



STUDENT SENATE AGENDA

October 2, 2018

Joslin Senate Chamber

- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Announcements from the Chair
 - a. Student body President Murtagh could not be here today so here is what you can do to hype up the mental health forum: the first thing you can do is sign up under ASG for the suicide prevention walk, the second thing is sign up to table for suicide prevention week, and the final thing is share the flyers and promotional materials on social media
 - b. Speaker Pro Tempore Andres: We are beginning an alternate pool. The way I see this working is we will have a list of names of people who will want to be alternates. If senators want an alternate from the pool they have to email me by Monday night and I will email the alternate pool on a first come first serve basis. Please email me names of people you all think would be interested in being an alternate.
 - c. All senators are required to meet with Cole for 15 minute one on ones
 - d. Fall special elections will now be October 23rd (2nd district on campus, 6th district on campus and off campus)
 - e. If you have ideas for legislation, now is the time to get it going so we have enough time on the agenda. I am a resource to you and so are cabinet members
- V. Consent Calendar
 - a. Approval of Student Senate Minutes from September 25
 - b. Approval of Executive Cabinet Minutes from September 30
 - c. Approval of On-Campus Affairs Committee Minutes from September 24
 - d. Approval of Alumni Relations Council Minutes from September 30
 - e. Approval of Off-Campus Affairs Committee Minutes from September 30
 - f. Approval of Off-Campus Affairs Committee Minutes from September 23
 - g. Calendars are approved
- VI. Student Concerns
 - a. Sen. Kamara: One OBGYN who performs insufficient services

- i. Committed to the On-Campus Affairs Committee. Please report back in 2 weeks.
- b. Sen. Davis: Motion to form the ad hoc activism committee for the entirety of the school year chaired by Bradley Davis
 - i. Debate:
 - 1. The activism committee's first purpose is to connect with activist organizations on campus to help them accomplish their goals. The second purpose is to plan our own activism events to help accomplish our goals. This committee will get in contact with as many activists groups on campus as possible
- c. Sen. Beuerlein: Wi-Fi is not working
 - i. Committed to the On-Campus Affairs Committee. Please report back in 2 weeks
- d. Sen. Liu: There are a lot of Bird scooters by Ditmer field
- e. Sen. Siegel: Graduate students have a canvas page and ASG should have a canvas page
 - i. Committed to the Communications and Media Relation Committee. Please report back in 2 weeks
- f. Par. Mellott: Students running over older oxford residents on bikes on the sidewalks

VII. Reports

- a. Meaghan Murtagh, *Student Body President*
- b. Charles Kennick, *Secretary for Off-Campus Affairs*
 - i. Bird scooters started operating on Saturday. The most common accident are people getting hit by passenger car doors when riding scooters. Do not ride on the sidewalk between college and campus because that is illegal. Lime scooters are bringing 150 e-scooters next week. October 18th: meet the cops event. Off campus rate your landlord survey coming soon. Safezone app legislation to come
 - ii. Questions:
 - 1. Sen. Beuerlein: Is Lime just bringing scooters or bikes?
 - a. Just scooters
- c. Max Mellott, *Parliamentarian*
 - i. Tabled until next week.
- d. Jannie Kamara, *Governmental Relations*
 - i. Water pass outs start next week please email me if you are interested. You can lose a point if you sign up for this

VIII. Old Business

a. Approval of Internal Operating Budget

- i. No substantial changes from last week. I subtracted 300 from co-sponsored events and added that to green week events, but the numbers are the same
- ii. Questions:
 1. Sen. Siegel: We are allocating 10,000 to student organizations?
 - a. Based off spending history last year we decided to allocate 10,000 to student organizations. With this money we can be more lenient
 2. Sen. Siegel: Would it be possible to put that on the budget?
 - a. Yes
 3. Par. Mellott: Can we make changes for a second semester event next semester?
 - a. Yes
- iii. Debate:
 1. Sen. Davis: I think it is hypocritical for us to have the banquet and spend the money we do on it.
 - a. Proposed amendment to strike that money from the Communications and Media Relations fund and give to sec. of treasury discretionary fund
 - b. Sec. Zele: This is just a high estimate. The banquet will not cost this much
 - c. Par. Mellott: This is a straightforward amendment. This could be reconsidered in the spring
 - d. Amendment Approved
 2. Par. Mellott: Over budgeting is a problem which makes it hard for senate to have oversight over the budget
- iv. Internal Operating Budget Approved

IX. New Business

a. Student Trustee Selection Committee Elections

- i. Trustees serve staggered terms. They are full non-voting board members. Their roles are to inform members of the board of student experiences on campus. Twice a semester board meeting but speak to board members on a fairly regular basis about issues that are most important to students on campus. They have to work to understand student experiences outside of their own experiences. We are not held directly to the student body because

we are appointed by the governor of Ohio. We are nominating and electing someone to select a new student trustee

1. Questions:

- a. Sen. Davis: What is an important quality for someone for this committee?
 - i. Courage to not do what is popular.
- b. Sen. Gale: What have you learned as a trustee?
 - i. The board members are more in tune than I thought they were going to be. There are also a lot of issues the university deals with that most people do not see. The board members care deeply about their position and about Miami
- c. Sen. Gale: Can you disclose what the university deals with that people do not see?
 - i. Meeting minutes are public

2. Jannie Kamara:

- a. Sophomore Political Science major and BWS minor. I believe I am a great candidate because I understand the student body and look at all issues at Miami. I focus on the student experience and hope to help elect a student who can convey that experience to board members.
- b. Questions:
 - i. Sen Beuerlein: What are issues that are overlooked by administration
 1. Academics, dining, infrastructure and sustainability
 - ii. Sen Davis: What is the most important quality for a student trustee?
 1. Passion because it is very important to convey the student experience
 - iii. Sen Block: A time you had to evaluate a person and what you saw in them for the position?
 1. I have not had to evaluate someone, but I plan on being open minded
 - iv. Sen Stephens: How do you show passion appropriately?
 1. Showing you have knowledge but also being able to acknowledge people

around you and not thinking any issue is lesser

3. Monica Venzke

a. Senior, 4th district off campus senator, and I am also the President of DAC. I know a lot about diverse students and representing them. I think I am qualified to look for that from other people

b. Questions:

i. Sen Davis: What is the most important quality for a student trustee?

1. Knowing how to represent people who are different than you are. It is important to be involved on campus like I am

ii. Sen Beuerlein: What is your experience with selecting people?

1. I am used to interviewing people because DAC is doing elections

iii. Sen. Daly: There are other issues that are important on campus other than diversity so what would you do to select people who can also help those issues?

1. Everything coincides with diversity. I would look for people who can be transparent

4. James Gales

a. Fundamentally Miami has a lot of different perspectives. I believe I will be qualified because I bring a lot of different perspectives to the school.

b. Questions:

i. Sen Beuerlein: Do you have experience selecting people?

1. I have been on recruitment committees.

ii. Sen Meissner: What diverse perspectives can you bring to this committee?

1. There is a divide on campus. I do not have diverse background, but I recognize that and do my best to represent other voices

iii. Sen Mellott: What have you been involved in on campus?

1. Academic Mock Trial, Professional Business Fraternity, Social Fraternity, and I ran for student body president that connected me with a lot of people on campus

5. Spencer Silbey

- a. I went to three different high schools and that has given me a chance to look at what I want in a school culture. I have the ability to jump right in and analyze because I have seen so many students. I was President of the Diplomat club that's focus was to speak to people different than yourself. I also acted in high school, so I can tell when people are acting or when they are being genuine

b. Questions:

- i. Sen Davis: Most important quality in a student trustee?

1. Empathy and the ability to read people

- ii. Sen. Meyers: What is Miami's school culture?

1. The core values of love and honor is prevalent on campus but there are distinct sub cultures on Miami that need to be addressed to the board

- iii. Sen Beuerlein: What experience do you have that makes you qualified to represent students outside your own community?

1. I interact a lot with international students. I understand what it is like to be an outsider

- iv. Sen. Roth (alternate): What rules need to be addressed to the board?

1. Enforcing rules

6. Chelsea Kao

- a. I am a first year involved in ASG, CLT, and RHA. I am passionate about helping other people and making sure everyone's voices are heard

b. Question:

- i. Sen Kufirin: What characteristic would you look to embody most as a committee member?

1. Critical but also approachable and outgoing. I am a diverse woman with different perspectives
 - ii. Sen Beuerlein: What are big issues facing campus currently?
 1. Sexual assault. We need to step it up and see that this issue is
 - iii. Par. Mellott: What is a personality trait a trustee needs?
 1. Must be critical but beneficial to the student body
7. Congratulations to the new members of the Student Trustee Selection Committee Elections: James Gale and Jannie Kamara

X. Special Business of the Day

a. Rico Blasi, *Head Coach of Miami Hockey*

- i. Really excited about the season and thank you for having me. We have an energetic group. We have a new staff and 8 freshmen. Good mix of veterans and new faces. We start this weekend and kick into conference in November. I want you all to share with the students a documentary about Miami hockey about what it means to be a student athlete at Miami. This can show the energy that the students show during games. The first episode comes out on Thursday. A leader is someone who can influence, and I need you all to influence people to come to the games. I do not like walking around campus and seeing t-shirts for other schools. Ticket policy is coming to the rink, get your wrist band, and get a seat. If you bring a friend, then just go to the ticket office and they will give your friend a ticket, so you can sit together

1. Questions:

- a. Sen. Bertog: Do you have something we can send out?
 - i. Cole can send that to you all
- b. Sen. Meyers: How has the campus changed since you got to campus?
 - i. The campus was so beautiful then and it is still beautiful now, but the buildings are newer, and a lot has changed. Burger King and Wendy's were uptown. The thing that has not changed is the feel of family. Everyone says hi when you

pass them, and the core values remain the same

- c. Sen Gale: If you could use one word to describe Miami hockey what would it be?
 - i. Family. We are known as the brotherhood, so it seems fitting
- d. Sec. Rose: Last year Miami Hockey introduced the You Can Play initiative and I was wondering if you all were going to extend that initiative?
 - i. It is important for us to continue it. We want to make sure it is not something we take for granted. It is important for us to educate and live it every day then next year we will do it again. I will speak to groups about this initiative
- e. Sec. Zinkl: What went into your decision to name two co captains this year?
 - i. I felt that Grant and Josh being senior captains was the appropriate things to do. They are very committed to the program and professional. Josh is a leader by example while Grant is more vocal. They also have a very good relationship with me because I can look at them and they know what I am going to say
- f. Sen. Mallegg: How do you think the turnover in the coaching staff will affect the team?
 - i. I felt our team needed more energy and now we are fresh. Sometimes you get set in your ways, but you need to put yourself in uncomfortable positions to grow. A new staff is uncomfortable, but I think everyone is adapting well and the reaction has been positive

XI. General Announcements

- a. Sen. Beuerlein: If you want to help with door policy reach out to me
- b. Sen. Davis: I am still going to be pursuing activist issues if you want to help me
- c. Sen. Daly: Meal plan survey please reach out to senator Frye and Secretary Meleka
- d. Sen. Venzke: Sign up for the ASG team for the suicide prevention walk

- e. Sen. Gale: We should move t
- f. Sen. Koenig: Clothesline project is coming up on the SEAL this week.
There will also be a meeting tomorrow in the ASG office at 7 to discuss sexual assault policy on campus
- g. Sen. Siegel: We are having a SLACK presentation next week

XII. Adjournment