

Minutes 04/08/19

- Attendance
- Approval of the minutes
- Community comment
- Committee update
 - Health and housing
 - Health and housing chair smerillo - gives update about new vacuum cleaner survey, ask for any improvements?
 - Advisor vanhecke - maybe add how much you use them? Or something like that
 - Senator sullivan - is that an accurate question?
 - Senator hannan - just be careful on wording
 - Senator ruiz - Add a question rating your vacuum?
 - Community commenter - floor (carpet or not) might be a factor
 - Senator menke - people liked that it was very short, we should not add too much
 - Finance - Budget
 - Finance Chair petros - explains the club baseball budget, recommend we fund the amount of \$815
 - Questions
 - Tech Chair o-neil - is this intramural or club?
 - Club
 - Senator leininger - who do you play?
 - The gustavus jv team, and next year other colleges
 - Senator johnson - how many players do you have?
 - 16 for sure, think there will be enough for a team always
 - Co-president ali asghar - do you have storage?
 - Haven't thought about it yet, maybe in the athletic apparel place
 - Health and housing chair smerillo - what do the jerseys look like?
 - Red white and blue
 - Discussion
 - Student and academic affairs chair conception - Would it be possible to fund in full if they had proper info?
 - Yes
 - Co-president ali asghar - just worried about the guys taking the jerseys or hats with them after the season
 - Advisor vanhecke - athletics will be able to hold them, if not dean of students can hold them for you
 - Senator menke - think we should fund the whole amount

- Speaker schugel - lets do it
 - Vote
 - Full budget passes
- Old business
 - Ombudsperson doran - going to update the bylaws soon
- New business
 - Senator ruiz - nominates senator boyden
 - Second to carlsonsather
 - Senator boyden accepts nomination
 - Speaker schugel - nominates ombudsperson doran
 - Second to health and housing chair smerillo
 - Ombudsperson doran accepts nomination
 - Both speakers give some brief words about why they want to be the ombudsperson
 - Questions
 - Senator menke - for boyden, what changes will you make in your approach to bylaws and amendments?
 - Cleaning up the bylaws and legibility, clarify with elections and how to notify constituents
 - Senator ruiz - for doran, what would you do differently or what have you learned?
 - Difficult first semester being completely new to senate, will have a much deeper understanding of fall elections now and they will go a lot smoother now
 - Discussion
 - Speaker schugel - ombudsperson doran has been great and is very passionate
 - Student and academic affairs chair concepcion - boyden would be great and is well spoken, involved in many activities
 - Health and housing chair smerillo - ombudsperson doran has been doing a great job keeping things clear, great for another year
 - Co-president elect bhatka - boyden has a different background and would look at the role in a new light, very persistent
 - Senator menke - support ombudsperson doran, both great candidates but nice to have someone with experience
 - Co-president ali asghar - want to hear from everyone, both great candidates
 - Tech chair o'neil - supports ombudsperson doran, she has done a great job
 - Senator leininger - believe ombudsperson doran has a crazy passion that is amazing
 - Senator olson - ombudsperson doran is great and transparent

- Senator Carlsonsather - have had moments of a lack of accountability this year
- Health and housing chair Smerillo - ombudsperson Doran is passionate, gave an example
- Senator King - should remember Boyden hasn't had an opportunity to build up rapport, we should see more voices
- Senator Ruiz - new senate should have a fresh new view
- Senator Olson - ombudsperson Doran has made mistakes but she still has been doing a great job
- Senator Sullivan - ombudsperson Doran is very thorough and has been doing a great job
- Senator Carlsonsather - cannot say someone can do something better than someone else because we do not know that
- Senator Ruiz - we are here to serve constituents, need to serve them
- Co-president Elect Bhatka - we should give Senator Boyden this chance
- Senator Menke - agrees change can be helpful but she did not comment on any huge changes she would make
- Senator Lim - likes the point of more transparency, give a new chance
- Senator Ruiz - everyone needs training
- Senator Hannan - values all comments, supports ombudsperson Doran
- Senator Conroy - we should give new experiences and new opportunities
- Health and housing chair Smerillo - we do not need to fill a new role that has been done well with so much passion
- Senator Carlsonsather - grow from mistakes to a high level of excellence, has experience here and watching senate this year
- Speaker Schugel - experience is not a negative, it is a huge positive, should not give up something that is excellent just because something else could be better
- Co-president Ali Asghar - working with ombudsperson Doran has been great
- Senator Sullivan - call to question
- Speaker Schugel - moves to vote by secret ballot
 - Second to health and housing chair Smerillo
- Vote
 - Ombudsperson Doran won
- Announcements