I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Speaker Stovall at 3:37 pm.

II. VALUES STATEMENT

*I, as a citizen of SMU community, commit myself to upholding the values of intellectual integrity, academic honesty, personal responsibility, and sincere regard and respect for all SMU students, faculty, and staff.*

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

IV. FIRST ROLL CALL

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I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Senator Lucci: Motion to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from the April 4th and 11th meetings. Motion approved.

III. SPEAKER'S PODIUM

a. None.

IV. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES WITH NEW OR OLD BUSINESS

a. Organizations Committee
   1. New Business:
      i. Recommend for Temporary Charter:
         (1) Finance Club 4-0-0
         (2) Securities and Investments Club 4-0-0
   2. Old Business:
      i. Recommend for Temporary Charter:
         (1) Water Polo 5-0-0
         (2) SFP 0-5-0

A – absent; T – tardy; E – excused
3. Senator Lucci: Motion to suspend the rules and see new business as old business. Motion approved. Motion to see old business in block excluding SFP. Motion approved. Motion to approve old business in block. Approved.
4. Senator Lucci: I would like to make a motion to extend SFP’s temporary charter notwithstanding the committee’s recommendation. Motion approved.

V. NEW BUSINESS
a. S-103-23, by Chair Buerkle and Ms. Wilbanks of Simmons, relating to Amending the Bylaws Regarding the Chartering Process for Student Organizations
   1. Orgs must host an event before they come to us for charter. Main point.
   2. Changes to line 86, amount of students need to stay at 10 members for full charter. 44-47 must host an event before presenting to our committee. 91-92, in order to maintain status, they must maintain student roster on orgs page.
   3. Chair Ehmcke: Does a meeting count as an event?
      i. Yes.
4. Secretary Jones: Motion to suspend the rules and see new business as old business. Motion approved.
5. This is a great way to add effort into the chartering process so that they have a vision for their organization.
6. Secretary Jones: Motion to enter into debate. Motion approved.
7. Senator Lucci: Motion to call the question. Motion approved.
8. S-103-23 passed.

VI. OLD BUSINESS
a. S-103-19, by Mr. Dalton, relating to the Creation of a Senate Liaison to the Assembly or Residential Commons
   1. Senator Lucci, Point of Order: Should this not be seen as new business with a new number since the title has changed?
      i. Point of Order sustained in part and declined in part. We will see as new business with the same number.
   2. Create a new position to create a bridge between the Assembly and Senate.
   3. Senator Schlinkert: Motion to suspend the rules and see new business as old business. Motion approved.
   4. Parliamentarian DeVera: Motion to enter into debate. Motion approved.
   5. Secretary Jones: Motion to call the question. Motion approved.
   6. Very good thing to have. Great communication. No detriment.
   7. S-103-19 passed.

b. S-103-20, by Ms. Taufiq of Lyle, relating to New Chairs in Junkins Building Rm. 113
   1. Chair in Junkins are really squeaky. You can hear every chair at every point of class. Vote yes.
   2. Chair Ehmcke: How much will this cost?
      i. Not sure.
      ii. Follow up: are you aware the Senate Finance can fund things that are passed by the Senate.
   3. Senator Burns: Motion to enter into debate. Motion approved.
   4. Secretary Jones: Motion to call the question. Motion approved.
   5. S-103-20 passed.

c. S-103-21, by Mr. Adams of Dedman College, relating to Affirming Education’s Protection of Political Diversity
1. Motion to enter into debate. Motion approved.
   i. Senator Kosub: I think this bill is just as dangerous as the first one. I urge you to vote against.
   ii. President Rainey: I would disagree. I think this aligns with university policy.
   iii. Chief of Staff Reppond: I think this is extra wording for things that aren’t need. Wording for the sake of wording.
   iv. Senator Lucci: I would like to add that if this is just wording then we are taking a stand and endorsing it. This addition to the syllabus shows that we will not discriminate on any ground.
   v. Chair Ehmcke: Are we setting up students for can say whatever they want, would the teachers follow through, does admin care, and can you prove it?
   vi. Senator Schmidt: I think this is a great start. It’s important that we show that we value all opinions from unbiased viewpoints.
   vii. Senator Woodside: Why should we approve this if this is not a problem? This could cause students to speak out very loudly and cause problems.
     (1) I yield my time to Senator Adams: There are students who have felt uncomfortable in class before sharing their opinions, though it has not happened to me.
   viii. Senator Cox: I really think its difficult, actually impossible, to stop biases from happening. You must be smart and know what you are reading skewed with bias. I don’t think this wills stop any teacher from having their biases. I think problems should be taken to the dean, I don’t know how much this bill will help.
   ix. Secretary Jones: Being uncomfortable expressing your opinion is different than being oppressed.
   x. Senator Garner: It seems as if this is more about the teacher to student relationship. We are ignoring student to student here. It is dangerous to empower people to isolate people who are already isolated. I worry about those who don’t have strong voices in the classroom who wont be heard.
   xi. Senator Gutierrez: I agree that people are shaky on this. Can you provide an exact specific example that this was needed and not just a little story, something concrete?
     (1) I yield my time to Senator Adams: I have not heard a specific example before. Last year in my anthropology class the day after the election people complained that they couldn’t DD This says that if you turn in an assignment you cant be discriminated against based upon your opinion.
     (2) Follow up: You gave me example, then you said it didn’t have to do with that, and now your back to saying students have told you stories. I am talking about an exact instance where someone has had their grade lowered because of an opinion.
     (a) I yield my time to Senator Adams: This would have in the professors’ minds that we don’t discriminate against
   xii. Senator Shirzad: I think this is an issue of proactive or reactive. I have heard of examples but that ruins the right to privacy. The biggest problem on our campus is said to be unity. Students can’t grow and learn because
they are ignorant of other issues. We need to encourage discussion between students. I appreciate this.

xiii. Senator Ovenshire: I think this is a good idea, the unity concept is something we have been talking about all year. I think this is moving us in the wrong path. Teachers are already aware that they cannot discriminate. Having our stamp on this might not be the best thing for our credibility should it be misinterpreted or used in the wrong way.

xiv. Parliamentarian De Vera: I encourage everyone to be brief.

xv. Secretary Jones: This is not explicit in turning in assignments or discussion between students. It’s pointless. Motion to call the question. Motion approved.

xvi. Senator Spencer: There have been cases where students have alleged bias in grading, here? I do not know. There is already a ton of stuff on the syllabus, I don’t see why adding another paragraph is a burden. I think this piece facilitates free exchange of ideas between students.

xvii. Chair Ehmcke: I am concerned with the unity comment. Not everyone who voices their own opinion will be valued the same on this campus. Most of the time you will be in a room with 80% of the same person, that happens on my finance committee. This is not a place where we can safely say do anything.

xviii. Senator Klein: Would you consider revising the wording of the first part so that it doesn’t give off the vibe of people being able to say anything they want.

(1) I yield my time to Senator Adams: I am open to having an amendment.

xix. Parliamentarian De Vera: Friendly amendments are the time to give ideas. That is new business. We must have an explicit change to re-debate and vote on it today.

xx. Senator Kosub: The question has been called.

(1) Sustained.

xxi. If there continues to be problems with this we can easily get this passed with some edits during the 104th. Is this something that would be adopted verbatim by the university? 99% chance not.

xxii. Senator Lucci: Motion to roll call vote. Motion approved.

2. S-103-21 passed

d. S-103-22, by Mr. Lucci of Lyle, relating to the Student Center Governing Committee

1. This resolution allows for student Center Governing Committee to bring in general members to serve on the committee whereas previously the membership was very strict. This brings it in line with what a lot of other committees have. The organizations and offices all still have representation on the committee.

2. Secretary Jones: Motion to enter into debate. Motion approved.

i. I encourage you to vote yes for this so that we can have all 15 memebrs on this committee instead of 6-7.

3. Senator Aggarwal: Motion to call the question. Motion approved.

4. S-103-22 passed.

VII. SENATORIAL FORUM

a. None.
VIII. OFFICER REPORTS
   a. President Rainey:
      1. Thank you all for being active today. We have 23 total compared to last years 14.
      2. Friday we have Health, Safety, and Risk Walk.
      3. Inauguration for the 104th next Tuesday followed by the first meeting.
      4. Thank you all for your impact this year.
      5. Chair Cox: Will the results of the walk be uploaded on Dropbox?
         i. Yes but it will be a while.
   b. Vice-President Fletcher:
      1. I am looking for someone to take over the Hegi Project.
      2. NOMC Awareness Campaign is next week. We just have to put signs together.
      3. I am excited we get to award you guys. Thank you for all the work you’ve done.
   c. Secretary Jones:
   d. GAO Potter:
      1. No Report.
   e. Chief of Staff Reppond:
      1. Submit your GMs.
   f. Parliamentarian DeVera:
      1. 23 pieces of legislation, that’s amazing.
      2. I hope the emphasis on legislation remains.
      3. We represent 11,000 students. Legislation represents the student voice.
   g. Speaker Stovall:
      1. It has been an honor being your speaker this year. I appreciate everyone who has worked so hard to make this a success, especially the chairs. They often go unrecognized but I am continuously blown away by the amount of work that is done there. They take this more seriously than the rest of the Senate normally. Also to exec, especially the Student Senate Officers. The one thing I didn’t like was that I couldn’t vote and couldn’t write legislation.
      2. President Rainey: Do you have an update on your investigation into the missing mice?
         i. You’ve been cleared of all charges President Rainey.
   h. Executive Director Jones:
      1. Typically Judge Terry Means presents a gift to the Student Body President. They were both presidents in their time here and they started an endowment. I have a little something for President Rainey even though they couldn’t be here.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS
   a. Communications:
      1. Photos are on Dropbox!
      2. We are sending out an end of the year survey soon.
   b. Diversity:
      1. I yield my time to Senator Cox:
         i. It has been an honor serving you as your diversity chair. Special shout out to President Rainey. Betsy I love you and everything you’ve done. Ian, Shashank, Matthew, thank you. Thank you all so much.
         ii. April 20th is a panel in the theater.
   c. Endowment:
      1. Happy Tuesday for the last time.
2. Refer to written report.

d. Investments:
   1. Final round of proposals will be this Thursday at 6pm in Maguire room 354.
   2. We had a great year, invested in 8 new positions, and exited 5, and our return since August is 13.5%. Our actively managed position returned 10% of that. Our account is now above $400,000.

e. Membership:
   1. Thank you for a great school year.
   2. We are filling Communications, Student Concerns, and Diversity.

f. Scholarships:
   1. We are interviewing 46 people for 15 scholarships totaling about $65,000.
   2. Please sign up for interviews if you are free anywhere from 2:30-5.
   3. DFW Scholarship Update
      i. We have finalized our recipients.
         (1) Due to existing aid, we are paying off the rest of their aid to give two students a full ride.

g. Student Center:
   1. Please read my written report.
   2. Thanks to Fairooz Adams the next chair.
   3. Just this past week the application for student space closed.

h. Student Concerns:
   1. Check written report.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

   a. Chair Silensky: Crowchella is next weekend!

XI. SECOND ROLL CALL

| President Rainey          |        |
| VP Fletcher              |        |
| Secretary Jones          |        |
| GAO Potter               | E      |
| Chief of Staff Repond    |        |
| Speaker Stovall          |        |
| Parliamentarian DeVera   |        |
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| Senator Chi              | A      |
| Senator Cox              |        |
| Senator Crosswell        | A      |
| Senator Dalton           |        |
| Senator Davila           | A      |
| Senator Farr             | A      |
| Senator Fuller           |        |
XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn sine die. The 103rd Student Senate was adjourned sine die.

Respectfully submitted,

Will Jones  
Student Body Secretary