3rd ASOSU House of Representatives

Fifth Meeting
Wednesday, October 26th, 2011
MU 211

I. Call to Order/Roll-Call/Quorum
Quorum was met and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Swearing in of Representatives
Eric Leman was sworn in as a proxy.

III. Singing of the OSU Alma Mater
Representative Brantley: I move to forgo the singing of the Alma Mater.
Representative Le: Second
Representative Van Bossuyt: As we are being video recorded I think it’s appropriate if we do sing.
Speaker Pro-Tempore: I think we should sing.
Representative Robb: I believe that we should sing.
Representative Brantley: Call to question
A voice vote was taken to forgo the singing of the Alma Mater. The motion failed.
The Alma Mater was sung by all members present.

Speaker Hatlen: I love that song. Well done.

Representative Rakaj entered at 7:05 pm.

IV. Approval of Minutes

From Wednesday, October 12th, 2011
Representative Van Bossuyt: I move to approve the October 12, 2011 minutes.
Representative Struthers: Second
Representative Alvarez: They both say third meeting.

Speaker Hatlen: We discussed that already the clerk will change that. Right?

Clerk Wolff: Yes.

Representative Tran: If its mini typos do we mention that here?

Speaker Hatlen: We can do a formal motion to amend them.

Chris Van Drimmelen: You can include a motion to provision that the typos and errors be reported to the clerk within a certain amount of time.

Speaker Hatlen: You move to include any grammatical errors to be brought fourth to the clerk in a certain amount of time.

Representative Tran: I move that any grammatical errors be brought to the clerk within 10 days.

Representative Swalko: second

Speaker Hatlen: Would that be a friendly amendment?

Representative Van Bossuyt: Yes

Representative Struthers: Yes

Speaker Hatlen: Dissent? Hearing none, so amended.

A voice vote was taken to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

From Wednesday, October 19th, 2011

Representative Van Bossuyt: I move to approve the minutes from October 19, 2011.

Representative Brantley: Second

A voice vote was taken to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

V. Standing Committee Reports

Ways and Means

Representative Van Bossuyt: Ways and Means can report that the issue we looked at for additional funding to hire the additional employee has been pushed back. Its hopefully in the next weeks we'll hear from SIFC if funding has been for that position.
Representative Alvarez: It will be within two weeks.

Appropriations and Budgets

Representative Robb: We met last week Thursday and we held quorum, which I sent to the clerk. At the end of this meeting we’ll hold a meeting for the voting of our vice chair since we just met quorum it would be unfair for other members that couldn’t attend.

Speaker Hatlen: Thank you that’s a nice vest. We need two members to be on the educational activities committee. I know we have folks signed up but I need a commitment from two of you if you’re on that committee come up to me after the meeting. We’ll discuss that after.

VI. Joint Committee Reports

Joint Committee of Congressional Correspondence

Representative Robb: The senate heard our bill in second reading its HB-03.03 for reinstating funding for OSA. That was tabled once again and that was tabled after having three members from OSA from the executive board come and answer questions. I believe senate tabled it under rationale that the current committee that is investigating osa and osu. Also Hans Coon resigned from the senate yesterday.

Representative Van Bossuyt: Question on what you reported. Do you know how long OSA will wait for us to pay them and how long for voting rights?

Representative Robb: One thing is we have voting rights and I was unsure.

Representative Alvarez: I know only one school has paid the fall dues so far. We’re not too far behind on the money. Also you have to miss three straight meetings and we should be in the clear for that.

Chris Van Drimmelen: So I don’t know about the three straight meetings thing I don’t know if that is actually in there, no osa staff member mentioned that yet. However the executive director was there and the incoming board chair and outgoing board chair and they told the body we wouldn’t lose our voting rights until the end of this academic year but failing to pay those dues would have a significant financial impact. They’re already holding off on hiring a new communications director that was stated as the impact.

Representative Struthers: There was discussion between some representatives a member of senate and Emily the executive director, Mario the outgoing chair, the incoming chair. They mainly focused on we wont lose voting rights it’s with the two boards that they have. In their bylaws if they say you miss three more meetings you can get them back by petitionining and attending meetings. We won’t lose voting rights until the end of the year.

Representative Tran: I wanted to mention something they mentioned a survey that has been passed around to the other schools they want to give an extention to the students at OSU. Do you want that website? It’s orstudents.org I think everything would be self explanatory.

Speaker Hatlen: It’s on the first page I did it during the senate meeting last night. They need that data before the board meeting. So take it before Saturday, it takes maybe three mintues to put your issues in.

Representative Van Bossuyt: Has that been sent out to the whole student body?.
Speaker Hatlen: I don’t think so. It’s been held off by the executive branch if we’d pursue it we could get it.
Representative Thomas: It was mentioned in the Barometer too.
Representative Robb: One final thing for the standings rules we will since we’re unable to hold a quick meeting before hand we’ll have a quick meeting to approve the standing rules.
Representative Struthers: I move to recess for the standing committee to approve them tonight.
Representative Van Bossuyt: How long can we expect the recess to last?
Speaker Hatlen: I’d say 5 minutes is significant.
Representative Van Bossuyt: Call to question.
A voice vote was taken to recess so the standing rules committee could approve their bylaws. The motion passed.
The recess ended at 7:19 p.m.
Speaker Hatlen: Was there a consensus?
Representative Robb: Yes unanimously approved all the changes.
Speaker Hatlen: Fantastic. Since we don’t have those bylaws could you send those to the clerk we’ll have those sent out and vote next week.
Representative Alvarez: Can we just approve?
Speaker Hatlen: We could but I don’t feel comfortable with you approving something you have no idea what it says.

VII. Delegate Reports
None

VIII. Old Business
None

IX. New Business
Representative Struthers: I have two quick ones. One I was approached by some senators they’d like us to increase the OSA relationship committee membership to add two senators. Keep it a house committee but add two senators. I would move we allow two senators on the investigative committee.
Representative Van Bossuyt: Second.
Representative Van Bossuyt: I would suggest we might amend that to have an addition with voting rights.
Speaker Hatlen: Friendly?
Representative Struthers: Yeah.
Representative Alvarez: How big is it already?
Representative Struthers: Its currently 5 members. It’s 5 house members and would be 2 senators.

Speaker Pro-Tempore: Call to question.

Speaker Hatlen: We’ll vote to increase the membership of that committee to include 2 senators.

A voice vote was taken. The motion passed.

Representative Struthers: This is only if the house wants to do it here. I would like as a chair if we’re meeting tomorrow to know what you’re looking for the committee to look at as representatives not on the committee. What you want them to look at. You can approach me after the meeting or now.

Speaker Hatlen: If any representatives have specific investigatory needs from the committee. What are you curious about?

Representative Diabat: If you get somebody from the past couple of years to talk about how OSU benefits from OSA. Second thing is to see how much involvement OSU has to do with OSA and third is how is the financial I mean how do our dues spent in OSA?

Representative Brantley: I’d like a copy of their bylaws.

Speaker Hatlen: I believe I have a copy if we want those.

Representative Thomas: Testimony form the people who worked with people in the past.

Representative Van Bossuyt: As many years past as possible.

Representative Struthers: Clarification. In person or written?

Representative Thomas: Either is fine.

Speaker Hatlen: Farbod would be a good one to talk to.

Representative Van Bossuyt: Three things understanding if there was a contract of performance what that would it look like? Also investigation of current staff to see how many beavers are there and if our money is being spent to hire people wearing orange. And to create a non profit similar to OSA, a fresh restart if we go that route.
Speaker Hatlen: I think you have a sufficient head start on that. When you report it might be good to add to that.

X. Speaker’s Announcements

Speaker Hatlen: I’d like to encourage you to go to orstudents.org the OSA website and fill out that survey. It took maybe three minutes out of your busy schedule. We want as much OSU participation as possible almost 10,000 has been collected from others. We maybe only have 12 or 13 and that 10,000 block is not representative of what we want. Get your roommates to do that anyone you know.

Speaker Vanderwall: What’s it about?

Speaker Hatlen: Basically, to hear the priority issues of all the students. To narrow down. If those ones you are not interested in there’s additional space to fill in what you’re concerns are. It’s what you think the organization should focus on in the next two years.

Less professional announcement, my house is putting on a haunted house on 9th and Harrison from 7-11 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Lastly good luck on midterms I know you’re working hard on those and continue coming to your office hours.

XI. Representative Comments

Speaker Pro-Tempore: I’m going to draft something that will encourage the disbanment of the ed act committee because it no longer falls under the authority of ASOSU. I think to have that is overkill the two members by themselves would be plenty sufficient and we could put our efforts elsewhere.

Representative Struthers: As I mentioned the special committee is meeting tomorrow at 6 p.m. in MU 212. We’re setting our bylaws and pretty much what we did here and see what we’re looking at when we send it out to OSA and the executive branch to see if they can answer our questions.

Speaker Hatlen: I want to echo something Patricia brought up last week. I know that Senator Jacob Vandever has taken advantage of talking to her about cultural training.
might behoove some of you to engage in a conversation with her about it. Her office is in Snell 149 in the executive branch. If you have questions let me know.

XII. Gallery Comments

Representative Diabat: I would like to get the house to meet with the senate and create some social events like a potluck to interact. To kind of strengthen our professional relationship.

Speaker Hatlen: I think Representative Stuart was talking about that last week she is sick this week but was avid about those relationships.

Nicole Perez: I would encourage you to look out for our heritage month calendar we’ll have 12-15 events coming up from making dream catchers to dances whatever you want. It would be good to see your faces to start closing the gap.

Speaker Hatlen: They’re actually really fun I encourage you to participate.

XIII. Adjournment

Representative Brantley: I move to adjourn.

Representative Van Bossuyt: Second

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.