



**Associated Student Government
Senate Meeting
April 18, 2007**

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- II. Approval of the Journal**
- III. Executive Board Reports**
- IV. Special Order**
 - A. Confirmation and Swearing in of new Exec board members
 - 1. Technology Director – Kyle Jacobson
 - 2. Campus Public Relations Director- Ren Hargens
 - 3. External Relations Director- Kate Pascale
- V. New Business**
 - A. SR 0607-11 “Helping CAPS Students”
- VI. Good of the Order and Announcements**
- VII. Roll Call and Adjournment**

Respectfully Submitted,

**Jesse Garfinkel
Speaker of the Senate**

Last Week's Journal:

ASG Senate 04/11/2007

I. Call of the Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:06P.M. Speaker of the Senate Jesse Garfinkel presiding, with Clerk Nick Briggs present. Quorum was present.

II. Approval of the Journal

III. Executive Board Reports

IV. Special Order

- A. Election Commission Chairman Eric Parker, certification of election results.
- B. Swearing in ceremony of the new Executive Board members.
 - a. AVP Anna Xu
 - i. Speech by Jordan Fox
 - ii. Swearing-in by Speaker Garfinkel
 - b. SSVP Nate West
 - i. Speech by Leah Witt
 - ii. Swearing-in by Speaker Garfinkel
 - c. EVP Matt Bogusz
 - i. Speech by Rishi Taparia
 - ii. Swearing-in by Speaker Garfinkel
 - d. President Jonathan Webber
 - i. Speech by Jay Schumacher
 - ii. Swearing-in by President Schumacher
 - iii. Speech by President Webber
- C. Election of 1 student to the ASG Judicial Board
 - a. Will Buck nominates Luke Bonucci
 - i. Mr. Bonucci accepts the nomination
 - b. Kate Pascale nominates Amanda Paustian
 - i. Ms. Paustian accepts by proxy (through Ms. Pascale)
 - c. Ajay Singhvi is nominated
 - i. Mr. Singhvi accepts the nomination
 - d. Sean Mascarenhas nominates himself
- I. Speeches in reverse order of nomination:
Mr. Mascarenhas, Mr. Singhvi, Ms. Pascale (for Ms. Paustian),
Mr. Bonucci
- II. Questions:
Ben Parr

Will Buck

III. Debate

IV. Vote

a. Ajay Singhvi is elected to the judicial board

V. Good of the Order and Announcements:

Constitutional question on No Confidence, Need to have more candidates

A and O Children of Men

Volver Harris 107 Sunday

SASA Formal Friday \$30 Norris

Sex Week This Week 'Pleasure Party Nevins'

Thursday, Friday, Saturday 'Company' written by Northwestern Alumnus

Holocaust Remembrance Day: Sunday in Harris

Town Hall Meeting 'Minority Enrolment' Thursday 6-7

Saturday Comedy Beatdown in Ryan Auditorium

Applications for Committee chairs will be up on NU Link tomorrow

Elections in Senate for Exec committee for Senate and Non-Senate members

VI. Roll Call and Adjournment

ASG Senate

Executive Board Reports

April 4, 2007

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE JESSE GARFINKEL

Hello everyone,

Training for new senators will finally take place this Saturday from 11-1:30. Pizza will be served! All senators are welcome to take part in this collaborative session on all things ASG. The roll is growing, and shrinking at the same time as we'll lose Kate and Ren upon confirmation. They will be missed by Senate.

PRESIDENT JON WEBBER

Hey everyone,

Tonight I'm proud to nominate the last three new members of the 2006-07 ASG Executive Board...

For External Relations Director, I nominate Kate Pascale. Kate's experience within the External Relations committee has prepared her well to be ASG's Chief Liaison to the City of Evanston. Kate's commitment to creating ambitious, yet achievable, action plans promises to make this one of the most productive years in recent memory for the External Relations committee.

For Communications Director, I nominate Ren Hargens. Ren has attended very CPRC meeting this year, and met every deadline set forth. Ren's creativity, intelligence, and passion will serve CPRC, ASG, and NU students well.

Finally, for Technology Director, I nominate Kyle Jacobson. Kyle has substantial experience in coding and design, and will be a great asset to ASG in the coming year.

At 8PM tonight at the Rock there will be a vigil for the Virginia Tech students killed on Monday. I, along with many on the exec board, will be attending and I encourage you all to as well.

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT MATT BOGUSZ

The Executive Committee is sad to say “goodbye” to its fearless leader Rishi Taparia and amazing group executives Kunal Kadakia and Vik Reddy. Considered apart, each of these men played a different role on committee; guiding their groups towards successful years, interacting with the committee to create a brand new funding process, and serving as role models to our younger members (myself included). Together, these three have done more to serve students than any collection of leaders in my time with ASG. Thank you for your time, your commitment, and your friendship.

The Leadership Advisory Board (LAB) is scheduled for Sunday, May 13th, 2007 and will take place on the second floor of Norris from 9:30am to 3:15pm. LAB is a crash course on the “ins and outs” of student involvement on campus. This LAB is mandatory for all A, B, and T-Status presidents and treasurers. Failure to complete LAB will result in an automatic de-recognition. More information and the online link to register will be sent out to all ASG recognized student groups in the coming days.

B-Status groups who have yet to spend their Spring '06 ExComm allocation (look in your “01” or “02” accounts) have until May 1st, 2007 to do so. On May 1st all unspent funds will be rolled back into the ExComm B-Status funding allocation pool for redistribution through grants or in next school year's Winter funding cycle. Also on May 1st, the Winter 2007 Senate approved allocations will be transferred into group's accounts.

If you are in need of a group executive signature for a SOFO reimbursement or funds transfer form please join us next Tuesday, April 24th at 9:00pm in the Northwestern room to complete that paperwork. After May 1st, all group executives will have the ability to sign vouchers for their student groups independently from the Executive Committee's general meeting.

Next Wednesday, April 25, 2007, the Executive Committee will hold elections in Senate to elect three Senators* and three Non-Senator Members to the committee. Also, there are an additional two Senator Vacancies that I will be appointing next Wednesday. I will be holding two info sessions for both Senator and Non-Senator Candidates, one on this Friday, April 20th at 6:00pm – 6:30pm in the ASG office, and the other on Sunday,

April 22nd at 6:00pm – 6:30pm also in the ASG office. Interviews for the two appointable Senator Member seats will take place by appointment on Tuesday, April 24th. Please encourage your friends and constituents to apply.

Please contact me via email at M-Bogusz@northwestern.edu for more information.

*A “Senator” is defined as a current or past Senator. In other words, if you were a Senator fall quarter of freshman year you are only eligible for a Senator seat in ExComm elections.

FINANCIAL VICE PRESIDENT ANEESA ARSHAD

Thank you to student group leaders for submitting spring funding applications on time and for arriving promptly to interviews. Spring funding will be new business next week. We are still in the process of completing our funding recommendations so I apologize if I'm not present tonight.

Take care!

ACADEMIC VICE PRESIDENT ANNA XU

Had no report this week.

STUDENT SERVICES VICE PRESIDENT NATE WEST

While we all miss Leah, SS must continue. This week we are in the process of finding projects for all members of SS and working on choosing new subcommittee chairs for the upcoming year. Our subcommittees include Safety, Campus Life and the new Community subcommittee which will include aspects of diversity, sustainability and divestment. As we are currently in a transitioning stage, please encourage your friends to join us at our weekly SS meetings. If you have ever heard anyone gripe about Northwestern, then invite them to serve on the the Student Services Committee and help improve campus life. Anyone can be on the committee and it is a great way to get involved in ASG! We meet Monday nights at 9:15 in the Chicago Room of Norris. Thanks!

PARLIAMENTARIAN JACK EICHORST

Had no report this week.

CAMPUS PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR ROBBY STEIN

Had no report this week.

EXTERNAL RELATIONS CHAIR RAVI SINGH

Here's the City Council Report that gave during my oral report last week:

From the 4/10 meeting:

1. Sewer and water improvements near Michigan Ave.
2. Megowen and Smith park renovations (somewhere in Elk Grove Village and

Deerfield)

3. Sidewalk Renovations (Sequoia Road and Greenbay Road)

4. Purchase of trees for spring planting

5. Establishing a loading zone on Austin Street (introduction)

6. 1414 Davis Street as landmark and cultural facility on 1560 Oak Street

7. Approval of some sidewalk cafes

The next City Council meeting is Monday, April 23rd at 8:30 at the Civic Center.

Since it's my last meeting, I would like to thank everyone on the Exec Board this year and most especially my committee members. It's been a great year, and ER is in good hands with Kate. I wish the new Exec Boar much successful next year!

TREASURER KOLIN POUND

Had no report this week.

CLERK OF THE SENATE NICK BRIGGS

Had no report this week.

TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR KEVIN PALMS

Had no report this week.

ASG Senate

S.R 0607-11

April 11, 2007

Helping CAPS Help Students

Whereas, Northwestern University is a highly competitive academic institution that demands focus and peak effort;

Whereas, such an environment tends to foster high levels of stress and anxiety, along with a variety of other emotional and psychological concerns;

Whereas, having a well-supported and active Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) facility on campus greatly benefits the mental well-being of the entire student population;

Whereas, long wait times at the CAPS Services have been noted;

Whereas, CAPS sees an ever increasing number of students and the rates continue to increase;

Whereas, compared to its peer institutions, Northwestern has a higher ratio of students to mental health staff which places all students at a disadvantage;

Whereas, the recent creation of a variety of student-led support groups demonstrates a population seeking ways to improve mental health and support on campus;

Whereas, the Associated Student Government (ASG) is the voice of students to the university administration;

Resolved, that ASG fully supports CAPS and the crucial role that the unit serves for Northwestern students;

Resolved, that the students of Northwestern University would like to see the administration allocate more resources to assist CAPS in meeting the increased demand for services.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Lin
CAPS Student Advisory Board Chair

Christine Baker
CAPS Student Advisory Board Member

Allison Hansen
Panhel Senator

Jackie Grinvalds
Senator