

**ASSEMBLY JOURNAL
FIRST STUDENT ASSEMBLY**

**October 4, 1988
ORDER OF BUSINESS**

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to adjournment the Student Assembly met in the Academic Room of the Main Building on Tuesday, the fourth of October, 1988, at fifteen minutes past seven o'clock p.m.

Since a quorum was not present the meeting order was rearranged to present the President's Report first.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There will be a dinner at President Cunningham's house on 10/19/88 which is a Wednesday from 7:30 until 9:30. Please RSVP to Becky by 10/10.

As a part of Homecoming there will be an Organization Fair on West Mall on 10/15. We will need people to work midday for a few hours.

Representatives have to realize how much money is left. Last year \$20,000 was left at this time. Last year we had voluntary budget cuts of \$11,000 and have spent some. Keep in mind scope, number attending, ability to raise money. Make this money go to organizations that need it. Keith Duff is working on a Texas/USSR exchange.

By the next meeting, formal internal budgets will be presented. Pick up the budget information early so you can study it before the meeting.

GUESTS

Professor Lester Kurtz was introduced by Representative Selbst. Representative Selbst introduced **A.B. 18 Visit of USSR Student Council**. Kurtz talked about an exchange program of 25 UT students in May and will bring 25 Soviets here. Soviet Student Council sponsored his visit and wants to send 4 officers here. This group is in charge of all exchange programs. This committee is to study what they'll do while they are here. There will be an informal gathering to talk about student government, this will be an interchange. The money is needed for transportation, meals, rooms, publicity, and a translator. He said he was hoping to raise funds from other places for example SMU and SWTSU Socio Departments to share costs. There is no government help.

Representative Reed asked about other programs. Keith Duff needs \$1,000 for Soviet Exchange with a university in South Siberia. UT was chosen and is raising money from several sources.

Representative Danziger wanted a breakdown of funds.

Kurtz said his program will be cheaper than others.

Representative Reed said since there are two programs why yours over theirs. Why not both?

Kurtz replied why not both? These are two different programs. These are the actual people in charge of student exchanges.

Representative Tate asked why not students as opposed to these leaders?

Kurtz said the leaders can give great understanding. He can't stress how important this is to new opportunities for exchange. He wants to bring Student Council to show them a good time since they're in charge of all exchanges, so they will want to do more.

Representative Wordell motioned for Order of Day.

Representative Selbst introduced bill and it was seconded.

Parliamentarian Whellan read the bill.

Representative Selbst talked. She said they are going to get more money and any unused portion can be reverted back to SA. She said they wanted \$2,000.

Vice President Ray called for discussion.

Representative Wordell said \$3,000 for bringing USSR Student Council here is a bit much. They were not even students. Also mentioned one man per room was too much

Representative Wilenzick said this was beneficial.

Representative Franco asked what was the generated funds balance. \$2000 on the Fiscal Note

Representative Tate wanted to bring students not the party leaders.

Representative Danziger said it was good to expose these future leaders to the United States and was in favor of contributing.

It was asked when they were scheduled to come. December 1.

Representative Grossman thought it was a wonderful bill and a good opportunity. It is important to expose future leaders. It is more worthwhile to show culture. Take the money from generated funds.

The question was moved and seconded.

A.B. 18 Visit of USSR Student Council passed 22 yes 1 no and 2 abstain.

The next guest introduced was Stan Gaines who is part of the Council of Graduate Students. He is representing all graduate students.

He is concerned about health insurance benefits for TAs, AIs, and graduate students who are not entitled to benefits. He encouraged all to become informed and he had some information to pass out about the chronology from 4/88 until 8/89. He hoped the issue would be resolved by spring and wants SA representatives to have a copy. You are invited to attend Council of Graduate Students 5 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of the month. Call Eric, the secretary, and he will provide details.

The next guest introduced was Paul Cawood who spoke on sending letters to all campus organizations on communicating using trees.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President Ray mentioned that there had been complaints that the reports have been too long, so we will try to keep things short.

Cheryl Wood of Campus Activities couldn't come to speak about the Leadership Institute. It is scheduled for 10/22 and is about advanced leadership. How to apply, job interviews, etc. It costs \$10. SA can't pay but it is a good investment.

We will discuss bylaws last because they go into effect immediately. Let's pass legislation tonight, if you leave early let us discuss the bylaws first.

CHAIR OF THE CABINET OF COLLEGE COUNCILS

Chair Schweizer said the Cabinet of College Councils had dinner at Cunningham's house. They discussed the grackle situation and that Cunningham needed to hear details on what has been done. SECL Larry McMurtry 10/13, 10/14 Thursday evening dinner at the County Line \$15 for All You Can Eat, there will be room for 66 people you can go. He is an outstanding Texas literary figure. He wrote Lonesome Dove a new book.

Mark Sims announced the Course Guide is moving along on semester plan.

APPOINTMENTS

Rebecca Whellan was appointed as Parliamentarian and Calendar Clerk.

MEMBERS' PRIVILEGE

Representative Selbst thanked everyone for their patience with the bill.

She announced the Chabad House was knocked down and asked for input. She is appalled and asked if we can do something? She feels it is anti-semitism discrimination.

Representatives Fernandez and Tate responded.

Representative Franco said UT needs to patrol the area.

Parliamentarian Whellan suggested we should sponsor a Forum on Racism. everyone go to Racism Forum. Texas Union Issues Committee is hosting a debate with help from IFC, YD, and YCT. She said to go 10/13 and bring people. Representative Sawin said Gerry, James and himself were traveling to the Texas Student Coalition Attorney General Palacios said to register to vote by 10/9.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Assembly Committee on Citizens' Affairs

Chair was not in attendance.

Assembly Committee on Internal Affairs

Representative Wilenzick said they met and discussed by-laws and submitted numerous changes. The committee voted to change the requirement to pass a money bill at a 2/3 majority instead of a plain majority. Other suggestions were about minority information center, reducing President's salary.

Assembly Committee on Minority Affairs

Assembly Committee on University Policy

They have no chair. Representative Reed said they have had no business. They haven't met yet but will meet briefly tonight after meeting.

Vice President Ray suggested meeting regularly during the weeks without an Assembly meeting. This way you can discuss bills sent to committee and get them on the agenda.

Representative Reed moved to suspend the rules and consider A.B. 17 POLIS Magazine.

He announced his guests were the Editor and Business Manager of POLIS. Voice vote showed a majority in favor.

Parliamentarian Whellan read the bill.

A.B. 17 POLIS Magazine.

Representative Reed introduced the bill. POLIS's allocation this semester from General Funds was budgeted for \$2,500 less than last year. Section 3 of the bill says if \$4,100 was raised the money will revert back to the proper fund. Jackie Lain POLIS Business Manager and Ben Cohen POLIS editor were introduced.

Representative Danziger asked why raise the quality of the paper.

Ben said the quality could be cut-rate but no one would take it seriously. Cohen said they are trying to make it of greater interest to reach more people. He said 700 signed up on optional fee check off. This was the first time and a little exposure will help increase circulation. They hope to double that number next year.

Representative Wordell asked why they didn't charge enough to cover the costs? There is not much difference from charging \$2 than \$3. That money could be used to upgrade and expand.

Representative Reed said they are producing more copies

President Hulbert said this covers no extra costs, overhead, photography. We are footing the bill until there is a larger readership.

Ben Cohen said they would be self sufficient by this time next year hopefully. They are asking for money to establish a base.

Representative Wordell asked how many were to be printed.

Cohen responded with 25000.copies.

Representative Reed called for amendment to the bill Section 3 should say and/or 1/2 of Student Service Fee money.

Representative Aronson asked if SA's name was on the publication.

Cohen responded on page 2 it says sponsored by Students' Association.

Representative Grossman said for the 700 who signed up is there an option to sign up in the Spring?

Yes.

Where did the 2500 copies come from, is it an arbitrary number?

You want \$2500 operating costs for this issue what about the next issue?

No. We will get more money from Spring Student Service Fees.

Jackie Lain said any suggestions to raise distribution would be helpful.
Call for question.

A.B. 17 POLIS Magazine passed 18 yes, 4 NO and 2 Abstain.

There was a motion to suspend the ruled and consider AB 23 SURE Involvement Night.
The S.U.R.E. director is here.

Representative Tucker introduced the bill. We plan to have a S.U.R.E. Involvement Night and we need \$300 for advertising to run ads in the Daily Texan.

Nick Sarantakes the SURE director was introduced.

SURE is having an Involvement Night because not too many volunteers signed up at the SA Involvement Night. If we don't get more people to volunteer we won't have a SURE Walk.

Representative Kochman asked what was going on at Involvement Night.

Sarantakes replied they will give out information and have people sign up.

Representative Grossman asked if they had tried to go to other groups?

Sarantakes responded yes but didn't get much response.

Representative Selbst said this is a wonderful program.

Representative Wordell called the question.

No vote because quorum was lost.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will put off the bylaws until beginning of meeting next week.

Minority Affairs and University Policy will meet after the meeting.

The bills were introduced for the next meeting.

A.B. 25 Election Code

A.B. 20 Shuttle Bus

A.B. 21 UTFa Career Night

A.B. 22 Payment of Dues to Young Conservatives of Texas

A.B. 24 Heman Sweatt

ADJOURNMENT

The Assembly adjourned at forty minutes past eight p.m. on October 4, 1988.

Assembly Roll and Voting Record

Session _____

Day 10-4-88

Date Tuesday

Representative	Roll	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Alexander	✓	—	—										
Allen	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Anantha	✓	—	Y	✓									
Aronson	✓	Y	N	✓									
Bassman	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Bell	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Billings	—	—	—										
Brooks	—	—	—										
Clark	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Danziger	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Fernandez	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Flick	✓	Y	—	—									
Franco	✓	Y	Abs	—									
Gates	—	—	—										
Grossman	✓	Y	PN	✓									
Harrison	✓	Y	PN	✓									
Horvath	—	—	—										
Huntzinger	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Kalan	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Kochman	✓	Y	PN	✓									
Kraft	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Montgomery	—	—	—										
Morrow	✓	Y	Y	✓									
O'Daniel	—	—	—										
Olivares	—	—	—										
Pollock	✓	Y	PN	✓									
Reed	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Sawin	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Selbst	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Sheputis	—	—	—										
Sorokwasz	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Tate	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Tucker	✓	Y	N	✓									
Wilenzick	✓	Y	Y	✓									
Wordell	✓	N	N	✓									
Yes		21	18										
No		1	9										
Abstain		2	2										

① B Williams
Abs
② X

In case of a tie:

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Voting Key

N	=	No
Y	=	Yes
/	=	no vote
A	=	Abstain
=	=	Pass (must be recalled)

Item Voted on:

Vote 1: App. \$ for Sov

Vote 2: AB 17

Vote 3: ~~AB 17~~

Vote 4: _____

Vote 5: _____

Vote 6: _____

Vote 7: _____

Vote 8: _____

Vote 9: _____

Vote 10: _____

Vote 11: _____

Vote 12: _____

Vote 13: _____

Vote 14: _____