### **SENATE AGENDA**

09/13/2022 Joslin Senate Chamber



- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call

## IV. Announcements from the Chair

- Speaker Payne: Don't forget about the inclusion forum after the third senate meeting. Next week we are electing 2 people to student life based on nominations off the floor. Appointments to the floor for the steering committee will occur. The judicial council will also be appointed. Special elections packets are due Friday. Only 7 are in right now. Please by the end of tonight fill out the committee preferences form.
- Land acknowledgement

## V. Consent Calendar

- Approval of Student Senate minutes from 04/26/2022
- Approval of Funding and Audit Minutes from 08/21/2022
- Approval of Funding and Audit Minutes from 08/28/2022
- Approval of Funding and Audit Minutes from 09/05/2022
- Approval of Student Dining Hall Advisory Committee Meeting from 09/09/2022
- Motion to approve the consent calendar by unanimous consent
- Motion is seconded
- Motion is approved

## VI. Student Concerns

- Senator Harvey: Orders on GrubHub app cancel out of nowhere and when not busy and no notification of cancellation.
- Motion to commit to on-campus committee.
- Motion is seconded
- Motion is approved
- Senator Williams: One sharp disposal bin as only one on campus.
- Secretary Parker: Been in contact with the office and working on it have some temporary fixes.
- Senator Gant: There are long lines at Maple Dining hall
- Senator Mandzac: There is a lack of employees
- Senator Gradie: Student Health services sometimes not open on the weekend. Dining halls are open at different hours on the weekend.
- Secretary Payne: A lot of staffing issues currently.

- Secretary Parker: Any way to split the concerns.
- Motion to commit to the safety committee (health services).
- Motion is seconded
- Motion is approved
- Motion to commit to on-campus committee (dining hall).
- Motion is seconded
- Motion is approved

## VII. Reports

## VIII. Old Business

## IX. New Business

- Approval of Opportunity 1 Funding Allocations
  - i. Secretary Gallo: We approved 208,000/246,000 approved. 84.45% approval. Information is given when they submit an application, sometimes they write the wrong amount and correct it when they go in front of the funding and audit committee.
  - Senator Grabow: Why are the first two rows with the fancy yellow color
  - iii. Secretary Gallo: They are not valid accounts. Just for us to refer to.
  - iv. Senator Cioffi: Why aren't they valid accounts?
  - v. Secretary Gallo: Accounts payable can take 3-6 weeks to update to become a real account.
  - vi. Debate
  - vii. Senator Ryan: They did a great job and takes a long time for this funding hearing to do. It's awesome to allocate 208,000 dollars. We're encouraged to spend a lot of money since if we don't spend it, we'll get it taken away. I would encourage approval.
  - viii. Senator Harvey: I agree. Thank you for funding and audit. We should approve.
    - ix. Senator Abram: I agree. I don't have any form of reference for how this looks compared to previous years. I don't really know what I'm voting on.
    - x. Secretary DeVictor: Last year opportunity 1 was 117,000 since over the course of Covid there was a decrease in funding allocated.
    - xi. Senator Grabow: The biggest piece of context is that we have a lot of surplus money right now. This makes campus fun. They don't give up this money for no reason. There is an entire process. I am all for giving away money to organizations.
  - xii. Secretary Gallo: Surplus is 1.7 M and each year we get about 800,000 so we have a lot. Good to spend.
  - xiii. Speaker Payne: It's right around the average that we allocate.

- xiv. Senator Grabow: For future reference, the percent approved is at about high 80s which means we aren't saying no to everyone.
- xv. Motion to end debate and call the question
- xvi. Motion has been seconded
- xvii. Motion is approved.
- xviii. Voting session
- xix. Legislation is approved unanimously.
- SR222301: A Resolution to Hold Fall Special Elections Cycle 1 on the HUB
  - i. Parliamentarian Davies: This is holding the next election cycle on the hub. For context, and if you haven't read through the bylaws, usually special elections are on the senate floor where candidates present for a few minutes and other senators vote. It would be impractical for us if we get even half the at-large seats would be a lot. So this would allow for the votes to be on the hub. We can focus on representing the students rather than dedicating meetings to do this. In the past has lasted up to 6 hours. Packets for the election have been released and the elections would be september 20 at 7 AM to september 21 at 7 PM.
  - ii. Senator Grabow: Can you explain quorum.
  - iii. Speaker Payne: Quorum is how many people we need to run a senate meeting. Quorum is half of the elected body plus one. Parliamentarian Davies would be our plus one. Our quorum would be 18 if everyone gets elected and we have 35 senators. If we don't meet quorum, then we wouldn't be able to have our meeting. I don't think that's ever happened.
  - iv. Senator Betchkal: The first therefore be it resolved says "only" for the hub elections
  - v. Parliamentarian Davies: That's a conversation I'd like to get more feedback on by focusing it on only this election. This is a bigger discussion.
  - vi. Secretary Stein: Since there could be at least 23 packets in what steps will you take so the student body knows who they're voting for.
  - vii. Speaker Payne: It's basically the same thing as the elections that just happened. On the hub, I will make the distinction between who can vote for who, especially with at-large members.
  - viii. Senator Gradie: Would every single member be able to vote?
  - ix. Parliamentarian Davies: It would run like the last election cycle. For on-campus, only people in that district would be able to vote for them.
  - x. Senator Houlihan: How come actions have already been taken?
  - xi. Speaker Payne: I wanted to get people to sign petitions and get them in as quickly as possible.
  - xii. Senator Abram: This would be handled by the elections committee?

- xiii. Speaker Payne: Yes.
- xiv. Senator Betchkal: Does that include in the future?
- xv. Parliamentarian Davies: I was on elections last year and the elections committee and communications committee works together in elections. We ask our senators to take their own initiative to help recruit. Please tell people to vote.
- xvi. Senator Pfister: Is there a reason why we send an email out for packets but not to vote?
- xvii. Speaker Payne: No, but that's something we can do.
- xviii. Debate
- xix. Senator Grabow: This is so we don't elect ourselves. This is a no brainer for me.
- xx. Senator Harvey: I very much support it. I was elected as a senator at-large and it's terrifying to do the original process
- xxi. Senator Ryan: This is highly precedented and been done in the past. We would be electing so many seats which is not fair to the student body
- xxii. Senator Gradie: It sounds like a much better way to go about things. I would probably not do it if it wasn't on the hub. I know it's hard to get people to vote.
- xxiii. Secretary Stein: I am a fan of long senate meetings. But you guys don't want that.
- xxiv. Senator Showalter: I think this will encourage people to vote definitely.
- xxv. Motion to end debate and call the question
- xxvi. Motion has been seconded
- xxvii. Motion is approved.
- xxviii. Voting session
- xxix. Legislation is approved unanimously.

## X. Special Business of the Day

### XI. General Announcements

- Secretary Hughes: September 28 will be the inclusion forum. You will learn about multicultural events on campus and faculty events about DEI.
- Secretary Payne: Withrow Starbucks has been having issues with equipment and staffing. Want to open this semester. QR codes in tables, please fill it out if you want changes in the dining hall. Also put good things. Download digital ID, you can just tap your phone instead of pulling up the app. Aramark needs employees. Free meal per shift, free uniform, free shoes, \$14 an hour. ASG is co-sponsoring a blood drive on September 21. In the link in the slack. Pie an ADPi is Friday from 9-2AM, but if you want to come pie me or Tia in the face you can. Raising money for RMHC.

- Senator Willams: How do I respond to a point made? Point of information if you have to unlock your phone for the mobile ID.
- Secretary Parker: So excited y'all are here. Run for senate, but if they can't but want to be involved, I am opening to at-large. Exec board is just me right now.
- Speaker Payne: At-large means that they are on the committee but they are not a member of senate. It's in F&A and Academic Affairs.
- Secretary Stein: If you want to go bowling before pieing Tia and Grace, AOPi is having an event at 7. It counts as a philanthropy event. I am president of Up & Up to win an EDM concert. Tickets are sold out and if people get denied, then you can be bumped off the waitlist. SCRC is the committee I'm on and work with the city of Oxford for one open seat which anyone can apply for.
- Student Body President Kaur: My name is Amitoj. I am very hype about senate and ASG. You are students first. We want to give you guys an adventure of a lifetime and for the kickback with the Crawfords. Say hi to me please. I want to make this experience awesome and change at Miami.
- Secretary Jefferson: I am on the Student sustainability council and you can find any things about green orgs next Thursday.
- Senator Ogunnowo: If you're a transfer student, I have an opportunity for you.
- Advisor Walter: I'm Scott Walter, assistant vice president of student life.
   I'm in Warfield Hall.
- Secretary Payne: On-campus affairs in looking to see what the next big food chain that will come to campus. There is nothing Aramark cannot bring in. Please share and fill out the interest form.
- Secretary Hughes: We are still offering a spot to speak at the Inclusion forum if you're a part of a multicultural event.
- Senator Williams: Are you still trying to kill time? Since you want us to fill out the committee form tonight, can cabinet explain their committees.
- Speaker Payne: Talk to them at the reception and look at the slides about each committee. Thank you for tonight. Great first meeting. It took me 4 weeks before I felt comfortable saying anything so the motions will come to you.

## XII. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn
- Motion is seconded
- Motion is approved.



## **Associated Student Government | Safety and Wellness Committee**

Secretary Ryan Parker Date: 09/18/22

#### 1. Roll Call

a. Present: Patrick Houlihan, Abby Showalter, Peren Tiemann, Melinda Barman, Kerrigan Grabow, Maggie Ryan

b. Excused: Shelby Alford

c. Unexcused:

## 2. Updates From the Chair

- a. Ryan: Welcome to Safety! We're going to be really focusing on rededicating ourselves to the purpose of ASG this year, which is to change campus with initiatives. I hope you're all excited to really get down and into the work this semester. Please let me know if you need any help with getting initiatives started or if you need to be connected with an administrator! If you would like to ride shotgun with me to one of my meetings with admin don't hesitate to reach out and ask. I have a meeting with the Title IX Coordinator tomorrow if anyone wants to tag along?
- b. Melinda: I would like to.

#### 3. Student Concerns

a.

#### 4. Committee Work

- a. Ryan: Bylaw changes. I want to change the ASG bylaws to make it so that allegations of SIV are permanently not considered slander in executive session. However, I know this is going to be controversial and I want to get your opinions on the subject before I move forward.
- b. Patrick: I would have to voice my support for something like this.
- c. Abby: I'm in support. I think that if it's in executive session we're not broadcasting it to the university, and we should know in full who we are electing to leadership positions.
- d. Melinda: I think this could serve as a great way to make sure that we're holding the people we're electing accountable.



- e. Abby: I think this is especially important in electing someone to your position Ryan. We can't have someone making SIV policy with credible allegations against them.
- f. Kerrigan: The oversight process is very slow, and that's if it doesn't go to OCS, which is even longer. In that time, someone could be getting elected.
- g. Maggie: Important context to note is some things that happened last semester. The people who were problematic are thankfully out of the organization but I think we need to do this to prevent it from happening again.
- h. Ryan: Exactly- the point in doing this is to be proactive.
- i. Kerrigan: Have you met with Scott?
- j. Ryan: Not yet, I will this week. In my meeting with Title IX tomorrow I plan on bringing it up to see what she thinks. It would be difficult because we would have to navigate mandatory reporting, and also I don't want to assume people's guilt. However I think that allegations should at least be allowed to be discussed.

### 5. Action Items

a. Ryan: Meeting with Title IX (bringing Melinda), meet with Scott

#### 6. Announcements

a. Safety meetings will be 2-3 pm in the office permanently from here on out.



# **On-Campus Affairs**

## Grace Payne

## 18 September, 2022

## I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Grant, Jarrett, Jackson, Troy, Orlando, Matt
- B. Excused
- C. Unexcused

## II. Announcements from Chair

- A. Let's do some introductions & high and lows
  - 1. Grace: Highs and lows will be the way we start every meeting!
- B. Committee Expectations
  - 1. Minutes
    - a) Grace: Minutes are exactly what this document will be. It's where someone will type out everything that someone is saying. It doesn't need to be word for word, and that's pretty impossible, but just get the main ideas! Someone will be assigned to do this each week, and you should know this a few weeks in advance.
  - 2. Student Concern Tracker

a) Grace: There is a student concern tracker for ASG, but there is also one specifically for on-campus because we get so many student concerns. Someone each week will be assigned to tracking the student concerns that we get. You will also know this a few weeks in advance.

## 3. Taking Student Concerns

a) Grace: When we get the student concerns, someone, or a few people, will be assigned to work on it. This usually ends up looking like emailing an administrator and getting a response. Sometimes they can be more long-term which is fine. We get two weeks to work on student concerns, so try and have them done before that.

### 4. Attendance

a) Grace: Attendance is expected, but things happen! If you have a big exam one week, it's okay to take the day off and study. If you're having a poor mental health day, it's okay to skip! Just please be honest with me and let me know as early as you know.

#### 5. General Stuff

a) Grace: You all are welcome to eat and drink and all that during committee. I'm a big football fan, so I may be checking my phone occasionally during committee meetings, and you all are welcome to do that as well. Just pay attention and participate!

## C. Weekly Meeting Time

- 1. Might be changing once we get special elections!
- 2. Are Sundays the best day for everyone?
  - a) Jackson: Sundays!
  - b) Sundays generally seem to be the best day for everyone.
- D. National Brand Survey update & what this committee will be doing

- Grace: Our role is to write legislation that officially says what ASG is recommending. Currently, Bibibop is winning, then Canes, and then Culvers. We will be recommending the top three. We'll start writing this legislation at our next committee meeting.
- E. In the future, we will get to work on some stuff with BCRTA
  - 1. Grace: The bus route people!
- F. Outreach will be developing soon!
  - 1. Grace: I've been trying to reform the way ASG does outreach. Just handing stuff out without any sort of reference from ASG hasn't been super effective. This isn't something that need to be worried about currently, but something to think about.
  - 2. Orlando: Food is great, but more permanent objects would be nice. ASG logos on things to hand to other students?
    - a) Grace: I'll ask Maria!

## III. Senator Updates (Brainstorm Initiatives)

- A. There's been issues with dishware/utensils (switching back and forth)!
- B. Drink machine out of order at Western for a while
  - 1. Also at Pulley.

#### IV. Action Items

- A. Grubhub is canceling orders randomly (specifically Cafe Lux)
  - 1. Grace
- B. Hours in Maplestreet on the weekends are weird and breakfast is served in the allergen station
  - 1. Can anyone who frequents Maple explain this to me?
  - 2. Grace
- C. Dr. Bell-Robinson has asked us to decide what channel should replace Fox Sports Network for the community TV lineup. Thoughts?
  - 1. Black News Channel

# V. Adjournment



## **Oversight Committee**

Tia Bakshi, Speaker Pro Tempore

18 September, 2022

### I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Senator Grabow, Senator McAllister, Senator Le,
  Parliamentarian Davies, Senator Harvey, Senator Novak, Speaker Pro
  Tempore Bakshi, Senator Ryan
- B. Excused:
- C. Unexcused: Senator Cioffi

### II. Vibe Check

- A. Introductions (name, major, year, pronouns, how long have you been in Senate, one good/bad thing)
  - Senator Grabow: senior, he/him, business economics, on/off relationship with, bad thing is econ night kerfuffle, good thing is he has time to figure it out
  - Senator Le: first year, social work, she/her, first time in senate, good thing is had room to self, bad thing is don't have a job
  - c. Senator Harvey: sophomore, art history, any pronouns, was in senate in last year, good thing is got invited to award ceremony, bad thing is lot of assignments coming up
  - d. Parliamentarian Davies: junior, poli sci/urban and regional planning, he/him, from Massachusetts, bad thing is a lot of assignments, good thing is that we have twenty people running for senate special elections (woo!)
  - e. Senator Novak: first year, psych major, he/him, bad thing is did poorly on Japanese quiz but lowest grade(s) are dropped
  - f. Senator McAllister: first year, he/him, finance major(?), bad thing is sick all week but good thing is did well on calc quiz
  - g. Senator Ryan: sophomore, she/her, political science/social justice major, was in senate last year, good thing was dad being in town for weekend, bad thing was a horrible group project

## III. Updates from the Chair

A. Anything?

## IV. Old Business

## V. New Business

- A. Introductions
- B. Oversight Standing Rules
- C. Non-Bias Training
- D. Reform conversation

## VI. Adjournment