

Minutes
Graduate Student Senate Meeting
Tuesday, 11 April 2006

Chairman Keller called the regular meeting of the Graduate Student Senate of the Georgia Institute of Technology to order at 1118. Secretary Jenson was recording the minutes. The roll was called and the following senators were present or entered the meeting at a later time: Adams, Bechtel, Brancato, Burgess, Chandler, Church, Dam, DeMaio, Feigh, Geyer, Granier, Greco, Gupta, Hancock, Hartley, Herndon, Jenson, Kim, Kothari, Miller, Norville, Warta, Weinstein, Williams and Wornyo. Senators Bivek, Carnasciali, McKenzie, Padove, Skinner and Wright were absent. President David was in attendance. The minutes of the 4 April 2006 meeting were approved after a correction to the Muslim Student Association bill was agreed upon. Line 5 of **06G074** was corrected to read "300 Fliers in Color, \$13.50.

Chairman Keller noted that the special budget meeting will be on Thursday at 6:00 in the COC. Chairman Keller recommended placing officer and committee reports at the end of New Business. There was no objection.

Unfinished Business:

Senator Bechtel **MOVED** to waive the bylaws and immediately consider **06G097** and accept by unanimous acclamation. Senator Feigh objected. Bechtel **MOVED** to waive the bylaws and immediately consider **06G097**.

06G097 - Appointment for Graduate Student Senator (Author: Kasi David) Senator Norville **MOVED** to accept by unanimous acclamation. There was no objection.

06G097 PASSED BY UNANIMOUS ACCLAMATION

Senator Norville **MOVED** to waive the bylaws and move **06G082** to end of Unfinished Business. There was no objection.

Senator Bechtel **MOVED** to waive the bylaws and move **06G070** and **06G071** toward the end of Unfinished Business, just before 06G082.

06G075/05U114 – Joint Allocation to the Taiwanese American Student Association (Author: Sarah Hancock) This is a traditional Taiwanese event. There will be other Asian organizations participating. The Organization Hopes to make this event annual. This event has been successful at other schools.

Joint Finance Committee Recommendation:

Amend Line 4 to Equipment, \$210
Amend Line 5 to Sound Equipment, \$40
Strike Line 6
Strike Line 7
Amend Line 8 to Banners (2 @ \$18 each), \$36
Amend Line 9 to Technique Ads, \$112.50
Strike Line 10
Amend Line 11 to Booth Construction Supplies, \$100
Amend Line 12 Carnival Games Supplies, \$100 from Capitol Outlay
Amend Line 13 to TOTAL (Prior Year), \$498.50
Insert Line 14 to read TOTAL (Capital Outlay), \$100.00
Insert Line 15 to read TOTAL \$598.50

Discussion:

Bechtel **MOVED** to amend as follows:
Amend Line 4 to Equipment, \$210
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Amend Line 8 to Banners (2 @ \$18 each), \$36

Amend Line 9 to Technique Ads, \$112.50

Strike Line 10

Amend Line 11 to Booth Construction Supplies, \$100

Amend Line 12 Carnival Games Supplies, \$100 from Capitol Outlay

Amend Line 13 to TOTAL (Prior Year), \$498.50

Insert Line 14 to read TOTAL (Capital Outlay), \$100.00

Insert Line 15 to read TOTAL \$598.50

The motion passed by a voice vote. Senator Norville **MOVED** the previous question. The motion passed by a voice vote.

06G075 PASSED 25-0

06G076/05U115 – Joint Allocation to Georgia Tech Sport Parachute Club (Author: Edem Wornyo)

Joint Finance Committee Recommendation:

Recommends funding in full.

Questions:

Senator Jenson asked why this organization is so important that it be funded at almost 2,000 per year per member. The representative responded that Georgia Tech is well known for skydiving and that skydiving is an expensive sport. Senator Feigh asked if skydiving is more expensive than lacrosse or rowing. The representative replied that it was. Senator Feigh asked why dues were only \$100.00. The representative replied that the individual members pay a large number of out of pocket costs. Senator Jenson **MOVED** to end questions. There was an objection. The motions passed by a voice vote.

Discussion:

Senator Norville stated that this organizations funding is excessive and their dues are low when compared to rowing and lacrosse. Senator Jenson **MOVED** the previous question. The motion passed by a voice vote.

06G076 PASSED 13-9

06G078/05U117 – Joint Allocation to Georgia Tech Leadership Reception (Author: Sarah Hancock)

Questions:

Senator Norville asked how many people attended the event. The representative stated about thirty people attended.

Discussion:

Senator Norville **MOVED** the previous question.

06G078 FAILED 6-14

06G079/05U118 – Joint Allocation to African Students Association (Author: Edem Wornyo)

This bill will fund concerts. There will be food at the event. Food and attendance will be free.

Joint Finance Committee Recommendation:

This bill meets policy

Questions:

A Senator asked where funding comes from. The representative stated that the Africa Channel is paying \$500.00. The rest is the result of fundraising.

Discussion:

Senator Kothari **MOVED** to accept by unanimous acclamation. There was no objection.

06G070 PASSED BY UNANIMOUS ACCLAMATION

06G083/05U124 – Joint Allocation to Student Center Programs Council (Author: Pelham Norville)
Senator Norville **MOVED** to withdraw. There was no objection.

06G083 IS WITHDRAWN

Greco moves to waive bylaws and immediately consider **06G090** and **06G094**. Senator Jenson objected. The motion failed by voice vote.

06G084/05U125 – Joint Allocation to Georgia Tech Women’s Gymnastics Team (Author: Sarah Hancock)

Joint Finance Committee Recommendation:
This bill should fail, as it is retroactive.

Questions:
Senator Jenson didn't we tell the organization to come back to the Senate for funding if they qualified for this event. The representative replied yes. Senator Bechtel **MOVED** to accept by unanimous acclamation. There was an objection. Senator Norville **MOVED** the previous question.

06G084 PASSED 23-0

06G085/05U126 – Joint Allocation to Badminton Club (Author: Sarah Hancock)
This bill will fund registration fees.

Joint Finance Committee Recommendation:
This bill meets policy.

Discussion:
Senator Norville **MOVED** to accept by unanimous acclamation. There was no objection.

06G085 PASSED BY UNANIMOUS ACCLAMATION

06G086/05U127 – Joint Allocation to Student Center Programs Council (Author: Pelham Norville)

Joint Finance Committee Recommendation:
This bill meets policy.

Questions:
Senator Weinstein asked if the businesses at Technology Square contributing to this event. The representative replied that they were.

Discussion:
Senator Norville stated that this is a great event. Senator Wornyo agrees with Senator Norville since there are few events in the summer. Senator Feigh **MOVED** the previous question.

06G086 PASSED 21-1

06G087/05U128 – Joint Allocation to Ferst Center for the Arts (Author: Pelham Norville)
This allows student groups to use the Ferst center if they meet certain conditions.

Joint Finance Committee Recommendation:
This bill meets policy

Questions:
Senator Greco asked how many organizations s had less than 500 attendees. Senator Norville replied very few, if any, events had less than 500 people. Senator Brancato **MOVED** to end questions. There was no objection.

Discussion:

Senator Kothari **MOVED** to accept by unanimous acclamation. There was no objection.

06G087 PASSED BY UNANIMOUS ACCLAMATION

Senator Brancato moves to slate **06G088** and **06G089**. There was an objection. The motion passed by a voice vote.

06G088 – Resolution Graduate Student Housing Payment Plans (Author: Ryan Bechtel)

06G089 – Resolution TenthandHome Single Student Housing Costs (Author: Ryan Bechtel)

Discussion:

Senator Norville **MOVED** to amend **06G088** by inserting line 3 to read:

"Upon passage, this resolution will be sent to the Office of the Bursar and to the Department of Housing at the Georgia Institute of Technology."

and to amend **06G089** by inserting line 4 to read:

"Upon passage, this resolution will be sent to the Department of Housing at the Georgia Institute of Technology."

Senator Brancato **MOVED** the previous question on both the pending amendment and the entire bill. The Amendment passed by a voice vote.

THE SLATE OF 06G088 AND 06G089 PASSED 22-0

06G070/05U106 - Joint resolution on Waiting Lists at Events Free to Students (Author: Binh Dam)

Senator Dam **MOVED** to strike lines 1-9 and insert a new statement to read as follows:

"1 The Georgia Tech Student Government Association supports the concept of
2 waiting lists for events that (a) are free to Georgia Tech students, and at the
3 same time (b) require a ticket for admission. Waiting lists would grant
4 admission of students present at the door provided space/seating is still
5 available."

Senator Norville **MOVED** to postpone for one week. Senator Hartley would like to act on this bill today. Senator Norville **MOVED** to withdraw his motion. There was no objection. Senator Dam's Motion passed by voice vote. Senator Bechtel **MOVED** the previous question

06G070 FAILED 1-13-4

The Senate lost quorum at 12:14

06G071/05U108 - Joint Resolution on the Availability of Stinger and Trolley Departure Times (Author: Binh Dam)

06G082/05U121 – Joint Resolution FY 2007 SAF Budget Tier I, II and III (Author: Kasi David)

New Business:

06G090/05U110 - Joint Allocation to Emerging Leaders (Author: Ryan Bechtel)

06G091/05U130 - Joint Allocation to Chinese Student Association (Author: Sarah Hancock)

06G092/05U132 - Joint Allocation to Tech Rec., part of the Student Center (Author: Binh Dam)

06G093/05U132 - Joint Allocation to Tech Beautification Day 2006 (Author: Ryan Bechtel)

06G094/05U133 - Joint Allocation to Georgia Tech Golf Club (Author: Sarah Hancock)

06G095/05U134 - Joint Allocation to Engineers World Health (Author: Brett Warta)

06G096/05U135 - Joint Resolution to Censure the Parking and Transportation Office (Author: Randy Weinstein)

Senator Jenson **MOVED** to adjourn at 12:30. There was no objection

Minutes recorded and submitted by David Jenson.