



PROTOCOL

The Baltic University Programme's
Student's Parliament 2022

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1. Opening of the parliament session 2022

The Baltic University's Programme's Students' Parliament session was held in Visby, Gotland, Sweden on 24th of May 2022. It was declared open by Ellen Chkhitadze, the current student's representative.

2. Information and instructions about the parliamentary process

Ellen Chkhitadze informed and instructed the Students' Parliament members about the parliamentary session process and made a count of the parliament members present at the current session.

3. Appointing the election board

Ellen Chkhitadze announced her nominees for the following positions: 2 vote counters, 1 secretary, 2 adjusters and briefly described their duties and responsibilities. The parliament voted on each nomination separately in an open voting. All nominations have been accepted with the majority of the votes.

Election board members:

Adjuster – **Charlotta Jerna**, Lulea University of Technology

Adjuster – **Aki Kadulin**, Estonian University of Life Sciences

Vote counter – **Marina Valenciková**, Slovak University of Agriculture, Nitra

Vote counter – **Yerson Yamid Cruz Mendivelso**, University of Greifswald

Secretary – **Simona Halášová**, Slovak University of Agriculture, Nitra

4. Motions and proposals

One proposal was introduced.

Proposal by **Joshua Smith**

Main points of the proposal:

- Description on the BUP website could include the information on sustainability to limit the wealth inequality between the citizens.
- It will help to maintain democracy and sustainability.

Main points of discussion:

Question from a parliament member:

- Would you like BUP to organize the workshop with the focus on this topic?

Answer from the speaker:

- Yes, that would be great, also to have it as the topic of the conference. It is flexible, that's why I want it to be included in the description.

Voting results:

- The parliament voted in an open voting with 50 votes for the motion and 3 votes against the motion.
- **The motion passed.**

5. Election of the International BUP Students' Representative

Ellen Chkhitadze, the current students' representative, held a short speech, talking about her experience at her position and thanking the BUP for the opportunity.

She then informed the parliament about the rules of the election as follows:

- Each candidate will shortly introduce themselves.
- The candidate will present their agenda one by one.
- At the beginning four of the candidates will go outside the room and wait for their turn.
- Each candidate will have 3 minutes for their speech, 3 minutes for questions from the parliament and 1 minute for the closing speech.
- The voting will be closed and will take place after all candidates are finished.

Each candidate introduced himself, stated the name of the university and their field of study. The current students' representative then let the candidates draw their speaking order. The results were as follows:

1st candidate **Charles Senay**, Satakunta University of Applied Sciences

2nd candidate **Seymur Ingilabli**, University of Lodz

3rd candidate **Joseph Bordihn**, University of Rostock

4th candidate **Anna Teresa Spang**, Satakunta University of Applied Sciences

5th candidate **Tereza Homolová**, University of Ostrava

The second, third, fourth and fifth candidate left the room, the vote counters has been assigned to measure the time of each segment and the first candidate proceeded to his speech.

1st candidate: **Charles Senay**

Main points of the speech:

- I see and I meet people from different countries and backgrounds bring forward ideas and thoughts to move forward in the challenging times.
- We should not give up at difficult challenges but work together and push forward and preserve the world that we have.
- I want to move forward and this is why I am here.

Main points of the discussion:

- *Question:* Do you have any experience in this position?
- *Answer:* No, I travelled a lot and worked in different fields, it is the main challenge for me.
- *Question:* How many years do you have left to finish your studies?
- *Answer:* Year and a half.
- *Question:* When you will be asked to prepare the mingling game, what it will be about?
- *Answer:* It would be game where people will interact with each other more, solve problems together.
- *Question:* How did you find out about the BUP?
- *Answer:* I received the e-mail from the university.
- *Question:* Why should we vote for you?
- *Answer:* I have a grasp of the general things and I want to bring people together.

2nd candidate: **Seymur Ingilabli**

Main points of the speech:

- I had a lot of insecurities that I do not fit for this program but I met good people and professors.
- 90% of Azerbaijanis do not know what is sustainable development.
- I am good at communication and I am a talkative person.
- I want to persuade and motivate people in a good way.
- If I would be elected, I will help Poland and Azerbaijan to build something with you guys.

Main points of the discussion:

- *Question:* Do you have any experience in this position?
- *Answer:* Yes, I am president of the faculty at my university and International and Baltics studies, social activist in Azerbaijan, I am also helping Ukrainians in Poland.
- *Question:* When you will be asked to prepare the mingling game, what it will be about?
- *Answer:* It will be the Korean version of psychological game. But I will prefer to do the research beforehand to find out what game participants want.

- *Question:* Would you have time for the position of the BUP representative?
- *Answer:* Yes, I spend my time fully, I am good at planning.
- *Question:* If you would have an opportunity to change something about BUP, what would it be and why?
- *Answer:* Probably the places where conferences are held. I want to do it in other regions then Poland, Slovakia or Czech Republic. In less developed regions.
- *Question:* We know that there is lot of corruption in Azerbaijan. You said you are social activist, are you active against this issue?
- *Answer:* Yes, When I went to the hospital, I never paid to the doctor, I have never given him bribe. My support is never winning, but at the end of the day I am telling myself: “At least, I tried”.

3rd candidate: **Joseph Bordihn**

Main points of the speech:

- My main goal is to inspire students to take the opportunity to experience everything as much as possible.
- For me it is important that all students from BUP will have opportunity to participate.
- I want to achieve the stage where BUP students will actively think about solutions while they will be discussing about the problems – from different areas, cultures. To think together about the solutions, to be more aware about the problem and solution.
- It is important that there will be more influence, that students will know more about the program – more opportunities and possibilities.

Main points of the discussion:

- *Question:* How many years do you have left to finish your studies?
- *Answer:* 2 years.
- *Question:* Do you have any experience in this position?
- *Answer:* I was in orchestra, but I have experience with problems and issues in this field.
- *Question:* Which global problem is the closest to your heart?
- *Answer:* Energy problem.
- *Question:* What topic would you choose for the next conference?
- *Answer:* How to power the future boost energy.
- *Question:* When you will be asked to prepare the mingling game, what it will be about?
- *Answer:* The game that will look like you get the name for person and give him object. If this person will accept it, you will get to know each other. Game like this.
- *Question:* Why should we vote for you?
- *Answer:* I have energy to work, to take all stuff which goes on. I am motivated, public is close to my heart, I want to spend my energy in right way.

4th candidate: **Anna Teresa Spang**

Main points of the speech:

- I think it gives me extra skills for future, this position will be really good step for me.
- I want to advocate sustainability, lot of you are aware of this term. I am not and I want to keep up with you.
- My goal is to involve more students within the BUP and in general the public.
- My slogan is: "*Big things come from small things*". I am a small thing who want to create these big things.

Main points of the discussion:

- *Question:* Do you have some specific ways how you want to reach your goal? Would you advertise the BUP or what tool will you use?
- *Answer:* I will write an e-mail to receiver. I am not so aware about the program yet, so I will bring into the conversation during some meeting (e. g. with friends).
- *Question:* Do you have any experience in this position?
- *Answer:* I do not. I am 20 years old; I did not have so much time for that.
- *Question:* Talking about the sustainability, what is according to you the biggest problem you want to change or improve,
- *Answer:* Obviously, there is lot of trash we produce. I hope I will be able to find a way to reduce the waste. This is the biggest problem.
- *Question:* Why should we vote for you?
- *Answer:* I am very open-minded person. I am also social. My goal is to do good between international students. Everyone is in some way; it is not hard for me to approach people. I want to bring students together.

5th candidate: **Tereza Homolová**

Main points of the speech:

- I was already at conference with BUP, I felt in love with the topics and how BUP presents them.
- I have also the background, I am from Ostrava and I became interested in this field when the city was polluted because of the steal production and mining, I always wanted to change it.
- I do not have educational background; I did not have the opportunity. So, I want to educate myself here and make everyone enjoy it.
- I am organizing student events, running podcast. I am also a journalist.

Main points of the discussion:

- *Question:* How many years do you have left to finish your studies?
- *Answer:* 1 year, but I want to take another 1 year.
- *Question:* Did you run for the representative during the last conference?

- *Answer:* No, I was scared. It was something new for me, but I grew as a person. Now I have more self-esteem.
- *Question:* What topic would you choose for the next conference?
- *Answer:* Sustainability on clothes production. To learn about clothes because fast-fashion is big topic today.
- *Question:* Why should we vote for you?
- *Answer:* I have organizational skills. I have also lot of empathy; I love to work with people. I am not very talkative, but when I get to know you then yes. I have been at the conference and I want another people to fall in love with this program.

Summary

All students' representative candidates were given an opportunity to deliver speech, to introduce themselves, their visions and their protentional role as the international BUP students' representative.

6. Voting for the International BUP Students' Representative

All members of the BUP Students' Parliament were given an opportunity to vote in a closed voting. The election board received **50** ballot papers in total, all of which were filled and valid. Members of the BUP Students' Parliament were supposed to choose two new student representatives, one for one year of mandate and second for two years of the mandate.

The voting results were as follows:

Charles Senay, Satakunta University of Applied Sciences, received 9 votes.

Seymur Ingilabli, University of Lodz, received 20 votes.

Joseph Bordihn, University of Rostock, received 14 votes.

Anna Teresa Spang, Satakunta University of Applied Sciences, received 16 votes.

Tereza Homolová, University of Ostrava, received 37 votes.

7. Presenting the elected International BUP Student' Representatives

The candidates, new elected Baltic University Programme's International Student Representatives for period spring 2022 to spring 2023, was **Seymur Ingilabli**, University of Lodz and for period spring 2022 to spring 2024 was **Tereza Homolová**, University of Ostrava.

8. Closing of the parliamentary session 2022

The Baltic University Programme's Students' Parliament session 2022 was declared and closed by Ellen Chkhitadze.



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Simona Halásová
01.06.2022, Slovak Republic



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Charlotta Jerna



Adjuster
Aki Kadulin