



**STUDENT SENATE  
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MAINE**

**Friday, September 27, 2019 at 12:00 PM**  
166 Upton-Hastings Hall, Gorham, Maine

~ **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES** ~

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1. Mr. Holderith (the “Chairperson”) called the meeting to order at 12:03 PM.
2. The Chairperson appointed Mr. Carlow (the “Clerk”) as the Acting Clerk of the Student Senate.
3. The Chairperson directed the Clerk to collect the roll, and it was determined that the following members were present, Senators; Bertrand, Carlow, Courbron, Duarte, Gross (arrived at 12:11 PM), Hess, Holderith, Howell, Marino, Reed, Sciulli (arrived at 12:08 PM), Soucy, Whiting and Woods (arrived at 12:08 PM). The following members were excused by the Chair, Senator Eneeva. The following members were absent but unexcused by the Chair, Senator Omar.
4. The Clerk declared the presence of a quorum and the Senate proceeded to consider business.
5. **Moved by Mr. Soucy, seconded by Mr. Reed:**  
To accept the agenda.  
VOTED: YES, unanimously.
6. **Moved by Ms. Bertrand, seconded by Mr. Carlow:**  
To amend the minutes of the Student Senate meeting held of September 13, 2019, as to reflect that Ms. Bertrand was the Vice Chair and not the Vice President.  
VOTED: YES, unanimously.
7. **Moved by Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Soucy:**  
To amend the minutes of the Student Senate meeting held on September 13, 2019, as to reflect that Mr. Woods be excused from that meeting.  
VOTED: YES, with Senators; Bertrand, Carlow, Courbron, Duarte, Gross, Hess, Howell, Marino, Reed, Soucy, and Whiting in the affirmative, and Senators; Sciulli and Woods not voting.
8. **Moved by Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Soucy:**  
To accept the minutes of the Student Senate meeting held on September 13, 2019, as amended.  
VOTED: YES, unanimously.

9. The Chairperson gave their report to the Senate:
  - The Senate will not be considering the proposed Constitution and Senate Rules drafts because the Chair wants new members to have more time to review them, and because more time is required to produce other language to supplement the requirements contained therein.
  - The temporary Student Government Association office location has been moved to 212 Abromoson, Portland, Maine.
10. Mr. Bertrand (the “Vice Chair”) gave her report to the Senate:
  - At the meeting of the Executive Board held on September 27, 2019, at 10:30 AM, the Board discussed the proposed changes to the Constitution and Senate Rules.
  - The Board received routine reports from the officers.
11. Mr. Reed (the “Treasurer”) gave his report to the Senate:
  - At a recent Finance Committee meeting, the Committee approved two new funding proposals which, the Treasurer indicated, were placed on the Senate agenda for this meeting. One of these proposals, for the group “Greek Life,” was approved with some conditions.
  - Ms. Latré Sibi Lawson Owanda has been hired as a CL-2 accountant for the Association’s business office.
12. Mr. Carlow (the “Parliamentarian”) gave his report to the Senate:
  - The Constitutional Review Committee unanimously recommended the passage of the proposed Association Constitution and the corresponding Senate Rules of Proceedings document. These documents were amended by the Committee.
  - The Constitutional Review Committee unanimously recommended the passage of the Student Communications Board Statement of Policy, the Committee amended this document.
13. The Chairperson invited Ms. Varney (the “President”), President of the Association, to provide her report to the Senate:
  - The President expressed concern over the lack of vegetarian and vegan options at the University’s Portland campus after the relocation of food services due to the flooding of the Woodbury Campus Center.
  - Ms. Shepherd, Vice President of the Association, will be conducting a meeting with the student group “Eco Reps.”
  - A meeting of the President’s Cabinet will occur on Sunday, September 29, 2019.

14. Mr. Carlow (the “Representative”), Student Representative to the Board of Trustees, gave his report to the Senate:

- There is a call for committee members for the 2020 Conference of Student Governments Planning Advisory Committee, if a member of the Association would like to become a member of this committee, they may contact the Representative via email or phone.
- The Representative expressed his pleasure that the Finance Committee recommended to the Senate expending \$5,000.00 to support the Conference. The University of Maine System allots \$5,000.00 to the Conference, and the total budget now stands at \$10,000.00.

15. The Chairperson invited attending administrators of various student organizations to provide their reports to the Senate.

16. **Moved by Mr. Carlow, seconded by Mr. Reed:**

To appoint Ms. Samantha Rouillard as a Student Senator At Large corresponding with a presently vacant seat.

VOTED: YES, unanimously.

17. Ms. Rouillard joined the meeting, bringing the total number of members present to 15.

18. The Chairperson indicated that a Mr. Kalob Richardson applied to the Senate, but withdrew his application.

19. **Moved by Mr. Woods, seconded by Ms. Bertrand:**

To appoint Mr. Cameron Worden as a Student Senator corresponding with a presently vacant seat.

SUBSIDIARY MOTION:

**Moved by Mr. Carlow, seconded by Mr. Soucy:**

To amend the question as to read “Shall the Senate appoint Mr. Cameron Worden as a non-voting student senator?”

VOTED: YES, with Senators; Carlow, Courbron, Duarte, Gross, Howell, Marino, Reed, Sciulli, Soucy, and Whiting in the affirmative, and Senators; Bertrand and Hess in the negative, and Senators; Rouillard and Woods not voting.

VOTED: YES, with Senators; Carlow, Courbron, Duarte, Gross, Howell, Reed, Sciulli, and Soucy in the affirmative, and Senators; Marino and Whiting in the negative, and Senators; Bertrand, Rouillard, and Woods not voting.

20. **Moved by Mr. Soucy, seconded by Mr. Hess:**

To table consideration of proposal #48-19-2.

VOTED: YES, unanimously.

21. **Moved by Mr. Soucy, seconded by Ms. Bertrand:**

To approve proposal #48-19-3.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Reed is a ping-pong enthusiast, and for that reason, he indicated his intention to abstain from voting.

VOTED: YES, with Senators; Bertrand, Carlow, Courbron, Duarte, Gross, Hess, Howell, Marino, Rouillard, Sciulli, Whiting, and Woods in the affirmative, and Senators; Reed and Soucy not voting.

22. **Moved by Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Soucy:**

To enter a 5-minute recess.

VOTED: YES, with Senators; Carlow, Duarte, Gross, Hess, Howell, Marino, Reed, Rouillard, Sciulli, Soucy, Whiting, and Woods in the affirmative, and Senators; Bertrand and Courbron in the negative.

23. The Senate reconvened at 1:00 P.M.

24. **Moved by Mr. Carlow, seconded by Ms. Bertrand:**

To accept the amendments of the Constitutional Review Committee to the proposed Student Communications Board Statement of Policy.

VOTED: YES, unanimously.

25. **Moved by Ms. Bertrand, seconded by Ms. Whiting:**

To amend Section 7 § A-B of the proposed Student Communications Board Statement of Policy to read: "... Percentages for the following fiscal year must be voted on at the December meeting."

VOTED: YES, unanimously.

26. **Moved by Ms. Bertrand, seconded by Mr. Hess:**

To approve the Student Communication's Board Statement of Policy as amended.

VOTED: YES, with Senators; Bertrand, Carlow, Courbron, Duarte, Gross, Hess, Howell, Marino, Reed, Rouillard, Sciulli, Soucy, Whiting, and Woods in the affirmative, and Senator Soucy not voting.

27. **Moved by Ms. Bertrand, seconded by Mr. Hess:**

To approve the amendments of the Finance Committee to the Association's budget.

VOTED: YES, unanimously.

28. **Moved by Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Soucy:**

To remove proposal #48-19-2 from the table.

VOTED: YES, unanimously.

29. **Moved by Mr. Courbron, seconded by Ms. Whiting:**

To approve proposal 48-19-2.

VOTED: YES, unanimously.



38. The Acting Chair asked three times if there were anymore nominations, and then, hearing none, closed the floor from nominations.

VOTED:     **Reed:** 13 votes, with Senators; Bertrand, Carlow, Courbron, Duarte, Gross, Hess, Howell, Marino, Rouillard, Sciulli, Soucy, Whiting and Woods.

And with Senator Reed not voting.

39. In the absence of a candidate, the President indicated that her office will attend meetings of the Culinary Council and provide periodic reports to the Senate.

40. The Acting Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:56 P.M.