



## Senate Meeting Minutes

Southern New Hampshire University Student Government Association  
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**Meeting Date:** Tuesday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (Part 1)

**Call to Order:** A meeting of the Senate was on RingCentral on 04/13/2021. The meeting convened at 6:05 PM, with President Barrett presiding.

**Absent:** Senator Nath

### Approval of Minutes:

- A *Motion* was moved by Senator Matte and Seconded by Senator Moquin to approve the 3/23/2021 minutes. Motion passed with a vote of 6-0-0.

### Guest Speakers:

- Dr. Megan Sage – Interim Dean of Students
  - Departments are going to be merging
  - Working on
    - What events, Res Halls, etc. will look like
  - We WILL be face to face again in the Fall
  - Questions
    - If we have been vaccinated prior to Fall, should we upload proof?
      - Big debate – should vaccines be mandatory or not; NO decision is made yet
        - Probably medical or religious exemption if needed
    - Alumni: Will Homecoming events allow alumni with COVID restrictions?
      - No visitors on campus at the moment
      - Working on what that will look like in the future
    - How will commuters work?
      - There will still be “full” access to campus
    - Will SNHU look like a UNH model or St. A’s model?
      - UNH – weekly testing, app for tracking
      - St. A’s – if you break mandates more than twice, you’re expelled kind of concept
        - Hoping that by Fall things will be less strict
        - Currently more strict on campus – students on campus tested once per week (twice if an athlete)
      - Masks will probably still be required
    - How will the situation look with someone wanting to look in a suite style housing? How will it effect our ability to see friends in other dorm buildings?
      - 100% capacity for residence halls
      - A lot of it depends if students are vaccinated or not
      - Probably no overnight guests from SNHU



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- Mid summer hopefully will have entirety of questions asked answered
- Will we be going back? Are there any chances of that being reverted?
  - Unless pandemic 2.0 happens, we are going back
- Are there going to be hybrid options? Ex. RingCentral calls
  - It is really difficult to manage this hybrid option
- Will people be forced to be GC?
  - More of an option for those who do not feel comfortable with the on campus setting
- Are all classes going to be offered in person? St. A's does not have all classes in person
  - SNHU believes that we will be in person 100% but it depends on professor's contracts
- Is administration considering steps to remove Winter break or Spring break?
  - At this time breaks will remain
- Does SNHU have a plan for quarantine housing?
  - Current plan but looking at how it'll be in the Fall
  - Considering off campus plans such as hotel if possible
  - Trying to avoid using on campus housing due to wanting it 100% residency
  - Vaccinated folks do not have to quarantine
- Academic calendar is what we're going by?
  - Yes
- If we went to a hotel model for quarantining, do students pay?
  - No
  - Have not discussed COVID "fees"
- Will there be a tracking app
  - On Void
    - Sign in, answer 6 questions
    - Staff and students
    - Doesn't connect to testing system
      - Wellness is speaking with an all-encompassing app company
    - Students may not take it seriously the whole time
  - Looking into different options
  - Staff will most likely have to fill it out always
- Thank you for all your hard work!

### Officer Reports:

- President Barrett \*



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- Thank you for a great year!
- Senator of the Month
  - Cam Moquin – Congrats!
- Senator of the year
  - Sam Caswell – Congrats!
- Rising Star
  - Cam Moquin – Congrats!
- Upcoming Events
  - Ocean Trivia Night (Register TODAY [snhusga.org/events](https://snhusga.org/events))
  - Awards Banquet – All are welcome (and encouraged) to attend
  - Alumni Board meeting tomorrow – message Ryan on Teams or email anything you want shared
  - Board of Directors – message Ryan on Teams or email anything you want shared
- Questions / Comments / Concerns
- Interim EVP of Internal Affairs Lopez\*\*
  - General Updates
  - Thank you for a great year!
  - Let me know if you need anything
- VP of External Affairs \*
  - None
- VP of Marketing and Publicity \*\*
  - None
- VP of Budget and Finance Pulisciano
  - Conference Request – Theta Phi Alpha
    - \$725 – 4 **\*Executive Board\*** Members and 1 Advisor
    - A *Motion* was made to approve the conference allocation request of \$725 by Senator Caswell and seconded by Senator Caskey.
      - *Motion* Approved 6-0-0.
- VP of Student Advocacy Oza
  - Thank you everyone

### Unfinished Business:

- Special Topics
  - Senator Moquin & Senator Kaminski
    - Fundraiser collaboration with the CARE Team
      - Is it possible to make this an event beginning of Fall semester
      - Will be brought up next Senate meeting

### New Business:

- Constitution Changes
  - President Barrett presented the proposed changes
    - Section 4 Article A:4:1:A



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- Section 4 Article A:5:3
- Section 4 Article A:5:5
- Section 4 Article B:5
- Section 4 Article B:7:1:B
- Section 4 Article B:7:1:C:1
- Section 4 Article B:7:1:J
- Section 4 Article B:7:1:K
- Section 4 Article B:7:2:H
- Section 4 Article B:7:2:K
- Section 4 Article B:7:4:D
- Section 4 Article B:7:5:A
- Section 4 Article B:7:5:B
- Section 4 Article B:7:5:C
- Section 5 Article C:3
- Section 6 Article E:4:1
- Section 6 Article E:4
- Section 6 Article H
- Section 7 Article G
- Section 7 Article H
- Section 7 Article I
- Section 7 Article J
- Section 7 Article K
  - A *Motion* was made to approve the changes to the Student Government Association Constitution and place these changes into effect for the next senate year by Senator Caskey and seconded by Senator Moquin.
    - Motion *passed* 11-0-0.

### Committee Reports:

- Budget and Finance
  - None
- Student Advocacy
  - None

### Advisor Comments:

- Thank you everyone
- Congratulations to Ricky for graduating

### Announcements:

- Midnight Bingo tomorrow – CAPE x Phi Delt
- Late Night Podcast



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### **Snaps:**

- Cam Moquin for most seconded on voting
- Snaps to Stephanie, Justin, Andrew Caskey
- Sam Caswell for his award

A *Motion* was moved by Vice President Pulisciano and seconded by Senator Moquin to adjourn the meeting. *Motion* passed 7-0-0

### **Adjournment:**

- The Senate meeting was adjourned at 6:54:32 PM



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Interim Executive Vice President of Internal Affairs  
Student Government Association

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Date of Approval

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Tarnya Carrier  
Business Analyst  
Student Government Association

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Date of Approval

Public Notary:  
State of New Hampshire  
County of \_\_\_\_\_  
Signed or attested before me on \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
in the year \_\_\_\_\_ by *Kealoha Lopez and Tarnya Carrier*.

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