



UWF SGA  
Senate  
5/4/19

Call to Order 2:30 PM  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call

Present: 17

Absent: 5

Adoption of Agenda

- April 5, 2019 agenda is approved as sent.
  - Vote:
    - Yes: 17
    - No: 0
    - The agenda is approved as presented

Approval of Minutes of Senate from March 29, 2019.

- Vote:
  - Yes: 17
  - No: 0
  - The minutes from senate on March 29, 2019 are approved as presented.

Guest Speaker

a. Dining Services

- Piece of a puzzle, independent pieces to make a great picture
- We've been looking at our dining program as a whole puzzle, trying to fill in empty pieces to make the picture complete
- We have been looking at what Generation Z students want and try to anticipate their needs
- We now have chicken, tex-mex, sandwiches, pizza, burgers, caffeine, but what else were we missing?

- President's Hall is where our puzzle was not complete. We want to complete it with POD Micro Market and Bento!
- Micro Market: a demand/convenience store that is open 24/7! They will have fresh grab and go, quick meals, health and beauty, chips and drinks, etc.
- We were also missing Asian food!! Introducing Bento!

Chair Tobar and Sen. D. Miller came late.

#### Administrative Addresses

##### a. Dr. Frye

- Thank you 51st Senate for all your work and dedication that you gave the student body this semester! I continue working with you if you are staying to help move your platforms forward. I received your award as a distinguished staff member today and that meant so much to me. Although I am your dean and not your dad, it sometimes feels like you guys are family to me.

#### New Business

##### a. 18 - 19 Resolution X, reading of the resolution by Sen. Hunter Lyons

- Program by the Families First Network in collaboration with the Kugelman Honors Program to prevent child abuse down the line
- Recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention Month

Questions: None

Debate:

- Sen. Lyons: If you would like to participate there is blue nail polish being passed around in order to raise awareness for this movement.

##### - Vote:

- Yes: 19
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0
- 18-19 Resolution X passes unanimously.

There is a motion by Sen. Morrison to have the second reading of the resolution today.

- Second: Sen N. Miller

Debate: None

##### - Vote

- Yes: 19
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0

- The second reading of 18-19 Resolution X passes unanimously.

#### Executive Addresses

##### a. President Malone

- Not here today but sends his farewell wishes to the 51st Senate.

##### b. Vice President Johnson

- Please let me know if you are coming to the end of year banquet!
  - Sen. Tran: I haven't received a google invite yet!
  - VP Johnson: Yes, please just email me letting me know!

##### c. Chief of Staff Calvert

- It's been an honor being your chief!
- If you are moving on to different endeavors, please know you are always a friend of SGA!

##### d. Treasurer McCabe

#### Legislative Addresses

##### a. Budget and Allocations Committee - Chair Negrón

- Casey: \$500 for travel abroad
- Miles: 8 students going to Japan this summer
- International affairs asking for an international student event over summer welcoming them to UWF - \$250
- Fashion club for their spring show - \$200

##### b. Campus Affairs - Chair Tobar

- Distinguished Staff awards:
- Matthew McKinney, Teresa Burgess, Dr. Frye, Cynthia Miller and Ethan Henley

##### c. Student Affairs - Chair King

- Diversity Week beginning April 11th!
- 4/11 Diversity Painting Event at 6:30 in the Auditorium
- 4/10 Global Block Party. Need help passing out food at 10:30 AM! Please let me know if you can help!
- Exam Jam

##### d. Freshmen Committee - Ruben Gardner

- Thank you to the outgoing senators and seniors for being such great mentors to us!

##### e. Senate Addresses

## Cabinet Addresses

- a. Director of Communications Clark
  - Thank you for an amazing year! We have grown a lot together. Congrats to those re-elected as you begin to start your own new endeavors! For those getting sworn in today, have a great experience and enjoy it!

## Swearing In

- a. New Administration
  - Zenani Johnson as SGA President
  - Jamie Calvert as SGA Vice President
  - Mario Tobar as SGA Treasurer
- b. New Senate
  - i. CASSH Senators
    - Ashton Bosso, Kayla Rau, Keyshawn Rogers, Virginia Morrison
  - ii. CEPS Senators
    - Matthew Arnold, Nuriel Miller, Arianna Moore
  - iii. COB Senators
    - Thanh Tran, Madison Alexander, Dierre Johnson
  - iv. HMCSE Senators
    - Noemi Gayton, Hunter Lyons, Jordan Negron, Tamani Williams and Alexander Gibbs, Alyssa Borelli
  - v. UKCOH Senators
    - Mary Sheldon Williams, Ruben Gardner, Eric Kennedy, Christopher Baptiste and Erin Larkin

## Committee Chair Voting

- a. Senate Pro-tempore
  - Nominations:
    1. Noemi Gayton by Sen. Gardner, seconded by Sen. Lyons
    2. Sen. Arnold nominates himself, seconded by Sen. N. Miller
    3. Sen. Bosso nominates herself, seconded by Sen. N. Miller
  - Introduction by Senator Gayton
    - One of the first times I was in this room was through Freshmen Committee. I want to make UWF feel like home for our students. One of the major things I hold dearly is food insecurity. AMSA, Student Ambassadors and Freshmen Committee has taught me a lot about the importance of communication. I am fully aware and prepared to commit to the duties of this office. Senate Pro Temp isn't something I would take lightly and I wouldn't be up here if I didn't feel comfortable taking on this position.

- Question by Sen. Tran: What other organizations would possibly interfere with this position?
  - Pearl, AMSA, Student Ambassadors but none of these would interfere with SGA.
- Question by Sen. N. Miller: How have these orgs helped you?
  - Pre-dental society secretary and have learned to work with pres and VP
- Question by Sen. Lyons: Can you explain more on the duty of this office for the newcomers?
  - Reviewing legislation, meeting with Pres, VP, COS, absence appeals committee
- Introduction by Sen. Arnold
  - 3rd year in SGA here. I have wanted to go for Pro Temp as i have been getting more into projects, resolutions and bills. Last year I worked on a project to add some phone chargers to the library which got me passionate about projects. I've worked on the accessibility walk projects and hispanic heritage alongside an ad hoc committee and the Diversity Chair position. This year I want to push for more and be in a position where I can learn more about the statutes and constitution.
  - Question by Sen. Tran: Of all of your projects, what skills have you gained that would make you a good Senate Pro Temp?
    - I had no clue how to do anything resolution/bill related even though I had read them before. I've worked with Brodie and Leonie Dupuis, a previous Pro Temp, to look at how I can adjust and revise resolutions and bills.
  - Question by D. Comm Clark: How would you be able to remain unbiased and abiding by rules in this position?
    - I have had to deal with items of mental health and things going on in my life but these aspects would be part of the position that I would learn to do and grow as I took on this position.
- Introduction by Senator Bosso
  - CAB and SGA involvement outside of Senate. I want to make sure that I can help people craft their bills so that they are prepared to present their bill in Senate. SGA will be my number one priority next

semester as I believe that I can make a huge impact on our campus in this way. I am willing to put in the times and hours to make sure the bills that are presented here are the best that they can be.

- Question by Sen. Tran: What are some examples that would make you a great Senate Pro Temp?
  - I was in charge of sign up sheets, making sure everyone knew their roles and put lists down, sending reminders. On campus I was also VP Event Planning for Alpha Gam which gave me experience filling out forms and being organized
- Question by Sen. Lyons: How do you justify being a freshman and not having a lot of experience yet?
  - I see it as a positive as I was still involved in highschool with Debate Team, working with minutes, cutting and preparing pieces etc. and I think that this experience will still follow through into Senate Pro Temp.

#### Debate:

- Sen. Negron: I would like to advocate for Noemi Gayton as I have seen her grow over the campaign season. She is reliable and always there when you need her. She has her ducks in a row. She is very qualified for this position.
- Sen. Garden: I would like to speak in favor of Sen. Gayton. She really helped me organize some items that even I slipped on. She took the reigns on the Haunted House and said hey, let me organize this for you so that you can focus on other things.
- Sen. Tran advocating for Sen. Bosso. She was great at delegating her tasks between SGA and CAB in order to meet all of her responsibilities.
- VP Johnson advocating for Sen. Gayton. I have seen several Pro Temps come through and she exhibits all of the qualities that an excellent Senate Pro Temp should have.

#### Vote for Senate Pro Tempore:

- Gayton: 16
- Arnold: 4
- Bosso: 1

The new Senate Pro Temp will be Noemi Gayton.

- Noemi Gayton is sworn in.
  - b. Budget and Allocations Chair
    - Nominations:
      1. Sen. Negron nominates Ruben Gardner second by Sen. Lyons

2. Sen. Lyons nominates Sen. Morrison second by Sen. Moore
- Introduction by Sen. Ruben Gardner
    - I served as the Freshmen Committee chair and worked a lot with the Malone Johnson administration. I planned events such as the Law and Your Community and our haunted house. I realized that i had an interest in the budget chair as it makes a difference on campus. I have learned a lot about leadership via Student Ambassadors, Orientation and I have learned a lot from exec members this past year.
    - Sen N Miller: What other orgs are you in would help you in this position?
      - Student ambassadors and Orientation leader has helped develop my leadership skills
    - Sen. N Miller: Can you elaborate more on your time as FC Chair?
      - Planned a lot of events such as the Haunted House, The You and the Law event, setting up interviews, getting reservations and staying organized
    - Sen. Lyons: leadership experience in high school?
      - Commanding officer in JROTC and Student body VP and Class president
    - Sen. Tran: How would you manage committee member's different perspectives?
      - Put personal feelings aside and remind committee that we are here to work for the benefit of the students.
    - POI Pres. Johnson: The chair does not have a vote in that role so they would strictly be there to lead the committee
  - Introduction by Sen. Morrison
    - Served as budgets Vice Chair. I would rather not take this position as chair. But I do want to focus more on diversity. If appointed, I would serve the best I can, but I would rather focus more on the diversity aspect projects at this time.
    - Question by DComm Clark: Are you still wanting this position?
    - POI: You can reject a nomination.
    - Sen. Morrison rescinds her nomination.

Debate:

- Sen. N. Miller: Very excited for him to get this position. Ruben far exceeded anything I could have imagined for freshman committee and he is such a powerhouse. Please don't vote no!
- Sen. Lyons: Being in student ambassadors and being an orientation, he is such a great leader.
- Sen. Negrón: He is one of the most dedicated people I know and I am so proud to be able to work with him as a senator. I was also a freshman coming into this position with no financial background, but this position is more about being able to lead a group of people and Ruben has that capability.

Vote:

- Yes: 21
- No: 0
- Abstention: 0
- The motion passes unanimously and Ruben Gardner is now the Budget and Allocations Chair.

The swearing in of Ruben Gardner as the Budget and Allocations Chair.

c. University Affairs Chair

- Nominations:
  - Sen. Negrón nominates Sen. N. Miller second Sen. Lyons
    - Introduction by Sen. Miller
      - 3rd year in SGA. Local to Pensacola and thought UWF was just a local school, but I fell in love with this campus and administration. Served as FC chair, served on university affairs committee working on the three main things: green fee, DTA and DSA. I have experience with this so I wouldn't be going in blind.
    - Question by Sen. Negrón: How has your experience helped you with this position?
      - University affairs means you're the liaison from admin and students. I know what the position entails as I have helped this year, I am community affairs for my fraternity and serve as a liaison from the fraternity to the community. I started Young Americans for Freedom and remain President on their board, I have been involved with 2 Bible studies while being here and have gained leadership skills that will help me with this position.

Debate:



- Chair Gardner: He has shown professionalism and great mentorship to me. He showed me what and what not to do. He has even guided me when I was on the wrong path. I am in favor of him.
- Sen. Morrison: served on FC with him and he has grown a lot as a leader and a person. He has done a lot so far and I'd like to see him grow more as a chair.

Vote:

- Yes: 21
- No:
- Abstentions:
- The motion passes unanimously and Nuriel Miller becomes the University Affairs Chair.

The swearing in of Nuriel Miller.

d. Student Affairs Chair

- Nominations:
  - Sen. Morrison nominates Sen. Tran second by Sen. Lyons
  - Chair Gardner nominates Sen. Williams second by pro temp Gayton
  - Sen. Lyons nominates Sen. Kennedy second by Chair Miller
    - Introduction of Sen. Tran:
      - served as FC member and represented COB last year. SGA has helped develop my public speaking skills and fighting for student rights and needs. I am proactive on the student affairs committee that I was on this past year. I want to find that missing link that this committee has had in the past. Budgets and university affairs have more of a process to go off of, but student affairs is an open book with no words, but I want to lead this committee to be able to guide that.
  - Chair Gardner: What other orgs involved in that led you to think about this position?
    - CAB exec, RA in village west where I brought the upperclassmen community together, award for secretary of the year. Want to do more for nontraditional students.
  - Introduction for Senator Williams

- HMSCE senator. I am passionate about making UWF a home for every student. This is more than just a speech to get votes. If you have me on social media, I have #diveintodiversity as my own personal hashtag. I have always wanted to be in SGA. Even though I wasn't in SGA last year, that doesn't mean that I did not do my part to help the campus. I want to continue to help the ICC inter club council with Chair Gardner to help all clubs communicate and plan their events.
- Chair Miller : Prior experience and how has it helped you?
  - Started in high school SGA sophomore year. Junior year historian and junior class historian. Senior year student body president and senior class treasurer. This is not my first rodeo. I'm in AASA and took some roles that most freshman wouldn't have.
- Sen. Baptiste: What are some things you noticed outside of SGA that you know want to work on now that you're in SGA?
  - Many issues over social media and lack of respect between student orgs and students themselves which makes it not feel like this campus is home.
- Sen. Miller: Do you know what you would be doing on a day to day basis?
  - Liaison between student orgs and events making sure they are executed efficiently and answering questions/concerns. ICC will only help me as that is the whole purpose of their club.
- DComm Clark: What activities and Write out Wednesdays would you like to enact?
  - I want to do more partnerships. Although this seems small, many groups hold similar events drawing two completely different crowds attend. I want to alleviate barriers and mix groups up so that students don't feel confined to one group.
- Introduction for Senator Kennedy

- Non-traditional commuter student. Connecting with the student body is super important to me. Students get a better experience by knowing what's going on. I am an exec member of CAB and organize food for their events. We have been trying to reach all students with our events and use data to try to reach all students better.
  - Sen. Lyons: Beyond CAB do you have other experience?
    - Ran a company of 12 employees in pensacola, big brothers big sisters mentor, in Nursing exec board with multiple past positions
  - Sen. Negron: What is something you would like to change or implement?
    - The position has a lot to do with data collection and ensuring good connections with the students. I would like to continue doing some of what Sen. King has done. I want to connect more with the students who do not live here. I don't want to neglect students here, but reach out more to nontraditional students.

## Debate

- Sen. Moore: Sen. Williams did very great and I vouch for her.
- Sen. Rogers: I vouch for Sen. Williams. This is my first year in SGA but I am promotions chair for CAB. Tamani has a lot of drive, dedication and hard work and I believe she would be a good candidate.
- Chair Gardner: Favor of Sen. Kennedy is amazing of what he does and he really cares about students.
- Sen. Lyons: Thanh was one of the most active people on the committee this past year. She helped Chris King a lot and did well to check in on a lot of us on the committee which was very helpful and I support her.
- Sen. Negron: Sen Kennedy has a really good idea of what this position entails and his past experience makes him very mature and well-qualified.
- Sen. Gibbs: I can say that all 3 are excellent choices. Sen. Williams has had much drive every time I see her. I feel that any 3 would be a great fit for the jon.
- Chair Miller: I want to vouch for Eric Kennedy as he pledged my fraternity. He was kind of shy up there today. He served on CAB as hospitality chair which is all about student affairs - making sure students are getting involved and having opportunity to interact with each other. He is on the nursing board and they believed in him enough to give him that position. He is a tutor. He makes a

personal connection with people that he is involved with. He knows how to genuinely talk to people and he cares about the individual. He understands the commuter aspect of this campus which makes out a large portion of our university. He also knows that data collection is a big portion of what this job entails.

- Sen. Negrón: Eric Kennedy reached out to Pres. Malone, VP Johnson, and myself last year to start a bike share program. There aren't many people who keep to their projects, take initiative and follow the proper steps to see a project through.

Vote:

- Sen. Kennedy: 12
- Sen. Tran: 5
- Sen. Williams: 4

Eric Kennedy will now be the Student Affairs Chair.

The swearing in of Chair Kennedy.

#### Appointments

##### a. President's Cabinet

##### I. Chief of Staff Jordan Negrón

- Introduction from Sen. Negrón:
- From Connecticut and came here to UWF to expand myself. Served on Freshmen Committee and FSE PEKO funding chair, RA, head delegate for model UN. SGA is one of the closest things to my heart. I was honored when President Johnson and VP Calvert presented me with Chief of Staff. I would be overseeing the Cabinet and helping Pres. Johnson with any projects. I am honored and excited to be nominated for this position.
- Sen. Morrison: What are you looking forward to most?
- Student experience section of the Johnson- Calvert platform.

Debate:

- Sen. Morrison: He is super organized, passionate about anything he does, determined and I know he will do a wonderful job.
- Sen. Moore: I met him this year and he is really nice to everyone.
- Chair Gardner: He touched my heart when I met him. He guided freshman and welcomed them with open arms. I feel like he would be great because he is always fair.
- VP Calvert: I served as chief for a year and Jordan possesses the qualities that is needed of a great COS. He has interacted with students and admin a lot through Budgets.

Vote:

- Yes: 21
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0
- Jordan Negron is now appointed as the Chief of Staff.

The swearing in as Jordan Negron as Chief of Staff.

## II. Kris Lott for Director of Communications

- Introduction from Kris Lott:
  - I am the current social media coordinator for SGA. I got to work directly with DComm Clark and she has been the light during my time in SGA and showed me how to do my job effectively. I would not have been as effective as I was or felt as good being where I am right now. I had marketing leadership in 3 other orgs sophomore year before becoming a senator. I would like to implement an email list to traditionally market to students and this is something I am familiar with from past experience. I would like to get students talking to us via Q&A's and social media contests to get them involved with SGA.

Debate:

- DComm Clark: I couldn't think of anyone better to take this position. He has been my rock this year. The ideas and creativity he has adds a lot to this position. He is so kind, smart and creative and I know that he is amazing ideas.
- Sen. Gibbs: He really only told half of the story. He is one of the friendliest people you will ever meet. He loves talking to people and making sure they are enjoying their time on campus. He is the new RA of President's Hall which works a lot with student outreach. He is also great at physical and personal communication besides virtual communication.
- COS Negron: He is so kind and approachable. He is one of those people that is like a breath of fresh air and he would add a lot to this Cabinet.

Vote:

- Yes: 21
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0
- This appointment passes unanimously. Kris Lott is now the Director of Communications.

The swearing in of Kris Lott as Director of Communications.

## Executive Addresses

- a. President Johnson
  - Thank you all so much! I look forward to working with each of you. We want to ask each senator what projects you want to work on throughout your journey here. We are ready to take this institution to new limits!
- b. VP Calvert
  - If you went for a position today and did not get voted in, you all spoke very eloquently and I want this momentum to carry forward. We are all here to work together.
  - Thank you for your patience throughout this Senate!
- c. COS
  - I am so excited to get the work started. Excited to get to work with each and every one of you! If you have any questions at all please approach me and I think this next year will change SGA on this campus for the better.
- d. Treasurer Tobar

## Legislative Addresses

- a. Budget & Allocations Committee - Chair Gardner
  - Excited for the year! Can't wait to meet my committee.
- b. University Outreach Committee - Chair Miller
  - Excited to work with you guys in the fall!
- c. Student Outreach Committee - Chair Kennedy
  - Excited to work on such a great team. We are going to make a lot of progress this year!
- d. Freshmen Committee
- e. Senate Addresses
  - Sen. Rogers: Many issues with lighting on campus, presented to me by female students.
    - We hold many events at night
    - Many friends have expressed they don't want to walk through the campus at night and I would like to work on this project
  - Sen. Williams: Blue Alert project
    - Provided by medical services clinic
    - Many students are sexually active
    - There is an anonymous system that can alert past partners of positive test results for STI's/STD's
  - Sen. Gibbs:
    - Internet connectivity issues across campus
    - Want to talk to Trustees and influencers to increase internet connectivity and quality on campus

- Sen. Bosso:
  - Shadowing program where students who are involved on campus can serve as a mentor for prospective students to shadow and see a day in the life of students
  - This can also be a push for increase in residence life on campus since living on campus has done a lot for me
- Sen. Rogers:
  - I would also like to improve the trolley system to serve off-campus housing such as the Next, the Edge, College Vue and the Fountains
- Chair Kennedy:
  - I would like to propose a bike sharing program on campus

#### Cabinet Addresses

- DComm Lott:
  - Thank you and I can't wait to see what we do!

#### Adjournment

- a. Standing Committee Reports
- b. Closing Announcements
  - Sen. Lyons: Gaming club meeting in bldg. 4 rm 102 in half an hour!
  - Sen. Morrison: CAB after Dark next week! Friday, April 12, at 7pm in Lot H, free for students
  - Pres. Johnson: Will be conducting interviews to fill DGov affairs and other vacant offices. Please let me know if you or know of someone interested!
  - Jenny: No senate next week, but yes senate on the 19th and 26th! You will be ranking your committee preferences. If you were sworn in today please stay after!
- c. Public Statements
  - Samantha: Thanks for letting me serve! I still want to serve as a resource for you on campus.
  - Brodie: Thanks to the 51st senate and good luck to the 52nd! Keep your grades up as we finish out this semester!
  - Emily: Can't wait to work with you all and thanks for serving!
- d. Final Roll Call
- e. Adjourn

#### Closing announcements

- c. Final Roll
  - i. \_21\_ present

Adjourn

- Motion: Chair Miller
- Second: Sen. Bosso

Meeting adjourned at 4:37 PM