



SENATE AGENDA
09/19/2023
Joslin Senate Chamber

- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Announcements from the Chair
 - A. Speaker: Please fill out this sheet. We are working on getting name tents for everyone this year. This should be your preferred name if it isn't on there
 - B. Speaker: I want to show you guys that you can put name pronunciation in your slack profile along with any preferred pronouns.
 - C. Speaker: last night in that agenda email I sent out the committee preference form. Let me know if you have any questions or conflicts. At seven we will be heading over to the Crawfords and our student body vice president will be in the hall taking pictures.
 - D. Speaker: another thing I'd like to do during this time is let you get to know each other better while Eli Davies pulls you for pictures.
 - E. Davies: It was unfortunate that I could not attend the senate retreat due to class obligations. I have been in senate longer than anyone except Nikeal Patel. A bit about what I do. I am referred to as the Rules guy. I help manage and update the ASG governing documents, and of course parliamentary procedure such as motions. Some general senate chamber etiquette: don't speak over other people, wait to be acknowledged by the speaker. This is all to keep decorum. You should generally use trigger warnings to be respectful to people's past and experiences. Scott is a mandatory reporter, along with RAs. Just so you have the knowledge of that while in the chamber.
 - F. More about that parliamentary procedure. present topic questions debate and vote, is the general order of business when dealing with business in the senate chamber.
 - G. We also have points that are like mini motions, that allow people to respectfully interject.
- V. Consent Calendar (Approved)
 - a. Approval of Cabinet minutes from 09/03/2023
 - b. Approval of Oversight minutes from 09/03/2023
 - c. Approval of Oversight minutes from 09/10/2023
 - d. Approval of Oversight minutes from 09/12/2023
 - e. Approval of Oversight minutes from 09/15/2023
- VI. Student Concerns

- A. This is usually the time for student concerns but since we are trying out a new system this is going to work a little differently from the past. As no one has submitted any student concerns through the doc we will be moving on.

VII. Reports

- A. There are no reports

VIII. Old Business

- A. There is no old business as this is the first meeting of senate.

IX. New Business

- a. *Parliamentarian Davies Legislation Workshop Presentation*

A resolution shows the opinion of senate. Why legislation is important. it gives the opinion of the senate and shows student support for issues to admin. We dont discuss things as a group without legislation. There are three types of legislation. Bills change the bylaws and constitution. Resolutions contain actional steps that go beyond senate. A sense of the senate expresses the opinion of the senate without action. We try to be judicious with the use of sense of the senate because we dont want to be giving our opinion on trivial things. shows example of legislation from past and explains the sections of a bill. Does the same with a resolution showing that it contains numerous sponsors as it is popular. Resolutions contain data from an audit to show imperial need. Keep in mind authors and sponsors. Only senators can be authors of legislation but anyone can be a sponsor. such as committee chairs/ secretaries, admins, student leaders from other orgs etc. We have a legislation template that you should make a copy of so you dont change it.

steering committee chaired by Speaker Bakshi. The committee helps to guide legislation and assist in its writing

and now the fun part. split into groups to make mock legislation

Does any group want to share what they worked on?

Dont be afraid to reach out to secretaries or senate leadership for their opinions.

Work with other senators and reach out to administrators because they are also a helpful resource that can make your initiative as effective as possible.

X. Special Business of the Day

XI. General Announcements

- A. Speaker: this is a time for senators to discuss any upcoming ASG events. Next week student life council will be visiting.
- B. Alford: The miami university police department has an advisory board that takes on students. its a great opportunity
- C. MAndzak: If any of you have reached out to cof Isphording about UNiversity Senate you wont hear back for another week or so

- D. Senator Araba: Where can we find information regarding UNiversity senate and the advisory committee
Speaker: That can be found in the email I sent out

XII. Adjournment