University of Iowa Student Government
GENERAL SENATE MEETING

October 23, 2012

A.) Call Meeting to Order
B.) Quorum Call – Roll Call
C.) Public Access
  ✓ Beth Ripperger – Health Ninjas
  ✓ Cynthia Joyce - Office of the Ombudsperson
D.) Old Business
E.) New Business

F.) Reports
  ✓ Advisor
  ✓ Executive Reports
  ✓ Committee Chairs

G.) Announcements
  ✓ Committee Meeting – October 30, 2012 2520D UCC.
  ✓ Legislator Email Blast – October 24, 2012 5:00-6:30 in Hillcrest Hall

H.) Adjournment
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA STUDENT GOVERNMENT
Student Senate

Emendation of the UISG By-Laws
Student Senate Bill 17
Submitted by: Senator Oskvig

Student Senate Action: Passed/Failed/Tabled
October 23, 2012

AN ACT, relating to a proposed emendation of the UISG By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be Emendation of the UISG By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, a recent internal dispute over voting procedure in the UISG Senate was exacerbated by the Senate membership's general lack of familiarity with its own codified procedures; and

WHEREAS, such procedural disputes hinder Senate proceedings, and invite justified criticism of UISG; and

WHEREAS, if no corrective action is taken, similar procedural disputes are liable to occur in the future; and

WHEREAS, the procedural rules of the UISG Senate are contained in the UISG Constitution and By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, the likelihood of procedural disputes will decrease significantly if every seated Senator has read and understood the UISG Constitution and By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, all Senators, as official representatives of the University's undergraduate student body, have responsibilities to represent their constituents competently, and to follow and uphold the UISG Constitution and By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, a Senator cannot properly discharge said responsibilities without understanding the rules and procedures contained in the UISG Constitution and By-Laws; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the UISG By-Laws be emended to explicitly require every Senator to have read and understood the UISG Constitution and By-Laws prior to taking office; and
THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Senators already in office at the time of this legislation's enactment be required to have read and understood the UISG Constitution and By-Laws prior to the end of the Fall 2012 academic term; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the emended section of the UISG By-Laws shall read as follows:

2.1.11 The Senate shall abide by general code of conduct that is to be signed by each individual senator and enforced by Speaker and Speaker Pro-Tempore and or governing bodies or individuals prior to taking oath of seat.
   2.1.11.1 This includes but is not limited to attendance policy, dress code, GPA requirement, general university conduct, and community service.
2.1.12 All Senators must read and understand the UISG Constitution and these UISG By-Laws prior to beginning their term in office.
2.1.13 All Senators must serve one office hour per week.
2.1.14 All Senators must perform three service hours within the community during their term.

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

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SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
Aaron Horsfield

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2012-2013 Student Senate Session and is known as SS- Bill – 17

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE
Emily Brannon

APPROVED ___________________, 2012

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UISG PRESIDENT
Nicholas D. Pottebaum
AN ACT, relating to proposed Sustainability Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, the official name of this legislation shall be the University of Iowa Student Government recognition of the Sustainability Advisory Committee and its Charter; and

WHEREAS, the University of Iowa has proposed creating the Sustainability Advisory Committee to advise the university on various sustainability measures to best meet the 2020 goals; and

WHEREAS, Sustainability Advisory Committee will be a Presidential Charter Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Advisory Committee will be governed by the terms of the University of Iowa General Charter and the Sustainability Advisory Committee will be entered into the University of Iowa Operations Manual as outlined below; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Advisory Committee will be made up of four faculty members, four staff members, and four students (two undergraduates, one professional, one graduate), and various administrative liaisons; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Advisory Committee will have administrative liaisons (Director of Facilities Management; Director of the Office of Sustainability; Director of Parking and Transportation, one representative from the University of Hospital and Clinics, one representative from the Office of the Vice President for Student Services, one representative from the Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost, and one representative from the Office of the Vice President for Research); and

WHEREAS, UISG Nominations Committee is tasked at assigning students (two undergraduates, one graduate, one professional) to Presidential Charter and University Committees annually in March; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Advisory Committee will be chaired by a faculty member, as such, the chair selection will be made by the President of the Faculty Senate; and
WHEREAS, the Sustainability Advisory Committee will be chaired by a faculty member given that it is the desire of the committee to give special attention into continued integration of sustainability into academic programs; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, UISG Nominations Committee will select four student members (two undergraduates, one graduate, one professional) in collaboration with the Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Sustainability Advisory Committee will advise matters pertaining to sustainability practices and policies; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Sustainability Advisory Committee will advise on the integration of sustainability with existing campus programs in education, research, operations, and community service; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Sustainability Advisory Committee will advise on the development and implementation of campus sustainability action plans; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the University of Iowa Student Government supports the creation of the Sustainability Advisory Committee and its Charter and advises the President the University of Iowa, Sally Mason, to accept the proposed Sustainability Advisory Committee as written; and

SO BE IT ENACTED, by the University of Iowa Student Government.

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SPEAKER OF THE SENATE
Aaron Horsfield

I hereby attest and certify that this bill originated in the University of Iowa Student Government (UISG) during the 2012-2013 Student Senate Session and is known as SS - Resolution -18

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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE
Emily Brannon

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UISG PRESIDENT
Nicholas D. Pottebaum