator Caputo (Speaker Against)*: Without that clause this resolution loses a lot of its weight. This is a good idea because of some of the specials and option we have.
 - i. *Senator Andrews*: The Student Services committee listens to the student’s concerns; most people do not know what Lackmann is doing.
4. Senator Beer motions to move into a secret ballot on the amendment to strike “*Let it also be resolved*, that the Student Government Association encourages Lackmann Culinary Services to prepare an electronic newsletter each semester to inform students of changes.”
- a. Motion seconded
 - b. Motion passes
5. By a vote of 5-20-4 the motion to strike “*Let it also be resolved*, that the Student Government Association encourages Lackmann Culinary Services to prepare an electronic newsletter each semester

to us. If no one knows of what is happening they cannot take advantage (...).

ii. *Senator Beer*: I am not as concerned about the action; I am concerned with the reaction.

1. *Yielded to Senator Price*: I hear many people talking about

and she suggested that we phase it in. This is not definite because we will reevaluate based on a variety of factors.

b. Questioning Period

- i. *Senator Andrews*: Is this a number coming from higher up in order to not increase that much? This is different than what the petition was about.
 1. *Comptroller Guarino*: I would want to take it in phases of 2 years at a time; we will also be able to reevaluate it after.
- ii. *Senator Beer*: Can we ask that they include this in tuition?
 1. *President Atkinson*: That is beyond our control and not our jurisdiction.
 2. *Advisor Koepfel*: In traditional accounting, they separate tuition and fees as well as the fees of student life and academic life.
- iii. *Senator Gitlin*: Am I correct in understanding that administration would say no if we amended this to say \$50 outright?
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- iii. Debate
 - 1. *Senator Gitlin (Speaker For)*: If we intend to show this to the student body, it needs to be clear that we are encouraging this, but not changing it. Students in my Political Science class have accused us of “raising taxes.”
 - 2. *Chair Gallagher (Speaker Against)*: I think in this situation what we are seeking to do is clear based on our “let it be resolved” statements. I believe that keeping it as is, is semantically correct.
 - 3. *Senator Beer (Speaker For)*: Right now, we are trying to please 2 parties, the administrators and students. Students may not understand this and if we change this then everyone will understand.
 - 4. *Senator Andrews (Speaker Against)*: The purpose of a resolution is to say what we support. I like that it is strongly worded. However, more administrators are going to read this resolution than students, not many students read our minutes. The people who read this will be people who understand or are willing to understand the wording.
- iv. By a vote of 8-17-1 the motion to amend “*Let it be resolved*, that the Student Activity Fee shall be raised ten (10) dollars from its current level of one-hundred fifty (150) dollars per year to one-hundred sixty dollars (160) for the Fall 2015-Spring 2016 school year, with the possibility of re-evaluation for an additional ten (10) dollar increase for the Fall 2016-Spring 2017 school year.” to read “Let it be resolved that the Student Government Association supports a \$10 increase to the Student Activity Fee.” fails
- h. Senator Andrews motions to add, “Whereas the Student Government Association now offers funding for campus-wide events for non-Student Government Association recognized clubs.” before the first “Let it be resolved” clause
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Chair Blain motions to skip debate and go straight to a vote
 - 1. Motion seconded
 - 2. Motion passes 25-0-0
 - iii. By a vote of 24-0-1 the motion to add,

- b. Comptroller Guarino makes a friendly amendment to change all “Student Activity Fee” to “Undergraduate Student Activity Fee”
- c. Senator Andrews motions to change all “school year” to “academic year”
 - i. Motion seen as friendly
- d. Chair Harris motions to skip debate and go straight to a vote on the Student Activity Fee resolution.
 - i. Motion seconded
 - ii. Motion passes 26-0-0
- e. By a vote of 26-0-0 the Student Activity Fee resolution passes.
 - i. Senator Ahmedin: Yea
 - ii. Senator Andrews: Yea
 - iii. Chair Barry: Yea
 - iv. Senator Beer: Yea
 - v. Chair Blain: Yea
 - vi. Senator Braitman: Yea
 - vii. Senator Caputo: Yea
 - viii. Senator Casey: Yea
 - ix. Senator Cinquemani: Yea
 - x. Senator Dent: Yea
 - xi. Senator Diaz: Yea
 - xii. Senator Esteban: Yea
 - xiii. Chair Gallagher: Yea
 - xiv. Senator Gitlin: Yea
 - xv. Chair Harris: Yea
 - xvi. Senator Ho: Yea
 - xvii. Senator McKeown: Yea
 - xviii. Senator Mishkin: Yea
 - xix. Senator Pollock: Yea
 - xx. Senator Price: Yea
 - xxi. Senator Ramdhani: Yea
 - xxii. Senator Senderowicz: Yea
 - xxiii. Senator Shafranski: Yea
 - xxiv. Chair Shepherd: Yea
 - xxv. Senator Stengel: Yea
 - xxvi. Senator Tacconelli: Yea

XI. End of Semester Reports

- a. Appropriations
- b. Comptroller
- c. Programming
- d. Public Relations
- e. Rules
- f. Spirit
- g. Student Services

XII. Comptroller Guarino motions to move Executive Board Reports to after Committee Chair Weekly Reports

- a. Motion seconded
- b. Motion passes 26-0-0

XIII. Committee Chair Weekly Reports

- a. Academic Affairs
 - i. Finishing up initiatives for the semester
 - ii. Motions to pass the Academic Affairs minutes
 - 1. Motion seconded

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b. Motion passes 26-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Jenna Wyatt

Secretary

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February 3, 2015

Attendance: Chairperson Damian Gallagher, Comptroller Alyson Guarino (left 6:40 PM), Erin Casey, So-Van Ho, Tristan Marshall & Gaby Senderowicz

Meeting Commenced: 6:15 PM

1. Men's Ultimate Frisbee

Requested: \$5,685.30

Coaching Fee, Sectionals Tournament, Regionals Tournament, Equipment

Alloca ed: \$3,770.14

Table Cloth: \$150.00

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Spirit Minutes
February 6, 2015

February 3, 2015

Attendance: Senator Stengel and Chairperson Manuel

Absent: Senator Ahmedin (Excused) and Senator Esteban (Excused)

- I. Call to Order: 6:30PM

- II. Ongoing Initiatives:
 - a. Beach Shuttle
 - i. Waiting for SGA @ the Corner
 - b. Universal Remote
 - i. Advisor Koepfel provided Chair Manuel with the proper contact. Chair Manuel gave this to Senator Esteban
 - c. Meal Share Program
 - i. Chair Manuel needs to set up a meeting with the Finance Dept. to speak of the possibilities of a meal share program
 - d. Bike Share Program
 - i. Chair Manuel will speak to Vice President Barkwill about a pilot program for a Bike Share
 - e. Mineola Shuttle
 - i. Chair Manuel is waiting for the results of the train shuttle research
 - f. Dutch Debits
 - i. Chair Manuel needs to set up a meeting with the Financial Aid Dept.
 - g. SGA @ the Corner
 - i. The questions need to be cleared through the university. We are aiming to start the poll on Feb. 23

- III. Adjournment: 6:42PM

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Respectfully

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