Senate Minutes
April 10th 2018

Chair: Alan Lee
Secretary: Brigitte Kelly

1. Call to Order
   a. 6:40pm
   b. Quorum 30
   c. Quorum Met with members

2. Roll Call
   a. Card Swipe for All Senators Present

3. Approval of Minutes
Senator Wilkes moved to approve
Senator Neese second
Senator Larocca consent

4. Announcements
Connor Hughes: Regarding Facebook Post by Greg Steckbeck
   - Chairman Grayson recused himself
   - Report be read aloud at the senate
   - Violation of section 5 subsection five letter A number 5 of senate bylaws
   - Senate President incorrectly dismissed a point of order
   - VP should strive to be cognisant to be aware of further violations
   - Senate Rules committee believe it is important to understand rule assignment, this clause shall
Jonathan Williford
   - Who likes Coyote Kitchen?
   - Thursday from 5-8pm in the solarium this Thursday!
   - The REI Spring Forum will be serving coyote kitchen at 7pm
   - There will be interactive workshops (15 minutes) and professors will be there
   - Zero Waste will come, Beekeeping club is coming, Jim dees is doing the bike with human power to grind coffee
   - Lots of things, sending a schedule, encourage you all to attend
   - First hand education about sustainability
   - Applications are open and close two days after the forum, REI has helped with internships and given first hand experience in project development
   - Give this opportunity a chance
   - ITS FREE
New Business
Smith - Point of personal privilege with intent

Jared - I move invoke NC State law to move into executive session

Second and Consent called

Chair - May I discuss why?

Mark - To discuss sensitive matters

Franklin - What are the numbers,

Chair - I’m going to Jeff and Leroy

Franklin - We are a state funded government body this applies, this is a state newspapers

Grayson - From ASG experience, when they move into exec session they state this law, this statute is stated

Chair - ayes have it

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mark - I move for an article 6 section 2, review of Anderson CLayton of 27 violations of student government and bylaws, it is in everyone’s email

Strahan - How long is this going to take?

Mark - I believe I had the second and consent

Chair - Send this to advisors and Kaci

Franklin - This is a send to rules for impeachment?

Mark - This is a review article 6 section 2 to initiate a review

Franklin - ⅔ vote for impeachment, we need to understand what this means
Lundy - What's the big deal and what does this bill mean

Mark - Different constitution sections that President Clayton may have violated, this is by no means an impeachment, this is just a review of Anderson Clayton to make sure she is in bounds

Steckbeck - There are two sessions after this, is there another way to have this review, there has to be some other way to do this

Mark - Review for rules committee

Neese - Impeach means they are calling them to trial, in the technical sense that would mean review

Bouzigard - What is the point of doing this, this is a waste of time

Mark - This would be a way to ensure our student body president is upholding this

Bouzigard - When did you start

Mark - 2-3 weeks about

Bouzigard - When did you start

Mark - It has been a month

Williams - SGA elections, no matter when a violation is filed in the election it is heard, regardless of the timing, this is a review, I don't want us to say there isn't enough time

Wilkes - I do agree in certain cases the timing of this bill may be flawed but at the same time by reading this bill I cannot say that the conception of this bill

Steckbeck - We just went through a two page novel of exec review, I motion to conduct a straw poll on who would be in favor of moving out of exec session

Hughes - Calling for a straw poll is a non-debatable motion

Steckbeck - I rescind my motion

Hughes - Does build what are the charges
Mark - there are 15 pending constitutional violations and 17 bylaws violations, limiting student body senate from passing bills on time, carrying out the constitution, failure to execute responsibilities, Feb 19th to March 23rd Clayton was found on violation of election bylaws

Swanson-Boyd - Line 228, “Anderson Clayton was found in violation of two counts” but there is no research

Mark - those are election bylaws and described, not as double jeopardy

Swanson-Boyd - In some instances the research isn’t there

Chair - I don’t know what to do, I am going to include the advisors on this situation

Moody - I don’t know, doesn’t that go against our rules, they technically aren’t allowed to be in here

Chair - I understand but they are paid by our chancellor to advise the cabinet

Moody - Point of order, this is something we’ve talked about, this is our senate

Chair - I deny the point of order

Wilkes - I could like to reconsider

Chair - this needs a 2/3 vote

iClicker Votes
Ayes - 17 (38)
No - 24 (53)
Abstain - 4 (9)

Chair - That does not pass

Leroy - Thank you for your passion and belief, but I want to remind you that you have a constitution, as I review this tonight, think in terms of you are all peers in this room, the purpose is about senate hear, this legislative piece, there is already the terms, the review of your president she does not have a space, the president is being accused of something she can’t even defend herself for, the approach is not fair, I know a lot of you in this room and there are other emotions
that are attached to this decision, my job is to be neutral, I don’t need to be censored, I can cancel this meeting

Cathey - Well said

Wilkes - the trial would be the due process

Steckbeck - I motion to end discussion and move out of exec

CUMmings - Object

Swanson-Boyd - We need to respect our advisors, it is really unfair to put them in this position and not let them speak up, we should give them the same power they are entitled to

Williams - This is a review, there is nothing to worry about then it should go smoothly, this is to say, let’s review her or not, his intention with this is to have a review and to send her to a review, due process will be present there, it is disrespectful that they had to vote to let them speak

Chair - We have 7 items on the build

Strahan - We are here for the students, out this on the back burner, I move to get out of exec session

Mark - Object

Aye - 15 votes (33%)
No - 28 (61%)
Abstain 3 votes (7%)

Moody - if exec session ends would everyone come in and then we vote,

Franklin - We are discussing a bill

Mark - this is an article not a bill

Franklin - is this on the docket, is this something to take seriously, does it have to be on the docket

Moody - would it be sent to rules?
Wilkes - the article would be sent to rules, it does not have to be on the docket

Franklin - in order for us to consider a bill we have to suspend the rules and we did not do this for this article, cite me where I am wrong

Mark - an article of impeachment or review must be brought to the senate floor

Franklin - if we leave exec session, this item will still be on the floor and still have to vote on it

Robert - I just need to use the potty really quick

Chair - all those in favor of ending discussion say aye, ayes have it discussion ended

Franklin - I move to vote on this article of review

Hughes - Second

Steckbeck - We are just voting to send her to rules?

Franklin - just for impeachment

Brown - We are voting to send the articles or anderson to be reviewed to rules

Neese - Would you explain the impeachment process

Franklin - we send anderson to rules then rules decides impeachment

Wilkes - This is an article of impeachment, impeachment and removal are two different things, we have to think about this objectively

Milbourne - can we please just vote, impeachment is review, removal is removal

Iclicker results:
Yes 23 (51%)
Nay 20 (44%)
Abstain 3 (4%)

Hughes - I move to get out of exec session
Chair - I do not want anything to get anymore political than we are, we are here for the students

Second and Consent Called

Chair - bring em in

OPEN SESSION

Wilkes - I move to send all new business to rules

Second and consent called

Cummings - I motion for a 5 minute recess

Bouzigard - object

Cummings - Emotions are high, I am not coming from a place of malice I just think it would be wise to have a recess

Milbourne - If you feel tense take a point of personal priviledge

Davis - this is a happy bill, I think everyone would be able to come together

Chair - do not want the recess state ayes have it objection has it

SB 051-033
Presenters:
Michael Davis
Diana Cahill
Lauren Hancock

Gen - Objective (3 unfavorable)
Fav - Research
Fav - Technical Merit
Fav - Const
Comments: more implementation articles must be included, extend the warmest gratitude

Cahill - Mountaineer Mealshare, there will be a bank that the students could donate to, a student could apply to this bank to receive money, help to target food insecurities
Steckbeck - would there be term limits for money, or would it roll over

Cahill - It would roll over, the fund would never be touched

Robert - Who is running the bank

Cahill - Dean of Students, SGA, university advancement, office of sustainability

Trivette - application process, what are the qualifications

Cahill - if they are on financial aid, with that being said it is a student to student process, Joanna asked in the last meeting, it is very personalized, if you're blowing you're money

Davis - it is a holistic process

Cross - GONE (iclicker 45)

Milbourne - is there a way to not consider GPA, is there a way we can control that

Cahill - We would look favorably upon an amendment

Davis - We do want good standing with student conduct

Milbourne - Good academic standing, this is a content amendment

Larocca - The money at the end of the year, can that be donated,

Cahill - the money left over at the end of the year goes to food services, we discussed maybe left over senate money to be sent to the bank

Lago - Can you talk about academic standing, the criteria for applying would be meeting GPA requirement and DeJon would like to make an amendment to say academic standing

Lago - Any idea how to define it

Milbourne - it is defined

Hancock - it would be more above it, this is an individual process and they could explain why their grades are x,y and z
Davis - food insecurity can often be caused by a low GPA.

James - does the money roll over?... oh already answered

Joseph - I would like to add an amendment to make the spending history to be available to the selection committee.

Biaggi - did you say something about jobs off campus, is that taken into account?

Cahill - yes that is, this is a peek into the financial life.

Biaggi - would this take awhile?

Cahill - We can’t really speak to that, it would depend on applicants.

Hancock - it's going to be rolling admissions and acceptances.

Neese - How necessary is the guest meal plan necessary?

Cahill - we are actually taking that out of the bill.

Larocca - Resolved clause, your investigations for financial needs will be with the financial aid office.

Hancock - the committee is a wide variety of people, when they get the application there will be a group consensus.

Davis - financial aid needs to be involved to check the money process.

Milbourne - if it is set up as an endowment, could the money be invested and make it’s own money.

Brown - tax purposes?

Cahill - this is a donation.

Hughes - 501c3 so the university is tax exempt.
Cummings - is it possible to take everything with the gpa off?

Milbourne - I meant good academic standing

Steckbeck - I motion to end questioning

Second and consent

Davis - food insecurity is a big issues

Lago - i motion to open discussion indefinitely

Second and consent called

Lago - university standards is 2.0 and 67% of credit hours

Moody - I think we should remove anything regarding GPA because it means you have to do well in school to eat, I have read things before that students could not walk to class because they were hungry

Cahill - we completely agree, we would favorably look upon an amendment

Neese - Considering the criteria, the only one we should be considering is the need of the student

Brown - Are we suggesting GPA Requirement to be removed

Steckbeck - the whole academic is being removed

Neese - I move to end discussion

Second and Consent called

Steckbeck - I move to amend this bill by striking any academic content

Chair - the ayes have it

Cahill - I move to amend the 4th resolve clause to state: “there will be two primary donation channels for this meal share program: student to student donations and non-student donations; and be it further”
I move to appeal the 8th resolve clause

I move to amend the 3rd whereas clause to state: “based on our survey of 100 Appalachian State University students on November 28, 2017, 78.00% of students said that they would be willing to receive or donate as a part of a meal sharing program on Appalachian’s campus. Of that 78.00%, 46.00% said they would be willing to donate and 32.00% said they would be willing to receive; and,”

Only if necessary: I move to amend SB 051-023 to be a support bill

Seocnd and consent called

Chair - the ayes have it AMENDMENT PASSES

Moody - Can we move back into discussion

BACK INTO DISCUSSION

Moody - I am not in favor of the student having to be in good standing with student conduct

Lago - If they have a citation for drinking and drugs, that doesn’t mean they don’t deserve food

Franklin - everyone deserves food

Williams - The conduct standing, does that mean a minor infraction,

Chair - I cannot clarify that

Davis - no pending or active sanctions, even if you’ve a committed that means you’ve right your wrongs and the sanctions have been followed through

Steckbeck - minor drinking charge is still denying someone to apply

Cahill - everything is taken into account and it was a minor case, we are not trying to exclude anyone, everyone is supposed to apply, I understand they would not be joyous to

Moody - Students must be currently enrolled in good academic and in good standing with student conduct
Singletary - point of privilege without intent to return

Cathey - y’all who vote for this would want it to be implemented, the administration sees housing and being fed is more important than academic and student conduct, you’re spending a lot of time determining something that is keeping this from being implemented, forgive me for speaking that long

Hughes - I move to end discussion

MOTION PASSES

Moody - I move to amend to remove any language that they must be in good standing with the student conduct office

Williams - Objection, these are things they want to happen, maybe just replace “must” with “should”

Moody - I rescind

Neese - I move into discussion

MOTION PASSES

Franklin - administration is going to do whatever they want

Hughes - we do represent the students here, if you are in favor of how the bill is currently favorable, I don’t want to look my peers in the face and say they don’t deserve food

Joseph - I applaud you three, we need to think about the constituents and the students

Steckbeck - motion to end discussion

MOTION PASSES

Moody - I move to amend to remove any language that they must be in good standing with the student conduct office, specifically in the 2 resolved clause

MOTION PASSES
Franklin - I move to vote on this bill

Chair - the ayes have it

BILL PASSES

*standing ovation*

Alan G. Lee leaves and Olivia Bouzigard takes over chairmanship

Szczghkcfh,dsfjkjdsfj,bhdfh,bj - point of personal priviledge

SB 051-026
Presenter:
Connor Hughes

Fav - Obj
Fav - Research
Fav - Tech Merit
Fav - Const

Hughes - SAT scores are becoming optional, a lot of the research shows SAT and ACT scores has racial and economic biases, one thing you have to consider is we are a school that struggles with minority appointment, everyone still has to submit there SAT or ACT but this bill would implement a box with the option to not include the SAT in the wholistic review of the bill

Wilkes - As someone who has worked with admissions, SAT and ACT was talked about, how can you ensure that the individual who decides to not include the score has an accurate application

Hughes - Talked to Alexis Pope the admissions director, the feasability is there, the biases will be there and the best thing to do is remove biases

Larocca - the admission officers will see the score?

Hughes - the two step process would be checked to see if they meet the requiremnt
Neese - I sat in on the admission committee, the gpa or sat are so good that they get an invitation, the middle ground students are determined by many standards, ACT and SAT being one of them

Hughes - they predict your GPA in four years, it’s a plug in system

Smith - I agree on this bill in every way, in my experience, my scores were low and my gpa was high, this is the first school of the unc system, so us, board of trustees and then board of governors

Hughes - admission committee of ASU has their own bylaws, we would be the first school, but there is another school that will remained un-named that is also vieying for this legislation

Smith - Williamsburg, Wake Forest, how would you measure

Hughes - website you can go to that I used, University of Texas at Austin, this bill does not call for permanent change but for a four year trial period

Mark - Two forms of application, common app and mountaineer portal how would it work for common app

Hughes - the appalachian end would consider it

Steckbeck - I motion to end questioning

MOTION PASSES

Milbourne - I motion we vote via voice vote

Majority ayes
1 no
1 abstention

Chair - Ayes have it

Milbourne - i move to suspend the rules

Second and consent called

MOTION PASSES
Milbourne - senators are trying to petition in, he wants us to set a precedent, as soon as this bill passes then any student could petition into the bill

Cahill - is this for next session?

Hughes - yes

Steckbeck - motion to end questioning

MOTION PASSES

Hunter - I motion to vote

Second and consent called

BILL PASSES

Neese - i move to table all business until the next meeting

MOTION PASSES

Grayson - Student senate video

Joseph - holi festival of colors 1-3, march for our lives april 21st, april 16th virginia tech shooting anniversary, take a moment of silence at 4pm

Steckbeck - motion to adjorn

Second and consent called

MOTION PASSES

Meeting adjourned 8:33pm