



Rules and Policies Committee

Minutes

2012-13:11 Friday, April 19th, 2013, 3:00 – 5:00PM, BSC, 2nd Floor, England Evans

I. Preliminaries

A. Call to Order

1. Senate President Pro-Tempore, Mary Haynes, called the meeting to order at 3:41 P.M.

B. Quorum Check

Voting members:

- Devon Graves, Attorney General-Chair
- Mary Haynes, Senate President Pro-Tempore, Vice Chair
- Chris Osuala, President
- Christine Hall, Vice President;
- Dylan Devlin, CCHM Senator;
- Stephanie Ferreira, Agriculture Senator
- Tommy Ward, MCC Senator

Advisors:

- Susan Ashe, University Advisor
- Cora Culla, ASI Executive Director
- Krikor Ketchedijian, Treasurer; **Designee** Toria Howard

C. Approval of Minutes

1. The March 8th and February 8th meeting minutes needed approval, along with two sets of minutes from last year (March 2nd and June 14th, 2012). Also, April 5th minutes needed approval.
2. Cora suggested an editorial/language change. Should say “ moved” “ seconded” rather than motion.
3. No further comments, all minutes were approved

D. Agenda Changes

1. There were no agenda changes

E. Introduction of Guests

1. There were no guests

F. Open Forum

1. There were no speakers for open forum

II. Action Item

A. ASI Senate Rules

- i. Records of the ASI Senate, Rule 6, Section 1
 1. Section 1 – Archiving, no changes
- ii. Public Availability, Rule 6 Section 2
 1. Discussion over Gloria-Romero Open Meeting Act, Senate Bill 8, and FERPA

2. Cora wanted to work with Devon to change the language, after approval, to comply with Senate Bill 8 and FERPA, prior to it going to the Senate
3. Tommy recommended Senate Rules be approved with exception of this rule since it is going to be altered, Cora agreed
4. Devon acknowledged and stated that necessary revisions will be made before going to the Senate and will be sent to the committee
5. Discussion of the definition of "records"
- iii. Open Meeting Law, Rule 7, Section 1
 1. Tommy pointed out a grammatical error
 2. Devon wanted to double check all State educational codes in areas E, F, G
 3. Discussion over Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised and how they will be cited in the Senate Rules
 4. Christine moved to rephrase to comply with the way it's written in by-laws
 5. Further Discussion
 6. Christine's motion retracted as there was no second
 7. Devon moved to strike out Robert Rules of Order Newly Revised subject to the limitation of ASI by-laws to read "meeting shall be conducted according to the parliamentary procedure which is prescribed in the ASI By-Laws", Tommy seconded
 8. Vote, 7:0:0, motion passed
- iv. Special Meetings, Rule 7, Section 2
 1. Devon noted a grammatical error that will be corrected
 2. Susan noted a punctual/grammatical error in area B
- v. Closed Sessions, Executive Sessions, Rule 7, Section 3
 1. Devon gave brief overview of topic
 2. Discussion over language of closed session vs. executive session
 3. Tommy moved to change "closed session" to "executive session" throughout the document, Christine seconded
 4. Vote, 7:0:0, motion passed
- vi. Order and Priority of Business, Rule 8
 1. Technical, Language, and Grammatical changes discussed
 2. Tommy moved to strike out Rule 8: Order and Priority of Business, Christine seconded
 3. Vote, 6:1:0, motion passed
- vii. Questions of Privilege
 1. Cora recommended a technical change when referencing non-voting member in Senate throughout the document, reference as liaisons or advisors
 2. Discussion over whether or not many of the rules need to be included because they are covered in Robert's Rules of Order

3. Devon moved to strike rule for Questions of Privilege, Tommy seconded
4. Vote, 6:1:0, motion passed
- viii. Organization of Committees, Section 1
 1. Discussion over where and how to address Executive Committee considering their purpose and abilities
 2. One change - Budget Committee will be Finance Committee
- ix. General Oversight Responsibilities of ASI Committees, Section 2
 1. Discussion regarding if ASI Laws or ASI By-laws is being referenced
 2. Tommy moved to strike A1 and A2 from the section, Stephanie seconded
 3. Vote, 7:0:0, motion passed
- B. ASI Beat Code
 - i. No discussion, no action, time spent on Senate Rules
- III. Discussion Item**
 - A. There were no discussion items.
- IV. Information Item**
 - A. ASI By-Laws
 - i. Devon told everyone that the by-laws are on the ASI website, with current by-laws, proposed by-laws (with and without highlights), and the executive summary if anyone needs to see them or is asked about them.
 - ii. Devon is finishing letter to the university to tell them that the by-laws will be on the ballot
 - B. Articles of Incorporation
 - i. Articles are being revised after being sent back and forth between the State and ASI several times due to the State's expectations for the Articles of Incorporations
 - ii. Christine asked that the Articles of Incorporation be on future agendas as an Information Item until it's finished, also on future Senate meetings
- V. Adjournment**
 - A. Devon adjourned the meeting at 5:00PM.

"I must study politics and war that my sons may have liberty to study mathematics and philosophy."

-John Adams