

The regular senate meeting of Vanderbilt Student Government was called to order by Speaker of the Senate Jared Anderson on September 12, 2007 at 7PM in the Board of Trust Room.

All members were in attendance, with the exception of Council President Bamrick who was unexcused.

Presentation of Resolution 07-08-08 "Rescheduling the Sprinklers on Peabody Lawn"

Author: Senator Snyder

The resolution proposes changing the schedule of the sprinkler system on Peabody to less high traffic hours.

Senators Smith and Carpenter raised concerns over Communications with university authorities. Duarte proposed a motion to postpone indefinitely. The motion was seconded by Bell, and the motion carried.

Presentation of Resolution 07-08-09 "Urging the Administration to Promptly Create a New Website"

Author: Senators Smith & Dyer

The resolution urges the administration to consider changing the new Vanderbilt website. It states the importance of the website in University matters, and points out the difficulty in navigating the website. The resolution is not meant to criticize, but to bring attention to the matter.

Council president Bell raised concerns with the resolution, citing the increased aesthetic quality of the website as a plus.

Senator Carpenter voiced support of the resolution, stating it would open up communication between administration and users.

Senators Duarte and Snyder voiced support, citing knowledge of student complaints regarding the website.

There was a motion carried 7-2.

Votes Yay: Carpenter, Duarte, Dyer, England, Furlow, Smith, Snyder

Votes Nay: Bell, Pendleton

Presentation of Resolution 07-08-10 "Amending and Incorporating the Committee Governing Statutes"

Author: Speaker Anderson & Attorney General Gossett

The resolution proposes moving the committee structures from the constitution to the statutes as they are ever changing.

The motion carried 9-0.

Votes Yay: Bell, Carpenter, Duarte, Dyer, England, Furlow, Pendleton, Smith, Snyder

Votes Nay: None

Presentation of Resolution 07-08-11 "Adopting Amendments to the Constitution"

Author: Speaker Anderson & Attorney General Gossett

The resolution proposes adopting amendments to the constitution.

The motion carried 9-0.

Votes Yay: Bell, Carpenter, Duarte, Dyer, England, Furlow, Pendleton, Smith, Snyder

Votes Nay: None

Presentation of Resolution 07-08-12 "Approving the VSG Budget for the 2007-2008 Year"

Author: Chief of Staff Williams

The resolution proposes adopting the proposed budget.

The motion carried 9-0.

Votes Yay: Bell, Carpenter, Duarte, Dyer, England, Furlow, Pendleton, Smith, Snyder

Votes Nay: None

Presentation of Resolution 07-08-13 "Authorizing the Publication of the VSG Budget to the Student Body"

Author: Speaker Anderson

The resolution proposes mandatory publication of the VSG budget in a manner the Chief of Staff sees fit.

Senator Smith voiced support citing the resolution's function of increasing transparency of VSG.

The motion carried 9-0.

Votes Yay: Bell, Carpenter, Duarte, Dyer, England, Furlow, Pendleton, Smith, Snyder

Votes Nay: None

Presentation of Resolution 07-08-14 "Dining and Facilities Committee Reorganization"

Author: Speaker Carpenter

The resolution proposes the creation of seven different departments within the Campus Services Committee

Senator Dyer voiced support of the resolution citing the increase in feedback the motion creates.

The motion carried 9-0.

Votes Yay: Bell, Carpenter, Duarte, Dyer, England, Furlow, Pendleton, Smith, Snyder

Votes Nay: None

Carpenter motioned to reconsider resolution 07-08-10.

Section 8.3.2.D was amended to say the "Department Chair of Environmental Affairs shall be appointed by Spear and the resigning department chair with the approval of the co-chairs of the campus services committee."

Section 8.3.2.C was amended to say the "they may or may not serve as department chairs."

The amendments carried.

The amended resolution 07-08-10 was voted on. The motion carried 9-0.

Votes Yay: Bell, Carpenter, Duarte, Dyer, England, Furlow, Pendleton, Smith, Snyder

Votes Nay: None

Announcements

Cara Bilotta was nominated for VSG's outstanding senior candidate.

Carpenter announced new card readers at Bread & Co and Chili's and a possible expansion of the Tastes of Nashville program.

Snyder asked for volunteers for tailgate patrol at the Ole Miss Game. Williams and Duarte volunteered.

Duarte announced the success of this past weekend's Commodore Express. We had 81 riders.

Furlow announced a Goldman Sachs Program about the business world to be held Monday Night 9.17 @ 6PM in the BOT.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18pm.