

This meeting was called to order by Quinn Margrett at 6:16 PM.

- Roll Call
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Open Forum:
  - Mitch Hagan: director of academic affairs, stepping away due to mental health, but has preparation for whoever takes the role next
  - Nick Micheal: Cyclone Aid at Iowa State, help to welcome new students through orientation and Destination Iowa State. Looking to recruit for next year
    - Deadline is October 17th
    - Paid 14\$ an hour, housing and food package included for the summer
- Adopting the Agenda:
  - Moved and seconded
- Adopting the Minutes:
  - Moved and seconded
- Committee Reports:
  - Rules: has three/four openings, please come speak to me, we are working on the baby bylaws and hope to have that to you in the near future
  - Finance: Seeing a few bills that sat favorably, and some on first reads as well
  - PR: hammered down marketing plan for Instagram and Linkden, we are starting up the podcast in the near future so if you are interested please let me know
    - Azhan: Where can we find the podcast from the previous term?
      - It was called “The State of Things” but it is a time-heavy project, so we are now in the right space with a large committee to make it better
  - IDEA: Had our first committee meeting and we have a few at larges being sat tonight
  - Events:
  - Local Affairs: we are seating an at-large and will have the newsletter by Friday. If you have anything you’d like to talk about at the joint meeting, the deadline is October 22nd.
  - Sustainability: Tabled at the Ames EcoFair, we have four at-larges that will be sat tonight, if you are able to volunteer at the substance-free tailgate please do. We have water bottle stations, a volunteer subcommittee making a list of opportunities on campus, and we made a new logo.
  - Health & Wellness: Following up with Sonic COnections on Friday. Committee meeting on Thursday, found points of contacts for upcoming projects.
  - Legislative Ambassadors: Looking for senators to join legislative ambassadors and will be seating at larges next week.
  - Other:

- Comments from Judicial Branch: Having our first meeting on the 11th from 5-7, please stop by if you have any concerns
- Comments from the Advisor: Looking forward to hearing the debate tonight!
- Comments from the Executive Branch:
  - Thank you to Mitch, whoever will take the position next will be able to hit the ground running.
  - Started our executive counsel yesterday, went very well with good discussion
  - Monet and Holly have been working very hard on the Conference, please sign up for volunteer spots
- 2024-2-009 F:
  - Went through this through finance and was sat favorably
  - The club president of the softball team missed the annual allocation
  - Competitive sports team
  - Roll Call Vote:
    - 16-0-0
- 2024-2-013 F:
  - Treasurer of the blood drive, scheduling issues that did not allow them to have the blood drive at the Memorial Drive
  - Rental and utilities for four days and an estimate of general labor
  - Azhan: Is this a sponsored organization?
    - Yes
  - Azhan: Can you talk about where the money is going?
    - 1155 is for the stage labor
    - House labor is 594 is for the auditorium, and they have people there
  - Pursley: Why is there a line item for items that do not cost money?
    - Things we took off the bill
    - Martinez: We decided to leave them on there for records-keeping
  - Roll Call Vote:
    - 15-0-1
- 2024-2-016 F:
  - Made adjustments in the finance committee
  - Host a home show for English riding, our sport is expensive and we appreciate any help
  - Azhan: Can you talk about what you do in the show?
    - A club as well as a team, so we have social events and we get a lot of people from many different colleges but mainly from Animal Science, we learn about how to care for horses and compete against 7 other schools
  - Azhan: What do you do at the show?
    - We compete against different schools
  - Momany: Is there a reason they did not go through annual allocations?



- Wants to join Student Affairs
- Momaney: What is one word you would use to describe yourself?
  - My name, Kevin
  - Otherwise, stressed
- Passed by way of unanimous consent
- 2024-2-016 SG:
  - International student, firsthand experiences of differing cultures
  - Advocate for people far away from home and underrepresented people on campus
  - Passed by way of unanimous consent
- 2024-2-017 AG:
  - PhD student in mechanical engineering
    - Create awareness of underrepresented students
    - Experienced in leadership
  - PhD student in Civil Structural Engineering
    - Want to promote and help international students, such as finding a job after graduation
  - (Recess for 5 minutes)
  - Sophomore in data science, international student
    - Wants to help and works for ISSO for international orientation
    - LAS Ambassador
  - Azhan: Did you get a chance to see what has been done in the past from the committee?
    - I want to see how people can reach out and make connections
    - We've talked about projects and implementing things such as the career fair
    - Went to the meeting last week, and wants to know more
  - Passed by way of unanimous consent
- 2024-2-018 SG:
  - Nick, wants to be on the sustainability committee again, was on the committee last year
    - Wants to work on recycling projects
  - Freshman in environmental science, wants to participate in the social media and recyclable cutlery
  - Passed by way of unanimous consent
- 2024-2-022 SG:
  - Freshman in environmental science, passionate about sustainability
    - Wants to work on native prairie
    - Worked at Trees Forever and did campus work
  - Freshman in environmental science, wants to do crafting sessions from recycled material

- Very passionate about sustainability
    - President of sustainability club in high school
  - Passed by way of unanimous consent
- 2024-2-023 SG:
  - Nominations:
    - Gopa: I nominate Peddesani
      - Accepted
    - Momaney: I nominate Kammayer
      - Accepted
  - Opening Statements:
    - Peddesani:
      - Residence hall senator, sophomore
      - This committee plays a crucial role in how activity fees are managed
      - Recommendations to the president
      - Heavy responsibility
      - Affordability, transparency, and advocacy
      - Wants every voice to be heard
    - Kammeyer:
      - Residence hall senator
      - Going in to college, I was an average student as far as GPA and ACT and did not have a lot of automatic scholarship considerations
      - Out of state student, very aware of the cost
      - Want to be the voice for the people in and out of state, that feel underrepresented
      - Transparency around fees
      - Tried to figure out how much the CyRide fee, which is 221\$/year
        - Took 20 minutes to find this information which should be accessible
      - Wants to ask questions and be willing to say no
  - Question Phase:
    - Jones: You are both busy people, how will you make time to represent the students, what will you forfeit?
      - P: My schedule is heavy, I am taking 21 but dropping to 17-18, and I will be dropping my role as an officer in other organizations and I want to pursue this
      - K: Taking 17 credit hours, I have a lot of free time which is why I am looking ahead, I am constantly in the student government office constantly and want to work on this

- Momaney: If you could describe a situation/work ethic to navigate important situations with people who have more status than you?
  - P: Over the summer I was an intern and worked to bring systems back up, our voices were not heard as much as we wanted and it took a lot of pushing to get the higher-ups to listen.. I do not take my decisions lightly and want to bring feasible ideas.
  - K: In the spring I went to Ankeny for a large scale event of a political party in Iowa. The party chair, a former member of US COngress, would be there. I was able to talk to them and advocate for what I was passionate about. Even though they had much higher status and I thought on my feet to demonstrate my work ethic. The board of regents had very different beliefs and I took different approaches to keep them interested
- Azhan:If you are selected, can you argue that you want the fees to be reduced?
  - P: I would ask if the increase in fees is going to help anything on campus
  - Azhan: They want to match inflation hypothetically
  - P: Will that extra increase lead to a benefit for the students, what purpose does it lead to and how can we avoid it if able to. We want education as affordable as possible.
  - K: Not all fee increases are necessarily bad, IRHA went through the budgets and they desperately needed to increase fees. We also need to understand that these fees need to be looked at critically. I would look at last year's spending and does it make sense to connect it to inflation?
- Gopa: How will you make sure student's voices are heard? Are you a good debater?
  - P: I will put my best foot forward. I would take a different perspective and what other organizations have discussed. I am an overthinker, and I look through all different possibilities.
  - K: I would ask questions, which you know I love to do. I would think critically and on my feet. More important. I want the room to know how I feel and gravitate the room over to your side.
- Jones: What is your plan to hear student's opinions?
  - P: When I am in the dining hall I talk to people and chat with strangers. I want to get to know different people, and I used to be very socially awkward and I want to put myself in situations to gain new perspectives.

- K: I am talking about student government too much in my various other organizations. It's about talking to as many organizations as possible and being willing to bring it up so people know their voices are heard.
  - Debate Phase:
    - Momaney: I want to put my word in for Kammeyer, I want to speak to their determined character. I think they do a good job communicating and expressing concerns with a level head. With of course, no fault to Peddesani.
    - Gopa: I hate floor elections because I lose them. When you're on a board you need to be aggressive and put yourself forward. I think both of these candidates show that, and Peddesani would be more aggressive and I put my support behind Peddesani.
    - Jones: Kammayer advocates for what he truly believes in and gets stuff done, so I would like to put my support behind this. I think he is fit for this role.
    - Vierrgier: I think both candidates would be good for the role. I do not want Peddesani have to quit a different role to be able to do this. If you don't have time outside of the board then nothing will get done.
    - Dimoff: I was also concerned about that, but his commitment is admirable.
    - Gopa: I don't think that should be a factor at all. One hour of the month is something you can make the time for.
    - Azhan: I like both of the candidates, I feel Kammayer answered better, but I feel that Peddesani is the better pick as far as how he expressed himself. He is more vocal comparatively.
    - Momaney: The time commitment is officially one hour, but you are taking extra time to talk to students which takes much longer. It is about what you do outside of the meeting to bring to the meeting. I have had classes Kammayer with the Socratic method, and Kammayer does not shy away from it, he has perseverance and dedication. He is open minded but still determined to get his point across. He has experience with debate, in the class we were in together he did well.
    - Jones: If you commit to something you should stay committed, and Peddesani said he does not have free time. You do something if you said you would, even if something else comes up.
    - Hartley: Kammayer helped me to join the senate and he made me feel welcome. We are in mock trial together and he is very good at expressing himself.
    - Azhan: I will vote for Noah, I think after these stories I am convinced he will do a better job.

- Clarification Phase:
  - Pursley: I know international student fees are much higher than normal, what will you do to advocate for them?
    - P: I have lots of international friends and it gives me a perspective on how much students pay. They pay more than out-of-state students, and it is about finding the purpose of the fees and seeing if we can drop it. We want to make it easier for them to get an education and it shouldn't be an obstacle.
    - K: The technology fee is around 192\$ and is around 20 dollars higher for international students, and this is one of the first things I want to talk about within this committee. I would assess the situation and value equity but if that is not a possibility I will understand why.
  - Azhan: Can you talk about your specific time commitments you can stretch? What is your plan to meet people/clubs? What do you think about people not having to pay for services they don't use?
    - P: regarding my time commitment, I know how to manage my time efficiently and have a good sleep schedule and an organized calendar. I try to move things around to make sure my schedule works. I want to go up to people and am going around to the residence halls and an officer in various clubs so I work with those organizations across campus. We can try and see if CyRide doesn't need the fee for everyone or move them around to see if it is required. It comes down to see how we can maneuver things.
    - K: On time commitment, I like to be busy and have free time. Tomorrow, my last class is at 12:15 and I don't have anything until 7:30. I have a lot of free time to reach out to people and think critically about this committee. On outreach, we want to make sure the residence hall senators go to every single hall council. We want to keep reaching out. On fees, we would need to assess situations by situations. Just because you don't use it, it doesn't mean that fees should be higher for other students.
  - Shamsaei: You both did not talk about student pay has not increased with inflation as opposed to fees. How will you talk about salaries for graduate students or working at the dining hall?
    - P: We are working on this with our legislative priorities.
    - K: Trying to raise the hours international students can work is important, especially as the fees are higher. It is not something we would do directly, but networking is essential.
- Closing Comments:

- P: I want to be transparent and advocate for people of different backgrounds. I have network capabilities and I am willing to have tough conversations to make sure student voices are heard.
    - K: Being “average” makes me a better representative, and I feel like I can do all I can to make their voices heard. My roommate, myself, and my previous treasurer have all struggled with affordability and I think of them while making these decisions. I will think critically and always have the students in mind when increases are proposed.
  - Roll Call Vote:
    - 2-10-3, Kammeyer elected
  - Bill passed by way of unanimous consent
- 2024-2-004 Y:
  - Human Sciences title was changed to Health and Human Sciences, wants to reflect the change for our records
  - Momaney: has the council renamed themselves?
    - I don’t know
  - Momaney: would you or a council representative be willing to attend rules before we see this again?
    - Yes
- 2024–2-017 F:
  - Did not submit for annual allocations, have a conference they are looking to go to
  - Requesting half of the registration fee
  - Azhan: Are they registered on the ISU student database?
    - I’m not sure
- 2024-2-018 F:
  - 75\$ per hour of use, looking for use of 1.5 hours per day three times over eight weeks
  - Willing to pay half of it
  - Pursley: Does Iowa State have free tennis courts?
    - Yes
  - Azhan: Are they Iowa State students?
    - Yes
- Closing Announcements:
  - Azhan: Passed three resolutions in GPSS, starting a program nominated to get money and passed unanimously. Another resolution discusses graduate students having to come before students begin and they should provide support for housing and also passed unanimously. We have 9 university holidays and some of the instructors require people to come to meetings such as labor day. This resolution talked about enforcing the rules, whereas right now it is mostly up to the PI.

- Rowles: For our remaining committee chairs I recommend you read the new sections of the bylaws, as they have been left out for a while.
- Martin: We instructed cabinet members last week to read over the bylaws, we are already on top of that.
- Pursley: I would encourage senators to start thinking about project ideas, and reminder to do your office hours this week
- Momaney: Please get started on those projects, please find yourself a home on a committee. I know we are missing placards and I plan on doing that before our next meeting. Please put your name on the MIS, and expect a link to the Teams if you are new