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# Student Government Association East Tennessee State University Tuesday, January 28th, 2020 Millennium Center Auditorium 137b

- I. Call to Order 4:02
- II. Roll Call 21/23. Senator Smith came in 4:20 22/23. Ramsey personal privilege 21/23.

## III. Open Forum

Dr. Amy Johnson- Interim Associate Provost for Faculty & Director of the Center for Teaching Excellence- New attendance policy- Was charged to look at the attendance policy by academic council. There are many options for attendance policies. Requires faculty to report attendance for purposes of financial aid. The syllabus must contain the professor's attendance policy. Professor policies cannot violate university or department policy. Eligible military service, religious observance, and university-sponsored activities are more clearly excused. Sen. Bass: The former policy did not adequately support students with medical issues, does this one? It mostly leaves it to the professors. What options do students have if the system is violated? They can appeal to the chair and then to the dean.

b. Secretary of Exterior Roxy Reed-Nelly has canceled on the school concert. X Ambassadors had to decline as well. Marc E. Bassy is the opener. Feb 24<sup>th</sup> tickets will go out staff tickets will go out on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Volunteering or tabling are required of senators. Concert will be March 26<sup>th</sup> (a Thursday night). (info is as of now and may be updated or changed).

#### IV. Old Business

- a. BucFund- 93,019 on campus 12,000. Motion made to pull YDSA for discussion. Vernon says that they have used their knowledge from last year. Knott, has SAAC funding been mentioned? Secretary of Allocations Ward does not recommend SACC for YDSA.
  - I. AMSA- Requested \$1928.39 recommended \$1930. 22/0/0 passes
  - II. YDSA- Originally proposed \$3850 asked \$2610 at meeting.21/0/1 abstention passes. Moser accidentally abstained.
  - III. Chinese Students and Scholars association- Requested \$2100 recommended \$2100. 22/0/0 passes

#### V. New Business

- a. Appointments- all appointed and sworn in.
- b. SSR-20-001- assigned to student affairs committee.

#### VI. Executive Branch Remarks

a. President- Safety committee and ETSU Votes looking for student members through SGA. BOT student member position is open for

applications. The Wellness fee (\$24) was proposed this past Monday in a phase in plan over the next few years. The fee will help with a variety of things, including immunizations. It will also add in a wellness director position. It still needs to be brought before the BOT. The SGA senate expressed nothing but positivity and support for this fee.

- b. Executive Vice President- Committees will be reassigned soon. Let EVP Cook know when you have things that impact your attendance in advance. Office hours are required for this week.
- c. Vice President for Finance and Administration- None

### VII. Advisor Remarks

a. Dr. Howard-It's good to be back! Open door policy and will answer your questions. 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Burgin Dossett in SLE. Culp Center is close to being completed. Opening February 24<sup>th</sup>. Grand opening first week of March. SGA lunch and dedication for the SGA that were involved in the Culp Center renovation. Senator Vernon has contracted, congratulations! Nick Shortridge will be over elections this Spring.

April 14<sup>th</sup> is the changing of the guard banquet. Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> will be back into the forum for SGA meetings.

#### VIII. Cabinet Remarks

a. Secretary of Allocations Ward-On: \$88,989 Off: \$9648 Total: \$98,637.BucFund applications are encouraged.

- b. Thacker- Faculty and Staff appreciation week is coming up. Committee will begin activity shortly.
- IX. Senate Remarks- Motion to adjourn.
- X. Adjourn