STUDENT SENATE
SESSION XXXVII – MEETING 2
September 20th, 2015 – 6:00PM – Paul College Room 165
AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER:

II. ROLL CALL

III. COMMUNICATIONS
   A. Senators and Guests:
   B. Senate Executive Board:

Doug: I’m the parliamentarian it’s great to see everyone here. I help people write resolutions and I can answer any questions you have. I you have any resolutions at all you can send them to me. I run judiciary committee so there will be a bill for that later. For the new members I’m going to go over some basic parliamentary stuff. If you are new what you will do when you get to the approval you will put 2 fingers up so that you can say “I would like to friendly amend myself to this bill. If you have a comment its one finger. Gabe will have a running list.

Amanda: If you have questions about this email me. Come to me at the end for some paperwork. We do not have quorum. We have to have 60% of the people here to have it. Lincoln is running numbers.

Conor: Welcome. It was nice seeing you at U Day I hope you stick around. It’s going to be an important meeting. I have FAC add bill up on this agenda.

Abby: Hi. My name is Abby Martinen. I am the SAFC Chair. Every undergraduate has to pay a $98 fee adding up to about 1.2 million. If you are interested in being a SAFC senator please come and talk to me. Oh if you want to be a senator you have to be able to make Tuesdays 12:40-2 and budgets and concepts on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Lisa: Chris and I do the same job. We help the orgs that don’t have standing budgets. Come to us if you want funds for events

Chris: Ditto Lisa.

Community development: Matt: I oversee several committees. I interact with them when problems arrive. I am working on a Good Samaritan policy.
Health and wellness: Emily: I work with SHARPP, health services, campus rec and dining if you are interested come talk to me after the meeting.

C. Student Trustee
D. Student Body Vice President: Welcome everyone thanks for being here. That’s it for now.

E. Student Body President: Cam Cook: I want to reemphasize the know your rights workshop. This year our attorney is new and she is the first one in 18 years. It’s an opportunity to ask questions of her. Town hall style. For those of you who saw yesterday was the fall open house. There were about 4700 people walking around campus the other day. The director of campus rec will be here next week to talk about we campus rec project. She will be answering questions on this. Ask constituents if they have questions.

F. Speaker: I am a speaker of the senate. We have been very quick. We have a good org here. We have internal front working with SAFC those things go through me. We have resolutions that go out to the community. My position is unique along with Doug and Amanda I am not allowed to have an opinion. If you have questions I am unbiased. Come to us we don’t have a horse in the race one way or the other. We are going to work in parliamentary procedure.

IV. NEW BUSINESS
A. XXXVII- 3.01- Removal of Senators
B. XXXVII- 2.02- Approval of Senators
C. XXXVII- 10- Removal of Academic Affairs Chairperson
D. XXXVII- 11- Removal of Campus Structure Chairperson
E. XXXVII- 12- Removal of Historian
F. XXXVII- 13- Approval of Public Relations Manager
G. XXXVII- 4.02- Approval of Judiciary Committee Members
H. XXXVII- 5.02- Approval of Election Committee Members
I. XXXVII- 9.01- Removal of Student Activity Fee Committee Members
J. XXXVII- 6.02- Approval of Student Activity Fee Committee Members
K. XXXVII- 7.02- Approval of Financial Affairs Committee Members
L. XXXVII- 14- Approval of Summer Logs
M. XXXVII- 15- Approval of First Year Election Standard Operating Procedures

V. OTHER BUSINESS

VI. ADJOURNMENT
“A basic tenet of a healthy democracy is open dialogue and transparency.”
-Peter Fenn
Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 3.01 Removal of Senators

Introduced by: Executive Officer, Amanda Barba
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to remove the following individuals as Student Senators for the remainder of session XXXVII:

William Barry
Eric Porter

Amanda: They just emailed me they don’t have the time to do it.

Senate Action: Passes Unanimously
Speaker Verification:

Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 2.02 Approval of Senators

Introduced by: Executive Officer, Amanda Barba
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to approve the following individuals as Student Senators for the remainder of session XXXVII:

Zachary Dumont: Haaland Hall
Cheryl Fong: Babcock Hall
Katie Clark: Williamson
Meg Falkowski: Stoke 1
Emily Grone: Hunter 1
Sara Khan: Stoke 2
Ashley Fopiano: Stoke 3
Brennan Pouliot: Williamson 2
Cedric Massengere: Mills 1
Eleni Bruzik: Non Res 7
Lauren McGrath: Hetzel Hall 1
Ian Kyle: Sawyer Hall 1
Navjot Gill: Stoke 4
Sarra Vallon: Non res 8
Shannon O’hara: Hetzel 2
Peter Bowers: Mini Dorms 1
Katie__________: Hubbard 1

Jessie Austin: The person who was representing our hall was not elected can I add them?
Amanda: Yes.

Senate Action: Passes Unanimously
Speaker Verification:

Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 10 Removal of Academic Affairs Chairperson

Introduced by: Student Body President, Cameron Cook
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to remove the following individual as Academic Affairs Chairperson for the remainder of session XXXVII:

Kendre Rodriguez

Cam: Long story short she asked to resign on her own accord. We accepted her resignation. She is not here to speak so I will not be speaking for her.

Senate Action: Passes Unanimously
Speaker Verification:

Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 11 Removal of Campus Structure Chairperson

Introduced by: Student Body President, Cameron Cook
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to remove the following individual as Campus Structure Chairperson for the remainder of session XXXVII:

Silas Richards

Cam: In this case I have permission for his reasons. He asked to resign we accepted. He said 'it is my regret to resign from the position I will not be able to affectively hold this office.'

James: Are these positions going to be open to be filled?
Cam: It’s up to Ryan and I what we do we want to do it fast.

Conor: This is unusual this will unlikely happen again.
Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 12 Removal of Historian

Introduced by: Speaker, Gabe Hoffman
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to remove the following individual as Historian for the remainder of session XXXVII:

Emerson Doiron

Gabe: In order to approve her we have to remove her if we fail it we will have a meeting about it and we will have full officers by the end of the week.

Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 13 Approval of Public Relations Manager

Introduced by: Speaker, Gabe Hoffman
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to approve the following individual as Public Relations Manager for the remainder of session XXXVII:

Emerson Doiron

Gabe: This is a recommendation from the committee it’s up for the senate to determine.

Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 4.02 Approval of Judiciary Committee Members

Introduced by: Parliamentarian, Doug Marino
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to approve the following individuals as Judiciary Committee members for the remainder of session XXXVII:
Doug: I chair this. We make sure the bill is constitutional and that it’s formatted correctly so that it is ready to come before the senate. Then senate debates the merit of the bill. We meet every Sunday at 2pm to go over the resolutions for the following week. We wanted to add more this week. Put up 2 fingers and say “I’d like to friendly amend to this bill.

Zach Dumont
James Godwin
Navjot Gill

James: Where is this located?
Doug: Room 119 MUB student senate office.

**Senate Action: Passes Unanimously**
**Speaker Verification:**

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**Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 5.02 Approval of Election Committee Members**

**Introduced by:** Speaker, Gabe Hoffman

**Date:** September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to approve the following individuals as Election Committee members for the remainder of session XXXVII:

Gabe: This is starting up again for the first year election. Pretty soon we want to delegate tasks to this committee. This is an excellent opportunity to get involved so that you know what is going on. There are a lot of people that want to work with you.

James: What are you actively doing in the committee?
Gabe: We will meet as needed. We will be discussing how we want to advertise, table, spread the word. Conduct issues and a petitions to go over. It’s not all year just around elections.

Lisa: Every new senator has to sit on a committee?
Gabe: No they have to be in council. They meet with people under the President. You have to be on one of those. Committees are optional.

Abby: If you want to learn more it’s all written in the bylaws on wildcat link.

Emerson Doiron (added)

**Senate Action: Passes Unanimously**
**Speaker Verification:**
Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 9.01 Removal of Student Activity Fee Committee Members

Introduced by: SAFC Chairperson, Abby Martinen
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to remove the following individuals as Student Activity Fee Committee members for the remainder of session XXXVII:

Abby: if you added yourself last week and you don’t plan on attending please remove yourself

Joe Sweeney
Adam Thorburn
Garrett McGlory
Erik Comeau

Senate Action: Passes Unanimously
Speaker Verification:

Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 6.02 Approval of Student Activity Fee Committee Members

Introduced by: SAFC Chairperson, Abby Martinen
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to approve the following individuals as Student Activity Fee Committee members for the remainder of session XXXVII:

Senate Action:
Speaker Verification:

Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 7.02 Approval of Financial Affairs Committee Members

Introduced by: Business Manager, Conor Sandin
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to approve the following individuals as Financial Affairs Committee members for the remainder of session XXXVII:

Conor: My name is Conor I’m BM and I chair this if you want a say in how we spend money come to this and you have to be at every single meeting. We advise UNH’s budget you have to come to every meeting. If that is interesting to you add yourself
Lisa: When are meetings?
Conor: Meetings will be announced soon Tuesday nights at 7. Most likely that will be then, if you do join you can fill out the when to meet.

Cheryl: What if you have no business back ground?
Conor: That is okay

Cedric Masengere
Ian Kyle
Garrett Robert McGlory
Jordan Bilodeau
Cheryl Fong

Abby: For further committee bios can we put the people added last week on it so that they know how is there
Gabe: Yes

Conor: See me after the meeting after Amanda.

**Senate Action: Passes Unanimously**  
**Speaker Verification:**

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**Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 14 Approval of Summer Logs**

**Introduced by:** Summer Oversight Committee Chairperson, Doug Marino  
**Date:** September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to approve the attached summer logs for the Student Body President and the Student Body Vice-President:

Doug: Future meetings will be more lively. 2 resolutions will be coming up. So stay with us. This makes sure that the SBP and SBVP are doing there 20 hours of work a week in the summer. They keep a log of what they do and they submit it. I give it to the committee and they recommended that we approve. We unanimously approved that. Cam cook complete 488 which is more than they need to. As did Ryan. They submitted detailed logs and they passed them.

**Senate Action: Passes with 2 abstentions**  
**Speaker Verification:**
Student Senate Bill XXXVII – 15 Approval of First Year Election Standard Operating Procedures

Introduced by: Speaker, Gabe Hoffman
Date: September 20th, 2015

Be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of New Hampshire to approve the attached Standard Operating Procedures for First Year Elections:

Gabe: We have to have standard bylaws or election committee with their help the specific language has changed since last year. These are limited to the dates on which they occur. Our election we will be only electing one first year Senator. (SEE FIRST YEAR ELECTION PROCEDURES 2015 DOCUMENT).

Cam: Friendly amend make the senator singular
Gabe: Yes we will do that

Lisa: Friendly amend the footer so it has the right date.

Senate Action: Passes Unanimously
Speaker Verification:

Ryan: I would like to make an amendment to the bylaws to how they were before the changes were made in the summer

Ryan: SQ changed how SAFC operates, we moved the 15 BM’s to non-voting members and we added the 9 senator votes. We did this because it holds people accountable. Students have expressed that they did not have a say and we don’t want that

Garrett: Why did it change back?
Ryan: People felt like they didn’t have a say

Rye: So BM’s have a vote now
Cam: Yes

Conor: I voted for the original bylaw changes, but the end didn’t justify the means. Students felt ignored and hurt. It is our job to represent the students

Garrett: Money proposals are voted on by SAFC. To put this back effectively takes out a check and a balance. I am voting to not do this because you are letting the people who want the money vote.

This was the petition going around to change it back?
Ryan: Yes
Garrett: Was there a petition brought forward
Gabe: No

There are 14 business managers and 6 senators how is a check and balance
Garrett: The senators aren’t spending the money. The BM’s submit a proposals. All the
other BM’s and the six senators vote. (if we go back). If all the business managers vote
on things they can band together. If we have 9 senators have no bias toward an org.

Cam: Point of clarification” What was in these changes: In the version that was passed
8/20 with the 9 senators. This will move this back to the 6 senators and BM’s had votes

Ryan: I would like to comment that I 100% support these bylaw changes. With the 9
senators. I support that 100%

Cam Kenney: Who votes on the senate’s proposals in the meetings?
Lincoln: The senators

Alex Dapont: We could not attend the student senate meeting when this was open to
the whole senate.

Ryan: I support these changes and the process it was done by

Cam Kenny: Is it possible for this to be brought up again?
Gabe; new things can always be brought up again. It is possible. If its bylaw you can
bring then up

Zach: were the agendas open to the public?
Ryan: Yes

Alex: How have the meetings been running?
Abby: Yeah it’s hard to get students in the slots

Garrett: The definition when you vote you should be voting in the best interest of the
student body/. The office of the student body president didn’t have a vote before and
they are representing all of the students instead of the small orgs

Joe: I really didn’t want to comment on this we should be debating the process not the
ideas. The process was jaded, misguided it was not something that we should be doing
in senate. There was no transparency. This was carried out by people who didn’t ask
they sent them out 72 hours before it was voted on. Just the people who joined student
senate. There was nothing done to garner voices. We want an open and fair just
dialogue. We should have voted in favor to rescind these by law changes. So that we
can vote on a change again in the future so that everyone has a voice. The process
here was messed up and process matters. There was no opposition to this in the
summer because those who wouldn’t want it couldn’t say no. we need to engage these
changes with the student body. No one here have the ability to talk to halls about this and you have not been able to give a voice to those. I feel at the end of the day that we owe it to the student body to change this. 1.2 million dollars and we changed the way we vote on it and 9 people decided on it. Pass this motion tonight because we owe it to the people we represent to do this right. Pass this motion get the bylaws the way they were and do it right by doing it in a fair way

Shannon: Was there anyways of communication to get other people to contribute to this vote? Was it made aware to the other students?

Cam: First- the entire membership was made aware of this change 72 hours before. They received the email. My intentions were to email SAFC chair and CFO’s anybody can have access to the agenda. Chris and Lisa and Abby were there.

Abby: I received the email through a senator

Zach to Abby: Have you witnessed a detriment to the way SAFC runs reducing the way they run.
Abby: BM’s are moving away from senate.
Zach: Has there been any stopping of discussion by BM’s?
Abby: the BM’s don’t have to come

Amanda: The petition from earlier: it cannot be signed when you are working for UNH and you can’t do it in the OSIL or the Student Senate office. I’m not saying this has happened. I just wanted you to know.

Garrett; I was a non-voting member of the committee. I think the idea that you want vote so you don’t go you’re selfish. I swayed people through comments

Conor: I would like to restate what I said earlier. This is discussing the process it doesn’t matter if we agree on the content.

Emily Counts: This was okay that it was done this way. I’m sorry that people go hurt but the new changes are good changes. The senators can be held accountable the BM’s cannot

Joe: Could you define why these changes were time sensitive?
Cam: I did not take an opinion on this or any motion that was brought forward, if their argument swayed me to make it time sensitive I would
Ryan: This committee gives out 1.2 million and if there is even a one percent chance that we are misspending their money it’s not okay. It needed to be done so that on the first SAFC meeting so that they could be held accountable.

Alex: Abby: Have the senators sitting on SAFC gone through any training
Abby: No
Ryan: when you deem this time sensitive could the body vote it down
Cam: Yes and it was but it failed
Lisa: The petition that was signed if we had those people this would be a lot better to be more involved with this.

Abby: WE are debating the process. All bylaw changes have to go through judiciary and it did not. Please just vote on the process personally it felt like a backdoor thing. I was the person to move it to a different time.

Gabe: They Cam to us there is reason to believe that there was misinterpretation

Joe: The fact that there was a misinterpretation we need to rescind this. Just vote yes please and deal with it in two weeks.

Conor: I will be voting yay on this because these people want that to happen

Amanda: I understand the process that people think this is corrupt we need to fail it and keep it so we don't waste time in two weeks.

Doug: This is retract the bylaw changes that have happened

Cam Kenney: I wrote the petition. The student senate is supposed to represent the student body. We felt that the 9 people in the room cannot do that. They need to represent as many students as possible. We need to vote yes so that this is ethical

Abby: Who votes on this?
Gabe: Executive and senators vote on this

Zach: Can the authors of the bylaws explain why this was done.
Ryan: The 14 BM's are not democratically elected like senators they are elected in there orgs. There is no way to hold them accountable to what they do. If a senator was to missspend money a student can take steps to remove them and or take them out of senate if they are not voting thw way their constituents want.

Senate Action: Passes with 20 yays 7 nays and 2 abstentions

Amanda: If you are joining senate you are required to join a council. If you are in the greek system you are there and if you are non-traditional you are on that. Come see me you are required to join I don’t have the times of them you are required to make sure that you are there. You have to go to one SAFC meeting a semester. I am sending you an email tonight. Once I get times from the chairs you can go to more than one. They do more specific work. Try to pick something you like. Office hours: We have an office in the MUB 119 in that is RHA GSS pres and vp and us you have to spend 4 hours in there a week you can do that how you want you have to sign the log to go and Amanda is checking it weekly. If you want to do them n a sat and Sunday that's fine. We want
people to be there to answer questions for the student body. If you don’t know go to the OSIL. Don’t be stressed about it. Do your homework and keep it appropriate like use headphones be respectful. If you are having a busy week and you can’t do it email me I’m open to talk about it.

James: Could I do it 8pm-midnight on a Saturday?
Amanda: as long as the MUB is open you can.

Cam: Councils start next week. Just because you were assigned to a council doesn’t mean you can’t go to the others. I know there are people here not from senate so that you can spread that. If one of constituents says something that does not feel good come talk to us.

Amanda: Don’t be screaming about difference of opinions. Get to know people around you.