

Minutes of the University of Oklahoma Housing Center Students Association Student Council
Session F03, September 14, 2003

CALL TO ORDER: 9:19pm

OPENING ROLL CALL:

Officers Present:

Ben Hinc, Chair

Ann Myatt, Vice-Chair

Absent Reps:

(4) Justin Gell, Crystal Parks, Jesse Greadington III, Danielle Kallsen.

Approval of the Minutes:

Approval of the minute's motion, 2nd, and approved.

Chair's Report:

We need to follow procedures to get through all of the legislation. Reps need to sign up to do office hours. Office hours can be signed up for on the door of the HCSA office, located first floor of couch, in the accounting wing.

President's Report:

Asking for volunteers for programs such as: American Eats, Casino Night, Winter Semi-Formal, and Halloween Program. Please volunteer fro help with activities. Will change some policies due to concerns raised last meeting. A letter is being written to Adam, informing him of all the efforts taken to communicate with him and problems relating to this. He has until Thursday at 5PM to submit written notice of interest in the job of Adams President. If no response is made, it will be considered his resignation and now final.

Q: Who will take his place if not interested?

A: Applications will be made available to everyone.

Motion to move back to chair report, 2nd, consent

Reading of the letter written the Adams HCSA reps.

Advisors Report:

September 23rd-Internship fair from 4-7 PM, location TBA

Committee Reports

Executive Committee Report

Special Orders:

Oaths of affirmation

Secretary Elections:

One withdrawal from race, one uncontested. Tyler Phillips is now secretary.

NCC Report:

Applications were due last Friday, 22 people applied. There will be a meeting Thursday at 9:30. You should have gotten an e-mail.

Of The Year Bids:

Center of the year: Walker

Program of the year: Murder Mystery

RA of the year: Bizzell

Advisor of the year: Brooks

SALT: Executive staff training

Q: what if you turned in your application late

A: you're an alternate

NRHH Report:

NRHH applications out tonight, and are due back Sunday at midnight.

To qualify for NRHH you must:

1) be at least the 2nd semester in housing

2) Have a 2.5 GPA

3) An unofficial transcript

4) Letter of recommendation in a sealed envelope written by a housing employee or other NRHH member

Ryan or Mary will call you for interviews by next Sunday at the latest

Induction will be at the end of this semester

Old Business:

Motion to move to new business, 2nd, consent

F03402 moved and 2nd. Author's explanation: explained in the packet.

Questions to the author (10 minutes)

FA: change the wording to housing center (as to include UAC)

Accepted

Q: Where in housing?

A: That's up to the OneCard office; we just want one in each center

Q: Should we say we want them in the laundry mats?

A: Only in UAC

FA: State to have the machines placed in lobbies of center and laundry mats of UAC

Accepted

Q: is there sooner sense in the computer lab?

A: yes

Debate: Consent

F03402 Passed by consent

Motion to mass F03102 – F03105, 2nd

Authors Explanation:

102: clarify bill numbers

104: citations instead of resolutions of commendation

105: if HCSA has problems meeting quorum, exec committee can give recommendations instead

Motion to consent,

F03102, F03104, AND F03105 Passed by consent.

F03106 motion, 2nd

Authors Explanation: 3 committees, appoints the chairs and members. Only 5 people applied to committee chair out of 6, so one person is acting interim.

Questions to the author (10 minutes)

FA: Remove Elizabeth Jessen and replace with Jessica

Accepted

FA: To move Matthew Matos to internal affairs

Accepted

FA: to add Danny Grover to problems and projects

Accepted

Debate: Consent

F03106 passed by consent

F03107 motioned, 2nd

Authors Explanation: thought authors wanted to be anonymous, amend it so that every author MUST be on bill, no anonymity

Debate: consent-objection

Con: Jesse- If a piece of legislation is towards council, its not a good idea for the authors to be forced to put forward their names, otherwise they may not bring forth the matter because they don't want their opinions known.

Pro: Veronica- No matter when the bill was written, the name of the author will come up eventually. It wasn't fair to have the authors names withheld. We need to be professional, and know where everyone is coming from.

Neut: Matt- Consider that because of the Oklahoma Open meeting act, we need to be professional

Pro: Ryan- No matter what the author of a bill will be public after it is submitted to the council

Pro: it's important for you to know who is saying what about you before you go to a meeting

Motion to vote by hands – consent

F03107 PASSED 10-0

F03108 moved, 2nd

Author's explanation: not only the author of a bill needs to put forward immediately, but the bill itself to be made available to the public

No questions

No debate

Consent

F03108 PASSED BY CONSENT

F03109 moved, 2nd

Author's explanation: to approve of the spending of the movie on the lawn over the summer

Consent

F03109 PASSED BY CONSENT

F03404 moved, 2nd

Author's explanation: the back door of quad 1 is inconvenient and should be recombed for both residents and security

Questions to the author:

Q: is it too hard to just walk around like the other centers

A: that's not a factor because none of the other centers have back doors

Consent

F03404 PASSED BY CONSENT

F03802 motioned, 2nd

Author's explanation: regards last week bill, we don't think its fair for Adam to be impeached

FA: remove the word impeach, since last weeks legislation did not discuss impeach.
Rejected

Debate: consent

F03802 PASSED BY CONSENT

F03803 moved, 2nd

Author's explanation: to create a committee to investigate gaps for the summer, all gaps during the summer, and to write legislation to work with Ben and reps to write legislation to prevent future problems

Questions to the author:

Q: During the summer, could we use a list server to pass legislation, or a chat room, or something to that extent?

A: could do that, those are good ideas, it's agreed that what in the constitution right now is not adequate.

Debate: consent

F03804 PASSED BY CONSENT

F03401 moved, 2nd

Author's explanation: this bill deals with the ramp in front of cate, it's very narrow. Also the back door is not ADA compliant, it needs a handicap button.

Questions to the author:

FA: remove comply with ADA, is the door or the building not compliant?

A: ADA says only the main door, but the north door is the main doors as well...accept the friendly amendment to change comply with ADA to "more readily available", and to strike ADA

Consent

F03401 PASSED BY CONSENT

F03101 moved, 2nd

Author's explanation: The implication of the bill passed last week (F03801).

Section 4: the point is to form a committee, Adam is still technically president, Matt Luria as president is not constitutional, and applications should be made available. It's not fair to just appoint someone as a president; the correct constitutional procedure should be followed.

Questions to the author:

FA: strike sec. 3

Accepted

Q: last week said what about applications?

A: applications need to be available to ALL residents of Adams

Follow up: info on apps...when, who, etc.

A: made by the president, approved by the council

Q: interim-clarify

A: If Adam doesn't resign, Matt would become interim president

Q: if he doesn't respond to the letter, is that the same as resigning?

A: we would prefer to have a letter of resignation

Q: does section 5 refer to Adam or to Matt?

A: Matt Luria is currently recognized as president, but constitutionally speaking, Adam is still president...Section 5 refers to Matt

Q: Who would be in charge of running PC, even if it's by interim, nothing can operate

A: that should have been considered before Matt was appointed

Q: Have you considered the Adams residents and how this would affect them?

A: Matt will be interim, and still run everything.

FA: That Matt Luria serve as interim president of Adams until appointed.

Accepted

Q: Do you know anyone else who even wants to be president?

QUESTION RULED OUT OF ORDER BY THE CHAIR

Q: Will Adam be allowed to run again?

A: Everyone in Adams center will be able to run

TIME FOR Q AND A EXPIRED

Debate: consent-objected

Con: Don't see the use of this bill, it already happened, it was an emergency situation, this is petty.

Pro: This is meant to raise awareness, Matt was appointed after residents moved in. This is to try and correct things from the past. Matt will maintain president interim to maintain normalcy, we want Adams to thrive, but the constitution needs to be upheld.

Neut: Like the intent of all this, what to do when council is not here is what should be focused on, don't let this happen again. Matt is interim president, Adam has not even tried to fulfill the duties required of him by Adams president.

Con: personal for Adams, holding election during the school year would cause problems, and freeze everything.

Pro: This is something that happened that shouldn't have, an interim president was appointed. The point is to maintain order, and he did, now we need to follow through with the constitution, this is not a waste of time, it's not going back. We need a new election, we need a proper president, and we need an election.

Neut: This is a good bill, all we're doing is following procedures, some Friendly amendments are needed, but that's all.

Con: In response, this would be pointless to follow a constitution that obviously has holes

Pro: If we don't follow the constitution for something like this, then where does it stop when someone wants to spend \$1,000?

Neut: Yes, we did make a hurried decision, we need checks and balances, but this has already caused problems in Adams

Con: Agree with previous statement, a few years ago I lived in Adams, our president and vice president left and it killed Adams P.C., Adams sucked that year, this is bad, it's the constitution, it should be rewritten, if people leave, Adams will just suck again. This doesn't need to happen.

Neut: On any issue, there's no reason to violate a constitution if the constitution isn't good, too bad, if the constitution isn't good rewrite it, but that doesn't mean we can ignore it. This sets a mindset of "is it ok or isn't it to violate the constitution." No if and or buts about it when it comes to a constitution.

Quorum call: 12 reps, quorum maintained

Con: It seems there's general consensus that this was an emergency, this is no effort on Adams part to fulfill his duties

Pro: Matt is capable to do the job, we support him, but we can't just ignore a violation of the constitution

Amendment passed to secretary (see below)

Motion to adjourn – no 2nd

Motion to adjourn – 2nd – hand vote

Motion to adjourn fails 8-4

”Motion to make an amendment to bill no. F03101, and to allow author to word this amendment as deemed necessary according to HCSA bylaws.
Section number {no number} Applications for Adams center president should be made and publicized, and interviews should be carried out for applicants as also stated in HCSA bylaws.”

Questions to the author:

Q: What is it saying she can do?

A: It’s saying basically that Veronica can do whatever the hell she wants

Q: She can rewrite it however she wants?

A: As long as it follows the constitution and the bylaws, yes

FA: add “with aid of the author and president and chair of council”

Debate: consent

Amendment added

Author Summarization

Motion to call to vote: Role call vote

8-4 passes

F03401 PASSES 8-4

New Business:

F03110: An act advising and giving consent for the appointment of a UAC president

F03901: An act supporting SWACURH awards

F03111: An act advising and consenting to the expenditures of the 2003 SWACURH conference

F03112: An act regarding UOSA/HCSA budget

F03113: An act advising and consenting summer policy committee

Announcements and Comments:

Ryan: Commend Adams reps for the letter written in support of Matt and written legislation

Mary: Y’all (to Adams Reps)

Kickball postponed until next Monday, sign up in couch

Please fill out the HCSA programming sheets.

Adjourn: 11:45