



**SENATE AGENDA**  
02/14/2023  
Joslin Senate Chamber

- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Announcements from the Chair
- V. Consent Calendar
  - a. Approval of Student Senate minutes from 02/07/2023
  - b. Approval of SDHAC minutes from 02/08/2023
  - c. Approval of Communications minutes from 02/10/2023
  - d. Approval of Infrastructure and Sustainability minutes from 02/10/2023
  - e. Approval of Governmental Relations minutes from 02/10/2023
  - f. Approval of Funding Hearing Minutes 1 from 02/06/2023 and 02/07/2023
  - g. Approval of Funding Hearing Minutes 2 from 02/06/2023 and 02/07/2023
  - h. Approval of Oversight minutes from 02/12/2023
  - i. Approval of Academic Affairs minutes from 02/06/2023
  - j. Approval of DEI minutes from 02/06/2023
  - k. Approval of Steering minutes from 02/12/2023
  - l. Approval of Elections minutes from 02/12/2023
  - m. Motion to approve the consent calendar by unanimous consent
  - n. Motion seconded
  - o. Motion passes
- VI. Student Concerns
- VII. Reports back
  - a. Senator Orlando: I looked into whether people could unsubscribe from the Brick and Ivy emails. I was deferred to brick and ivy, then that email bounced back.
  - b. Senator Abram: Price of fresh fruit & water - redhawk water is cheaper here than in walmart but comparable. Vegan options - rootberry which has different entry choices. Dining halls at tables - submitting work order for that to move forward
    - i. New Concerns:
    - ii. Senator Gant: All the emails have denmark failure
    - iii. Secretary Payne: On-campus is looking into it
    - iv. Senator Fang: There was a train that was derailed which happened a week ago. There are a lot of concerns about the poison that was

released in the water. I'm wondering what we can do to see if there is poison or not

- v. Senator Osteboe: It was in the Ohio River is what I read.
- vi. Senator Ogonnowo: Can this be taken to the off-campus committee
- vii. Motion to commit the concern to off-campus
- viii. Motion seconded
- ix. Motion passes
- x. Senator Kirk: 2 times now where the dining halls put something in my friend's food which was pre-ordered and she got something that she was allergic to?
- xi. Senator Pfister: What allergy?
- xii. Senator Kirk: I'm not sure. I can find out.
- xiii. Motion to commit to on-campus
- xiv. Motion seconded
- xv. Motion passes
- xvi. Senator Day: Academic buildings aren't open on the weekends. I was wondering if there was a reason for that?
- xvii. Senator Gant: The reason why is that there may be some valuables and no one to monitor things
- xviii. Motion to commit to on-campus
- xix. Motion seconded
- xx. Motion passes
- xxi. Senator Money: There are a lot of accessibility concerns on campus
- xxii. Motion to commit to DEI and I&S
- xxiii. Motion seconded
- xxiv. Motion passes
- xxv. Senator Houlihan: There are 2-3 street lights near the construction where they are turned off which is pitch black at night and a high traffic place
- xxvi. Motion to commit to I&S
- xxvii. Motion seconded
- xxviii. Motion passes
- xxix. Senator Jenkins: A couple of people were wanting to add picnic tables outside
- xxx. Motion to commit to I&S
- xxxi. Motion seconded
- xxxii. Motion passes
- xxxiii. Senator Day: Secretary Jefferson won't be here this weekend so there will be a delay in the responses from the committee.

## VIII. Reports

- a. DAC Presentation, *Senator August Ogunnowo*
  - i. Senator Ogunnowo: Hi everyone I am the liaison between ASG and DAC and we've had a long-time partnership. DAC is an umbrella

organization that helps provide resources to different multicultural organizations. Anastasija is someone you would want to know the name of if you want funding from DAC and not from ASG if you couldn't. We have an ambassadors program that works biweekly on Mondays from 7-8 that may interest you to collaborate with on initiatives. What we actually do is a lot of programming like the multicultural mega fair, inclusion forum, and the spooky sextivities which was supposed to explain sex and sexual relations in an inclusive way. We organized a global holiday party celebrating different dances and other things from across the world, mocktail night, diversity week (March 27th), and supporting/sponsoring CSDI, OIDI, member groups etc. We focus on advocacy and education by getting complaints from students and organize protests or host events to advocate for these complaints. There are different ways to collaborate for initiatives, can give letters of support, and help with advocacy. If you want to get involved directly, you can become an ambassador from the 80+ student organizations that are on our email list. Here is our contact information. Does anyone have any questions?

- ii. Senator Marcum: how late into a semester could a position apply to be a DAC ambassador.
- iii. Senator Ogunnowo: You have to be a part of a multicultural organization and I don't think there's a deadline

#### IX. Old Business

#### X. New Business

##### a. Spring Semester Opportunity 1 Funding Allocation Approval

- i. Secretary DeVictor: Here is the breakdown of the funding allocations for this cycle. Here is a comparison from last semester. If you have any particular questions let me know.
- ii. Senator Ogunnowo: For redhawk ventures, I see 598% it seems to be that they didn't input the correct amount at the beginning but this is the right amount that was supposed to be submitted. What about 300%.
- iii. Secretary DeVictor: It was improperly inputted in to the spreadsheet.
- iv. Senator Betchkel: Why is dancing organization so expensive?
- v. Secretary DeVictor: They probably have field trips that are expensive.
- vi. Senator Gant: PGN I thought they were on probation with us
- vii. Secretary DeVictor: Their penalty, the investigation ended after the funding hearing so it took effect after that.

- viii. Senator Frank: I was wondering why PSE got the second most funding, why is that?
- ix. Secretary DeVictor: These are business fraternities. All of these organizations are different. They have a national conference for all chapters and wanted to pay for the registration fee but they did not put that on the hub and we denied about \$12000 for that.
- x. Senator Betchkel: It looks good.
- xi. Senator Nawaz: Miami University business for Palestine isn't there, why is it not there?
- xii. Secretary Payne: Preapprovals should be on here so even if they didn't get funding, they should be on here.
- xiii. Secretary DeVictor: I don't see that they requested any funding here
- xiv. Motion to end debate and call to question
- xv. Motion seconded
- xvi. Motion passes
- xvii. Motion to approve by unanimous consent
- xviii. Motion seconded
- xix. Motion approved
- b. SB222307: A Bill to Update the Bylaws of the Secretary for Infrastructure and Sustainability
  - i. Senator Isphording: This piece of legislation is simple but has some implications. We wanted to make sure that the rules are more clear and when future secretaries step into the roles and know exactly what is expected of them. Here is the direct change that we want to make. The reason we are doing this is because I think Miami has a lot of hidden gems, such as Cody Powell, who in the past was not really contacted in the 26 years he has been working here. It works the opposite way where Olivia stepped into her role very recently and we wanted to get her involved from the beginning. Any questions?
  - ii. Senator Scott: I think this will increase transparency of the position and that it's a good piece of legislation.
  - iii. Secretary Jefferson: Cody has never been to an I&S committee meeting so it's important that there is communication between the committee and administration.
  - iv. Senator Money: I agree with everything everyone has say
  - v. Motion to end debate and call to question
  - vi. Motion seconded
  - vii. Motion passes
  - viii. Motion to approve by unanimous consent
  - ix. Motion seconded
  - x. Motion passes

## XI. Special Business of the Day

XII. General Announcements

- a. Senator Grady: Happy Valentine's Day and shoutout to all the new senators.
- b. Senator Ogunnowo: If you're passionate about helping transfer students, feel free to ask me about it
- c. Senator Showalter: Shoutout to senator Alford for all the cute valentines

XIII. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn
- b. Motion seconded
- c. Motion passes



**February 17, 2023**  
**3:30 pm**  
**Governmental Relations Committee**  
**ASG Office**

**1. Attendance**

- a. Present
  - i. Senator Olive Abram
  - ii. Senator Melinda Barman (she/her)
  - iii. Senator Katie Dunn
  - iv. Senator Matt Gant (he/him)
  - v. Senator Matthew Lodge
  - vi. Senator Spencer Mandzak
  - vii. Senator Kirsten Osteboe (late bc class)
  - viii. Secretary Cameron Tiefenthaler (she/her)
- b. Excused
  - i. Senator Troy Parks (class)
  - ii. Senator Peren Tiemann (any)
  - iii. Senator Patrick Houlihan (he/him)

**2. Secretary Announcements**

- a. Welcome new senators
  - i. What projects are you interested in?
- b. Interested in this position? Chat with Me!
- c. Any and all are invited to join RedHawksCount
  - i. 2/20 in Wilks at 5 pm and biweekly

**3. Project Updates**

- a. UNV 101 classes – Melinda
  - i. Melinda: Jules met with someone in the Orientation office and OIDI. Cathleen will follow up to share updates. Next step is to make a survey of what people want in UNV 101. Want to meet with VP of OIDI to think through the survey. Also have contact name of potentially more fruitful contact in Orientation office.
- b. Civic Engagement forum planning
  - i. April 6 at 6 pm in Senate Chamber with reception in atrium
  - ii. Find speaker bios and narrow down
    - 1. Focus on non-elected officials
  - iii. Brainstorm names of potential speakers [HERE](#)

- c. Website revamp to update voting resources to 2023 and update SNAP benefits (time permitting)
  - i. Patrick, Olive
- d. CE for abroad resources
  - i. Melinda revamping [this flyer](#)
- e. Legislation for election day as an academic holiday?
  - i. Work with Annabel and Wilks staff from their survey
  - ii. Peren, Spencer, Patrick, Matthew, Olive
- f. On-Campus Location
  - i. Patrick: Followed up with Eric, and waiting for more context
- g. Stickers
  - i. Peren will design “Miami votes” adjacent graphic
- h. Wilks Updates
  - i. They will be having a SEAL Workshop on Freedom Summer on Monday February 27th at 5PM in Upham 001

#### **4. Your Why:**

- a. Evaluate progress and review SMARTIE goals
  - i. Melinda: focus on UNV 101 materials
  - ii. Patrick: work with admin to make traction on moving polling location
  - iii. Spencer: logistically successful CE Forum
  - iv. Kirsten: involving as many people/participants in the forum with a wide variety
  - v. Matthew: working on legislation for anti-semitism definition
  - vi. Peren: getting info out about VR and the changed state voter id – partner with Wilks?

#### **5. Round Table**

- a. Senator Olive Abram:
- b. Senator Melinda Barman
- a. Senator Matt Gant
- b. Senator Patrick Houlihan:
- c. Senator Matthew Lodge
- d. Senator Spencer Mandzak
- e. Senator Kirsten Osteboe:
- f. Senator Troy Parks
- g. Senator Peren Tiemann

#### **6. Action Items**

- a. Senator Olive Abram:
- b. Senator Melinda Barman: set up mtg with Cathleen, Kennedy, and Cameron
- c. Senator Matt Gant
- d. Senator Patrick Houlihan: make a list of who to talk to at BOE/Miami
- e. Senator Josh Kennedy
- f. Senator Matthew Lodge
- g. Senator Spencer Mandzak: reach out to potential panelists
- h. Senator Kirsten Osteboe

- i. Senator Troy Parks
- j. Secretary Cameron Tiefenthaler: meet with Hannah in Armstrong
- k. Senator Peren Tiemann: work on voter registration/ID info, legislation, sticker design



# Oversight Committee

*Tia Bakshi, Speaker Pro Tempore*

19 February, 2023

## I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Senator Abram, Senator Cioffi, Senator Scott, Senator Grady, Senator Menter
- B. Excused: Senator Showalter, Senator Jenkins
- C. Unexcused: Senator Ryan, Senator McAllister, Senator Jansen

## II. Vibe Check

- A. Introductions

## III. Updates from the Chair

- A. Go over our semester goals
  - a. Bakshi: We discussed a lot last semester about changing the investigation process, this semester we're going to be reworking the process officially and presenting it to Student Senate for feedback. Let's recap on what we discussed.

## IV. Old Business

- A. [Oversight Standing Rules](#)
  - a. Bakshi: Our main focus will be on reworking investigations and establishing

precedent for the Pro Tempore office. A lot of what is decided when absence thresholds are reached is left up to the discretion of the office and is not brought to the committee.

- b. Scott: I agree that a process should be established with greater precedent. Last semester I remember that our efforts to censure were mostly ineffective. The way that it is now entails very little consequence for anyone with poor attendance in ASG. More accountability would be preferable.
- c. Bakshi: The current point system and the quotas of five, ten points is not reflected in my position, it's purely precedent. There is nothing in the bylaws that establishes it. That's another point we should resolve.
- d. Cioffi: What I worked on last semester was what happens after impeachment. I worked with another senator on removing the process by which censured and impeached senators are made to present to senate as it is unproductive and humiliating. It only serves to create unnecessary drama and foster an unprofessional meeting.
- e. Bakshi: Did you guys want to take out impeachment entirely?
- f. Cioffi: Just manipulate the current system. I don't remember exactly what we decided to change, but I will look through and see what we decided to do.

#### B. Previous Teams:

- Scott outcomes of no investigation
  - Menter: I worked on the outcomes for this last semester, and we determined that the best course of action would be to prepare a list of materials and have a private conversation with the senator so that it's not a waste of everyone's time. I believe this would be better for Senate as a whole so we wouldn't have to take things to impeachment.
  - Bakshi: How do you guys feel about making a copy of the standing rules and making edits as a group? We won't be able to meet in person next weekend so our time to officialize these changes is limited this semester.
  
- RJ outcomes if an investigation is closed
- Letter Grant and Liam
- Censure John

## V. New Business

### A. Office cleaning routine

- Bakshi: Opinions on the new system for assigning office cleaning responsibilities?
- Abram: I think it is a fair system.
- Cioffi: How often is the office used? I rarely use it and I'm wondering if others do.
- Grady: Frequently, for committees and studying.
- Bakshi: It depends on how involved you are with ASG.

### B. [Solidify some changes for reform](#)

- Menter: Should we make the google document for the referral form into a Google Form?
- Bakshi: Documents are not always secure for a number of reasons so this would be a good change. Let's work on getting a form made and clarify that in the standing rules.

C. [Google Form Referral Draft](#)

## **VI. Adjournment**



# Elections Committee

19, February 2023

## I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Senator Harvey, Senator Alford, Speaker Pro Tempore Bakshi, Senator Orlando
- B. Unexcused: Senator Clum, Senator Holleran
- C. Excused: Secretary Knee, Senator Barman

## II. Review Google Form Submissions (if any)

- A. No submissions

## III. Campaign Violation Practice

- A. Fun! Thanks Wes!



## On-Campus Affairs

*Grace Payne*

12 February, 2023

### **I. Roll Call**

- A. Present: Jarrett, Jackson, Maya, Maggie, Orlando
- B. Excused: Troy, Riley, Thomas
- C. Unexcused: Matt

### **II. Announcements from Chair**

- A. Highs and lows!
- B. Chula in Garden, Zen Wok in Maplestreet, and Athenian Grill in Western are permanently there!
- C. Bell Tower Update
  - 1. Will there be a salad option?
- D. Celsius will be at the patio outside of Maplestreet on March 13th
  - 1. They're being sued????????
  - 2. Disclaimer perhaps

### **III. Senator Updates/Check in**

- A. Not enough charging stations on campus

1. Potentially in the libraries or Farmer
  2. More in Armstrong
    - a) Katie Wilson
  3. Charging stations in the office
- B. Promotional emails from Brick and Ivy
1. Will report to Senate with whatever you have on Tuesday
- C. Snowstorm before people moving in, potentially wave the charge
- D. DMARC Failure!!!!

#### **IV. Outreach!**

- A. We have our money, now we need dates!
1. Phi Delt Gates outreach
    - a) My thought for this one is we could do a trifold board with some information about asg (just basic things, what we do, qr code to the website, etc)
    - b) Give away snacks and water for free!
    - c) March 31st
  2. Tabling #1
    - a) Probably in Armstrong
    - b) We're going to want to include a little piece of paper that has our QR code on it. The more minimalist, the better I think.
    - c) March 1st-2nd
  3. Tabling #2
    - a) Probably in Armstrong
    - b) April 12th
  4. Giveaway #1

- a) When and what gift card
  - b) Starbucks
  - c) 20-24th
5. Giveaway #2
- a) When and what gift card
  - b) Starbucks
  - c) Late semester before finals
6. ASG Town Hall
- a) GREAT idea - will we actually have time for this?

**V. Adjournment**



# Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit

*Michael Gallo, Secretary of Finance; Maria DeVictor, Secretary of the Treasury*

19 February, 2023

## I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Patrick Desch, Maricela Anderson, Jarret Pfister, Tyler Knapp, Jackson Gunn, Jack Isphording, Laura Giaquinto, Tyler Jenkins, Shraya Marri, Colin Hall,
- B. Excused: Mia Gaddis, Jack Ernstberger, Maryam Nawaz, Trey Jansen,
- C. Unexcused: Nikhil Patel,

## II. Updates from the Chair(s)

- A. Great work with our hearings!
- B. Updated the weeks in which you are assigned to the email/are more on-call
  - 1.  Office Hour Calendar
  - 2. Patrick and Tyler Knapp this week
- C. [We are planning on conflict de-escalation training with the Dean of Students office in the near future.](#)

## III. Updates from the Committee

## IV. Old Business

## V. New Business

- A. Rule Changes
- B. HUB Uploads!
  - 1.  HUB Upload Assignments

## VI. Adjournment