ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 09
Forty-Sixth Session

Author(s): Speaker Domike
Sponsor(s):
First Reading: 2 November 2014

WHEREAS, The Vice-President of the Student Association has granted NIU Mahjong Club temporary recognition.
WHEREAS, the senate has the responsibility of approving student groups for complete recognition.

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That the Student Association grants permanent recognition to NIU Mahjong Club.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Jamal Pasha Mohammed, Clerk of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the SIXTEENTH day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.
ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 10
Forty-Sixth Session

Author(s): Speaker Domke
Sponsor(s): 
First Reading: 2 November 2014

WHEREAS, The Vice-President of the Student Association has granted Better Together @ NIU temporary recognition

WHEREAS, the senate has the responsibility of approving student groups for complete recognition

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That the Student Association grants permanent recognition to Better Together @ NIU.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Jamal Pasha Mohammce, Clerk of the Senate

Dillon J. Domke, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the SECOND day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.

Seal:

Joe Frascello, President
ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 11
FORTY-SIXTH SESSION

Author(s): Speaker Domke

First Reading: 2 November 2014

WHEREAS, the Vice-President of the Student Association has granted Alpha Chi Sigma temporary recognition

WHEREAS, the senate has the responsibility of approving student groups for complete recognition

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That the Student Association grants permanent recognition to Alpha Chi Sigma.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Jamal Pasha Mohammec, Clerk of the Senate

Dillon J. Domke, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the SECOND day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.

Joe Fraschello, President
WHEREAS, There are three other points in the Bylaws that state a clause in support of neutrality. Those are located as follows; Part II Article II §1 “Public Neutrality”, Part III Article I §2 “Viewpoint Neutrality”, and Part IV Article I §3 “Viewpoint Neutrality”.

WHEREAS, There is a need to be consistent with the scope of our bylaws and present ourselves in a certain way in all areas of voting.

WHEREAS, There is also a need for all Senators to judge an at large candidate in an objective manner, and not by their affiliations alone.

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That there be inserted into the Bylaws of the Northern Illinois University Student Association Senate a clause requiring viewpoint neutrality. That clause shall state “all SA officials involved in the Senate Vacancy approval process must make all decisions in a viewpoint-neutral fashion. All candidates shall be judged objectively on their personal merit and character and not upon the views of the groups or organizations in which they are affiliated with.”

Part I Article II §5.C be amended as follows (Additions to be in red)

C. The Senate Seat Replacement Criteria and procedures are as follows:

1. Candidates for all Student Association office shall be NIU students in good academic standing.

2. All candidates for Student Association office must sign a waiver releasing their names and Student identification number allowing him/her to determine if the student is in good academic standing through the Office of Registration and Records.

3. Re-entering students shall be eligible for candidacy for Student Association posts.

4. All candidates for Senate seat replacement positions must have attended at least one full Student Association Senate meeting prior to candidacy for Senate. (To ascertain attendance, potential candidates must check in with the Senate Clerk within five minutes of roll being called and be present when their name is called at the final roll call at the adjournment of the meeting.)

5. All Candidates must obtain 50 signatures from their constituents prior to submitting the application to the Speaker. The signatures must include the students full name, signature, Z-ID number, and local phone number.
6. Candidates must have turned in an application for the Senate seat replacement position to the SA Senate Speaker at least 48 hours prior to the Senate meeting in which they are first presented.

7. At the meeting in which they are presented the applicants will be given the opportunity to give a speech no longer than five minutes in order to address the Senate on their reasons for becoming a senator.

8. The order in which applicants will be allowed to speak will be the same order in which the applications were turned into the Senate Speaker. However, each applicant will be considered separately for each open seat. No applicant can be considered before an applicant who is qualified and turned in their completed application first.

9. After the candidate’s speech the Senate floor will be open for the Senate to ask the candidate questions. Each senator will have five (5) minutes to ask questions and receive answers. Following all candidate speeches, the candidates will wait outside Senate chambers as the Senate discusses the candidates.

10. After Senate closes discussion, each candidate will be voted on individually in the order in which they spoke. Any candidate who has completed the process outlined above, and is not selected to join the Senate will be required to attend an additional entire meeting before being considered again.

11. All SA officials involved in the Senate Vacancy approval process must make all decisions in a viewpoint-neutral fashion. All candidates shall be judged objectively on their personal merit and character and not upon the views of the group(s) or organization(s) in which they are affiliated with.

12. The applicants must be approved by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting.

13. The newly approved senators will take office after the voting has taken place on all candidates at that meeting.

14. If a Senator is removed from the senate for any reason other than resignation, military service, or medical emergency, they shall not be eligible to apply or be appointed to the Senate. They may, however, be elected into the Senate in the fall election. No person who has been removed from office in the Student Association by the Senate under the Constitution shall be eligible to apply or be appointed to the Senate.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

[Signature]
Jamal Pasha Mohammed, Clerk of the Senate
Dillon J. Ponzke, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the SECOND day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.

SEAL:

Joe Frascello, President

[Seal of the Student Association]
ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 13
Forty-Sixth Session

Author(s): Speaker Domke

Sponsor(s):

First Reading: 9 November 2014

WHEREAS, The Vice-President of the Student Association has granted Society of Plastic Engineers temporary recognition

WHEREAS, the senate has the responsibility of approving student groups for complete recognition

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That the Student Association grants permanent recognition to Society of Plastic Engineers.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Jamal Pasha Mohamned, Clerk of the Senate

Dillon J. Domke, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the SIXTEENTH day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.
ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 14
Forty-Sixth Session

Author(s): Speaker Domke

Sponsor(s):

First Reading: 9 November 2014

WHEREAS, The Vice-President of the Student Association has granted Tumbao temporary recognition
WHEREAS, the senate has the responsibility of approving student groups for complete recognition

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That the Student Association grants permanent recognition to Tumbao.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Jamal Pasha Mohamed, Clerk of the Senate

Dillon J. Domke, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the NINTH day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.

Joe Frascello, President
ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 15
Forty-Sixth Session

Author(s): Speaker Domke

Sponsor(s): Senator Warsi

First Reading: 9 November 2014

WHEREAS, ad-hoc committees are temporary committees of the Senate that may be created by the Speaker with the approval of the Senate or by a majority vote of the Senate to serve a particular purpose.

WHEREAS, the Speaker may appoint an ad-hoc committee to study any matter brought before them or the Senate that does not particularly relate to any standing committee.

WHEREAS, the Speaker has deemed it necessary to establish an ad-hoc committee on campus diversity.

WHEREAS, the Speaker has deemed it necessary to establish an ad-hoc committee to support the university and President Baker's initiatives to further cultivate diversity on this campus, especially that of adding the position of Chief Diversity Officer.

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That the Student Association shall establish the “Campus Diversity” ad-hoc committee.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Jamal Pasha Mohammed, Clerk of the Senate

Dillon J. Domke, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the NINTH day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.
ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 16
Forty-Sixth Session

Author(s): Speaker Domke

Sponsor(s):

First Reading: 16 November 2014

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Student Association to appropriate student funds to aid organizations around campus,

WHEREAS, NIU Prism is a recognized Student Organization and has submitted documentation to apply for Supplemental funding from the Student Association Senate,

WHEREAS, The club would like to travel to a conference in February and bring 25 students to that conference,

WHEREAS, The conference will cost $80 per person (times 25 people) is $2,000

WHEREAS, This request has been reviewed by the Speaker, Treasurer, and the Rules and Procedures committee as to its legitimacy within the scope of the Bylaws,

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That the supplemental funds in the amount of $2,000 are allocated to NIU Prism for the specific use of covering the registration fees for the 2015 MBLGTACC Conference.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

[Signature]
Jamal Pasha Mohammad, Clerk of the Senate

Dillon J. Domke, Speaker of the Senate
This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the SIXTEENTH day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.

SEAL:

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Joe Frascello, President
ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 17
Forty-Sixth Session

Author(s): Senator Kremli
Sponsor(s): Rules & Procedures Committee
First Reading: 16 November 2014

WHEREAS, The constitution states that an enrolled student shall be defined as anyone taking a credit hour course at NIU, without respect to part-time, full-time, undergraduate, or graduate status. This clause can be located as follows: Article II §3 "Membership".

WHEREAS, The constitution states that to hold any elected or appointed position within the SA a student must not be on academic probation or punishment for academic or criminal misconduct with the University, and the student must have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least a 2.5 during his or her tenure in office or be in their first semester at the University. This clause can be located as follows: Article II §4 "Qualifications for Office".

WHEREAS, The General Regulations of the Graduate Student Catalog states that to remain in good academic standing a graduate student must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.00 in all graduate courses required on the student’s program of courses. This clause can be located in the General Regulations of the Graduate Student Catalog.

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate en act:

That there be an amendment to the Constitution of the Northern Illinois University Student Association a clause requiring that all graduate students elected or appointed to an office must maintain their required grade point average to remain in good academic standing with the university. That clause shall state: “To hold any elected or appointed position within the SA a student must not be on academic probation or punishment for academic or criminal misconduct with the University. Undergraduate students must have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.500 during his or her tenure in office or be in their first semester at the University. Graduate students must have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.000 during his or her tenure in office or be in their first semester at the University. This shall apply to all officers, senators, and representatives of the SA.”

Article II §4 be amended as follows (Additions to be in red)

To hold any elected or appointed position within the SA a student must not be on academic probation or punishment for academic or criminal misconduct with the University. Undergraduate students must have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.500 during his or her tenure in office or be in their first semester at the University. Graduate students must have and maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.000 during his or her tenure in office or be in their first semester at the University. This shall apply to all officers, senators, and representatives of the SA. In addition, to hold the office of President, Vice President, Treasurer, or any other paid SA position an undergraduate student must also be enrolled in the Fall and Spring for Twelve (12) semester hours; all other students must also be enrolled for nine (9) semester hours.
This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

[Signature]
Jamal Pasha Mohammed, Clerk of the Senate

[Signature]
Dillon J. Danke, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the SEVENTH day of DECEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.

[Seal]
Joe Frascello, President
ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 18
Forty-Sixth Session

Author(s): Speaker Domke

Sponsor(s):

First Reading: 16 November 2014

WHEREAS, ; The Vice-President of the Student Association has granted NIU Badminton Club temporary recognition.

WHEREAS, ; the senate has the responsibility of approving student groups for complete recognition.

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That the Student Association grants permanent recognition to NIU Badminton Club.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Jamal Pasha Mohammed, Clerk of the Senate

Dillon J. Domke, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the TWENTY-THIRD day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.

Joe Frascello, President
WHEREAS, the Bylaws as they stand do not list a deadline for expenditure submission at the end of the fiscal year,

WHEREAS, student organizations who submit expenditure forms too close to the end of the fiscal year may not be able to be processed in a timely manner,

WHEREAS, a deadline would be beneficial to both Marzena and the submitting organization so that there will be ample time before the end of the fiscal year,

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That a deadline of the Second Friday in June be established as the latest a student organization can turn in an expenditure form that will be processed using funds from the current fiscal year. An addition to Part IV Article IV §2 of the Bylaws shall read as follows:

"Section 2

Expenditures

A. All expenditures by an organization must be approved in the organization's annual budget or approved as a change by the Treasurer. All expenditures must be pre-approved and expenditure forms must be submitted to the SA prior to any and all purchases. Any purchases or obligating money for services or items that have not been previously approved will leave the individual(s) personally responsible for covering those expenses. Northern Illinois University, nor the SA, will cover expenditures that were not pre-approved through the funding and expenditure process. The NIU Advisor and the organization's president and treasurer must sign the SA Expenditure Form.

B. All expenditure forms must be submitted by the 2nd Friday of the month of June, for use in the current fiscal year. This Clause pertains to those monies allotted to organizations by the SA and not those funds that may have been raised by an organization."

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.
I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Jamal Pasha Mohammed, Clerk of the Senate

Dillon L. Donker, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the TWENTY-THIRD day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.

Joe Frascello, President
ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 20
FORTY-SIXTH SESSION

Author(s): Speaker Domke

Sponsor(s):

First Reading: 23 November 2014

WHEREAS, The Treasurer of the Student Association has brought to the attention of the Speaker that the Campus Transportation Fund is no longer funded by the Student Association.

WHEREAS, Part IV Article V §3 refers to the Campus Transportation Fund.

WHEREAS, Any student who looks at the aforementioned section in the Bylaws may be confused and believe there are funds available from the Campus Transportation Fund.

WHEREAS, There are still ways of obtaining funding for transportation through other channels of SA funding.

Therefore, the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That §3 of Part IV Article V be removed from the Bylaws of the Northern Illinois Student Association.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Jamal Pasha Mohammer, Clerk of the Senate

Dillon J. Domke, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the TWENTY-THIRD day of NOVEMBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN.