

## 2017 Technology Student Association Business Meeting Minutes

The 39th annual business meeting of the Technology Student Association was held in the Gatlin Ballroom of the Rosen Shingle Creek Conference Center in Orlando, Florida on Saturday, July 24th, 2017.

Mr. President was presiding and Madame Secretary was present.

The officers present were: Madame Sergeant-at-Arms: Lauren Kim, Madame Reporter: Aala Nasir, Mr. Treasurer: Javonate Williams, Madame Secretary: Erin Sullivan, Mr. Vice President: Zac Quinby, and Mr. President: Jack Crawford.

Doors opened for voting delegates at 5:00pm and Mr. President called the meeting to order at 6:12 PM. Madame Secretary called the roll of the voting delegates and established a quorum. Mr. Vice President introduced the candidates for national office.

For the office of Sergeant-at-Arms:

Preston Crawford, Miranda Montoya, Robert Reese, Tyler Rouwhorst, Caroline Sparrow

For the office of Reporter:

Evan Sooklal, Yoshua Torralva, McKayla Weaver

For the office of Treasurer: Evan Johnson, Simon Jolly, Jaan Nandwani

For the office of Secretary:

Sam Benhardt, Shanda Manasco, Hannah Selph

For the office of Vice President:

Austin Futch, Emma Schindler, Jessica Strait, David Tanner, Lexi Tompkins

For the office of President:

Jillian Breithaupt, Aala Nasir, Aparna Ragupathi, Harrison Wissel-Littman

Election official Ms. Sara Reynolds was introduced to explain the voting procedures at 6:21pm. The first round of the voting process was completed and Mr. President declared the meeting in recess at 6:49pm.

At 7:10pm the meeting was called back to order.

Madame Secretary called the roll of the national officers and of the national delegation. A quorum was established.

Mr. Reporter introduced Dr. Gene Bierbaum as the parliamentarian for the business session. Ms. Reynolds was welcomed to the stage at 7:30pm for the second round of run-off elections. Madame Secretary read the minutes of the 2016 annual business meeting. The minutes

were corrected by striking out the last name "Butler" and inserting the last name "Pudlow". The minutes were approved as amended by unanimous consent.

Mr. Treasurer presented the Treasurer's report and stated that the financial report was at the national office and had been given to each state delegation's corporate member. Mr. Vice-President introduced the Parade of Presidents.

### Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business so the meeting proceeded to new business.

### New Business

The proposed series of bylaw amendments regarding Article IV of the Technology Student Association Bylaws was brought before the assembly.

Mr. Will Benhardt of Missouri TSA moved to "adopt the proposed bylaw amendment as a unified package." In the decision of the chair the series of motions must be adopted as a unified package.

A member moved the Previous Question. A roll call vote was called. There were 427 for, 620 against, and 52 abstentions. The motion failed.

A motion was made to limit debate to 60 minutes total, alternating sides between each side. An amendment was made to insert "one minute per speaker". A point of order was called on the chair's wording and the point was well taken. The amendment passed and the motion to limit debate passed.

Mr. Ryan Hart of Tennessee TSA raised a point of parliamentary inquiry. Mr. President explained that a motion to refer to a committee was in order. The member moved "to refer the consideration of an updated voting method to a committee comprised of all chartered delegation presidents that will be chaired by the National TSA Vice President. This committee will propose a compromise amendment at the 2018 National TSA Annual Business Meeting."

A motion was made to suspend the rules to limit debate. A point of order was made. Mr. President explained that the motion to commit outranked the motion to postpone indefinitely and the point was not well taken. The motion to suspend the rules failed.

Ms. Sara Reynolds was welcomed to the stage at 8:30pm for the third round of run-off elections.

A previous question was called on the motion to refer to a committee and a roll call vote was taken. There were 752 for, 222 against, and 152 abstentions. The motion failed.

A motion was made to "limit debate to 20 minutes." A standing vote was taken and the motion passed.

A point of information was called. Mr. President explained the meaning of moving the previous question. A motion to call for the orders of the day was made. Mr. President stated that the orders were new business and the assembly was already following the orders of the day.

A point of order was called. Mr. President stated that a motion to commit was in order after the motion to suspend the rules was passed and the point was not well taken.

The motion to move the previous question was made and properly seconded. The motion passed.

The assembly voted on the motion to commit. A roll call vote was taken. There were 546 for, 475 against, and 129 abstentions. The motion failed. Ms. Sara Reynolds was called to the stage at 9:08pm for the final round of run-off elections.

A point of information was made as to the count of the vote on the motion to commit. Mr. President stated that there were 546 for, 475 against, and 129 abstentions.

A motion was made to suspend the rules. The motion was ruled out of order.

A point of order was called on the voting procedure of not counting abstentions in the vote. Mr. President ruled the point well taken and that the motion to commit had indeed passed.

A point of order was called on the ruling of the motion and the subsequent vote. The point was not well taken.

A point of order was called on the grounds of a continuous breach. The point was not well taken.

An appeal was made, and a vote was called to sustain the ruling of the chair.

A motion was made to move the previous question. A roll call vote was taken. There were 983 for, 42 against, and 116 abstentions.

A roll call vote was taken on sustaining the ruling of the chair. There were 566 for, 484 against, and 89 abstentions.

The proposed series of bylaw amendments regarding Article XIII of the Technology Student Association Bylaws was brought before the assembly.

Ms. Jessica Strait of Virginia TSA moved to “adopt amendments one and two as a unified proposal.”

A motion was made to move the previous question. The motion passed.

The motion to adopt the amendments to Article XIII passed.

#### National Officer Accomplishments

Mr. President shared with the assembly the list of 2016-2017 national TSA officer accomplishments.

Announcements

Madame Secretary gave the announcements.

Adjournment

Mr. Member moved to adjourn. The motion carried. Mr. President declared the meeting adjourned at 10:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Sullivan

2016-2017 National TSA Secretary