



University of Kentucky Student Government Senate

Wednesday, April 30th, 2014, 8:00 PM

Student Government Room 206

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
 - a. 38
- III. Oath of Office**
 - a. Swearing in of Senators (2014-2015)
- IV. Presidential Privilege**
 - a. Go to Cram Jam tomorrow
 - i. The purple shirt is the volunteer shirt
 - ii. Feel free to come out tomorrow 5-8:30
 - iii. Set up is at 4
 - b. Exec nominations tonight
 - i. Last couple weeks were reviewing them
- V. Leadership Elections**
 - a. Summer Senate
 - i. Need 5 senators minimum
 1. Non-voting, voluntary
 2. Hunter Porter, Jessica Gambrel, Christian Fielden, Rebecca Stratton, Nolan Jackson
 - b. Impeachment and Censure Committee
 - i. Need 7 senators minimum
 - ii. Ben Koch, Christian Oberst, Sydney Barnett, Rosana Osorio, Christina Lehman, Christian Fielden, Ben Connor
- VI. Orders of the Day:**
 - a. **S. 1-2015 Chief of Staff Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
 - i. Sen. Porter motion for Clayton Bailey
 - ii. Sen. Sokan second
 - iii. Discussion
 1. Sen. Smith yield 5 min
 2. Sen. Fielden second
 3. Previous Senate Clerk and Director of Communications
 - iv. Vote
 1. 95% yes, 3% no, 3% abstain
 - b. **S. 2-2015 Deputy Chief of Staff Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
 - i. Sen. Haggin motion for Brooke Davis
 - ii. Sen. Smith second
 - iii. Discussion
 1. Sen. Smith yield 3 min to Davis
 2. Sen. Haggin second

For questions or concerns please email: senate@uksga.org

3. Sen. Sokan Q: “Clayton, do you feel comfortable with this individual accompanying you?”
 4. A: “Yes”
 5. Sen. Hagan Q: “Brooke, do you feel comfortable working under Clayton?”
 6. A: “Yes, Clayton is very fun to be around”
- iv. Vote
 1. 97% yes, 3% no, 0% abstain
- c. **S. 3-2015 Director of Government Relations Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
- i. Sen. Hagan motion for Colby Hall
 - ii. Sen. Porter second
 - iii. Discussion
 1. Sen. Sokan yield 3 min to Hall
 2. Sen. Fielden second
 3. Previous Deputy Chief of Staff
 - a. Intend to extend programs forward
 - iv. Vote
 1. 100% yes, 0% no, 0% abstain
- d. **S. 4-2015 Director of Events Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
- i. Sen. Smith motion for Eric Skipworth
 - ii. Sen. Sokan second
 - iii. Discussion
 1. Sen. Smith yield 3 min to Skipworth
 2. Sen. Sokan second
 3. Previous experience on Events Team under Ann Dickenson
 - a. Want to involve people beyond SGA
 4. Sen. Porter Q: “If you could pick a new t-shirt color for next year, what would it be?”
 5. A: “We could send out a panel for next year.”
 6. Sen. Smith, “Skip is a hard worker and great leader
 - iv. Vote
 1. 97% yes, 3% no, 0% abstain
- e. **S. 5-2015 Director of Marketing Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
- i. Sen. Haggard motion for Evan Pulliam
 - ii. Sen. Sokan second
 - iii. Discussion
 1. Sen. Connor yield 3 min to Pulliam
 2. Sen. Sokan second
 3. Opportunity to rebrand student government
 4. Many new great ideas
 5. Sen. Sokan Q: “How do you plan on reaching out to the organizations that aren’t always reached on campus?”
 6. A: “One of the ways that I think we can assist getting the word out better is having specific information sessions on funding each year”
 - iv. Vote
 1. 97% yes, 3% no, 0% abstain
- f. **S. 6-2015 Director of Campus Issues Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
- i. Sen. Porter motion for Rowan Reid
 - ii. Sen. Hagan second
 - iii. Discussion

1. Sen. St. Clair yield 3 min to Reid
2. Involved in Freshman Senate, A&R Committee previously
3. Liaison program would reach out to all groups across campus
4. Sen. St. Clair Q: "Have you held any other leadership positions on campus other than being a senator?"
5. A: "Started 'Best of Lexington,' Tutor for Junior Achievement and the Leadership Development Program"
6. Sen. St. Clair Q: "Have you worked closely with governing council before for things like this?"
7. A: "No but I look forward to the opportunity"
8. Sen. Hagan Q: "Jake, could you tell us why you suggested this candidate for the position?"
9. A: "Rowan impressed us with her interpersonal leadership skills and showing potential to be a great problem solver and organized student. We're very excited to have her on board next year."
10. Sen. Sokan Q: "As a freshman, you will be dealing with people older than you. How do you plan to work with these people?"
11. A: "That's a good question. I've been interviewing all week. Yes, I realize I am a bit younger, but I have strengths to facilitate these people in a good way."
12. Sen. Fielden Q: "How do you (Ashley) feel about her taking over the position you held last year?"
13. Sen. Porter: "Rowan would be a great candidate for this. She came into senate and hit the ground running. She had a loud voice on all issues covered."
14. Sen. Jackson: "Rowan, do you have any obligations or commitments that would keep you from committing to this role next year?"
15. A: "I am taking 15 credit hours and am on DanceBlue Corporate Committee, but I think it can be managed well."
16. Sen. Haggin Q: "What do you think is the biggest issue on campus right now?"
17. A: "There's a misconception that SGA doesn't reach out to other programs, but this liaison group is the solution"
18. Sen. Sokan Q: "How do you plan to further Ashley's initiatives and expand on the things she started in place for next year?"
19. A: "Jake and I created a new liaison position to reach out the underrepresented LGBT program next year. I want to put more programming in place. I want every liaison to put on events to cater to the organizations they're trying to reach."
20. Sen. Jackson, "I have been involved in student government but it sounds like this position is a huge deal. I trust Jake and Mariel's leadership to choose this candidate. I feel confident that she can do this, or else she wouldn't have applied for this position. She's got my vote, and I hope she does yours too."

iv. Vote:

1. 46% yes, 46% no, 8% abstain
- g. **S. 7-2015 Director of Public Relations Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
- i. Sen. Hunter motion for Richard Doyle
 - ii. Sen. Haggin second
 - iii. Discussion

1. Sen. Sokan yield 3 minutes to Doyle
2. Seeking involvement as a newcomer to student government
3. Sen. Montgomery: “Movement to negatively move against this recommendation as I’ve seen Doyle’s involvement in IFC and his reaction to his fraternity being removed from campus.”
4. Sen. Sokan Q: “Would you like to defend yourself?”
5. A: “What I did was wrong. It was unprofessional and inappropriate. It sounds cliché to learn from your mistakes, but I feel that I have. I let my emotions lead the way in my handling of the IFC council and I do not want to do that in the future.”
6. Sen. Hagan Q: “Jake, why did you select Doyle for this position?”
7. A: “Richie has learned from his mistakes, and that situation is not analogous to what we have here. There wouldn’t be that this year. What’s more important to talk about is that Richie is the most qualified for this job. His experience was unprecedented among the pool of applicants.”
8. Sen. Prather Q: “How will you transfer your experience with IFC to this new position?”
9. A: “A great way to interact with the student body is through social media to reach as many people as possible. Feedback and focus group holdings from you and reaching all areas of campus will be the best way to work effectively.”
10. Sen. Porter: “I was the IFC President while Richie was in charge of PR and he did a great job. The situation with our fraternity was messy. At no point did Richie tweet out something inappropriate. He is easily the most qualified person on this campus for this job.”
11. Sen. Massie Q: “Describe some of your experience with PR”
12. A: “In JOU 204, I was sought out by my professor to become an editor for the Kentucky Kernel.”

iv. Vote:

1. 32% yes, 57% no, 11% abstain

h. **S. 8-2015 Director of Campus Safety Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**

- i. Sen. Porter motion for Andrew Kirk
- ii. Sen. Sokan second
- iii. Discussion
 1. Sen. Haggin yield 3 min to Kirk
 2. On WIC team last year and LDP freshman year
 3. This is a new position this year, and I look forward to laying the framework for this position
 4. Sen. Sokan Q: “How do you plan to boost the quality of safety on our campus?”
 5. A: “Maybe your definition of safety is too narrow. Through education, we can educate people on areas of safety both on and off campus.”
 6. Sen. Mannan: Q: “It says here you’re a chemical engineer major and the President of Sigma Chi. Do you have the time management skills to handle this position?”
 7. A: “Next semester, I’ve taken a lighter course load to prepare this position. I’ve proven myself in the past to juggle many activities in the past.”

8. Sen. Montgomery Q: "I've known Andrew since the 6th grade and definitely would recommend voting for him. He does have great time management skills."
 - iv. Vote:
 - v. 95% yes, 0% no, 5% abstain
- i. **S. 9-2015 Director of Cats Cab – Pres. Jake Ingram**
 - i. Sen. Haggin motion for Joe McClure
 - ii. Sen. Sokan second
 - iii. Discussion
 1. Sen. Porter yield 2 minutes to McClure
 2. Excited about future of Cats Cab
 3. Sen. Sokan Q: "As you know, this is new and was very successful last year. We're not going to entrust it to just anybody. What plans do you have to show continued success in this program?"
 4. A: "We're going to use heat maps to see which areas are used the most. We would also like to expand the number of cabs in cost with the Bluegrass Cab Company. I'm passionate about this program and confident in its success. The change of the alcohol policy also will change this program and we are ready for it."
 - iv. Vote:
 1. 73% yes, 16% no, 11% abstain
- j. **S. 10-2015 Chief Policy Advisor – Pres. Jake Ingram**
 - i. Sen. Sokan motion for Michael Perry
 - ii. Sen. Haggard second
 - iii. Discussion
 1. Sen. St. Clair yield 3 minutes to Perry
 2. Previously helped Pres. Palli with issues on campus using research from other campuses, laws in Lexington and used demographics to do so
 3. Filed reports on Fall Break and other issues
 4. Excited and expect that it will benefit the SGA
 5. Sen. St. Clair Q: "Do you want to move forward with Legacy program and other policies discussed before?"
 6. A: "Yes, I do intend to help Jake, Mariel and other members with research and writing to put their ideas in place. I consider myself a specialist in research."
 7. Sen. Massie: "I've known Michael for a few years now. I vote to positively recommend him. He'll work really hard in this position."
 - iv. Vote:
 1. 97% yes, 0% no, 3% abstain
- k. **S. 11-2015 TallyCats Director Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
 - i. Sen. Haggin motion for Jessica Hinkle
 - ii. Sen. Haggard second
 - iii. Discussion
 1. Sen. Porter yield 3 minutes to Hinkle
 2. Love of Tally Cats stems from love of diversity. Diversity is about building community, and that is what I think Tally Cats represents.
 - iv. Vote:
 1. 100% yes, 0% no, 0% abstain
- l. **S. 12-2015 Summer Hours Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
 - i. Sen. Sokan motion for 2,000 hours of summer work

- ii. Sen. Connor second
- iii. Discussion
 - 1. Sen. Hagan, “Is this included in the budget we’ve already approved or do we need to alter the budget?”
 - 2. A: “The new senate will approve these hours as it is future work. The money has been set aside already.”
- iv. Vote:
 - 1. 92% yes, 0% no, 0% abstain
- m. **S. 13-2015 Director of Campus Issues Approval – Pres. Jake Ingram**
 - i. Sen. Haggin move for Rowan Reid
 - ii. Sen. Porter second
 - iii. Discussion
 - 1. Sen. Haggin yield 3 minutes to Clayton Bailey
 - 2. We didn’t say some of the things we had in mind so I’d like to touch on that. Ashley has been outstanding – one of the best members of exec. I think it’s unreasonable to look for someone who can ever fill her shoes in this position. Sometimes you have to tailor programs to the personnel you have. Next year, we’re working to bring everyone together as a student government total and work as a team. There is support for every exec member that needs it. Of we course we know this is important. As far as experience goes, Rowan does have it. It’s hard to say she’s less qualified than other candidates. It was a close vote. I ask you again to put your faith in Rowan as an appointee and as us as a team.”
 - 3. Sen. Sokan: “I think we just touched a very important issue. The senate has spoken. If we at this point overturn one of our decisions during the same meeting, we will stagnate. I move to table this indefinitely.”
 - 4. Sen. Haggin: “Why would we table it and have someone this summer and not delegate someone with the full senate available.”
 - 5. Sen. Haggard: “I believe we felt there is a better candidate for this within this university. I don’t see the need to influence people who have already voted.”
 - 6. Sen. Hagan: “Clearly her age is the biggest issue here. Jenna Hollinden as a sophomore created one of the most successful programs as Cats Cab Coordinator. She has the qualifications, and it’s not about age.”
 - iv. Sen. Sokan move to table indefinitely
 - v. Sen. St. Clair second
 - vi. Vote:
 - 1. 32% yes, 51% no, 16% abstain
 - vii. Discussion Cont.
 - 1. Sen. Hagan yield 3 min to Rowan
 - 2. Sen. Smith second
 - 3. 8% of you abstained, and it is your job to vote on this issue. Obviously there is discussion to be had. I want what you all want. There are four sophomores as rising juniors sitting over here. I think that could be me in a year. I’m going to do my absolute best.
 - 4. Sen. Haggin yield 3 min to Ashley Campbell
 - a. “I know back in 2012 Mary Katherine Kington had the confidence to choose me. I know I need to have that confidence in Rowan. I will be contacting her in the future to make sure things are in tact in the future.”

5. Sen. Lehman: "I know Rowan through Global Scholars and other programs on campus and think she would be a great candidate for this position."

viii. Vote:

1. 46% yes, 51% no, 3% abstain

VII. Sen. Smith motion to adjourn

a. Sen. Soka second

b. Vote:

- i. 91% yes, 9% no, 0% abstain

VIII. **Senators Privilege**

a. Sen. Porter: "I just wanted to remind everyone we are SGA at UK that we are representing the student body. Personal things should be left at the door. When you come in here, you make the decision that is best for the student body."

b. Sen. Massie: "I think it's good that we had this discussion because it means that we care."

IX. **Members Privilege**

a. Reid and Doyle were gracious and did not harbor hard feelings against SGA

b. Bailey to send out t-shirt sizes

c. Ingram, "We put a lot of effort in choosing who we thought would make the best executive recommendations for you tonight. If you felt that there were better-qualified people, you should've encouraged them to apply. There's a lot of work to be done this summer, and you've crippled campus issues tonight as well as the director of PR. Reach out to me and give me your feedback. Moving forward, we will continue to do our best."

X. **Roll Call**

a. 38 present

XI. **Adjournment**