3rd ASOSU House of Representatives
Sixth Joint Session
Wednesday, March 14, 2012
MU Ballroom

I. Call to Order/Roll-Call/Quorum
Quorum was met and the meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

II. Swearing in of Representatives/Senators
None

III. Singing of the OSU Alma Mater
Everyone present sang the OSU Alma Mater.

IV. Approval of the Minutes from Tuesday, March 13, 2012
Representative Setzler: I move to approve the minutes.
Representative Brantley: Second
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I move previous question
Senator Vandever: Second
A voice vote to end discussion was taken. The motion passed.
A voice vote on approving the minutes was taken. The motion passed.
Representative Powell: I move we set our adjournment time no later than 8:15 p.m.
Representative Head: Second
Representative Powell: It’s the end of week 10 almost the end and a lot of us have finals a lot have tests tomorrow and as long as we don’t go past an hour if we could end before that’s ok.
Representative Van Bossuyt: I suggest this not be a binding resolution because if we have business and just a couple minutes left we would have to adjourn.
Representative Brantley: The resolutions have been worked on and a lot of hours into that. I have stuff to do tonight too but it would be in our best interest to not just say forget it to all the work to get done.
Senator Redman: I agree with the previous two comments we should at least get through old business completely. A lot of bills were introduced in week five.
Senator Hinrichs: I move to end discussion.
Representative Setzler: Second
Senator Hinrichs: Let's not have discussion and stop wasting time.
Senator Diabat: I want to say why this is important, we have to continue discussion.
Robb Call to question.
A voice vote was taken to end discussion. Division.
A hand vote was taken to end discussion. The motion passed and discussion ended.
Speaker Hatlen: Now we’ll vote if we should set an adjournment time.
Representative Setzler: Like Van Bossuyt, said is this binding?
Speaker Hatlen: From my understanding this would be bindings so the meeting would at 8:15 p.m. regardless.
A hand vote was taken to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. The motion failed.
Representative Van Bossuyt: I move to include delegate reports as item 4.5 on the agenda.
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: Second
A voice vote was taken to include delegate reports. The motion passed.

V. Delegate Reports

Emily Colvin: I have some delegates form the able student alliance Jeffrey Evans is one of the sponsors of the bill from the student group.
Jeffery Evans: I’d like people to stand when I mention their name our entire executive committee is here tonight. Ellie is a freshmen and our treasurer. Nick is a sophomore in civil engineering and our new secretary. Natalia is at large and a senior and just out of the business graduate program. Thank you.

VI. Old Business & Second Readings

JB-71.02 “Event Attendance”
Speaker Hatlen: I don’t believe this is second reading so we'll move into discussion.
Representative Sandberg: I think we need to read it again.
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: dissent.
Speaker Hatlen: So I would entertain a formal motion.
Representative Sandberg: I move to second read the bill.
Senator Boyd: second
A voice vote was taken to have Miss Wolff read the event attendance bill again.
Speaker Hatlen: Apparently if there’s a request we have to entertain that motion.
Representative Van Bossuyt: I’ll read this for Miss Wolff to save her voice.

"WHEREAS Members of the ASOSU Congress are elected by the OSU student body in order to address the needs of the students."
WHEREAS Attending student created/sponsored events will allow ASOSU legislators to work directly with students to better recognize issues on campus.

WHEREAS Attending student created/sponsored events will allow ASOSU Senators and Representatives to become more involved on campus, as well as allow students to meet their representatives.

WHEREAS Attending new events that Senators/Representatives do not normally attend will ensure Senators/Representatives are interacting with a diverse group of students and doing their job to take measures to represent the entire campus, not just the groups they regularly interact with.

WHEREAS Greater involvement with the Oregon State student body enables ASOSU legislators to better draft legislation that will positively affect the student body.

BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE ASOSU THAT:

The ASOSU Statutes Title II, Section 2, subsection B will be changed to include:

“5. Representatives shall attend one new student created/sponsored event each term that they do not regularly attend. Representatives shall attend these events as official representatives of ASOSU and shall wear a nametag identifying themselves and their position within ASOSU. A report shall be given in the subsequent meeting of the ASOSU House of Representatives, detailing the event attended. If a Representative does not attend one event during the term, as delineated previously, that Representative will be given the equivalent of one unexcused meeting absence.”

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE ASOSU THAT:

The ASOSU Statutes Title II, Section 3, subsection B will be changed to include:

“4. Senators shall attend one new student created/sponsored event each term that they do not regularly attend. Senators shall attend these events as official representatives of ASOSU and shall wear a nametag identifying themselves and their position within ASOSU. A report shall be given in the subsequent meeting of the ASOSU Senate, detailing the event attended. If a Senator does not attend one event during the term, as delineated previously, that Senator will be given the equivalent of one unexcused meeting absence.”

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE ASOSU THAT:

The ASOSU Statutes Title II, Section 2, Subsection D will be changed to include:
“3. The Speaker Pro Tempore shall be required to determine and report the status of event attendance of Representatives during the House of Representatives meeting in week 9 of the term, and assign an absence during the House of Representatives meeting in week 10 of the term if a Representative has not attended an event by that point in time.”

**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE ASOSU THAT:**
The ASOSU Statutes Title II, Section 3, Subsection D will be changed to include:

“3. The President Pro Tempore shall be required to determine and report the status of event attendance of Senators during the Senate meeting in week 9 of the term, and assign an absence during the Senate meeting in week 10 of the term if a Senator has not attended an event by that point in time.”

**BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE ASOSU THAT:**

This resolution shall take effect the beginning of Spring term 2012.”

Representative Setzler: It says it’s going to go in to become the statutes in spring term and part is we’ll have nametags ways and means did something to have nametags have they been reported or would that would be difficult to do?

Senator Boyd: So it doesn’t matter what kind of nametag you have something saying my name is I don’t know if that’s a good thing that student government committee made. Some of the major complaints about this bill was that when it came to senate was it want specific enough and overcommitted senators and representatives and there wasn’t any way to keep track of it. To avoid overcommitting we made it one event but also not overcommitting when things are volunteer positions. And also a punishment is not going to an event as one missed absence.

Representative Powell: Ways and means included $650 for next year’s budget for the nametags. Would be we able to purchase the nametags instead of next year get them next term?

Representative Setzler: This was addressed during ways and means that we could use contingency to get the money now and the money for next year. That was already addressed basically we would already do it and I put a sticky note on you computer.

Representative Alvarez: I had a question why the speaker pro tempore instead of speaker of the house for the person in the house that’s in charge of this.
Senator Boyd: Well I think it was for consistency in the hours they’re paid positions.
Speaker Hatlen: Speaker pro tempore isn’t paid.
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I wish.
Representative Alvarez: That’s why I was wondering.
Representative Van Bossuyt: I move to amend to say speaker of the house rather than speaker pro temp.
Senator Boyd: Second
Representative Van Bossuyt: Would that fall to student government committee when they incorporate these into the statues to make sure that’s done correctly?
Speaker Hatlen: Yes that’s very true.
A voice vote was taken for the amendment. Division.
A hand vote for the amendment was taken. The motion passed.
Representative Alvarez: How much money was for the purchase $650 for how many nametags?
Representative Van Bossuyt: It was 50.
Representative Alvarez: That seems like a lot for the nametags.
Representative Brantley: That’s how much they cost.
Representative Van Bossuyt: I can add to that nametags with planning we will check them out to senators and representatives and for possibly a small fee the nametags will not have a name on it and these will be reused over and over throughout the year.
Representative Alvarez: Ok that’s good that’s all.
Senator Khan: Why can’t we do sticky nametags instead then?
Senator Hinrichs: We are student government and we are grown up in this university and sticky nametags almost look childish and unprofessional. It send a message to students that we’re if nothing else professional. How to improve spending money to look more professional.
Speaker Hatlen: Can we cut the side chat.
Representative Brantley: I move to approve.
Robb This discussion is important but since the bill just says nametags we can speak about the nametags we’ll have later so let’s just pass this its seems like everyone is in consensus us of the bill.
Representative Brantley: I move to approve
Speaker Hatlen: We’re going to vote individually for house and senate. I’ll entertain a motion for the joint houses.
Representative Rosoff: I do appreciate the events on campus and I think it’s important to reach out to our community so pardon me if this has been answered but why do we have to write into a bill people can elect people into the houses.

Senator Diabat: I’d like to echo that what Representative Rosoff said we can add there’s no need to have this it’s kind of really gentle here but we really don’t need that.

Representative Davis: I’d like to say the Barometer and students aren’t necessarily happy with ASOSU right now. Passing these would show we’re taking the next step and we’re doing it and we are committing. It might seem excessive and a waste but it’s necessary to prove to the students that we are doing it.

Senator Boyd: I want to speak about the intent of the bill but one thing we have been going back and forth this term what ASOSU representation is for students and one common complain it that students don’t think we’re representing them. They don’t see us at their events. That’s the purpose of this bill we do take interest in their events and we’ll hold ourselves accountable to go to one event.

Representative Van Bossuyt: If we find out that we don’t like it next year can always change the statutes we should give it a shot.

Senator Diabat: This bill is talking about deception not a problem solved and an assumption is that indirect that the students don’t think we’re active enough and we’re not active enough could be an assumption not addressing the maker of the issue and it’s unnecessary.

Senator Kennemer: So I like going to student events but half the time I can’t find out when new stuff is going on last month we had the black history and I didn’t know when events were going on but nobody advertises nobody really says they’re holding events and I know when we had these discussion about when has their own meeting we post on the Barometer except for I don’t really see any heads up for other groups and I don’t think we should hold them accountable to get word out there I can’t go to thing if I don’t know if its occurring usually I find out after it occurs.

Representative Rosoff: In order to represent the student body it’s easy enough for us to go to the events to show we’re there for them we don’t need to drag ourselves to the events kicking and screaming.

Representative Alvarez: I move previous question

Representative Brantley: Second

Speaker Hatlen: Was there a second?

Representative Brantley: Yeah, there were like five seconds.
A voice vote was taken to end discussion. The motion passed.
Roll call vote was taken on JB-71.02. The motion passed.

**JR-71.03 “COSID Coup”**
Representative Brantley: I move to forgo second reading.
Speaker Hatlen: Second from the body
Representative Van Bossuyt: second
A voice vote was taken to forgo second reading. Motion passed.
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I move to approve
President Pro Tempore Deedon: Second
Robb I believe that this bill is probably one of the most important things that ASOSU has done in almost a decade or so. The issue of civil rights for everyone is important and should not be taken lightly. This is the first step to rectify that and share equal rights.
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I move previous question.
Senator Vandever: Second.
A voice vote was taken to end discussion. The motion passed.
Senator Boyd: I would like to co-sponsor this.
Representative Vanderwall: I move to be added as a co-sponsor.
A Roll Call vote was taken on JR-71.03. The motion passed.

**JB-71.04 “Congressional Sustainability”**
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I move to approve
Senator Boyd: Second
Senator Redman: I was going to say that because there is a town hall meeting following this it would be great that this bill passed and they can expect another town hall meeting next term.
Senator Boyd: This was something that was asked for at our town hall this term and students really appreciate it.
President Pro Tempore Deedon: Call to question.
Roll Call Vote was taken on JR-71.03. The motion passed.

**VII. New Business & First Readings**

**JR-71.04- Special Orders**
Senator Boyd: Can I move to cosponsor and cast my vote now?
Speaker Hatlen: Is there an objection in the body? Hearing none I have none. We’ll begin with first reading.
Representative Setzler: Are we supposed to have this?
Speaker Hatlen: No but I’ll put it up on the screen.
Speaker Hatlen: Do we have questions?
Cushing I’ll yield the questions to Angela Baxter.
Speaker Hatlen: Do we have questions?
Angela: CGE is the bargaining unit for all grad students and they’re currently bargaining with OSU as graduate employees right now OSU is not recognize grad research assistants but through a campaigns with CGE we have collected enough to add grad research assistants to the bargaining unit. This is ASOSU declaration that we support CGE and grad students in the bargaining.
Representative Bhatt: What do you mean by bargaining?
Angela: Every four years approximately. I’ll yield to Ashley to answer this.
Ashley: Yes and we reopen every two years. It’s the labor unit for workers we bargain a contract for work load production health insurance all those things it’s for the contract of employees we bargain a full contract and every two years have the opportunity to reopen the contract.
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I move to approve.
Representative Brantley: Second
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: Call to question
A roll call vote was taken on JR-71.04. The motion passed.
Speaker Hatlen: I’ll entertain a motion to bring back the table for next week the get out and vote bill we tabled a few weeks back.
Representative Setzler: So moved.
Speaker Hatlen: That won’t be next week that’ll be next meeting.
Representative Van Bossuyt: Do we need that for the upcoming trip for DC or can that wait until April? It’s ok to wait until the first week of April.
Speaker Hatlen: We discussed bringing it in this evening but we don’t have copies. We’ll vote on it in the house to bring this from the table.
A voice vote was taken. Motion passed.
Speaker Hatlen: We’ll see this first week of spring term.

VIII. Speaker’s Announcements
Speaker Hatlen: Thank you for being here tonight and last night I appreciate our attendance and your continued due diligence.

IX. President’s Announcements
None

X. Congress Comments
Representative Sandberg: I wanted to speak on the statements made on the event attendance because you kind of missed the intent of the resolution. I encourage you to not just take the missed attendance and actually go to the events because you can learn a lot. She didn’t know about the event during black history month we plan them all on the OSU calendar every event that are hosted are on the OSU calendar you can look at them every day and these the events they have. It’s not that they’re not applicable or accessible you can get something out of it. Students are frustrated that we’re not going to their events. I work with student minority students and we’re mostly all white in here and I want you to know that its problems that minority students are facing and they don’t feel like we’re representing them in a good way. Look on the calendar and see what events you want to go to. It’s beneficial to students and us.

Senator Kennemer: So my bill has been sent to committee the one on the office hours and they can’t do anything with it until the members from the house that volunteered to help coordinate the issues meet with them. If they can contact Crystal Boyd so that can come out of committee I’d appreciate it.

Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I wanted to let you know that you’re all awesome.

Representative Vanderwall: Kevin you’re awesome too.

XI. Gallery Comments
Angela Baxter: I’d like to go further than what the bill meant it’s not just talking about going to an event and having fun its paying attention to what their issues are and then talking to them and going to find out what issues are being experienced and what they want us doing in congress. Don’t just go to have a good time seek the opinions of the rest of the students that you’re supposed to be resenting, oh sorry, representing!

Amelia Harris: I know it’s dead week but thank you for being here and I hope you all do swell on finals.

Max: I’m the Oregon’s student association for this campus for spring term I have a vote volunteer contact info that I was going to send around maybe if you want to volunteer but we’d follow up with you to see if you want to register some students to vote. You don’t have to feel obligate the more people we have the more we can register to vote. It’s a lot easier to get students to vote the more volunteers we have.

Speaker Hatlen: We’re about to adjourn maybe just let folks come to you.

XII. Adjournment
Representative Brantley: I move to adjourn.
Representative Van Bossuyt: Second
Acclamation occurred and the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.