SENATE AGENDA

04/13/2021 Zoom



- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Announcements from the Chair
 - a. Speaker-elect Villanueva: Keep an eye out for Senate election information in the spring; there will be a Senate election information at 6pm on Monday. Remember to question the best candidate, not who is entitled to the position.
- V. Consent Calendar
 - a. Approval of Student Senate Minutes from April 6th 2021
 - b. Approval of Funding and Audit Committee Minutes from April 9th, 2021
 - c. Approval of On-Campus Affairs Committee Minutes from April 11th, 2021
 - d. Approval of Steering Committee Minutes from April 11th, 2021
 - e. Approval of Academic Affairs Coalition Minutes from April 11th, 2021
 - f. Approval of Infrastructure and Sustainability Committee Minutes from April 11th 2021
 - g. Motion to approve the consent calendar by unanimous consent.
 - h. Motion is seconded.
 - i. Consent calendar is approved.
- VI. Student Concerns
 - a. Senator Chima: I have a concern about the protestors here at Shriver Center today. Considering there has been a lot of police brutality and hate crimes against the LGBTQ+ community, it was a little concerning to see police officers guarding those protestors.
 - b. Secretary Small: This is something I've looked into at my time in ASG. Unfortunately, they are on public property (the sidewalk area), so their first amendment rights are protected. The best thing we can do is encourage our students and remind them that kind of language doesn't have a place at Miami. It's something ASG could issue a statement or have some reaffirming language about.
 - c. Senator Capriolo: This is something we should look into. I don't know where to forward this to, but we can start by making sure students around campus are aware of protests like these in advance to avoid triggering students and giving them the ability to avoid these protestors. I think the concern should still be forwarded.
 - d. Motion to commit Senator Chima's concern to Diversity & Inclusion.
 - e. Motion is seconded.
 - f. Concern is committed.
 - g. Senator Wu: The vegan options in Armstrong, particularly Pulley's, are very limited and have issues with continuing to use animal products even in the vegan option. I was wondering if there is anything from On-Campus or the Student Dining Hall Advisory Committee on this.

- h. Vice President von Zastrow: This is something we've discussed in SDHAC; however, I do not think you can commit a concern to SDHAC, so I would do that for On-Campus instead.
- i. Motion to commit Senator Wu's concern to On-Campus Affairs.
- j. Motion is seconded.
- k. Concern is committed.
- 1. Senator Davies: People are under the impression that pressing the option to not add the paper liner at Pulley's would save paper and be more environmentally friendly; however, I've learned the "no paper liner" option just removes the liner after it's been put in the container, and that defeats the point. I want to either change this or educate people on what happens.
- m. Secretary South: We can bring that up with SDHAC and push stopping the paper liners. I don't have a solution yet.
- n. Motion to commit Senator Davies's concern to Infrastructure & Sustainability.
- o. Motion is seconded.
- p. Concern is committed.
- q. Senator Davies: Currently, you need to call on the phone to make an appointment with SCS, and that acts as a barrier for students. I was wondering if there could be a way to sign up on the website.
- r. Motion to commit Senator Davies's concern to Safety.
- s. Motion is seconded.
- t. Concern is committed.
- u. Senator Kravitz: I have a constituent who had COVID-19 in October, but they have not been selected for COVID-19 testing since.
- v. Senator Maldonado: That is probably related to the algorithm. If this is a pattern with students who have had COVID-19 before, have their 90 days expire, and still not get tested, then we can pursue that.
- w. Motion to commit Senator Kravitz's concern to COVID-19 Ad Hoc.
- x. Motion is seconded.
- y. Concern is committed.
- z. Secretary Petrella: I have a follow-up, sorry. I have two follow-ups. (1) For Senator Chima on making COVID-19 vaccines mandatory--we cannot do that because of the emergency use situation. (2) For Senator Chima on sweatshop labor--Miami does outsourcing its production to third parties, so we don't know the answer.
- aa. Senator Elghazawi: I have had some people reach out to me about Ramadan accommodations and need information on what the situation is for Muslim students this year. I don't feel the need to commit it because we are working on this, but others are free to do so.
- bb. Secretary Bosworth: It seems like Miami was only getting Johnson & Johnson vaccines, but I've also heard we're getting Pfizer, and the difference matters due to current news.
- cc. Secretary Petrella: Students are only receiving Pfizer. Faculty has been receiving Johnson & Johnson.
- dd. Secretary Finfrock: The state has also been preparing for this ahead of time. If any of you have received Johnson & Johnson, don't panic--there's only been six cases.
- ee. Parliamentarian Gates: Students are continuing to have assignments due on the wellness day; one student had 10 assignments due.

- ff. Secretary Pal: This has been the fourth wellness day, but only the second rotation of MW classes, so it could be a mistake, but it's a conversation we are continuing to have. If I haven't answered any emails yet, it's because I've had surgery; my apologies.
- gg. Parliamentarian Gates: Would it be useful to you for me to commit this concern?
- hh. Secretary Pal: We're discussing this every day anyways. Go for it.
- ii. Motion to commit Parliamentarian Gates's concern to Academic Affairs.
- jj. Motion is seconded.
- kk. Concern is committed.

VII. Reports

- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business Item A: Secretary of Finance Election
 - a. Heervansh Keswani
 - i. Heervansh Keswani: I'm a sophomore majoring in quantitative economics and predictive analytics with minors in French and mathematics. My academic background suits me well for this position in managing schedules and quantitative abilities, and my background as an international student led me to a diverse range of involvements, including being VP of Analytics for Alpha Kappa Psi. I hope to achieve transparency (both external and internal), proactive outreach, and collaboration. I want to add analytical insights to committee reports and greater importance to different perspectives in F&A. I want to have post-hearing outreach for clubs after F&A and have conversations with organizations more. I also want to leverage my connections across Miami and do collaborative work with different parts of ASG, including Communications and D&I.
 - ii. Senator Kravitz: Is there anything else you'd like to share?
 - iii. Heervansh Keswani: This particular position within ASG is both most suited to me based on my background and has the chance to do something meaningful; I also know it is impactful that I would be the first international student to hold this position.
 - iv. Secretary Bosworth: Could you talk about how you want to partner with Greek Life?
 - v. Heervansh Keswani: I'm part of both a business fraternity and a social fraternity. I think it would be interesting to examine how much of our budget goes to Greek organizations and how we can encourage them to be more self-sustaining.
 - vi. Senator Payne: Can you elaborate on your goal with different perspectives in the F&A committee?
 - vii. Heervansh Keswani: My experience as VP of Analytics for Alpha Kappa Psi really informs this goal for me; I want to create more leadership positions and give people more autonomy in the way they handle matters.

Strengthening delegation allows us to target things like who is spending the most money.

- b. Ben Waugh
 - i. Secretary Waugh: I'm running for reelection as Secretary for Finance. I have 3 years of experience in both ASG and F&A; outside of those, I was treasurer for BSAC. I'm proud of what F&A has accomplished this year--we rolled out student senator finance training, put out comprehensive COVID-19 guidelines, etc., but we have more work to do. I have four goals; first, incorporating feedback--having a post-hearing feedback form, institute a bisemesterly committee feedback form, and some other methods. Second, I want to advocate for student organizations by improving accessibility working with the Miller Center and doing active outreach by visiting student organizations, especially our multicultural organizations, which will give them individualized funding help. Third, I want to increase global spending caps due to our huge surplus and increase requesting abilities. Fourth, I want to encourage consistency in our communications by providing multiple reminders to organizations.
 - ii. Senator Stein: Is there anything else you'd like to share?
 - iii. Secretary Waugh: I want to let organizations know why/that they're being audited and expand our usage of Twitter. In this position, experience matters. Don't elect me because of my experience, but the connections I've built in this position.
 - iv. Senator Capriolo: What do you think your greatest weakness in this role has been and how will you improve upon it?
 - v. Secretary Waugh: Not being accessible enough to Senate. My position is very externally facing, but as I talked about in my presentation, I want to provide mid-semester reports.
 - vi. Senator Wu: Could you expand on your initiatives to help newer multicultural organizations struggling with funding?
 - vii. Secretary Waugh: We can leverage student organization visits and emphasize putting the committee out there to organizations. Individualized attention will ensure we can cover the weak points the organization is facing and having representative visits allows the organization to understand the process better.
 - viii. Senator Brown motions to enter executive session with the full cabinet reserved except Secretaries Chunias and South and Vice President von Zastrow.
 - ix. Motion is seconded.
 - x. Motion passes.
 - xi. Exit executive session.
 - xii. Congratulations to re-elected Secretary Waugh!

- X. New Business Item B: Secretary of the Treasury Election
 - a. Vathsa Yarramsetty
 - i. Vathsa Yarramsetty: I'm a junior majoring in finance and accounting. I want to improve the student experience in and out of the classroom. I'm a member of Alpha Kappa Psi, Honors Student Advisory Board, Beta Alpha Psi, and the Rowing Club. My platform has three key initiatives--transparency, humanization of the F&A committee, and DEI enhancement. I believe financial organizations need to be more transparent than anything else, and implementing an anonymous feedback system would allow for that. Creating a strike system, a 2 week notice for student organizations being audited, and consistent communication would strengthen our ability to connect to student organizations on-campus.
 - ii. Senator Kravitz: Is there anything else you would like to add?
 - iii. Vathsa Yarramsetty: My third pillar is DEI. I want to collaborate more with SEAL Ambassadors and support underrepresented organizations through tackling DEI initiatives.
 - iv. Secretary Waugh: Could you go into more detail about the strike system?
 - v. Vathsa Yarramsetty: Create a system to prevent penalization against organizations that are making accidental and genuine mistakes, like not spending enough of the funding.
 - vi. Senator Payne: How would you approach handling communicating with ASG on finances?
 - vii. Vathsa Yarramsetty: Clear updates each month to each committee to make sure senators know what's going on.
 - b. Dan Bosworth
 - i. Secretary Bosworth: I've worked as an FSB Senator, been Secretary of the Treasury, and had other financial experiences. Last year, I ran on communication, accountability, and education. This year, I want to focus on holding myself and others accountable and maximize the importance of engagement through diversity. I want to use more internal funds for specific DEI purposes--an emergency fund and an advocacy fund will be part of my focus. I want to create greater fiscal responsibility resources and expand the position to a more advisory role. I want to better implement external subcommittees in coordination with this and modify the point system in F&A to better work for students.
 - ii. Senator Maldonado: Could you talk more about the Financial Advisory Panel, one of the external subcommittees?
 - iii. Secretary Bosworth: This committee will serve to advise the Secretary of the Treasury and will include senators, organization representatives, administrators, and others. I want to collaborate more on major decisions.

- iv. Senator Capriolo: What do you think your greatest weakness in this role has been and how will you improve upon it?
- v. Secretary Bosworth: Sometimes I can take up all the oxygen in the room and not give senators the chance to take up leadership. I also take on too much, and I want to work on delegating better in the future.
- vi. Senator Wu: You've expressed frustration with current senator engagement with the budget. How do you plan to increase engagement with both senators not experienced in finance and with senators who came on during COVID-19?
- vii. Secretary Bosworth: Defining the difference between Finance and Treasury. Being in person will also dramatically increase the number of people in the office, and that will create more opportunities for a one-on-one session.
- viii. Senator Scott: Could you talk more about the student advocacy and activism fund?
- ix. Secretary Bosworth: Fund will engage student organizations and have long-term activism implications?
- x. Senator Chima motions to enter executive session reserving the full cabinet.
- xi. Motion is seconded.
- xii. Motion passes.
- xiii. Exit executive session.
- xiv. Senate votes no confidence in both of the candidates.
- xv. Speaker-elect Villanueva steps down as chair of Student Senate.
- xvi. Speaker Murphy assumes chair of Student Senate.
- xvii. Senator Elghazawi motions to table New Business Items D and F to next week.
- xviii. Motion is seconded.
- xix. Motion passes.
- xx. Senator Capriolo motions to reorder New Business Item E to before New Business Item C.
- xxi. Motion is seconded.
- xxii. Motion passes.
- xxiii. Senator Elghazawi motions to recess for ten minutes.
- xxiv. Motion is seconded.
- xxv. Motion passes. The Senate adjourns until 9:30pm.
- XI. New Business Item E: Secretary for Governmental Relations Election
 - a. Gillian Brown
 - Senator Brown: I'm a second year middle childhood education major. I'm involved in ASG's Elections Committee, the USenate Center for Teaching Excellence Committee, and other groups around campus. I want to prepare for the 2022 elections through increasing voter turnout, working with residence life, build standing rules, and set up the committee for success.

Municipal elections and the big races--gubernatorial, senate, etc.--for 2022 can be prepped for through strengthening awareness, talking to local officials, increasing participation in school wide elections, and broadening the range of voices involved.

- ii. Senator Scott: How would you go about collaborating with organizations like SASS or internal committees like Safety?
- iii. Senator Brown: I want to make sure that organizations that want to be in the conversation are put within the conversation. Internally, I want to work with cabinet members to find how to interweave our initiatives.
- iv. Secretary Finfrock: What is the biggest hurdle you see in this position?
- v. Senator Brown: making voter information more accessible
- vi. Senator Kelley: could you tell us about your survey to see where students vote?
- vii. Senator Brown: we currently get numbers for butler county voter turnout but it's good to know where students are voting back at home
- viii. Secretary Finfrock: how would you convince a state representative that public funding for Miami is worth it?
- ix. Senator Brown: I would emphasize enhhancing the student experience
- x. Senator Bracely: can you speak for voter suppression and how you would combat it?
- xi. Senator Brown: it's important to meet with marginalized groups and elevate their voices
- b. Austin Tyree
 - i. Austin: I have served in ASG, a member of the GRN, gone with Randi to Washington DC and the statehouse. I have also worked as an ohio senate page. i have gained knowledge on the interworkings of state government including chairs of higher education. This committee's work would be based on voting, advocacy, connections, and support for the student body. It's essential that all students are involved in the political process. I would also reach out to groups who are not typically civically engaged and ensure that voter registration forms are adequately distributed. I also want to ensure that ASG monitors all consequential legislation to ensure that Miami's voice is heard. I would like to coordinate with other organization leaders and bring candidates in for a forum. I also want to strengthen the university's relationship within the ohio university's student government association. i also want to provide the student body about filing taxes.
 - ii. Motion to enter executive session
 - iii. Motion seconded
 - iv. Enter executive session
 - v. Exit executive session

- vi. Speaker Murphy: congratulations newly elected secretary Tyree!
- XII. New Business Item C: Secretary for Diversity and Inclusion Election
 - a. Jakin Wu
 - i. Senator Wu: I have great opportunities to work with the student body and have served the AAIP community in various capacities. I want to emphasize equity in D&I, build long lasting institutional change, and focus on collaboration. I plan to do so by expanding D&I, bringing representation, and bringing student engagement. I want to provide legal and financial resources for all students through the CSDI and combat student debt by increasing transparency for university expenditure. I also plan to expand representation of marginalized groups in underrepresented spaces, increase student representation in administrative spaces, and provide LGBTQ+ support and representation
 - ii. Secretary Small: the first and foremost qualification is a strong passion for creating change. Why do you want to hold this position?
 - Senator Wu: you said earlier that in an ideal work, D&I shouldn't need to exist. In seeing the struggles students are facing, I want to promote these equitable resources
 - iv. Senator Scott: how do you plan to expand representation of marginalized groups in underrepresented spaces?
 - v. Senator Wu: I plan to investigate admission in CEC, assess internal climate, and work with student orgs
 - vi. Senator Stack: if you had to pick one word to characterize your campaign, what would it be?
 - vii. Senator Wu: prevalent, because D&I should have prevalence across the university
 - b. Vada Stephens
 - i. Senator Stephens: diversity equity and inclusion is critical for the success of our university. As an advocate, I do not speak for anyone but make efforts for students to receive the change they need. I want to revamp the committee through collaboration and partnerships. I also want to sustain and promote a unified ASG. I want to further foster institutional diversity. the universiq needs to improve its anti-discrimination policies as well as expand gender inclusive bathrooms across campus. I also want to create a multicultural mega fair and partner with the women's center.
 - ii. Secretary Small: why do you want to be in this position?
 - iii. Senator Stephens: I want to ensure that I am giving power to those who do not have a voice
 - iv. Senator Davies: if you had to sum up your campaign with one word, what would it be?
 - v. Senator Stephens: bold or transformative

- c. Cameron Bracely
 - i. Senator Bracely: I am a third year public administration major, a second year RA, and a second year senator. ASa a queer person of color on campus, I have been able to advocate for students of different backgrounds. Focusing on the Firsy 50 days, I want to ensure the inclusion forum happens within the first 50 days, work with university senate to restructure how we engage DEI in our classrooms. I also want to work on year-long collaborative efforts through I&S, safety, and on-campus dining. For long run initiatives, I want to work on the Freedom Summer Tour, host a diversity roundtable workshop, and q my miami experience event.
 - ii. Senator Pallant: what are your plans for COVID?
 - iii. Senator Bracely: COVID-19 has disproportionately impacted marginalized students. we need to analyze and understand what we want to do and be transparent about fall plans
 - iv. Senator Scott: which initiative would you be most excited to move forward with?
 - v. senator Bracely: the freedom summer tour
 - vi. motion to enter executive session
 - vii. Motion is seconded
 - viii. Enter executive session
 - ix. Exit executive session
 - x. Speaker Murphy: congratulations newly elected Secretary Stephens!
- XIII. Special Business of the Day
- XIV. General Announcements
 - a. Speaker Murphy; next week we will have our two tabled elections
 - b. Senator Stein: AOPi is doing their philanthropy so if you guys want to start a kickball team
 - c. Senator Stack: please support the NRHH talent show
 - d. Secretary Waugh: the funding application is due on Friday at 11:45 PM
 - e. Zoe Douglas: DAC's unity week is starting today
- XV. Adjournment
 - a. Motion to adjourn
 - b. Motion seconded
 - c. Meeting adjourned



Emily McClary Secretary for Off-Campus Affairs Associated Student Government Miami University

Off-Campus Affairs Committee

April 12, 2021, 6:30PM via Zoom

Present: Senator Adjei, Senator Lake, Senator Manley, Senator McKeon, Senator Skelly **Excused:** Senator Pallant, Senator Hudak **Unexcused:**

I. Updates from the Chair

A. Kickball Fundraiser - Prizes

- 1. Working with local businesses to get the prizes
- 2. Use existing connections, and any other ideas
- B. Sharefest
 - 1. Uni-Community partnership to repurpose furniture people would leave behind
 - 2. COVID precautions: dropoff and not pickup
- C. Q&A with Steve Large
 - 1. At SCRC next week
 - 2. Let me know if any questions
- D. Polco Report
 - 1. 3rd-party did research on OPD, presenting their findings to the city in Mid-May
 - 2. Will follow up as these results come in and see how they pertain to our conversation on OPD conduct

II. Committee Updates

- A. Adjei
 - 1. Slow-going on recycling initiative
- B. Hudak
- C. Lake
 - 1. Sending out flyer to hotels and AirBnBs about graduation and COVID protocols
- D. McKeon
 - 1. Still working on translated Renters Rights pamphlets, plan to finish by end of month
 - 2. Working with Sen. Wu and Safety to try and combat street harassment (e.g. catcalling, yelling from cars)



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- a) Bias reporting to cover any incidents students face
- E. Manley
 - 1. Took a break
 - 2. Minor Mask Ambassadors issues that we've had to work through
- F. Pallant
- G. Skelly
 - 1. Still working on WHW event, going virtual, reevaluating how things will look going forward with new leadership at WHW

III. New Business

- A. Sense of Senate Colin's Law
 - 1. More info <u>here</u>
 - 2. Colin's law is anti-hazing law that takes hard a stance against it with thorough consequences
 - 3. Ohio colleges have been writing letters to state reps to encourage passage
 - 4. We've talked with Greek Life about this, and they are in support of a Sense of the Senate for this issue
 - 5. McKeon: bring in Sec.-Elect Tyree on this
 - 6. Manley and McKeon will work on this, McClary will follow up with Greek Life and we'll determine meeting time to work
- B. Meetings for rest of year
 - 1. 4/21 will be our last meeting
 - 2. No meeting on 4/28, instead, the WHW event on 4/29 is *mandatory* for OFC; more information will be given at next meeting

IV. Action Items

- A. Adjei
 - 1. Keep working with Sen. Hudak on recycling
- B. Hudak
- C. Lake
 - 1. Another local business spotlight
 - 2. Send out more flyers
- D. McKeon
 - 1. Translated flyers by end of month



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2. Update on street harassment work

E. Manley

- 1. Get bags from Rebecca Baudry-Young and other MA materials back together
- 2. Work on Colin's Law SoS
- F. Pallant
- G. Skelly
 - 1. Keep working on event, putting finishing touches together

V. General Announcements/Celebrations

- A. Great job to everyone for work on the newsletter!
- B. Please please keep signing up for the Farmers' Market



Associated Student Government COVID-19 Information Task Force [4/15/21]

Present: Sec. Sutton, Waugh, McClary, Pal; Sen. Maldonado, Stack, Harman, Travis, Manley Excused: Sec. Petrella, Sen. Thomas Unexcused:

- I. Attendance
- II. Updates from the Committee
 - A. All concerns are being actively addressed with Dr. Large

III. Old Business

A. Final look through on <u>legislation</u>

Response from Steering: "Here is our feedback on the Vaccine Sense of the Senate. In short, we believe the heart of this initiative is great but believe a sense of the senate directed at the student body is not necessary, as legislation does not provide leverage in that situation. Instead here are our suggestions:

- If you want to keep this student-focused, we recommend collaborating with the communications committee on a vaccine education campaign and releasing a statement encouraging students to get one if able.
- 2. If you want to keep this legislative, we recommend shifting your intended audience to administrators, as legislation gives us leverage in those conversations. One example idea we had was encouraging Miami to make vaccines mandatory for students taking in-person classes (assuming they are religiously and



medically able to do so). Rutgers University recently did something similar. You do not have to pursue this idea, just providing an example."

- 1. Sen. Thomas and Sen. Maldonado: We believe that adding in the final line and then going to Communications to make a vaccine safety information graphic would be best.
- B. Mask Citations from City of Oxford
 - Sec. McClary: 8 citations have been given out from the City of Oxford. I can figure out why they have only given out 8, but it has just been a frustrating conversation.
- C. Greek Life Vaccinations
 - Sec. McClary: Chapters have been doing social media campaigns and competitions to get more students vaccinated. They are working on it!

IV. New Business

- A. **Final report:** what to include, when to report, delegation of tasks, and Q: Are we going to re-establish this committee for the fall the future of this committee
- B. semester?
 - a) Sec. Sutton and Sen. Stack: It should be on an as needed basis. It is too far to tell right now whether or not we will need it, so let's hold off for now.
 - b) Sen. Maldonado: I think we would be fine with not having it over the summer and instead letting interested senators and/or safety pick up any concerns.
 - 2. Q: What to include?



- a) Sen. Maldonado: Including our report from the fall semester; meeting concerns is another big one
- b) Sec. Sutton: We could talk about wellness days and how we fit into that picture.
- c) Sec. McClary: Speaking about the vaccine and how that has been going on campus so far
- d) Sec. Pal: Over j-term work that the committee did to actually establish the changes from the report.
- e) Sec. Sutton: We've been talking a lot about testing compliance and general testing procedures as well.
- f) Sen. Maldonado: We tried to have people come in to ask questions, but nobody really took a bite.
- g) Sec. McClary: Mask ambassadors!
- h) Sec. Pal: Highlighting how students got some agency to make some change in their own classes
- 3. Q: When to report?
 - a) Sec. Sutton: Aim for 27th, have the 4th as a backup
 - b) Sen. Maldonado: Our meeting for the 29th will depend on what happens on the 27th
- 4. Q: Delegation of tasks
 - a) Sec. McClary: Let's assign people to points and then have them speak about them during the presentation.
 - b) Sen. Maldonado: We don't want to do a workshop this time!
 - c) Breakdown:
 - (1) Goals: Sen. Stack
 - (2) Report/J Term Work: Sen. Maldonado
 - (3) Wellness Days: Sec. Pal



(4) Programming on Wellness Days: Sec. Sutton

- (5) Vaccines: Sec. Petrella
- (6) Mask Ambassadors: Sen. Manley
- (7) Off-Campus Compliance: Sec. McClary

(8) Testing Concerns: Sen. Harman, Stack

- V. Action Items
 - A. Sign up for <u>Mask Ambassadors!</u>
 - 1. \$50 for orgs who sign up!
 - B. Begin preparing for our final report to the Senate by next meeting! (4/22)
 - C. Speak with comms about our vaccine info sheets (Sec. Waugh, Sen. Travis, Sen. Thomas)
- VI. Adjourn



Harper Sutton Secretary for Safety Associated Student Government Zoom Oxford, Ohio 45056

Associated Student Government

Safety Committee 16 April 2021

Attendance:

Present: Senator Scott, Senator Tran, Senator Stack, Senator Rionda, Senator Thomas, Senator Bracely, Senator Wu Excused: Senator McKeon, Senator Brown Unexcused: Senator Bacon

I. Updates from the Chair

- A. How is everyone feeling today?
- B. Obviously I haven't been re-elected, but we're going to resume with committee meetings just because we still have a lot to do!
 - 1. We have two more after this one.
- C. I'm incredibly proud of everyone who ran for cabinet. You all did exceptionally well and I don't think any of your races were decided easily.
- D. It is still SAAM and there are some great events on the horizon!
 - 1. 4/20 5:30-7:30 THRIVE Empowered Self Defense workshop
 - a) <u>Sign up link</u>
 - 2. 4/21 4-8 WHW Chipotle Fundraiser
 - 3. 4/28 Denim Day
 - a) Wear denim and post it on your social media!
- E. Talking through my platform
- F. List of initiatives we are still working on:
 - 1. Bringing HIV testing back and potentially STI testing
 - 2. Content warnings on Safety Bulletins
 - 3. Personalizing accommodations through SDS
 - 4. Student Counseling Services Survey

II. Committee Updates

- A. Updates on initiatives:
 - 1. Sen. Scott Olivia, Ethan, and I met with Josie Carter (SASS president). We talked about hosting an event, but realized there was already a lot going on. She

shared her experience with freshman orientation and topics of safety and consent. Said it didn't really express the gravity of the situation. Lauren Doepke would also like to be in the conversation. We want to work with Orientation and Transition to make sure there are more genuine conversations regarding consent and sexual education. Support the idea of small groups led by peers or experts to talk about these topics. Also discussed an idea of a march for students after freshman orientation. Reached out to Elizabeth Walsh and Evelyn Covington.

2. Sen. Tran - We had a meeting with Stephanie Dawson from SDS, but then Stephanie didn't come. So we're waiting to hear back from her.

III. Student Concerns

- A. From Senate:
 - 1. Not all residence halls have accessible bathrooms
 - a) Sec. Sutton Do we want to just say that we plan on working on this next year?
 - b) Sen. Bracely A lot of people want to work on this so it's important to hold everyone accountable.
 - c) Sen. Tran A lot of administrators have shut us down and essentially labeled as a non-priority. However, I think it's important to work on it now since students are actively being affected by it.
 - d) Sen. Wu I would say once all the cabinet positions are settled into, we'll have a better timeline.
 - 2. Requirement to call to schedule a Student Counseling appointment
 - a) Sen. Wu I can reach out to SCS to see about an online scheduling option.

IV. Committee Work

- A. Closing off initiatives:
 - 1. SCS Survey
 - a) Sen. Wu Choosing a cutoff date for when we tentatively stop accepting responses for the semester. Then we can do some final analysis to send off to SCS and SPT.
 - (1) Cutoff date is April 28
 - 2. Bringing HIV testing back
 - a) Sen. Bracely I don't think they'll be able to make it back this semester since not everyone is vaccinated. This is something that can be worked on in the summer for return back to campus.
 - 3. Safety Bulletins
 - a) Sec. Sutton Get more student feedback and talk with CCRT over the summer.
 - 4. SDS Accommodations
 - a) Sen. Tran Sen. Skelly should be meeting with Stephanie Dawson, which might not yield anything since Dan Darkow said there wasn't much we could do.

V. Upcoming Events/Acknowledgements

- A. Sen. Stack Sign up for Miami's Got Talent!
- B. Sen. Thomas Alpha Psi Lambda is having an event (La Fiesta) on April 24th at 7 to celebrate the Latinx community.
- C. Sen. Stack Ethan and Matan are having an outreach bonfire at Peffer Park for their district!

VI. Action Items

- A. Share the SCS and Safety Bulletin surveys!
 - 1. SCS: <u>https://miamioh.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3gENJVxjuFn7GKh</u>
 - 2. Safety Bulletin: <u>https://forms.gle/rCUu97iHsUFnNqD7A</u>
- B. Continue working on your initiatives.

VII. Adjourn



Reena Murphy Speaker of Senate Associated Student Government Miami University Armstrong Student Center Room 2012 Oxford OH, 45056

Associated Student Government Steering Committee 4/18/21

Present: Villanueva, Gates, Elghazawi, Stein, Pallant Excused: Chima

Agenda

Resolution for Vaccines

Elghazawi: Still feels a little dismissive of concerns about the vaccines

Villanueva: I feel they should say that they'll target specific communities to educate people about the vaccine.

Murphy: I'll mention this to them

Villanueva: besides that it looks good, especially like the last therefore it be resolved

clause

Stein: still not sure if this is necessary.

Murphy: slightly agree, but also shows us taking initiative

Villanueva: I think it's a good idea to be proactive about it so that we can advocate about

it, especially going into the summer

Gates: agreed because of time concerns as well

Murphy: I see this as a form of accountability as well

VOTE: 3-0-0 in favor, with edits

Composting

Murphy: I feel like this is a Sense of the Senate

Villanueva: I feel the first Therefore clause is worded oddly, but can stay the same if it's

a Sense instead.

Pallant: I don't like the wording either

VOTE: 4-0-0 in favor, with edits



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Agenda for this week Safety and I&S Funding allocations SL Non Bias Training Vaccine

Next week 50 days funding (IOB) Treasury CoS Composting



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Associated Student Government

On-Campus Affairs Committee 18 April 2021

<u>Attendance:</u>

Present: Capriolo, Linkey, Farag, Sparks, Kelley, Giang, Payne Excused: Singleton, Kodman Unexcused: Pallant

I. Updates from the Chair

- Outreach
 - Petrella: We have many district senators planning their outreach events and 2/4 districts have finalized their plans for the events. We will be reaching out to the other two districts to see what their plans are for the rest of the semester.
- Heading into the end of the semester
 - Petrella: Make sure you are finishing up your initiatives for the rest of the semester. If you are returning next year, make sure you get to a good stopping point. If you are not returning next year then make sure you are finishing the idea or handing it off to someone else!
- Student Dining Hall Committee
 - Petrella: We have been meeting and they have been going well. We are trying to address some concerns for religious accommodations or allergan inclusivity. We are also figuring out ways to gauge student body interest in national brands and other products they would like to see. This will help the administration know what they should bring to campus/what the students would like to see on-campus or what they are eating.
- Last meeting
 - Petrella: Our last meeting of the semester will be Sunday, April 25th.
- II. Committee Updates



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- Senator Capriolo: Wes and I are doing outreach on Thursday and Friday from 1pm-3pm. We chose to do two days since our district is pretty large. Other than that I have been working with the regional government and NRHH for staff appreciation.
- Senator Farag: Nothing for now. I was talking with Senator Sparks about the electric scooter initiative.
- Senator Giang: Nothing for right now. I have been working with DAC for unity week and reaching out to multicultural organizations to spread the word about the other organizations on-campus!
- Senator Kelley: We have a meeting with the office of orientation and transition to try to give the reusable bags to the first years then. We are also working with MUFD for the design of the bag. This will likely be completed over the summer.
- Senator Kodman: N/A
- Senator Linkey: I was working on the menstrual hygiene receptacles with Cody and waiting to hear a response.
- Senator Payne: Constituent outreach and working on Nav's student concerns
- Senator Pallant: N/A
- Senator Singleton: N/A
- Senator Sparks: I sent out my survey for the electric bike initiative to Secretary Chuinas and awaiting response.

III. Student Concerns

- Senator Stephens concern from 4/6 for loose vents around campus.
 - Senator Kelley will work on this!
- Senator Wu concern from 4/13 for vegan options on food at a la carte locations.
 - Senator Sparks will respond!

IV. Committee Work

- Roundtable
 - How will you navigate a post COVID on-campus experience?
 - a) Linkey: One thing that I think is super important is what is expected of the student body. If it is not clear to the student body then there will be some compliance issues since everyone could interpret it differently.



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- b) Giang: I think this is also important to mention the residence staff and the strain it could put on the staff. I think it is important to make sure they are not overstressed with the changes.
- c) Capriolo: The flexibility of professors may decrease since we are going to be back on-campus. I just fear they will assume it will be normal when in reality it will not be a 100% normal condition still.
- d) Kelley: I would like to see them do more with mental health resources. I think it is super important that we make sure students leave some time for themselves and not schedule every minute of the day.
- e) Capriolo: I would like to see more in-person events so students can gain that experience here at Miami. Things like the inclusion and MAP events would be really helpful!
- f) Kelley: I have heard of people planning going crazy when they go uptown next year. Providing resources to these students would be helpful in order to identify problems when they arise.
- g) Linkey: Some students might not feel comfortable going to large scale events like Mega Fair. I think it is important to understand that students may be scared to be back in large groups and we need to keep that in mind.
- Initiative workshop

V. Action Items

- Work on your initiatives! Remember you have updates every week!
- Bring one memory from the on-campus affairs committee this year to share next week.

VI. Upcoming Events/Acknowledgements

- Constituent Outreach Events
 - District 7 is this Thursday and Friday from 1pm to 3pm.
- Congratulations to Lena for being elected DAC President!
- Happy Birthday to Sidra!



Associated Student Government

Diversity and Inclusion Committee Meeting Agenda

Sunday, April, 18th, 2021

I. Rollcall

- A. Present: Senators Elghazawi, Ubaydullaeva, Stephens, Tran, Rionda, Giang, Agee, Bracely, Wu
- B. Absent: Senators Patel, Parker, Stein, Chima,

II. Updates from the Chair

- A. DAC Unity Week!
 - 1. Sec. Small: Go over to DAC's Instagram and check out all of the cool events they are putting on & co-sponsoring! There is also a contest currently going on for student orgs!
- B. Congratulations to Vada Stephens on becoming our next Secretary for Diversity and Inclusion!
 - 1. Sen Stephens: I am looking forward to working with you all and accomplishing so many things for the student body
- C. Congratulations to Lena on becoming the next President of the Diversity Affairs Council!
 - 1. Sen Giang: I've learned so much from all of you along the way, and I am looking forward to working with both DAC and ASG moving forward! I will make sure to continue that DAC works with the DEI committee to further DEI efforts on campus!

III. Committee Updates

- A. Open the floor for Committee Updates.
 - 1. Senator Elghazawi: Sevara is on the Dining Advisory Committee and found out the university doesn't have any Ramadan accommodations this year because 'everything is takeaway anyways.' Hopefully the two of us can work together on furthering Ramadan accommodations for next year!



- 2. Senator Wu: I'm planning on meeting with Dean Moore soon to start looking for other organizations to partner with regarding legal aid for students.
- 3. Senator Stephens: Nothing to update
- 4. Senator Tran: I'm working with Trey and Allison to do an environmental scan. We're waiting for the new I&S Secretary to be elected to meet and discuss this initiative further.
- 5. Senator Ubaydullaeva: We will be sending out the survey soon. Should we just use the multicultural org form in the drive?
- 6. Senator Giang: DAC is having Unity Week, so please spread the word about that! I spoke with Secretary Petrella from the Dining Advisory Committee and they do use vegan spread rather than butter for sandwiches.
- Senator Bracely: I've been talking to Nicole Newsome about a possible demonstration for Black Lives Matter before the end of the school year. We are still in the discussion stage of this.
 - a) Senator Stephens: Do you have any information on the protest happening on the 22nd of this week? I know something was posted in a GroupMe for a protest on 4/22 at 4:00pm.
 - b) Senator Bracely: I have not heard anything about this, let's keep an eye out for it.
- 8. Senator Rionda: Nothing to update.
- 9. Senator Stein: I'm working with Becca Pallant on possible legislation for Passover accommodations, but now it's more so a generalized accommodation initiative for religious holidays. Please reach out to me if you're interested in this!

IV. New Business

- 1. 2020-2021 Inclusion Plan
- V. Action Items



Academic Affairs Committee Agenda

April 18, 2021 Virtual Meeting via Zoom

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - A. Senator Linkey and Senator Jett -- sent regrets, absent
 - B. Senator Kodman and Senator McKeon -- Unexcused
- III. OPA Grading and Selection
 - A. Graded 20 or more OPAs before deadline:
 - 1. Secretary Pal
 - 2. Senator McLaughlin
 - 3. Senator Payne
 - 4. Senator Linkey
 - B. Failed to meeting Academic Affairs Coalition Standing Rules Requirements
 - 1. Senator Jett
 - 2. Senator McKeon
 - 3. Senator Kodman
 - C. Secretary Pal:

This semester there have been numerous absences from Senator Jett, Senator McKeon and Senator Kodman with either little to no warning before the meeting. I have been extremely flexible so long as the word gets done and while I understand that things do come up, OPAs have been discussed since the beginning of the semester and all three senators failed to do the minimum grading required. This meeting has been mentioned as the most important meeting this semester and four senators failed to attend with only two giving prior notice the day before. While I understand that things come up, it is expected that the work and the grading will be done. This is a violation of academic affairs coalition standing rules as well as disrespectful to the rest of the coalition which did their work and attended the meeting. I am extremely disappointed in the lack of accountability, respect and responsibility that are meant to be exemplified by ASG Senators.



ASG Infrastructure and Sustainability Committee Meeting 18 April, 2021

1. Attendance

- a. Senator Alia Agee
- b. Senator Nicole Bacon
- c. Senator Danielle Barnes
- d. Senator Harry Harman late
- e. Senator Nathaniel Ike late
- f. Senator Grace Kelley
- g. Secretary Allison South captioning
- h. Senator Cameron Tiefenthaler
- i. Senator Elizabeth Travis

2. Secretary Announcements

- a. During 1:1s this week, come prepared with a plan for how you will wrap up/transition/work over the summer on your initiatives!!
- b. Allison returned the funds
 - i. \$120 left for reusable bag prototypes
 - ii. Here is the form: https://miamioh.gualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ePfx0sI97KIPtwp
- c. Please go to <u>THIS LINK</u> and fill out *anyone* of any level that you have contacted this year. Add notes to people who are already there.
 - i. PC: Alt+enter = enter within a cell
 - ii. Mac: common+enter = enter within a cell

3. Old Business

- a. Reusable bags:
 - i. Nicole/Grace/Elizabeth:
 - ii. Did Grace have meetings with Brent/Bryan and MUF&D?
 - 1. Grace: met with President about what we are generally doing and they want to be looped in moving forward. I cancelled meeting with Bryan because Wellness Day and getting rescheduled.
 - 2. Allison: add something to his and suggest that he could propose a new time as needed because your calendar is up date



- iii. Nicole: I have a survey about what students want to see in reusable bags, I sent in Facebook chat and send in Slack tonight. 10 responses so far.
 - 1. Allison/Cameron: general slack is best and Allison going to push out in SSC/EcoReps chats
- b. Organizational sustainability requirement
 - i. Nathaniel on Funding & Audit incentives:
 - 1. Official meeting with Ben/Dan?
 - 2. Nathaniel: haven't scheduled anything. Still going to meet with Dan to wrap up end of year stuff.
 - 3. Allison: suggest getting a joint meeting with Ben/Dan asap and then add people as necessary
 - ii. Elizabeth on SEAL Workshop prep:
 - 1. Allison made edits over the weekend
 - a. There are some edits for Elizabeth and Nathaniel to make (check <u>the slides</u>)
 - i. Ready by Thursday?
 - 2. Elizabeth: link is above and I'm going to look at the edits. Almost done. Nathaniel has some things to fill out.
 - 3. Allison: April 29th SSC meeting to see if they want to partner in presenting or add anything
 - iii. Nathaniel/Teryn on "RBR" discussion:
 - 1. Group meeting to discuss next steps after JS meeting?
 - a. Nathaniel: did meet with Teryn. Discussed what we are going to bring to SSC on the 29th. Teryn made a notes doc and quick powerpoint.
 - b. Allison: pitch SSC and then back to JS with approval and next steps. Would you two be able to do this over the summer?
 - i. Nathaniel: yes
- c. Single use prototypes and discussion with UPenn
 - Cameron: They liked the samples in our <u>meeting last week</u> but need to see if they can find something similar that is cheaper through their supplier. Although the data they sent us suggested our products were cheaper than what they're currently using, that wasn't accurate. They'll let us know



how the rest of the sample/eco-friendly utensils and straws progress (i.e. the ball is in their court for the remainder of the school year).

- Alia: I will put together an agenda with questions to lead the discussion. I scheduled a meeting with UPenn and Brent on 5/5 to discuss how we could potentially use reusable containers on Maple street commons and potentially dividends.
- d. Long term reusables (cups, cutlery) planning reusable cup stickers
 - i. Danielle: I had something come up on Friday which was extremely unfortunate and upsetting considering it is hard to pin down Bryan and Brent. I am attempting to add a different time on their schedule
- e. Textile use reducing or reuse
 - i. Nathaniel: not much news. Just sent Lindsey a follow up email because she didn't see the last one from last week. Swap event will be part of this.
- f. Mailroom delivery legislation/report plan of action? Need responses or just saying who contacted?
 - i. Cameron/Alia: Cameron reached out to IPOL, ISSS, and sent another push to AAA. Another push was sent to ASU. Lena also responded.
 - 1. Lena: "Hi Alia. So sorry for replying to you so late on this, but I have had a chance to look over the legislation. For me personally, I don't receive mails delivered to my residence hall that often, so I don't think that the change would affect me that much. However, I am not quite sure about other international students. I know that, though, for international students, we don't have to vote in the election season, so that is one less thing that we should worry about in the election season.I like the idea that there would be constant monitoring system so that if there's anything inconvenience coming up they can change the plan as well"
 - ii. New working legislation doc
 - iii. Implementing a pilot for fall semester so it seems less permanent
 - iv. Cameron: if we don't change much, the same concerns will be there. But we need to just get a vote to see what people want or don't want.
 - v. Allison: so this is good, so far it is saying the exact answer that would mean those with concerns questions are answered depending on how the other orgs give feedback. I suggest giving it to Thursday at max so you



can get the legislation submitted by Friday after being reviewed. Good time to hear you all speak up in Senate in favor of this.

- vi. Alia: I also dmed people on Instagram. ASU just responded and said that they think it's a good idea since students don't check mailboxes so it shouldn't be a big problem (as an RA). African Students Union email. Maybe not multiple and no hint at international voice.
- g. Kroger plastic bag receptacles full & large quantity drop off drive
 - i. Danielle: Did not make much headway because of being busy but I need to coordinate better with Elizabeth since she is helping me now!
- h. Composting Resolution:
 - Cameron: I submitted that to steering today! You can review it <u>here</u>. Again, the purpose is two-pronged: a push to get physical facilities to bring composting to campus and a push to increase accessibility in what sustainable initiatives they've done in the past. It is going to be a Sense of the Senate.
- i. Residence Hall Room Recycling Magnets:
 - i. Nicole: meeting with Allison, Rob, and Jay next Monday. Sign up sheet to put them up need your help if you're near or around!!! Right after graduation and a couple weekends in the summer. It is super quick and easy.
 - ii. Allison: we want to get signups ASAP and also as a social pressure to get more signups. ASG first and then EcoReps and then service orgs
- j. Pick Your Portion Push:
 - i. Cameron: Reaching out to Megan Chunias again to check the status of the graphic to push out the pick your portion language once again and also push the survey.

4. New Business

- a. Austin Peay State University Sustainable Campus Fee
 - The university collects \$10 from all students each semester and that contributes to the Office of Sustainability budget (usually around \$160,000 annually)
 - 1. Would be interesting to know what Adam's budget is
 - ii. Possibility of a sustainable campus fee program at Miami...



- 1. You can check out the original board of regents language here <u>https://policies.tbr.edu/guidelines/sustainable-campus-fee-program</u>
- 2. How the president's office currently describes the committee <u>https://www.apsu.edu/governance/committees/sustainablefee.php</u>
- 3. They have a running list of projects funded from 2008-2019 https://www.apsu.edu/sustainability/SCFC-projects.php
- iii. Olivia Herron is a Miami grad and would be happy to answer any questions after we do more research
 - 1. <u>herrono@apsu.edu</u>
- iv. Does anyone want to look into doing this here?
 - 1. Elizabeth going to look at their stuff by next week
- b. Alia: Cameron Bracely reached out to me about a sustainable/affordable transportation initiative through the implementation of a biking program on campus.
 - i. <u>Link</u> to program at Bowling Green State University

5. Round Table

- a. Senator Alia Agee:
- b. Senator Nicole Bacon:
- c. Senator Danielle Barnes:
- d. Senator Harry Harman:
- e. Senator Nathaniel Ike: summer thing for me. Students tend to leave garbage everywhere uptown in street and grass. Talked to Bagel co-owner or manager and they said during weekends City of Oxford puts up cardboard extra trash things. City could put out temporary ones for recycling too. I should be in Oxford for my lease. Might take time.
 - i. Allison: watch to see what is actually recyclable from those businesses. SCRC could get involved.
- f. Senator Grace Kelley:
- g. Secretary Allison South:
- h. Senator Cameron Tiefenthaler:
- i. Senator Elizabeth Travis:

6. Kudos!

a. Kudos to everyone for working so hard this entire semester and being so close to the end!



b. Kudos to all individuals....

7. Action Items

- a. Senator Alia Agee: polish mailroom change legislation, make agenda for 5/5 meeting with UPenn and Brent (send out before meeting w/ program details), fill out contact map asap,
- b. Senator Nicole Bacon: Keep sending out reusable bags survey, send follow-up email to orientation and find out if we could give out reusable bags instead of drawstrings, plan for how to wrap up projects or work over summer (recycling magnets!), contribute to I&S contacts
- c. Senator Danielle Barnes: Meet with Brent and Bryan sometime this week if they are available!! Plan for how to wrap up projects or work over summer, contribute to I&S contacts, Making some headway with Kroger
- d. Senator Harry Harman: plan for how to wrap up projects or work over summer, contribute to I&S contacts
- e. Senator Nathaniel Ike: edit draft SEAL workshop presentation, send Allison specific updates for Athletics/Student Life t-shirts and F&A funding incentives.
 Follow up with Dan/Ben. Plan for how to wrap up projects or work over summer, contribute to I&S contacts
- f. Senator Grace Kelley: follow up with Bryan about bag vendors/set up a meeting, plan for how to wrap up projects or work over summer, contribute to I&S contacts
- g. Secretary Allison: send bag survey to SSC & EcoReps, track Nathaniel/Elizabeth/Teryn org sus convo, finalize composting website information with Susan/Rob, review mailroom legislation edits, I&S transition materials, SDHAC meeting and agenda, campus planning ready for envtl scan, sustainability committee meeting, add to Sus Comm goals and progress sheet,
- h. Senator Cameron Tiefenthaler: push pick your portion survey and using the language again on insta once the graphic is done, finish mailroom legislation w Alia and prep for senate floor and ask for Adam/Brandon to come, make edits to composting legislation and prep for taking it to the floor, plan for how to wrap up projects or work over summer, check in with Megan Chunias
- i. Senator Elizabeth Travis: Edit the SEAL presentation, plan for how to wrap up projects or work over summer, contribute to I&S contacts. Look into sustainable campus fee, discuss Kroger with Danielle

