



MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY™
STUDENT ASSOCIATION

**63rd Senate
Business Meeting
October 15, 2024**

Vice President Mellen calls the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

Secretary Chen proceeds to call attendance and determines that quorum is met with 47 Senators.

Senator Keyes makes a motion to adopt Bill 19, seconded.

Senator Hulbert presents Bill 19.

Senator Boudreaux makes a motion to enter a period of discussion, seconded.

Senator Reeves makes a motion to recommit Bill 19 back to the Oversight Committee for further review.

Poll for Bill 19 to be recommitted to Oversight Committed is sent out. Passed: 36 yay, 5 nay, 6 present.

Vice President Mellen entertains that friendly amendments should be made to following bills to ensure the numbering of bills are correct after the re-commission of old Bill 19.

Senator Boudreaux makes a motion to adopt Bill 20, seconded.

Senator Hulbert presents Bill 20.

Senator Sanders makes a friendly amendment to add a period after “international student.”
Senator Hulbert accepts the friendly amendment.

Senator Wamble makes a friendly amendment to change “Bill 20” to “Bill 19.” Senator Hulbert accepts the friendly amendment.

Senator Sanders makes a friendly amendment to fix double spacing. Senator Hulbert accepts friendly amendment.

Senator Wamble makes a motion to enter a period of discussion, seconded.

Senator Blakeney makes a motion to end the period of discussion, seconded.

Poll for passing of Bill 19 is sent out. Passes: 47 yay, 0 nay, 0 present.

Senator Biggerstaff makes a motion to impeach Elections Commissioner Dawson.

Senator Sanders makes a motion to pause the livestream, seconded.

Senator Sanders makes a motion to open a hearing for Senator Biggerstaff, seconded.

Senator Biggerstaff approaches the floor and presents their hearing on the purpose of motioning for impeachment of Elections Commissioner, Avery Dawson.

- Main points of accusation: Dereliction of duties as the Elections Commissioner, Elections code not being passed out properly, and lack of ballot security for voters.

Senator Hester makes a motion to end Senator Biggerstaff's hearing, seconded.

Vice President Mellen entertains a motion to open a poll for voting for the proceeding of Impeachment.

Senator Sanders moves to open a hearing for President McFatridge.

President McFatridge approaches the floor and presents her hearing.

Senator Sanders moves to open a hearing for Chief Justice Rizzo.

Chief Justice Rizzo approaches the floor and presents her hearing.

Senator Daniels makes a motion to end the period of discussion, seconded.

Senators Keyes makes a motion to limit discussion period to 4 minutes, seconded.

Senator Wamble makes a motion to extend time for discussion, seconded.

Senator Wamble makes a motion to end the specific time for discussion, seconded.

Senator Berish makes a motion to end a period of discussion, seconded.

Senator Figueroa moves to open a hearing for Director of Programming, Amaya Downs-Hameed.

Director of Programming, Amaya Downs-Hameed presents her hearing.

Senator Heering makes a motion to end a period of discussion, seconded.

Senator Berry makes a motion to previous question, seconded.

Senator Price moves to open a hearing for Chief Justice Rizzo.

Chief Justice Rizzo approaches the floor and presents her hearing.

Senator Rouse makes a motion to previous questions, seconded.

Poll for moving forward with the impeachment is sent. Not passed: 20 yay, 17 nay, 3 present.

- Needed majority (1 over half) votes from all voting members (55 Senators) to proceed with impeachment.

Senator Joiner makes a motion to adopt Bill 21, seconded.

Senator Descher makes a friendly amendment to change “Bill 21” to “Bill 20.”

Senator Keyes makes a motion to end a period of discussion, seconded.

Senator Wamble makes a motion to previous questions, seconded.

Poll for approval of Bill 20 is sent out. Passed: 40 yay, 0 nay, 0 present.

Senator Joiner makes a motion to swear in newly elected Senators, seconded.

President McFatridge administers the “New Senator Oath” to all newly elected Senators.

Senator Keyes makes a motion to adjourn, seconded.

Executive updates are given.