



SENATE AGENDA

02/02/2021

Zoom

- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Announcements from the Chair
 - a. Speaker Murphy: we will not be going back into the chamber this semester. Senators are required to complete 4 hours of outreach, including 2 student org visits, and to attend 1 multicultural event
- V. Consent Calendar
 - a. Approval of Student Senate Minutes from Jan. 26th 2021
 - b. Approval of Executive Cabinet Minutes from Jan. 31th 2021
 - c. Approval of COVID Information Committee Minutes from Jan. 28th 2021
 - d. Approval of Steering Committee Minutes from Jan. 28th 2021
 - e. Approval of Governmental Relations Committee Minutes from Jan. 28th 2021
 - f. Approval of On-Campus Affairs Committee Minutes from Jan. 31st 2021
 - g. Approval of Diversity and Inclusion Committee from Jan. 31st 2021
 - h. Approval of Infrastructure and Sustainability Committee Minutes from Jan. 31st 2021
 - i. Approval of Off-Campus Affairs Minutes from Jan. 31st 2021
 - j. Motion to approve consent calendar by unanimous consent
 - k. Motion is seconded
 - l. Consent calendar is approved
- VI. Student Concerns
 - a. Senator Wu: a constituent had a roommate of someone who tested positive for COVID-19 refuse to move to the quarantine dorm and there was nowhere to report it
 - b. Motion to commit Senator Wu's concern to the COVID-19 ad hoc committee
 - c. Motion is seconded
 - d. Concern is committed
 - e. Senator Chima: the gym in Martin dining hall is only open for 4 hours
 - f. Motion to commit Senator Chima's concern to on campus affairs
 - g. Concern is committed
 - h. Senator Stein: I've heard concerns from students about Bell Dining Hall being closed
 - i. Secretary Petrella: it is not open this semester because of low staffing issues on campus. If a lot of students are in remain in room, then we have to reserve it for them
 - j. Senator Chima: people at the gym don't wear masks
 - k. Senator Parker: I've seen the rec operating at almost full capacity

- l. Senator Maldonado: we just addressed these concerns a few days ago. There are capacity counts on the gyms, but there's a lot more people coming to the gym and waiting outside of it
 - m. Secretary Waugh: at Miami's rec, you're required to wear masks at all time except for when you are in the pool
 - n. Motion to commit Senator Chima's concern to COVID-19 ad hoc committee
 - o. Motion is seconded
 - p. Concern is committed
- VII. Reports
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business Item A: Approval of Cycle II, Opportunity I Allocations
- i. Secretary Waugh: at the beginning of the year, we put aside \$250,000 aside in case Miami were to take some funds away. We allocated \$67,000 of the \$750,000+ available to student orgs (minus the over \$100,000 already allocated).
 - ii. Senator Kravitz: why are paper goods, that are disposable, allowed to be purchased with ASG funds?
 - iii. Secretary Waugh: since we can't fund food for events with exceptions, this is a way to facilitate events in orgs
 - iv. Senator Wu: it seems our student organizations are trying to be more active this semester, and I fully approve supporting them to do so
 - v. Senator Maldonado: I don't see any reason to not approve this budget, especially since F&A works so hard
 - vi. Motion to end debate and call to question
 - vii. Motion is seconded
 - viii. Motion passes
 - ix. Motion to approve by unanimous consent
 - x. Motion is seconded
 - xi. Allocations are approved
- X. New Business Item B: Presentation of the Internal Operating Budget
- i. Secretary Bosworth: about 92% of our budget is still unspent. You can see the budget justification letter from President Kamara, who had a request of over \$500.
 - ii. Senator Capriolo: are all offices in armstrong required to pay for wifi?
 - iii. Secretary Bosworth: we have hardwire internet, and that is what we pay for
 - iv. Parliamentarian Gates: what will happen with unused funds?
 - v. Secretary Bosworth: those funds will roll over until next year
- XI. New Business Item C: Approval of the Committee Assignments
- i. Speaker Murphy: these have not changed since the fall, this is just a formality
 - ii. Motion to approve committee assignments by unanimous consent
 - iii. Motion is seconded
 - iv. Assignments are approved
- XII. New Business Item D: Senator At Large Special Elections

- a. Eli Davies
 - i. Eli: I have served as an alternate. As a political science and urban planning major, I have a focus on long term plans while keeping them achievable. I've worked on an internet server as a proctor to ensure players had ample time to play a game sponsored by a charity. I'm involved at three organizations on campus and am working on starting a student organization that helps members of the LGBTQ+ community who want to go into STEM. I am very focused on inclusivity and making sure that university policies are beneficial to student interests. I also want to advertise ASG's work more to the student body.
 - ii. Parliamentarian Gates: how do you want to expand communication from ASG to the student body?
 - iii. Eli: particularly on the ASG website, I would want to make sure committees and their members on the website to relay what they do
 - iv. Senator Capriolo: how would you describe your term as a senator?
 - v. Eli: respectful
 - vi. Senator Tiefenthaler: what would be your best skill if you were elected?
 - vii. Eli: I'm great at digital communication
- b. Hunter Wells
 - i. Hunter: I want to make sure that students are represented well.
 - ii. Senator Stack: how will you represent students?
 - iii. Hunter: I've had experience with stepping up into leadership positions
- c. Teryn Kennedy Scott
 - i. Teryn: I'm a diplomacy major, I have a podcast with my friends. I want to be a student senator to make sure that everyone can experience the full Miami experience. as a senator I want to make sure the services offered at Miami are properly advertised
 - ii. Senator Kravitz: is there anything else you would like to add?
 - iii. Teryn: last semester, my friend experienced a situation that was compromising. At the time, I saw the reforms ASG took to reform MUPD and the SIV bulletin, so I would really like to have a hand in helping with the safety in our community
 - iv. Senator Capriolo: what's one word you would like to see your term as an ASG senator?
 - v. Teryn: community, because I want to be involved with members of ASG. I waited to run for an ASG position to get to know the people I would be representing
- d. Cathleen McLaughlin
 - i. Cathleen: I'm a sophomore part of multiple organizations on campus. I'm running so I can help build a positive and constructive experience for students. I want to enhance transparency among the student body, encourage student engagement equitably, and emphasize total wellness on campus. We need to make sure students get accurate information about vaccinations once the time comes
 - ii. Parliamentarian Gates: how have your experiences on campus shaped you?
 - iii. Cathleen: I'm very responsive to organizations who want students to become involved in the community

- e. Ethan Tinsley
 - i. Ethan: I'm a sophomore and an RA in Porter and Anderson. On my petition, I took student concerns, and most of them were about diversity & inclusion and infrastructure & sustainability, which are my passions. This semester, I would like to bring unity to the student body. I'm currently the president of Green Team, a member of the Student Sustainability Council, and am founding Rags to Wags. I want to see club execs go through sustainability training and begin specialty recycling receptacles accessibility. I want to work on putting anonymous reporting boxes for RAs
 - ii. Senator Capriolo: what would you do differently if re-elected?
 - iii. Ethan: I would be more open minded, I didn;t get to work on diversity & inclusion last year but want to this year

- f. Max Rionda
 - i. Max: I'm involved in UP on campus. In ASG, I would want to qork on more inclusivity and diversity, more campus safety, and mask policy enforcement.
 - ii. Senator braceley: what would be your biggest goal as senator?
 - iii. Max: I would want to represent students as honestly as possible
 - iv. Senator Stack: could you elaborate more on the mask policy enforcement?
 - v. Max: I would want to help create a policy that people would want to follow and should follow.

- g. Enter executive session
- h. Exit executive session
- i. Speaker Murphy: congratulations to newly elected senators Davies, Scott, McLaughlin, and Rionda
- j. Oath of office for the new senators
- k. Motion to recess for 5 minutes
- l. Motion is seconded
- m. Enter recess
Exit recess

XIII. On-Campus District 4 Special Elections

- a. Elizabeth Travis
 - i. Elizabeth: i'm a biochemistry and spanish major and am a member in 4 student orgs. I want to work on sustainability, campus safety, and overall student welfare. I want to decrease the use of plastic at dining halls, increase awareness into tools such as SafeRide, and distribute information about the student counseling center. I'm currently interested in making Miami IDs usable for voter registration and joining a vaccination planning committee
 - ii. Senator Barnes: what would make you a good senator?
 - iii. Elizabeth: I'm organized and am a good team worker
 - iv. Senator Wu: in ASG, you can encounter resistance in initiatives. What would you do if your initiatives were resisted against?
 - v. Elizabeth: I would try to explore other avenues
- b. Enter executive session
- c. Exit executive session
- d. Speaker Murphy: congratulations to newly elected senator Elizabeth Travis!
- e. Oath of office for the new senator

XIV. On-Campus District 8 Special Election

- a. Olivia Thomas
 - i. Olivia: I feel that ASG is a great place to represent diverse voices and elevate diversity. I feel that ASG is a great place to advocate for students when it comes to making decisions around COVID-19. I'm a quick learner and already know a lot about Robert's Rules of order.
 - ii. Senator Capriolo: what's a really important issue for you
 - iii. Olivia: I want to focus on mental health, especially when it comes to quarantine
 - iv. Parliamentarian Gates: what is your plan to make sure you represent all students?
 - v. Olivia: I would use our listservs to make myself available to all constituents
 - vi. Senator Davies: what's a problem you see in Miami's community?
 - vii. Olivia: the white supremacist stickers are a huge issue that we need to tackle
 - viii. Senator Kravitz; could you elaborate on how you want to address Miami's carbon footprint?
 - ix. Olivia: especially COVID waste, I want to work on cutting this down
- b. Grace Payne
 - i. Grace: I've had past experience in model united nations, College Democrats, and Alpha Phi Omega. I want to expand on the vegan and gluten free options on campus. I also want to better advertise the student counseling services. My final goal is to eliminate single use plastics on campus
 - ii. Parliamentarian Gates: what is your plan to make sure you represent all students?
 - iii. Grace: I will contact all of those I can in the dorms to spread the word about my service
 - iv. Senator Kravitz: what would you do if you ran into obstacles when approaching single use plastics?
 - v. Grace: I would try to spread the word as much as possible as well as maybe partner with student orgs
- c. Enter executive session
- d. Exit executive session
- e. Speaker Murphy: congratulations to newly elected Senator Thomas
- f. Oath of office for the new senator

XV. Off-Campus Senator Special Elections

- a. Aidan M. McKeon
 - i. Aidan: I'm a junior history major and I'm the music director for Soul2Soul and a member of Pi Sigma Epsilon. I am also the founder of the Miami University students art advocacy coalition, so I'm aware of the navigation student orgs need. I want to start housing information sessions to reach first and second years. I also would like to work on implementing mental health resources in org constitutions.
 - ii. Senator Wu: could you expand on your stance when it comes to Renters' Rights?

- iii. Aidan: the housing management companies in Oxford are designed to take advantage of students and I want to make sure that students are fully aware of their rights.
 - b. Katie Skelly
 - i. Katie: I currently serve on the funding & audit committee and am an RA. As a senator, I would advocate for students' whole health so students can take care of their own health with Miami support, support students through the changes COVID is bringing, and encourage students to engage with uptown businesses.
 - ii. Secretary McClary: what's something new you bring to the table?
 - iii. Katie: I bring a holistic perspective into COVID and emphasize this
 - iv. Senator Capriolo: how has your experience on F&A shaped how you view ASG?
 - v. Katie: I've gotten to know the kind of people who are in ASG
 - vi. Senator Scott: how has your experience with leading high schoolers prepared you to be a good leader?
 - vii. Katie: it's shown me the importance of being involved in the community
 - c. Andrew Abata
 - i. Andrew: I'm a junior biochemistry major. I'm UNIDOS ambassador to DAC and served as Withrow Hall's CLT president. I would like to organize a walkabout to prevent issues among the student body as well as peer support groups to vent. I also want to make miami's community more inclusive and safer and emphasize mental health resources.
 - ii. Senator Agee: how have your leadership positions prepared you for this position
 - iii. Andrew: I've come to understand how leaders across campus work and want their needs are
 - iv. Senator Capriolo: if you got elected, what would be one word to describe your term
 - v. Andrew: recalibration, to help miami improve upon certain things
 - d. Enter executive session
 - e. Exit executive session
 - f. Speaker Murphy: congratulations to newly elected Senators McKeon and Skelly
 - g. Oath of office to new senators

XVI. Special Business of the Day

XVII. General Announcements

- a. Senator Stein: go greek!
- b. Parliamentarian Gates: do undergraduate research!
- c. Senator Kravitz: have a fantastic Groundhogs Day!
- d. Senator Capriolo: apply to Scholar Leaders and rush Alpha Phi Omega!
- e. Senator Tran: rush APhiO and join Paws for a Cause!
- f. Senator Elghazawi: congrats new senators and join MESA!
- g. Senator Chenkus: join commercial banking!
- h. Senator McKeon: audition for Soul2Soul!
- i. Senator Davies: join OSTEM!

XVIII. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn
- b. Motion is seconded
- c. Meeting adjourned



Cabinet Meeting Minutes

February 14th, 2020
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call

President - Jannie Kamara

Vice President - Jessica von Zastrow

Chief of Staff - Connor Moreton

Secretary of Finance - Ben Waugh

Secretary of the Treasury - Dan Bosworth

Secretary for Government Relations - Ben Finfrock

Secretary for Advancement and Alumni Affairs - Adam Weiss

Speaker of the Senate - Reena Murphy

Secretary for Communications and Media Relations - Megan Chunias

Secretary for Safety - Harper Sutton

Secretary for Academic Affairs - Ruku Pal

Secretary for Off-Campus Affairs - Megan Hess

Secretary for On-Campus Affairs - Trey Petrella

Secretary for Diversity and Inclusion - Brandon Small

Secretary for Infrastructure and Sustainability - Allison South

Faculty Advisor - Scott Walter

- III. Chief of Staff Updates

- A. [Cabinet Climate Analysis](#)

- 1. Connor: Jessica made the entire survey, so s/o to her for that. Because this was a short survey, I want to focus on the main topics so we can build off of our strengths and weaknesses.
 - 2. Weaknesses: a lot of people's confidence is shaky (don't feel as if they are doing well in their positions, especially compared to other secretaries.) There are some positions that are more public, so it seems more flashy, but just because it's more public doesn't mean that you aren't doing a great job.

3. Jess: that note of comparison is important to bring up. We are all high-achieving, and that means we tend to compare ourselves and our accomplishments to others. Just a reminder that you are all doing great work and compare it only to yourself rather than others! Y'all are great!
4. Connor: Collaboration is a weakness and a strength. It was polarizing. A lot of 4/5s and a lot of 1/2s. We should talk collectively about what we want to do. Same thing with cohesiveness as a team.
5. Connor: A lot of awesome strengths. Excitement to get to work this semester was awesome (y'all are go-getters). People felt like their goals are being met or close to being met. That's all about the hard work we do. Support from leadership was also a strength...you all gave us a lot of feedback for both Cab/Senate leadership.
6. Jess: Cabinet leadership is not a hierarchical term, but rather how can we be a resource.
7. Connor: we should do more check-ins outside of Zoom (like our in-person meeting Uptown)
8. Jess: about strengths being utilized...responses were all over the place, and I'm personally very passionate about. If you are in a situation where you feel that your strengths are not being utilized, I'd love to chat with you to ensure that we are increasing productivity.
9. Connor: Scott and I were talking about the workload, the work that we have faced during our terms has been four to five times as much as past Cabinets. Stress is reasonable, but your mental health should be prioritized. You need to be mentally healthy in order to be the best in these positions. If you need a break, please let me know -- they are completely valid.
10. Connor: big egos in the room → you are taking the 15 top student-leaders in the room and putting them together. There are going to be big egos, but we don't want egos to get in the way of productivity, and we don't want people feeling inferior. I wanted to have a conversation about that here because it is harder to have a conversation.
11. Brandon: I had concerns about big egos. We have some of the brightest people / most hard working, but my issue is that egos interfere with ability to collaborate. Last year, people were actively coming to me for collaboration/advice. This year, I'm not seeing that at all. The ego thing comes off disrespectful around D&I things. People assume they can do things without me, which defeats the point of collaboration.
 - a) Connor: could we walk through a process guide?

- b) Brandon: if I was doing a voter suppression thing, why wouldn't I go to Ben for this? Things like that.
12. Connor: Let's make a guide for how we want to reach out to people for collaboration. What do people think?
- a) Ruku: Coming on to Cabinet late in the game, I was confused about who to loop in and how many people to loop in, especially with C/NC. The same with administrative committees, I feel in over my head because I'm the only student and would love to have more people helping.
 - b) Connor: Who here has felt as if collaboration went really well, and who can walk us through the process?
 - (1) Ruku: C/NC went well. As stressful as it was, everyone was super onboard. Dan and I are on APC at 8:30 in the morning and were on the same page. We were able to talk about that in the Cabinet slack as well, which helped.
 - (2) Connor: should we use slack for groups for collaboration? Having people reach out via slack?
 - (3) Jess: asking "Who is interested?" I feel guilty reaching out because others may have a lot on their plate and adding one more thing may deter collaboration. Asking in the chat for who is interested feels less like you are putting a burden on someone else.
 - (4) Brandon: I've had to combat that with Jannie because I don't want to stress her out more than she is, but I don't think it's ever a bad thing to put something out there. It's fine to go to someone with an initiative and if they have too much on their plate, having them tell you.
 - (5) Connor: I want to set this as a tone. You should not feel bad for saying "no" if you have too much on your plate.
 - c) Trey: I think it's a double standard on both parts...if you see something that you feel as if you should be collaborating on, you should reach out to set up a time to chat, especially since it's probably not intentional and just slips through the crack.
 - (1) Connor: Yes, but we still need to loop them in. The responsibility shouldn't fall on the person who's left out, it should be the responsibility of the person leading the initiative.

(2) Brandon: it's not my responsibility to track everything and other people's minutes. We don't have a collaborative mindset.

(3) Jannie: my idea of how we start to have a collaborative mindset is trying to figure out how we can make our initiatives collaborative. We need to have that active mindset. Almost like self-reflecting on where projects intersect. Like the Mental Health Forum, intersections with Safety, Comms, D&I.

d) Scott: I think that what you are doing is perfect. I haven't seen anyone trying to be spiteful, I just think you all get so busy and forget to reach out. Part of the collaborative process is having these open conversations.

e) Harper: I struggle with reaching out to people because I'm terrible with starting conversations. I feel like breaking down any walls we have with each other is key, especially when fostering collaboration.

(1) Connor: how can we break those walls down?

(2) Harper: I get intimidated by the work that other people are doing (they are doing so much), so I don't want to start that conversation. I'm not sure what work we can do to break down these walls.

(3) Connor: would a template for collaboration help?

(a) Harper: Yes.

(4) Jannie: During 1-on-1s with me, you all said we don't have a lot of connection. Something that may help is doing like 1-on-1s with each other. We really never have those times to get to know each other. Like schedule little dates with each other.

13. Ben: being mindful of the way we talk about other people's projects, even if it's not in ASG.

B. Comments on SBP and SBVP Elections

1. Connor: Elections are coming up and ASG leads that. I don't want this topic to be taboo once election season starts. We need to leave elections outside of this room, which may be difficult to do. Elections are fun, and stressful. If you are running/part of a campaign, please keep that bias outside of these meetings.

IV. Open Floor for Problem Solving and Updates

- A. Dan: As you all know, Effie worked on an initiative last year that has now come to a new state. After conversations with administrators, I can announce that ASG is partnering with the Armstrong Student Center Board to add 12 menstrual product dispensers in the student center. In the long term ASC will be funding it but ASG will be funding it for the launch. This Tuesday, there will be an amendment to the IOB to add this to the budget. I would like to show an overwhelming support for this and would like you to show your support by being present at that meeting. A few of you will be writing letters of approval for this and I would like to invite more of you to write as well. The goal is to get this to Senate as soon as possible. By tomorrow, Reena will get the information to be sent out to senators and it will be added to the Slack, as well.
- B. Jessica: for a bit more context, this has been in the works since last march. Then the global pandemic hit and it was put on hold; however, after looking at the budget the AMC has decided to pursue it further. It has been a hasty process, because before we actually went through with the conversation, I wanted to loop in others to collaborate. AMC board members, members of Spectrum, and ASG all had a voice in this initiative. I just wanted to clarify why this is an amendment rather than on the original IOB of this semester.
- C. Scott: Dan, is the conversation going to be about the money or how the money is being spent.
- D. Dan: A little bit of both. I think the main concern will be why we are paying for it and not Armstrong. We have a lot of money left over and this is something we can afford. Otherwise that money will go left unspent and unutilized. As DAC said - and I agree - I cannot see a better way to use student fee dollars.
- E. Scott: I think too that Katy and I agree part of this is that Effie is the person who pushed this and it would have happened a year ago if the pandemic didn't happen. This is a huge opportunity to set a standard for other buildings at Miami. As Dan said, we were ready to start this right before the pandemic happened, so it should happen now.
- F. Dan: Again, if anyone wants to share their thoughts or concerns, please Slack them to me. I'm super busy, but I will try my best to see it.
- G. Megan: I just want to say that if this does get passed, I would want to put out a story to show this great achievement.
- H. Dan: Katy had an idea to add a sticker that says "Brought to you by ASG and ASC"
- I. Harper: I brought this up in the office and a few senators who typically speak on these topics were in full support. I'm curious to see which organizations have sent in letters for support.

- J. Dan: I have various letters from organizations like DAC, Secretaries, Spectrum and many others.
- V. Set Action Items
 - A. Prepare questions for Nloh
- VI. Celebrations
 - A. Applications for the dining hall committee are live!
 - B. Freedom Summer work (Brandon)



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Associated Student Government
COVID-19 Information Task Force
[2/4/21]

Present: Sen. Stack, Sen. Manley, Sen. Maldonado, Sen. Harman, Sec. Waugh, Sec. Petrella, Sec. McClary, Sec. Pal

Excused: Sen. Thomas

Unexcused:

- I. Attendance
- II. Updates from the Chair
 - A. Welcome to Sen. Thomas!
- III. Updates from the Committee
 - A. Testing Center Concern Follow-Up (Sec. Petrella)
 1. Gave Dr. Large recommendations: moving tables around to accommodate traffic flow, have staffers remind students to be distanced, adding chairs to lobby
 2. Hoping traffic decreases as amount of paperwork needed decreases
 3. Table by door got moved
 4. Follow-up with Dr. Large about bringing testing card
 5. Sen. Maldonado: We should put the edited form that is handed to students online so they can print it off for easy usage before coming
 - B. Busy Gym Follow-Up (Sec. Petrella)
 1. Still waiting for the meeting
- IV. Old Business
- V. New Business



A. Student Not in Quarantine Concern

1. Sen. Stack will reach out to Sen. Wu about more information on the concern
2. Sec. Petrella: Verify that the roommate didn't have COVID in the last 90 days

B. Mask Wearing in Gyms Concern

1. Sec. Waugh: We should make sure the Rec is enforcing these types of things more often.
2. Sec. Petrella: Anyone doing active cardio can remove their mask
3. Sen. Stack: I was unaware of this rule, as many others are.
4. Sec. Sutton: I think they changed the rule about wearing masks when doing cardio; I'm not sure if it changed back or not.
5. Sec. Waugh: Maybe they purposely aren't letting the world know about that, since it might be a slippery slope.
6. Sen. Stack: Maybe we should reach out to the Rec staff about what the rules are.
7. Sen. Maldonado: I'm skeptical about how much more we can do besides asking the Rec to enforce their rules more.
8. Sen. Harman: We can have the Rec send an email with their official point-blank policy as well.
9. Sec. Petrella: I called the Rec and they "think" that they won't say something to someone running or biking without a mask. I can look into this more when I meet with the Rec.
10. Sec. Waugh: We should keep this information just to ourselves.
11. Sec. Petrella: Side note, the Governor is asking people to wear double layered masks.

C. Goals for Wellness Days Committee



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1. Sen. Maldonado: Meeting with various reps to discuss plans for wellness days
2. Sec. McClary: Give me information from meetings to be able to let some community members know.
3. Sec. Pal: From what I am aware, faculty are being asked to volunteer to run these workshops that hit on the 8 various wellness areas.
4. Sen. Maldonado: How many of these opportunities will be given and how often? Every wellness day?
5. Sec. Pal: It might depend on faculty availability.
6. Sen. Maldonado: We'll use this first meeting to get oriented and then figure out how we can help from there.

D. Workshop on Sign-Up Form

1. Sen. Maldonado: Who do we send this form to?
2. Sec. Waugh: We can send a message out to presidents of student orgs.
3. Sec. Sutton: TriCouncil would be a big one.
4. Sec. Pal: SDAC and DAC: Zoe Douglas
5. Sec. McClary: HAWKS and other health-related orgs
6. Sen. Maldonado: Don't want it to just be health orgs. SCRC would be a good one.
7. Sec. McClary: HAWKS could help us better distribute information
8. Sec. Pal: Create a Google Form and gather a list of general concerns and questions
9. Sec. McClary: I could put questions/responses in Off-Campus newsletter
10. Sen. Maldonado: How do we get info to On-Campus students



11. Sec. Petrella: Contact ORL directly, RHA has disbanded.
Vicka Bell-Robinson is chair of ORL
12. Sec. Petrella: Use Senators to distribute information
13. Sen. Maldonado: Do we still want people to come in?
14. Sec. Pal: We need Zoe Douglas come in. SDAC has unique needs that need to be represented
15. Sen. Maldonado: Send form to orgs who we think will have the most impact. Rely on the Senators for the rest?
16. Sec. McClary: It is on the Senators to gather more concerns.
17. Sec. Petrella: Important that we not put pressure on people to come to us with their concerns
18. Sec. Waugh: Important to bring people into meetings
19. Sen. Maldonado: Still think we send form to a good number of people... Zoe Douglas (SDAC, DAC, SCRC), Tri-Council, HAWKS, International Student Services (ISS), RA's, Regional Student Board, Commuter Student Board, Virtual Student (Cameron Teifentaller from Senate), Off Campus Students - from Sec. McClary's newsletter, Local Businesses (Chamber of Commerce)
20. Sen. Maldonado: Difficult to bring in virtual students/draw similarities among them because they all have different experiences.
21. Sec. Pal: Virtual students do share some common concerns about return to Miami, eLearning

VI. Action Items

- A. Figure out Contacts and send Spreadsheet: Zoe Douglas (Sec. Pal), Tri-Council (Sec. McClary & Sec. Petrella), HAWKS (Sec. McClary), International Student Services (Sen. Maldonado), RA's (Sec. Petrella),



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Commuter Student Board (Sec. Petrella & Sec. McClary), Regional Student Board (Sec. Sutton), Virtual Students (Everyone), Off-Campus Students in Newsletter (Sec. McClary), Chamber of Commerce (Sec. McClary)

- B. Sen. Maldonado: Make spreadsheet for signups
- C. Sen. Stack: Reach out to Jakin
- D. Sen. Maldonado, Sen. Harman, Sen. Stack: Start creating form for website for students to contact us easier

VII. Adjourn



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- III. Updates from the Committee
 - A. Busy Gym Follow-Up (Sec. Petrella)
 1. Sec. Petrella: We didn't get a fantastic update on this, but currently they are in constant contact with Student Life to be able to better handle the influx of students due to the cold. I'm going to wait until next week to see if there are any additional plans being put in place. Some of the new things they are planning are a proper reorganization of their current spaces to better accommodate the student population.
 - B. Student Not in Quarantine Concern Follow-Up (Sen. Stack)
 1. Got clarification on the concern from last week: to Sen. Wu's knowledge, the roommate had not been moved to an isolation dorm nor had they been infected with COVID in the past 90 days
 2. Sen. Maldonado: Are they still not in quarantine?



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3. Sen. Stack: Not to our knowledge. Part of the tenet of this concern is how they can report the lack of removal/isolation to the University
4. Sec. Petrella: I would recommend them to call the health services center. It must've been an obscure fluke, because usually when you test positive, TriHealth and Butler Health both contact the University and then the University contacts the student
5. Sen. Maldonado: I would have the student call the Health Services Center or email Dean Moore (as this is her prerogative).
6. Sec. Petrella/Sen. Maldonado: We could let the students know what they can do, but they do need to do it.
7. Sec. Petrella: The email would be covidtesting@miamioh.edu. That's who I would reach out to. They are *solely* responsible for COVID testing.

IV. Old Business

A. Sign-up Sheet Progress

1. Sen. Maldonado: Quick reminder to sign up.

B. Student Concern Form

1. Sen. Stack: I spoke with Sec. Chunias. This is quite a simple form to create, and we can even set up a way to organize the concerns. We should also get Par. Gates in on this.

V. New Business

A. Replying to Old Senate Concerns from Last Semester

1. October 20th | Sen. Stack | Test result information delayed/not getting to students
 - a) They fixed the students not receiving answers, updated policy in a way that fixes this issue (they will not send a



follow up email unless it is for the purpose of getting confirmation), and they have updated the COVID-19 Dashboard to reflect how many answers students have received.

2. October 20th | Sen. Elghazawi | Irregular random testing not covering all students consistently
 - a) The testing is not really random in the first place. It's based on some amount of contact tracing/statistics with the goal of covering as many students as possible. A COVID test for one person is not just about them, but also covers the group of people they would be in contact with.
3. October 20th | Sen. Elghazawi | Athletic events (especially football) during COVID-19
 - a) The athletic department created a policy that focused most on allowing only the players, guests of the players, and highly related individuals to the players for games. The Miami PD is dedicated to ensuring that gatherings did not happen for tailgates, and anyone entering the stadium had to pass a temperature test.
4. October 27th | Sen. Kravitz | Students not receiving COVID-19 info after reporting testing positive
 - a) Refer to answer to Sen. Wu

VI. Q&A Section

A. Sen. Giang and Sen. Stephens

1. Sen. Stephens: I just have some questions and a concern to get answered. The concern is regarding groups who sing and their inability to gather to practice, whereas other groups of artists (such



as dancers) are able to practice still. This is difficult because the singing groups are still being asked to perform, which obviously makes it difficult for these groups to work. I understand that COVID passed quicker through singing, but we do wear masks. Just wanted to get some perspective on this one.

2. Sec. Waugh: I have a contact with J.S. Bragg in Student Activities. I'll bring this up with him and see what we can do.
3. Sen. Stephens: Onto my questions. The first one is about what sorts of committees/groups exist on campus as to responding to this pandemic?
4. Sen. Maldonado: SR2C, COVID-19 Ad Hoc Committee, Wellness Days Committee.
5. Sec. Pal: SR2C is usually about 45 minutes of reports from the various representatives in charge of various COVID-19 initiatives (such as testing, isolation, etc). We hear from them very often. I also keep the COVID-19 Ad Hoc committee in the loop through my various meetings as well.
6. Sen. Stephens: How effective do you think that committee is?
7. Sec. Pal: Our effectiveness has changed depending on our particular objective. Our current big objective is communication, and it has certainly improved by a lot and we have been highly highly effective. We already have brought many concerns to this committee from the beginning of this semester that have been cleared up very quickly because I am able to contact the people in charge of them quickly and easily.
8. Sen. Stephens: Just so I'm understanding, which students sit on the committee?



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9. Sec. Pal: A representative from Lockheed Martin in the CEC, a representative from the Regional campuses, Sec. Pal, and Sen. Capriolo
10. Sec. Pal/Sen. Maldonado: We have multiple subcommittees that handle smaller minutia of COVID-19 that kinda meet together into the bigger committees of the ASG COVID-19 Ad Hoc and the Safe Return to Campus committees.
11. Sen. Stephens: Final question I have stems to the general idea of communication. How can we best improve communication: where are we, and how can we improve it?
12. Sen. Maldonado: We worked on all of this very hard over J-Term. We have more students in more rooms, more direct communication that students have been able to help write, and, most importantly, *consistency* in the communications that are sent out (for example, the COVID testing emails being sent out at 9 am every morning, the COVID-19 response team's emails by noon on Wednesday, and more consistent Weekly 3 email)
13. Sec. Pal: We also have an improvement because we have a specific role of communications as well now, Jaime Hunt. We have lots of administrative contacts, many more student contacts to be able to get in contact with us and administration, and things like the Off Campus newsletter from Sec. McClary.
14. Sen. Stephens: Where can we improve/ what are the biggest challenges?
15. Sec. Petrella: I think our biggest concern is vaccinations, though our admin has done a good job with testing (though vaccines are somewhat beyond our control).



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16. Sec. Pal: Another big one is academic concerns and academic support, which we all have been working hard to handle, especially in the department of communications.
17. Sen. Stephens: How can we improve the promotion of resources/give students the ideas of what they can be doing in a pandemic?
18. Sen. Maldonado: This is exactly what the Wellness Days Committee is for! We are trying to promote good events for students to do virtually or distanced, and there are potential prizes as well. More info to come.

VII. Action Items

- A. Continue work on website form (Sen. Stack, Sen. Maldonado, Sen. Harman)
- B. Send out sign up forms!

VIII. Adjourn



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Associated Student Government
Elections Committee
Feb 8th 2021

Present: Sen. Manley, Sen. Chima, Parliamentarian Gates, Pro-tempore Villanueva

Excused: Sen. Brown

Agenda

Check in

SPB Timeline

Packet due dates, voting, etc

Packet goes live Wednesday, Feb. 17th

Packet due Friday, Feb. 26th

Voting March 15th through the 17th

Debate / meet the candidates

Thursday, March 11th

Packet updates

RCV overview

Meeting time

Open floor



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Steering Committee
2/4/21

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

Excused:

Agenda

Feedback for Sevara

Murphy: International Student Services, CSDI, DAC, multicultural organizations list

College Pad's

Villanueva: Looks good, my dad would love this legislation

4-0-0, passes. Goes to floor 16th or 23rd

Oath of Office

Murphy: more context for why this is an issue. Revisions

Chima: I intern at the interfaith center if he would like to contact staff there for more information.

Voted for revisions

1:1s

- How can we help you succeed? / What resources do you need access to?
- Future plans/elections/things you wanna run for?
- Committee work?
- Murphy: we're looking for a way to improve on these, ask more specific questions and jot down any notes in this doc. I'll check it at least twice a week.

Other notes

- Provost Osborne is willing to come into Senate! However, I think the 9th is now premature bc the USenate legislation won't be on their floor yet.
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Steering Committee
2/14/21

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

Excused: Speaker Murphy

Agenda

I. Kravitz's email response / legislation revote

- A. Pallant: don't think he really took our thoughts into consideration
- B. Stein: agreed
- C. Chima: needs to talk to secretaries before submitting legislation.
- D. Villanueva: could also just have the Speaker use a different word

Vote: 0-0-4 on sending back with feedback

II. [A Resolution to Implement Electric Scooter Parking On-Campus](#)

- A. Chima: legislation looks good to me, funny that aesthetic is a concern
- B. Villanueva: wish there was specific administration listed.
- C. Pallant: clear and to the point, don't need to make any changes

Vote: 4-0-0 on sending to floor

III. [Code of Love and Honor](#)

- A. Stein: legislation is good, this is stuff that should be expected of us anyways, bylaws look good as well
- B. Chima: small formatting issue; semicolons

Vote: 3-0-0 on sending to floor

IV. [Sense of the senate](#)

- A. Chima: where would "resolved" still be a part of this? (Villanueva: likely, would just be one instead of multiple that expresses the opinion of the Senate)
- B. Chima: would this derail people from creating actionable legislation?
 - 1. Villanueva: possibly, but the student body will keep us accountable and I still think people would want actionable steps. Valid concern



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C. Pallant: would it be presented to the admin?

1. Villanueva: would depend on the piece of legislation.

D. Pallant: legislation itself is really good. Will be a lot more clear when it's actually presented. Written well and does answer questions for the most part.

Vote: 4-0-0 on sending to floor

V. [Ramadan legislation](#) (23rd)

A. Stein: would like to see other religious holidays incorporated into policy in future if this one passes, looks good, curious why administrators against it at first (staffing concern?), likes how much administration is involved

B. Pallant: curious to what questions on student survey mentioned in legislation were and where to find it, probably help provide context to responses and feedbacks in the appendix

C. Stein: curious if there were responses against the legislation in the survey

D. Pallant: probably good to include dissenting opinions from student survey, maybe link the response portion of the survey, screenshot summary of results of survey (Senator Stein agrees)

E. Chima: legislation is important, in favor of it

F. Pallant: in favor of passing with adding link to survey

Vote: 0-3-0 on sending to the floor with revisions

Happening on the 16th (if approved by steering)

IOB approval -- there will be a ~\$3,000 addition for menstrual hygiene - could be a hot topic

Gov relations bylaw update

Campus pads

Sense of the Senate

Student Body President / VP Packet



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MAYBE the scooters- let me know your thoughts. It sounds like a lot but i feel like they're all short with the exception of the IOB

- Chima: makes sense to put a lot on the agenda on a day before a day off
- Pallant: can always table next week if need be, but I think it should be fine

23rd

Report from Ruku

Code of love and honor

Ramadan

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1. Arnold Air Society

- a. Capital: APPROVED
- b. Total Approved: \$55.00**

2. Miami University History Association

- a. Event 1: APPROVED
- b. Capital: APPROVED
- c. Total Approved: \$100.00**

3. Engineering and Computing Student Council (ECSC)

- a. Administrative: APPROVED
- b. Total Approved: \$120.00**
 - i. Saved from computer

4. Women Who Invest

- a. Administrative: APPROVED
- b. Total Approved: \$120.00**

5. Engineers Without Borders

- a. Event 1: DENIED
 - i. Event not on HUB
- b. FUNDING DENIED**

6. Miami Wrestling Fans

- a. Event 1: APPROVED
- b. Event 2: APPROVED
- c. Administrative: APPROVED
- d. Total Approved: \$120.00**
 - i. Reflects 25% penalty

7. Business Student Advisory Council

- a. Administrative: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Reduced units for posters from 7 to 4 by unanimous committee vote due to excessive cost

b. Total Approved: \$111.96

8. Leading the Integration of Faith + Entrepreneurship

a. Administrative: APPROVED

i. Committee moved banner to admin per past precedent

b. Total Approved: \$200.00

9. Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

a. Capital: APPROVED

b. Total Approved: \$213.96

10. Shakerettes

a. Capital: DENIED

i. Considered jackets and backpacks gifts by majority vote of the committee

b. FUNDING DENIED

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Ben's Room Minutes
Cycle 2 Opportunity 1
February 1, 2021*

****Ben reminded each organization in the previous hearing (10/05/2020) that starting this semester (Spring 20-21), all funding applications must be submitted via the organization's entity account. However, following reports from various organizations that they were having trouble logging into their entity accounts, the chairs decided to grant the orgs a last-minute option to submit the applications through their personal accounts. THIS WILL BE THE ABSOLUTE LAST TIME THAT THIS IS BEING PERMITTED -Ben made that clear in an email dated Jan 28, 2021 and starting March 8, 2021 ALL REQUESTS MADE THROUGH PERSONAL ACCOUNTS WILL BE DENIED WITHOUT EXCEPTION!****

****Ben reminded each organization that starting with the next hearing, only requests submitted through the organization's entity account would be considered. He also wrote all this information on the whiteboard so orgs could see it on their way out****

**** Ben made sure all social-distancing norms were effectively followed by both the committee members as well as the org representatives-separate entrance and exit doors were designated for people to enter and leave the room and temperature checks were done at the entrance. Representatives were only let in if they filled out the campus clear form through the app or showed their campus clear card****

1. Miami University Climbing Club

- a. Event 1: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Request for Canvases denied - considered gifts/take home item
 - ii. Paint and paint brushes approved
- b. Administrative: APPROVED

Total Approved: \$434.60

2. Pi Sigma Epsilon

- a. Event 1: APPROVED
- b. Administrative:
 - i. Moved nametags over to capital
- c. Capital: APPROVED

Total Approved: \$3,227.50

3. Advancing Women in Entrepreneurship-VIRTUAL

- **The meeting was held via Zoom due to last-minute adjustments**
 - a. Event 1: APPROVED
 - b. Administrative: APPROVED
- Total Approved: \$1,365.00**

4. Japanese Language and Culture Club-VIRTUAL

- **The meeting was held via Zoom due to last-minute adjustments**
 - **Initially could not find the funding document the Hub-found it eventually though under pending**
 - **Confusion about what tier they belong to - initially they put it as 1, but turns out they were 3 for the semester.**
- a. Event 1: DENIED
 - i. Event not on the Hub
- b. Event 2: DENIED
 - i. Event not on the Hub
- c. Event 3: DENIED
 - i. Event not on the Hub
- d. Event 4: DENIED
 - i. Event not on the Hub
- e. Event 5: DENIED
 - i. Event not on the Hub
- Total Approved: DENIED**

NOTE 1: They had questions about a grant and Ben directed them to Student Activities because they work with dispensing those funds.

NOTE 2: There was no ending date on the funding doc and the current total box was also messed up, so there was an issue with adding the org's request to the master doc, but Frannie and Ben were able to figure out the above issues and resolve them accordingly.

5. Redhawk Ventures

- a. Administrative: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Exceeded \$600 Admin cap for website domain.
 - ii. Ben informed them that we could only approve up to \$600 worth of website domain funds-and LinkedIn premium alone was \$575.88

- iii. He further recommended that they could also take the subscription for LinkedIn premium on a month-by-month basis so that the subscription amount for LinkedIn was reduced.
- iv. Eventually they decided to go for the subscription until June 2021, which reduced their LinkedIn subscription amount to \$360.
- v. The total for website domains then ended up falling under the \$600 cap and all their requests were approved.

Total Approved: \$599.47

NOTE 1: Ben had to make a few changes to their funding doc, and we ended up having some technical issues (the file kept saying 'Finish Page 1, even though Ben checked multiple times and did not find any unfinished details on page 1, so he offered to save the funding doc to his personal computer and email it to the organization) which prevented Ben from adding the club's request to the master doc. Ben checked with Dan and they decided saving it to Ben's computer for the time being and troubleshooting later would be the best option.

6. Women in Law

- a. Administrative: APPROVED
 - i. Moved promotional posters to admin from Capital
 - ii. Denied LSAT funding - qualifies as gift/take-home item
 - iii. Frannie recommended they reach out to other campus resources for LSAT funding
 - iv. Denied funding for promotional merchandise (like stickers etc) - qualifies as take-home item/gift
- b. Capital: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Moved promotional posters under Admin
 - ii. Denied funding for promotional stickers, take-home item
 - iii. Did not initially have a quote for the camera since they are a new org and the representative did not know she was supposed to bring one.
 - iv. She was able to furnish a price from Amazon which served as the quote

Total Approved: \$790.00

7. Outdoor Adventure Club

- a. Capital: APPROVED

Total Approved: \$2,069.05

NOTE 1: They had input their Tier as 3, but somehow the doc indicated they were tier 1. Ben double checked the tiers and turns out they were tier 3.

8. Semper Fi Society

- a. Capital: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Ben recommended they try to find a cheaper speaker and come back for it next time. They eventually found a speaker compatible with one of their other sound equipment so the speaker was denied.
 - ii. The augmented reality soundbox exceeded the electronics cap
 - iii. Decided to just strike that for now - recommended they do fundraising/look at other options for \$2,600 and we can provide the remaining \$2,000 in the next cycle which would be within the electronics cap.

Total Approved: \$1,910.00

9. Miami Foodie Club

- a. Event 1: DENIED
 - i. Denied funding for T-shirts-qualify as take-home item/gifts
- b. Event 2: DENIED
 - i. Denied for now because the event needs more explanation for what exactly the event will entail, specifically showing that the food will be sample size and educational in nature
 - ii. Ben asked them to push it back and try to come back with more information in the next hearing
- c. Event 3: DENIED
 - i. Cannot fund gifts/take-home items
- d. Event 4: DENIED
 - i. Cannot fund gifts/take-home items

Total Approved: DENIED

NOTE 1: The org was just approved a few days ago and so they do not have an entity account yet.

10. Miami Sports Marketing

- a. Event 1: DENIED
 - i. Cannot fund gifts/take-home items

Total Approved: DENIED

NOTE 1: The org was just approved a few days ago and so they do not have an entity account yet.

NOTE 2: Org does not have an SD number yet

11. National Pan-Hellenic Council - Penalty 25% - Had to reduce quantity to 0.75 of the existing amount requested throughout

- a. Event 1: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Denied funding for the choreographer because quote was not available
 - ii. Approved costumes
 - b. Event 2: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Denied videographer-no quote provided
 - c. Event 3: APPROVED
 - d. Administrative: APPROVED
 - e. Capital: APPROVED
- Total Approved: \$989.25**

12. Theta Tau

- a. Event 1: DENIED
 - i. Event not on the Hub
 - b. Event 2: DENIED
 - i. Event not on the Hub
 - c. Event 3: DENIED - Moved to capital
 - i. Moved this over to capital because it included books which would remain within the organization.
 - d. Event 4: DENIED
 - i. Organization is going to not hold this event anymore
 - e. Event 5: DENIED
 - i. Event not on the Hub, includes gifts
 - f. Administrative: DENIED
 - i. National Fraternity Insurance - org was asked to reach out to Student Activities and get more information about this before the next hearing.
 - ii. Ben also told them to quote it as a group rate next time, assuming they are able to get permission from Miami.
 - g. Capital: APPROVED
- Total Approved: \$29.95**

13. Warriors of Tomorrow

- a. Capital: APPROVED
- Total Approved: \$1,058.35**

14. Soul2Soul A Cappella

- a. Event 1: APPROVED
- b. Administrative: APPROVED

Total Approved: \$6,000.00

15. Asian American Association

- a. Event 1: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Denied skate guard fee (hourly) - since they are Miami employees
- b. Event 2: APPROVED
- c. Administrative: APPROVED

Total Approved: \$892.00

16. Vision Dance Company

- a. Event 1: APPROVED

Total Approved: \$3,580.44

17. Miami Dance Corps - VIRTUAL

- a. Capital: APPROVED

Total Approved: \$299.88

18. Dance Theatre - VIRTUAL - 25% penalty - reduced the amount to 0.75 of what was originally requested throughout

- a. Event 1: APPROVED
- b. Administrative: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Denied request for photographer - no quotes were provided
- c. Capital: APPROVED

Total Approved: \$2,458.27

NOTE 1: The org brought in their advisor, Ben's guess was they are going to try and dispute the penalty on their account - they failed their audit and also lost the appeal. They did not end up contesting the penalty at the hearing.

NOTE 2: We will allow them to pay the full amount of contract invoices through their SD account.

19. Miami University Fighters Guild-VIRTUAL

- a. Capital: APPROVED
- Total Approved: \$528.00**

20. MEDLIFE Miami-VIRTUAL

- a. Administrative: APPROVED
- Total Approved: \$626.28**

21. Phi Delta Epsilon Medical Fraternity-VIRTUAL

- a. Event 1: APPROVED
 - b. Administrative: APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - i. Keurig cups and water denied-gifts
 - c. Capital: APPROVED
- Total Approved: \$760.57**

22. Art Music Club-VIRTUAL

- a. Event 1: APPROVED
- Total Approved \$1,500.00**

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1. Miami University Fashion & Design (MUF&D)

- a. Event 1: 15th Annual Fashion Show
 - i. Largest and landmark event - normally 1,000 people go
 - ii. Talking with University and came up with solution - film fashion show with masks and social distancing and hopefully show the show in Wilks Theatre following the COVID rules
 - iii. Flyers - promotional pieces around campus and uptown - moved to advertising expense but will be over the cap.
 - iv. Invitations and envelopes moved to administrative expense
 - v. Organization indicated they are in the process of submitting an appeal for their penalty to the Judicial Council. The deadline for that is February 10. For now, Dan elected to hold off on penalizing the org. If the org's appeal is denied, Ben will submit a journal entry to take away 25% of the approved funds and a new approved doc will be issued. If the org's appeal is granted, then the funds will stay. Dan informed the org that it is in the best interest of the org to hold off on spending any of the funds until a decision has been made in order to avoid more penalties for going into debt or overspending.

- b. Event 2: **Fashion Show Theme Reveal**
 - i. DENIED - not on the HUB and at an off-campus location that serves alcohol
- c. Event 3: **All Org Meetings**
 - i. APPROVED WITH CHANGES - kofenya cup sleeves and stickers and a-frames
 - ii. Denied regular stickers
- d. Event 4: **Branding Photoshoot**
 - i. APPROVED
- e. Event 5: **MUF&D Career Prep**
 - i. APPROVED
- f. Administrative:
 - i. APPROVED WITH CHANGES: invitation cards/envelopes to meet categorical cap
- g. Capital:
 - i. Storage unit off campus
 - ii. Moved paint brushes to admin
 - iii. APPROVED WITH CHANGES
- h. Total Approved: \$3,125.94**

2. Hillel: Association of Jewish Students

- a. Event 1: Purim
 - i. APPROVED
- b. Event 2: Day of Love
 - i. APPROVED
- c. Event 3: Passover
 - i. APPROVED
- d. Event 4: Balck History Month Shabbat
 - i. APPROVED
- e. Event 5: Holocaust Rememberance Shabbat
 - i. APPROVED
- f. Administrative:
 - i. APPROVED
- g. Capital:
 - i. APPROVED
- h. Total Approved: \$1,956.38**

3. Phi Gamma Nu - 25% penalty

- a. Administrative: APPROVED with changes

- i. moved banner to admin from capital
- ii. No t-shirts or business cards and hand sanitizer for in-person mega fair
 - 1. Org stated that JS Bragg told them they could have a “mega fair” in April, but ASG is unaware of that.
- b. Capital: APPROVED (stored in office)
- c. **Total Approved: \$652.50**

4. Miami University Investment Banking CluB

- a. **FUNDING DENIED - application was blank**
 - i. Not collected in the macros, so there is no approved doc

5. Miami Advertising

- a. Administrative: DENIED - not in Red Brick Tier System
 - i. Due to issues with the HUB on Saturday and Sunday, Student Activities was unable to alert ASG of orgs that may not have fallen within a tier until the night of the hearing.
- b. **FUNDING DENIED**

6. Chabad Jewish Student group at Miami University - VIRTUAL

- a. Held virtually due to last-minute changes with the organization’s needs
- b. Event 1: Family Style Shabbat
 - i. APPROVED
- c. Event 2: Sinai Scholars
 - i. APPROVED WITH CHANGES
 - ii. The Grape Juice Dilemma - reduced cost from \$5 for 20 bottles
 - iii. Should audit the seforim sefer books - couldn’t find the books with the price online
- d. Event 3: Purim
 - i. APPROVED
- e. Event 4: Passover
 - i. APPROVED
- f. Event 5: Shabbos Minyan
 - i. APPROVED
- g. Administrative: APPROVED
- h. Capital: APPROVED
- i. **Total Approved: \$8,710.47**
- j. MANY MODIFICATIONS AND CONCERNS ABOUT BUYING IN BULK - WILL NEED SOME FOLLOW-UP
- k. RECOMMENDED FOR SPENDING AUDIT

7. Miami Motorsports Club

- a. Event 1: Advanced Driver Training
 - i. DENIED - outside of Oxford - travel prohibited by Miami at this time
 - ii. May come back for the second hearing
- b. Event 2: SCCA
 - i. DENIED out of oxford
- c. **FUNDING DENIED**

8. Miami Apiculture Society

- a. Capital: APPROVED
- b. **Total Approved: \$516.30**

9. Igoodea Creatives

- a. Administrative:
 - i. Look into instagram and facebook post boost
 - ii. Paper supplies was the description - too broad - some big events coming up that will need flyers
 - iii. Description changed to flyers
 - iv. APPROVED
- b. **Total Approved: \$900.00**

10. Just Duet

- a. Event 1: Album Production
 - i. NOT ON THE HUB - DENIED
 - ii. Not until April though so will come back
- b. Administrative:
 - i. APPROVED
- c. **Total Approved: \$2,000.00**

11. TrebleMakers Acapella - 50% PENALTY

- a. Event 1: Album Recording
 - i. Had the wrong date in the HUB
 - ii. Prices reflect penalty
 - iii. Talked with Dan about overriding the penalty because of previous issues with old treasurer and accessing Miami records. Organization did not submit a timely appeal, and Dan suggested some alternatives to cover the difference.
 - iv. APPROVED

b. Total Approved: \$2,190.00

12. Stage Left

- a. Event 1: Edges
 - i. Record in Wilks and stream it later
 - ii. APPROVED
- b. Administrative:
 - i. Moved storage bins from capital to administrative
 - ii. APPROVED
- c. Total Approved: \$1,806.40**

13. Miami Close Order Drill Team

- a. Capital: APPROVED
- b. Total Approved: \$2,290.00**

14. Miami Bicycle Club - 25% PENALTY

- a. Administrative:
 - i. APPROVED
- b. Capital:
 - i. APPROVED WITH CHANGES - took away excess for taxes
- c. Total Approved: \$704.25**

15. Sketched Out Improv - 25% PENALTY

- a. Administrative:
 - i. APPROVED with changes for penalty
- b. Total Approved: \$339.00**

16. Student Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

- a. Event 1: Monthly Meeting Food Demonstrations
 - i. APPROVED
- b. Event 2: National Nutrition Month
 - i. Keep in mind to describe more in detail food sample supplies to describe the meals being prepared
 - ii. APPROVED
- c. Event 3: Live Virtual Nutrition Workshops
 - i. DENIED - coming back in March with more detail and specifics
- d. Event 4: College of Education, Health, and Society Open House
 - i. APPROVED
- e. Event 5: K-Kids Nutrition Workshop

- i. DENIED - not on the HUB
- f. Event 6 - Demonstration Garden Nutrition Education
 - i. APPROVED
- g. Event 7 - Builder's Club Nutrition Workshop
 - i. DENIED - not on the HUB
- h. Total Approved: \$4,700.00**
 - i. RECOMMENDED FOR SPENDING AUDIT

VIRTUAL HEARINGS

17. Chess Club, Miami University - 25% PENALTY

- a. Capital: APPROVED - reflects penalty
- b. Total Approved: \$242.61**

18. Miami Crafters

- a. Administrative: APPROVED
- b. Total Approved: \$800.00**

19. Native American Student Association

- a. Capital: APPROVED
- b. Total Approved: \$457.56**

20. Tau Beta Sigma

- a. Capital:
 - i. Uniforms denied - considered gift
 - ii. Moved publicity to Administrative
 - iii. Moved decore to administrative
- b. Administrative
 - i. APPROVED
- c. Total Approved: \$180.00**

21. Miami Value Investing Club

- a. Event 1: Adventis Certification Training
 - i. DENIED - not on the HUB and per-person pricing
- b. FUNDING DENIED**
 - i. NOTE: There was also a question about whether the organization fell within a tier in RBR, and should be noted for future hearings if they try to come back.

22. Comparative Education Club

- a. Event 1: Tech Tools in a COVID Context
 - i. Speaker for 5-6 hours for workshop
 - ii. APPROVED
- b. Event 2: the Beijing Opera
 - i. Speaker - \$2,000 for 2 lectures with 1 hour each
 - ii. APPROVED
- c. Event 3: Transcription and Captions
 - i. For one of the speakers who only speak Chinese to translate for english speakers
- d. Total Approved: \$5,625.00**



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Funding & Audit Committee (F&A)
February 5, 2021

Present: Secretary Waugh, Secretary Bosworth, At-large members Hillyer, Desch, Nair, Jensen, Lutz, Beyer, Sell, Morgan, Morris, Senators Skelly, Maldonado¹, Patel, Sparks

Excused: At-large member Taddonio

Unexcused:

- I. Attendance
- II. Updates from the Co-Chairs
 - A. Allocated over \$67,000 on Monday
 - B. Congrats to Katie for becoming a new Senator!
- III. Updates from the Committee
- IV. Old Business
- V. New Business
 - A. [HUB Uploads](#) (Take-home)
 1. Due Wednesday, February 10, at 5:00 PM EST
 - B. [Audit Workshop](#)
 1. The committee was reminded about professionalism and attentiveness during meetings.
 2. Due to time constraints and difficulty teaching audits virtually, the committee was unable to complete the audit workshop. The committee will split into two groups next week and do the audit workshop in-person.

¹ Committee member signed up for in-person, but showed up virtually without a valid excuse.



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3. Two dates for audit workshop (7 people per time slot; both in ASG Office)

a) Friday, February 12 at 3pm (normal meeting time)

b) Sunday, February 14 at 2pm

(1) Secretary Bosworth has confirmed with Secretary Petrella that this is okay.

VI. Action Items

A. Finish HUB uploads by Wednesday!

B. Pick which day you want to come for the audit workshop by Monday at 10am.

VII. Adjourn



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Funding & Audit Committee (F&A)
February 12, 2021

Present: Secretary Waugh, Secretary Bosworth, At-large members Beyer, Desch, Nair,
Morris, Taddonio, Hillyer, Lutz

Excused:

Unexcused:

I. Attendance

II. Updates from the Co-Chairs

A. Secretary Waugh

1. Apologies for Last Week

a) Sec. Waugh: Last week was not handled very well, and my frustration got the best of me. I apologize, and I'm glad we figured things out. We made a lot of progress last funding hearing and we are getting more comfortable with each other, so I'm happy about that.

2. [Spring 2021 Meeting Schedule](#)

a) Sec. Waugh: this will be our schedule of what we are doing at the meetings for the rest of the semester.

3. [Spring In-Person Meeting Requirements](#)

a) Sec. Waugh: these are the meetings for when you are going to be in-person



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b) Sec. Bosworth: try to switch with someone if you can't make it. If you show up virtual or miss, you'll be assigned an extra one.

III. Updates from the Committee

A. Thoughts on last week

1. None

B. Suggestions/opposition to plans for the semester

1. None

IV. Old Business

A. [Audit Workshop Slides](#)

V. New Business

A. [Outdoor Adventure Club](#)

1. Frannie, Caroline, Patrick

2. Approved Docs: August 2020 and Unity Document

3. Organization passed spending audit

B. [Semper Fi Society](#)

1. Max, Mel, Cortlin, Vasudha

2. Approved Docs: August 2020 and October 2020

3. Organization passed spending audit

VI. Action Items

VII. Adjourn



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Associated Student Government
Funding & Audit Committee (F&A)
February 14, 2021

Present: Secretary Waugh, Secretary Bosworth, At-large members Morgan, Sell, Jensen,
Senators Skelly, Maldonado, Patel

Excused: Senator Sparks

Unexcused:

I. Attendance

II. Updates from the Co-Chairs

A. Secretary Waugh

1. Apologies for Last Week

a) Sec. Waugh: Sorry for how I handled the situation during last week's meeting. I overreacted a little bit just because of how much time we put into it. It wasn't your fault and I took it out on you guys. Moving forward, I'm going to be a bit more positive.

2. [Spring 2021 Meeting Schedule](#)

a) Sec. Waugh: this is what we plan on what to do for the rest of the semester. March 26 will be a day off because of the wellness day on Thursday.

3. [Spring In-Person Meeting Requirements](#)

a) Sec. Waugh: these are the days you signed up to come in for an in-person meeting. Try to trade if you can't make it.



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b) Sec. Bosworth: if you don't show up in-person the day you were assigned, and you don't get a trade, you will have to make-up that meeting.

III. Updates from the Committee

- A. Thoughts on last week
- B. Suggestions/opposition to plans for the semester

IV. Old Business

- A. [Audit Workshop Slides](#)

V. New Business

- A. [Anatomy and Physiology Club](#)

1. Ben Morgan, Harrison, Katie
2. Approved Docs: April 2020 and August 2020
3. **Organization failed spending audit. Sanction to be determined next week.**

- B. [Asian American Association](#)

1. Davis, Ben Maldonado, Nikhil
2. Approved Docs: April 2020, August 2020, October 2020
3. **Organization failed spending audit. Sanction to be determined next week.**

VI. Action Items

VII. Adjourn



Academic Affairs Committee Agenda

February 8, 2021
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - A. *Secretary Pal*
 - B. *Senator Jett*
 - C. *Senator Kodman*
 - D. ~~*Senator Linkey*~~
 - E. *Senator McLaughlin*
 - F. *Senator Payne*
- III. Committee Introductions and Expectations

Weekly meetings; most likely will be short towards the beginning. OPA's will change that. If you can't come to the meeting please let Secretary Pal know beforehand and touch base throughout the week. If you miss a meeting and can't reach out it's ok but please try. Be active while in committee meetings and come prepared. If you have a difficult week it's totally fine.
- IV. Updates
 - A. Credit/No Credit Progress - *Secretary Pal*

The provost wants to revert to the pre-COVID policy for C/NC. You have the first 20% of the first semester to select this option. The provost does not see the pandemic as the major disturbance and that students knew what they were signing up for. Currently, we are going through USenate but the executive council did not reach a decision. They gave us feedback and we are smoothing over the proposal. Please keep pushing out the petition and sign it if you haven't; the more student support the better.
 - B. Proctorio - *Senator Payne*

Went better than c/nc; showed support for it!!! Heading to USenate General Body Floor Feb. 22. This is likely going to be seen as a long-term problem by the administration (Provost).
 - C. Syllabi Form Initiative - *Senator Jett*

We wanted to find a way to bring positivity to faculty and students this semester. We are making a Google Form for students to fill out to shout out a professor



that improved their experience during the pandemic. After they fill it out Communications will create a template and send it to the student. If anyone would like to help Senator Jett please let Secretary Pal or Senator Jett know.

V. Student Concerns

Senator Linkey: it is now mandatory for professors to report any instance of supposed academic dishonesty. I haven't heard that from any professor before.

Secretary Pal: May have always been a thing but I will look into it.

Senator Jett: One of my classes, the professor does not like it when the students have bad internet connection. The professor spends time disparaging the students for having a poor internet connection.

Secretary Pal: I would suggest using the bias reporting form; that is unacceptable and out of the student's control. I also think we should bring that to the Good Teaching Practices ad-hoc committee.

Secretary Pal: i had a concern about scholarships not affecting textbooks. A textbook policy asks professors to take cost into consideration and it is under review in 2022.

VI. Upcoming Work! - leads?

A. OPAs

Will be virtual; Seniors nominate professors they have phenomenal experiences with and we decide which professors will win the award. Top 12 will receive mugs and top 2 will win plaques. Nomination forms will need to be pushed out and we will go through the applications.

Senator Linkey: I would love to help with that.

B. Legislation

We have representation from almost every college. I want to see representation from every college. I would like to fix the bylaws and require one senator from every college to sit on Academic Affairs.

Senator Jett: I completely agree and would love to help.

Senator McLaughlin: I would love to help to!

C. DEI Training for UAs

I had the chance to talk to Secretary Small and he is totally on board. Will collaborate with D&I on that.

Senator Jett: I would like to help with this.

Senator Kodman: I can help wherever I am needed.

Senator Linkey: Normally UA's have to take a DEI course to fulfill the position. Potentially FSB could not be that way?



Senator Jett: Not every course has required it and we want to make it required for everyone.

D. Other Initiatives

Senator McLaughlin: I would like to see more engagement between students and administration. I would like to see bi-monthly town halls and try and get administration to be available to students' questions. I want to make it that students make sure their voices are heard. I want to bridge the gap between students and administration

Secretary Pal: A new position has been created and I am on the search committee. That role will specifically act as a liaison between students and administrations and we could propose that these town halls are included in the job description.

VII. Meeting Times

A. Adjusting?

Because we have a new senator we're going to see if we need to change the meeting time. Please try to fill this out today or tomorrow.

1. [Doodle Poll!](#)

https://doodle.com/poll/x95ns88ynbpn7btm?utm_source=poll&utm_medium=link

VIII. Next Steps

A. What do we want to get done over the next week?

I will reach out to the Provost and see if academic dishonesty is a mandatory reporting issue.

B. How will we check in with each other?

Senator Payne: Proctorio and legislation.

Senator Jett: Legislation and the template for the professor's posts. Will try to get a meeting about the DEI initiative.

Senator Linkey: I will start drafting the OPA nominating form.

Senator Kodman: I want to help Madelyn with the DEI initiative.

Senator McLaughlin: I will start working on the proposal and will work with Wes and Madelyn on the bylaw changes.

C. How can I help?



February 4 Governmental Relations Committee Meeting

- I. Roll Call
 - A. Present:
 1. **Secretary Finfrock**
 2. Danielle Barnes
 3. Cameron Tiefenthaler
 4. Ethan Stack
 5. Ben Maldonado
 6. Sevara Ubaydullaeva
 7. Jack Farag
 8. Sidra Capriolo
 9. Ian Chenkus
 - B. Absent:
 1. Sydney Singleton (remote)
 2. Matan Bar
- II. Updates from the Chair
 - A. Ben met with Victoria as the CEEP ambassador. She's working on an ID project to let it qualify as a voter id. OH's law says student ids cannot be used. Ben emailed Randy, Colin Finn, and Brianna Porter about resolving issues and meeting with someone at the state level to address this.
- III. Projects
 - A. Campaign Event
 1. Sidra, Ben, Cameron, and Matan (or anyone else who've worked on campaigns)
 2. Ben wants to host an event w CEEP and Wilks about campaigns and organizing. Having students and alumni who've worked on these should attend. Targeted toward GRN and other political science people
 3. Can still help and attend if you haven't worked on a campaign
 - B. Stimulus Lobbying Project- include college age dependants
 1. <https://www.forbes.com/advisor/personal-finance/will-dependent-s-get-third-stimulus-check/>
 2. <https://www.wnc.com/article/money/coronavirus-stimulus-bill-college-students-left-out/275-28e73973-b8f4-42b2-8b6f-21711a0edf4b>

3. Goal is to get a form done to present to Randy in the next week, do research and collect info to contact reps
4. Biden admin stimulus has been slowly being distributed
5. Want to share the stories of students who are struggling and could benefit from the stimulus applying to college-age dependents
6. A lot of experts are saying that the current package (which includes college dependents) may likely cut this part
7. Jack and Ian

C. Food Stamps PR- Research College Student Eligibility

1. <https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/students>
2. Starting Jan 16, college students now qualify for food stamps during COVID
3. Make an infographic to inform students about this change
 - a) Similar to the voting graphic in the fall
 - b) Megan could easily post and share this info
4. Ben will help this group in finding info
5. Vada

D. Legislation

1. Bylaw changes were sent to steering before, but we probably won't hear if for a while
 - a) We'll prepare at the next meeting
- 2.

IV. Action Items

- A. Make Google Form and have megan post it and send it out
 1. Get stories by Friday of next week (Feb 12)
- B. Email Randi about Lobbying Project Sunday
- C. Meet with Sevara, Chloe and Vada to finish the graphic
- D. Contact alum, CRs, and Dems about the campaign project.

V. Celebrations?



February 11 Governmental Relations Committee Meeting

- I. There was no meeting this week due to a scheduling conflict Secretary Finfrock had with a Grad School meeting.
- II. Updates from the Chair
 - A. Bylaw change legislation will be introduced to the Senate next week. It has the full support of Randi Thomas and the Office of Institutional Relations.
 - B. SNAP Benefits infographic was sent to Megan for further editing.



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Safety Committee

13 November 2020

Attendance:

Present: Senator Bracely, Senator Rionda, Senator Scott, Senator Stack, Senator Tran, Senator Wu

Excused: Senator Bacon, Senator Brown

Unexcused:

I. Updates from the Chair

- A. Welcome to Teryn and Max! We're so excited to have you here :)
 1. We did quick introductions to get everybody acquainted.
- B. TW: mention of suicide
 1. Dr. Jennifer Young is the chair of the Suicide Prevention Team and they are looking for an ASG representative to sit on it. This committee has priority for that representative! They only meet once a month for an hour, and [this](#) is their mission statement. Contact me if you want to be involved!
- C. TW: mention of SIV
 1. This semester we need to distribute materials regarding consent and SIV resources on campus. Is anyone here super interested in working on flyers?
 - a) Senator Scott
 - b) Senator Stack
 - c) Senator Tran
- D. In a similar vein, I requested funding to produce posters advertising the survey we started last semester to get student input on Student Counseling Services. Is anyone super interested in working on this? We will probably get started with drafting for both of these at our next meeting.
 1. Senator Bracely
 2. Senator Wu
 3. Senator Rionda
- E. I would also like to make up a quick graphic for Speaker Murphy to share with all of senate regarding best practice for using trigger warnings. Does anyone want to make this? If not I am more than happy to!
 1. Secretary Sutton will be doing this.

II. Committee Updates

A. How we are feeling and what we want to work on this semester:

1. Senator Stack - Came back to campus really excited to work on some initiatives. Specifically is very excited to have more productive discussions regarding SafeRide.
2. Senator Scott - Today in onboarding, some new senators were bouncing ideas off one another. She is looking to compile an app to put sorts of resources, especially looking into updating the Miami app.
3. Senator Wu - Wants to continue looking into the STI work started last semester. Looking for more accessible funding for that. Wants to revamp the university's mental health resources, and AWARENESS. Outside of safety, he also wants to look into student debt initiatives and gender equality in the engineering school (78-22).
4. Senator Rionda - Interested in working on mask adherence, wants to see how enforcement can work.
 - a) Senator Wu - Where do we draw the line with that? Bikes to campus.
5. Senator Stack - Looking into increased communication with ASG and OPD to improve mask enforcement.
6. Senator Tran - Accessibility audit
7. Senator Bracely - Also interested in working on SafeRide

B. Checking in about initiatives from last semester:

1. Senator Wu - Didn't get too far on it last semester, but essentially looking at how to make STI testing more accessible on campus. STI testing (he thinks) costs around \$30-\$300 depending on insurance. Reached out to Planned Parenthood, but due to their current situation, they aren't really able to offer cheaper options. The university has health and wellness grants that students can use to cover these sorts of things.
 - a) Senator Bracely - Explore at-home STI test kits, that could be provided at campus markets.
2. Senator Stack - Was looped into conversation with Secretary Bosworth and some admin. There have been technical issues with the app (BCRTA) and this has limited access. Isn't sure if they've given much thought to revitalizing the app, or improving these bugs. Will report back more next week after he hopefully gets more info.
3. Secretary Sutton - Lighting audit has stagnated, will reach out to Cody Powell.

III. Student Concerns

A. Senator Wu - Someone tested positive for covid, and the roommate wasn't quarantined and some students were concerned regarding this.

1. Senator Stack - If the roommate tested positive in the past 90 days, they might not have been pulled out for quarantine.

2. Senator Wu - Most pressing concern is there is no system to report these concerns or secure more information regarding why students aren't being removed.
 3. Senator Stack - If you could just follow up with that students and get more details regarding that.
 4. Senator Wu - Would it be possible to establish some sort of reporting system or place to get concerns addressed?
 5. Senator Bracely - Either reach out to your RD or Vicka Bell Robinson regarding these concerns.
- B. Senator Bracely - Slippery sidewalks around some walking areas on Oxford areas.
1. Will reach out Secretary McClary.
- C. Senator Wu - Some professors not wearing masks during in person classes
1. Reach out to department chair to report this behavior and have them work to correct it.

IV. Upcoming Events/Acknowledgements

- A. Senator Wu - Working on an initiative right now to make legal aid more accessible to students. Is anyone interested in helping with that?

V. Adjourn



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Safety Committee

12 February 2020

Attendance:

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

Excused:

Unexcused:

I. Updates from the Chair

A. Welcome to Senator McKeon!

B. Aunt Flow in Armstrong

1. Free menstrual products in womens' and gender neutral restrooms (and 1 men's restroom) in Armstrong. ASG is offering \$4000 to pay for dispensers and the first shipment of products, and this amendment will be proposed at senate on Tuesday.

C. It's On Us Week of Action (April 5 - April 9)

1. Went through the calendar of events already scheduled and what ASG involvement during It's On Us week can look like

2. Let's get down some ideas.

- a) Sen. Scott - Recommended promoting positive psychology exercises. Also mentioned a day to showcase music and art. Potentially securing a speaker to talk as well.

- (1) Sen. McKeon - All the performing arts-based student orgs are dying for things to do. We can see where we are for COVID restrictions, but even if it was virtual, giving orgs like Walking Theatre Project and New Wave Theatre Company using activist theatre pieces. Maybe singing and music orgs would like to get involved as well.

- b) Sen. Bracely - In the past, residence halls have done It's On Us banners, and residents sign it. This is something possible that is also COVID-friendly.

- (1) This didn't happen last year but we could definitely revisit it.

D. Bystander intervention training

1. Women Helping Women or HAWKS?

- a) Sen. Wu - Leaning more toward WHW, since students have already gone through the HAWKS training before.
- b) Sen. McKeon - Also leaning toward WHW, as last year he went through the HAWKS training 2-3 different times (UNV101, ASG) and this training in the past has been pretty gender-exclusionary and heteronormative, some stuff is just outdated.
- c) We are going with WHW.

E. The Student Dining Hall Advisory Committee is accepting applications! Link to apply [here](#).

II. Committee Updates

A. Where are we at based on things we discussed last week?

1. Sen. Stack - Last week we discussed the efforts to revamp the SafeRide program. He and Sen. Scott discussed restarting conversations with administration, and they got back in contact today. Recommended to reach out to Cerelia Bizzell, and did so today, with Sen. Scott cc'ed.
2. Sen. Scott - Last week she mentioned the MiamiOH app and compiling rideshare information onto that, and increasing accessibility of this app. Reached out to the Orientation and Transition department for more information about the app. Parliamentarian Gates mentioned potentially adding demographic information as well.
 - a) Sen. Wu - Student demographic initiative has stalled somewhat, but if there is interest we can kickstart that again.

III. Committee Work

A. Split into groups to work on posters for Student Counseling Services survey and then for consent flyers

1. Student Counseling Services:
 - a) [Canva link to draft version of poster](#)
2. Consent Flyers and Resources:
 - a) [Link to brainstorming](#)

B. What ideas do you have for this semester?

1. Sen. McKeon - This is actually an idea from Olivia Thomas, but for students who live in singles this year, any time a dorm goes into a Remain in Room policy, could some sort of immediate correspondence from SCS regarding resources and checking in.

IV. Action Items

- A. Sen. Wu - Send the survey over to Student Counseling Services and ask them to provide it to students after appointments.
- B. Sen. Scott - Stay in touch with Orientation and Transition to get information about the MiamiOH app, and let me know once you get a solid contact so we can compile a list of improvements we'd like to see within the app.

- C. Sen. Stack - Maintain communication with Cerelia Bizzell, and make sure to rope in Teryn and Evan into the conversation. Keep notes from this correspondence to share with the committee.
- D. Sen. Bracely - Reach out to Vicka about having residence halls sign banners again for It's On Us Week of Action.
- E. Sen. Brown and Sen. Tran - Start putting some of the ideas for the consent flyers into a draft flyer, just so I can get a sense for the layout we want to use and start giving feedback. Feel free to consult the rest of the group on this.
- F. Sen. McKeon - Update the poster to make the question under "SURVEY: Student Counseling Services" a little more visible, also maybe add a bit.ly link underneath the QR code just in case.
- G. Sen. Bacon - Reach out to Student Counseling Services to see about getting immediate correspondence sent to students living alone when their floor goes Remain In Room.
- H. Sen. Rionda - Meet with me to brainstorm initiatives you'd like to work on, and we can work on a graphic for Reena to send out to senators regarding trigger warnings.

V. Adjourn



ASG Infrastructure and Sustainability Committee Meeting
7 February, 2021

1. Attendance

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

2. Secretary Announcements

- a. Reminder that Funding hearing (might need to defend the expenses) is Feb 16
 - i. \$32 for posters
 - ii. \$150 for reusable bag prototypes
- b. Student Dining Hall Advisory Committee applications due Feb 26
 - i. Send this link out to anyone interested or apply yourself:
 - 1. <https://forms.gle/2WvYbyYvTB4N6HMv8>
- c. Review Accessibility Audit (Environmental Scan) plan
 - i. [List of buildings](#)
 - ii. Miller Center meeting went well, we are going to try to narrow down the purpose/focus on the environmental scan. Possible target areas include restrooms and automatic doors. More info TBD after conversations with SDAC.
 - iii. Harry: Zoom now has automatic captioning services for the host to enable
- d. No update on the Butler County food waste grant/project
- e. Any infrastructure projects?

3. Old Business

- a. Grace and Dog Park? Email to Dean Moore?
 - i. Grace:
- b. Harry and Hueston Woods access?
 - i. Survey in the works-- it's the same survey as before. We just need more respo



- ii. Jannie requested \$720 for a two Saturday pilot
- c. Analysis of single use items on campus to find more wholistically sustainable alternatives
 - i. Cameron: Alia and I met with Lauren and a few other SUP members to begin assembling a powerpoint. We'd like to include not only sustainable options for utensils, clamshells, and straws but also pitch the reusable containers and totes
 - 1. Wanting to present in a week or two. See if Grace/Nicole can update you on their progress this week.
 - 2. Presentation work on Wednesday, ready by week of 15th.
 - a. Allison: week of the 15th sounds good, no rush. Need to wait a little to see where Grace/Nicole are taking their tote project to see if they can be combined.
 - ii. Cameron: emailed Brent about plastic bag purchasing and no reply yet.
 - iii. Cameron: will let you know if slides to review or listen to practice presentation
- d. Tracking other schools' initiatives and grants ([College Research](#), [Miami's Past work](#)) and general Composting information (and stickers for portion control)
 - i. Met with Adam (and Brent) on Friday to debrief about Dayton composting and Dickinson stickers to plan how best to convince dining (of both but mostly the latter). Composting convo with Adam: still too much money. Cameron going to reach out to other schools about their financial plan to see how Miami's numbers could compare (hopefully they share it). Students care about it.
 - 1. Similar in size schools that compost well: send Cameron suggestions.
 - ii. Cameron on stickers:
 - 1. Approved for pick your portion (why waste it?). Meeting with Vada tomorrow and Brent/his marketing staff tomorrow. Wants to get this rolling by March 1st. Want to get stickers and posters with Adam and Brent paying.
- e. Individual ketchup packets, silverware, and napkins automatically - should just be by request
 - i. Email from Harry to Brent



1. Wait until EOD Monday at least

- ii. Also, they added a “no paper liner” button at the request of one of their workers because a student complained at Pulley
- iii. Nathaniel and Ben left a message with Miami’s IT department to see if that’s something we hire out or if people on board work on the coding for kiosks. Two messages.
- f. Fraternity Sustainability/Recycling
 - i. Nicole going to talk to new initiates in February. New house manager then.
- g. Editing the I&S bylaws
 - i. Review of [changes/clauses](#)
 - ii. Allison: review of housekeeping wording. Everyone, please leave comments of things you want added and any questions you have.
 - iii. Danielle: we have a few things to add, but these Whereas clauses will probably be edited.
 - iv. Allison: unofficial review by Reena before Steering sees it.
 - v. Harry: policies? policy?
- h. Mailroom Delivery Change...waiting on the survey...
- i. Grey water reuse case study/research:
 - i. Danielle: no real update, busy week
- j. Long term reusables (cups, cutlery) planning
 - i. Danielle: plan on emailing Brent Mason and Bryan Gutridge about continuing the reusables discussion. Let them know we will be in touch for post COVID and there could be long term planning done now.
 - ii. Allison: no rush since we have emails out to them already this week.
- k. Sustainable lighting in residence halls:
 - i. Nathaniel: Jeff responded and said that most of the dorms have already switched to LED. Right now they likely don’t feel like switching sourcing. No pursuing anymore. Would like to meet with Jeff to get his foot in the door and see who he spoke to about campus wide, so I can go to them directly next.
- l. Reusable masks (At the rec)
 - i. Grace:
- m. Reusable bags:



i. Nicole:

4. New Business

5. Round Table

- a. Senator Alia Agee:
- b. Senator Nicole Bacon:
- c. Senator Danielle Barnes:
- d. Senator Harry Harman:
 - i. Joke of the day
- e. Senator Nathaniel Ike:
- f. Senator Grace Kelley:
- g. Secretary Allison South:
 - i. Alia, help me remember to check in with Lauren and Sarah about Garden.
- h. Senator Cameron Tiefenthaler: Food Recovery Network, national org and our chapter is just getting started.
 - i. Write into bylaws something about connecting FRN with I&S in some way. Not formal in bylaws but goes well with composting, which is being added.
 - ii. Allison: add FRN to transition materials because they have had some trouble getting finalized on campus
 - iii. Danielle: yeah, agreed because slightly less formal but still conveys a need to connect in the future.
 - iv. Cameron: sounds good, not adding too much to formal plate but still something to work on.

6. Kudos!

- a. To Harry for the joke!
- b. Danielle/Alia on bylaw clauses!
- c. Cameron on a productive meeting with some intimidating people!
- d. Cameron/Alia on SUP meetings
- e. Cameron for hosting and figuring out the meeting

7. Action Items

- a. Senator Alia Agee: finish SUP presentation with Cameron, figure out whether to incorporate tote research into SUP pitch, and help with resolution writing
- b. Senator Nicole Bacon: meet to discuss reusable bags (reach out to vendors about small quantities, survey movement) - touch base with Cameron/Alia on totes



- c. Senator Danielle Barnes: bylaw update, update on sprinkler system case study.
- d. Senator Harry Harman: Check with Nathaniel by EOD Monday for IT stuff, slack the bus survey (DONE), send Allison draft email to Brent again (DONE).
- e. Senator Nathaniel Ike: Update slack about any IT response (even if no response, by EOD Monday), schedule meeting with Jeff
- f. Senator Grace Kelley: Meet with Nicole about reusable bags - touch base with Cameron/Alia on totes, track accessibility audit and dog park.
- g. Secretary Allison South: figure out SDAC environmental assessment meeting, check with Trey about Dog Park email to Dean Moore, keep track of Adam on Butler Co grant, review second draft of Harry email, track Nathaniel/Harry IT convo in slack, send mailroom survey if ready, approve But Co recycling magnet after getting physical prototypes
- h. Senator Cameron Tiefenthaler: meet w Alia to finish presentation for SUP, continue progress on portions sticker design, figure out if we want to pitch the totes w SUP w Grace, Alia, and Nicole



ASG Infrastructure and Sustainability Committee Meeting
14 February, 2021

1. Attendance - INTROS!!! Hello to Teryn and Elizabeth!

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

2. Secretary Announcements

- a. Reminder that Funding hearing (might need to defend the expenses) is Feb 16
 - i. \$32 for posters
 - ii. \$150 for reusable bag prototypes
 - 1. Grace & Nicole, make sure you are prepared with as much info as possible to answer questions/concerns
- b. Student Dining Hall Advisory Committee applications due Feb 26
 - i. Send this link out to anyone interested or apply yourself:
 - 1. <https://forms.gle/2WvYbyYvTB4N6HMv8>
- c. Review Accessibility Environmental Scan plan
 - i. [List of buildings](#)
 - ii. Trey is talking to SDAC this week, likely going to focus on bathrooms.
 - iii. Grace going to meet with Trey this week to makeup for missed meetings.
- d. No update on the Butler County food waste grant/project
- e. Any infrastructure projects?

3. Old Business

- a. Dog Park:
 - i. Trey/Sidra have contacted Dean Moore (2 weeks ago) and now the ball is in Paws court to get final things worked out with the Miller Center.
- b. Harry and Hueston Woods access



- i. Send out [this form](#) to your groups for feedback
 1. <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1o5GJvojXeRs9A2bTyh175oQJ32-We1hIJLYb4TuVCb8/edit>
- ii. Jannie requested \$720 for a two Saturday pilot
- iii. Teryn: needs to be more clear where Hueston Woods are, and advertise what you can do there. Also shape it as a social thing to meet new people.
- iv. Harry: I am not in favor of changing the survey questions because it'll change the perspective of existing responses. Next step in this is getting budget approved and dates hammered down for pilot day.
- v. Teryn: don't want to create extra work, but maybe change logo picture to show water (not in South Quad). Add the link to Hueston Woods so they can explore. If it's too much work, I can add that and go door-to-door to get people to look into it and get people to fill it out.
- vi. Harry: email Jannie and myself
- vii. Alia: what are student responses looking like?
- viii. Harry: pulling it up. 138 responses, very student support heavy.
 1. Original plan was a BCRTA route. That fell through so we had to go with private companies.
 2. Hueston Woods questions. They are based on having previous knowledge of Hueston Woods. Have a picture of beach.
- ix. Teryn email Jannie and copy Harry about feedback and form**
- c. Analysis of single use items on campus to find more wholistically sustainable alternatives
 - i. Cameron: slides are about half done. Still waiting on some input. Looks like we'll need to just mention the reusable bag project on the horizon.
 - ii. Alia: once we get the rest of the information, we can finalize our presentation. Then find time to present to Adam. Next meeting hope.
- d. Tracking other schools' initiatives and grants ([College Research](#), [Miami's Past work](#))
 - i. Portion control stickers from Cameron: met Monday with Brent Mason (dining) and Vada (CCA Senator) and Maddy (dining marketing). Monday meeting again.
- e. Individual ketchup packets, silverware, and napkins automatically - should just be by request



- i. Email from Harry to Brent sent Thursday. No response yet.
- f. Fraternity Sustainability/Recycling
 - i. Nicole going to talk to new initiates in February. New house manager then.
 - ii. Nicole: going to ask specific date this week
- g. Editing the I&S bylaws
 - i. Review of [changes/clauses](#)
 - ii. Allison: made a few edits - review language again
 - iii. Waiting to include the rest of the the bylaws until it is reviewed so a large document is not being sent around for review - Danielle
 - iv. Allison: show it to Reena by Tuesday. Leave comments before then.
- h. Mailroom Delivery Change...waiting on the survey...IRB delay on Adam's end...
- i. Grey water reuse case study/research:
 - i. Danielle: Research reaching final stages ready to move onto the next step and send out an email expressing interest in learning more about whether Miami will consider this
- j. Long term reusables (cups, cutlery) planning
 - i. Danielle: email Brent/Bryan at end of February to introduce myself and maybe do some preliminary planning for future semesters post COVID.
 - ii. Still on track with sending out the email.
- k. Textile use reducing or reuse
 - i. Nathaniel: just messaged Ethan today. In general, one thing I wanted to do when I was first elected last spring was reduce textile waste from club t-shirts and general student use. I thought to find a more ethical/less wasteful source for organizations to buy shirts from. Could figure out some cost subsidies for this from Miami or Student Activities/ASG. I've seen a couple brands to suggest. Who could I talk to from Miami?
 1. Allison: Student Orientation and Leadership, departments, MAP, athletics. RBR tier that includes sustainability. Funding for orgs who look at their supply chain for wholistically responsible shirts or other items.
 2. **JS Bragg convo about adding a Tier requirement that encourages sustainability.**
 - a. **Elizabeth help out**



- b. Teryn: would the requirement be for big orgs like MAP or for all.
 - c. Nathaniel: more optional for lower Tier orgs and a requirement for higher tiers. JS has insight on that.
 - d. Teryn: hard to track, but MAP has paid attention to their waste by tracking student participation/making them signup.
- l. Reusable masks (At the rec)
- i. Grace: haven't thought about it, catching up. I want to focus on reusable bags.
- m. Reusable bags:
- i. Nicole: emailed some vendors about smaller orders or prototypes. Alpha Promotions responded late Friday. If we give them a price and she'd tell us how many we can get within that.
 - 1. Grace: wait until after Tuesday funding approved. Vendors told me would be expensive for small orders.
 - 2. Allison: frame it as a free prototype. Figure out how many vendors and looks you want to try before you give them a budget.
 - ii. Grace: we don't have a ton of updates. Trying to meet with Adam last week but that is on Monday. Afterwards, going to push out the interest survey for students and parents. Get more insight on grants.

4. New Business

5. Round Table

- a. Senator Alia Agee:
- b. Senator Nicole Bacon:
- c. Senator Danielle Barnes:
- d. Senator Harry Harman:
- e. Senator Nathaniel Ike:
- f. Senator Grace Kelley:
- g. Senator Teryn Scott:
- h. Secretary Allison South: Teryn, Elizabeth, do you want added to any other convos?
 - i. Elizabeth: working with reusable bags with Nicole/Grace
 - ii. Nicole: we can add you to Adam meeting tomorrow.



- iii. Elizabeth: email you if I'm free
- iv. Teryn: emailed Jannie about my questions. Excited to work on it. Need more decompression opportunities, Hueston Woods is a great option.
 - 1. Question, are you looking to coordinate with BCRTA already in Oxford.
 - 2. Harry: original plan is BCRTA stop. They couldn't add a stop. Focus now on a private bus company through Miami approved companies.
- i. Senator Cameron Tiefenthaler: when we came with ideas, I talked about adding something to the orientation program about sustainability at Miami. Updates?
- j. Senator Elizabeth Travis:

6. Kudos!

- a. Kudos to Cameron and all of her hard work!! She is always an absolute pleasure to work with and she is super reliable! She is heading multiple initiatives and always keeps her word. Good work Cameron<3
- b. Kudos to Teryn and Elizabeth for joining this committee, welcome!!
- c. To Cameron for bringing us cookies!!
- d. To new Senators and Alia for all the help

7. Action Items

- a. Senator Alia Agee: meet with Cameron about SUP presentation (waiting for others) and look over changes made by Allison on bylaw edit doc
- b. Senator Nicole Bacon: meet to discuss reusable bags (reach out to vendors about small quantities, survey movement, **include Elizabeth**) - touch base with Cameron/Alia on totes, find out specific date for new house manager elections.
- c. Senator Danielle Barnes: bylaw update, update on sprinkler system case study.
- d. Senator Harry Harman: update slack if Brent responds, stay updated with Jannie
- e. Senator Nathaniel Ike: Update slack about any IT response (even if no response, by EOD Monday), schedule meeting with JS about RBR Tiers including sustainability (**add Elizabeth**)
- f. Senator Grace Kelley: Meet with Nicole about reusable bags - touch base with Cameron/Alia on totes and include Elizabeth, track accessibility audit and dog park.
- g. Senator Teryn Scott: email and update on Jannie bus response



- h. Secretary Allison South: figure out SDAC environmental assessment meeting, check with Trey about Dog Park email to Dean Moore, keep track of Adam on Butler Co grant, ask Adam about outsourcing module update to ensure it includes individual actions, track Nathaniel/Elizabeth JS convo, send Reena bylaws for draft review, ask Adam/Rob/Susan about composting website, update Cameron with Lauren response, send mailroom survey if ready, approve But Co recycling magnet after getting physical prototypes
- i. Senator Cameron Tiefenthaler: meet w Alia to finish presentation for SUP, continue progress on portions sticker design and finalize sticker design
- j. Senator Elizabeth Travis: email Grace/Nicole if you can go to meeting, Touch base with Nathaniel about JS convo

Off-Campus Affairs Committee

February 7, 2021 via Zoom

Present: Senator Adjei, Senator Lake, Senator Manley, Senator Pallant, Senator Skelly

Excused: Senator McKeon, Senator Hudak

Unexcused: Senator Hudak, Senator Sassan

I. Updates from the Chair

A. Welcome Senators Skelly and McKeon!

B. Introductions

C. Committee Expectations

1. I know engagement has suffered as a result of being all virtual, so I want to make sure you're all working on something that you're passionate about. If you're ever overwhelmed or have too much on your plate, let me know and we will work something out.
2. 4 absences -- no questions asked, we're all humans first. Just keep me in the loop and I'll be flexible with you
 - a) Try and schedule a 1:1 if you missed a meeting just to stay on the same page
3. Work on projects that you are interested in and want to work on!

II. Semester Objectives & Goal Evaluation

A. Recap of Last Semester

1. Renters rights education pamphlets
2. COVID-19 guidelines and expectations for off-campus students
3. Farmer's market
4. Off-campus newsletter -- first one was sent out last week!
Continue to share the link with anyone you know
5. Collaboration with WHW for Ask for Lexi
6. Mask ambassador

B. Goal Setting Workshop -- What do we want to prioritize this semester?
What do we individually want to work on?

1. Skelly: wants to work on the newsletter and work on finding some ways for students to create more "community" for themselves
 - a) Also wants to help with the WHW initiative

2. Lake: still working on Renter's Rights and will continue to work on it this semester
 - a) Also available for communication type things
3. Manley: mask ambassador and college pads legislation
4. Pallant: continue to work on COVID-19 guidelines, WHW collaboration,
 - a) Can also help with newsletter
5. Adjei: will work with Senator Lake on making infographics as needed
6. McKeon: renter's rights ??
7. Sassan
8. Hudak

III. Project Reporting and Working Tracker

- A. Recap of the tracker we have in the team drive and what each column on it means
- B. Add any projects to the tracker to keep track of what we're working on and keep other members in the loop at a glance

IV. Action Items -- Reasonable tasks to complete within 1-2 weeks; you will be responsible for giving a weekly update as needed

- A. Adjei
 1. Work with Senator Lake making infographic about local businesses
- B. Hudak
- C. Lake
 1. Work with Senator Adjei making infographic about local businesses
- D. Manley
 1. Present College Pads legislation 2/16
 2. Work on incentives to get volunteers for mask ambassador
- E. McKeon
- F. Pallant
 1. Search the Hub for events to let people know what they can attend
 2. Work on covid guideline section for newsletter
 3. Brainstorm topics in newsletter
- G. Sassan
- H. Skelly
 1. Work on resources section of newsletter

2. Reach out to WHW contact person to set up a meeting

V. General Announcements

A. Sending next volume of newsletter on 2/26 - brainstorm topics to cover

B. Fill out the new when2meet for a meeting time

C. Resolution to recognize the Republic of Artsakh passed last semester in SCRC and passed this Tuesday in city council!

1. McClary: Anyone can come to SCRC meetings if interested! They meet every other Friday at 3pm. The next meeting is this Friday so let me know if you're interested in attending!

VI. Adjournment



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Oversight Committee
02/01/2021

Present: Chenkus, Payne, Capriolo, Sassan, Villanueva, Elghazawi, Gates, Kravitz

Excused:

Unexcused:

Agenda:

- ASG Code of Conduct
 - Committee discussion
 - Villanueva: it's important that ASG lays out what it expects of its members. Should clear out some things in order to be a member of ASG. Currently called Code of Conduct, but it would be better to call it the "ASG Love and Honor Code." Something that was also brought up was the ideology section in the last clause. This is directly copy and pasted from 502 and I think it should mirror what it says. In general there has been contention over that specific part of it. Brandon would also be willing to look back at it. We discussed looking it over but decided it would be best as a Standing Rules-type document, and the Senate would approve the Code every year. Might change every year, but has a foundation. Also forces ASG to actually read it. Also want to bring up about the Miami Code of Conduct, which there is a clause against alcohol and drug use. If this were to pass, it would be an Oversight-able document. It's up for interpretation by whoever.
 - Elghazawi: I don't think anyone would actually do it.
 - Chenkus: I do think it's something for concern, and someone could use it for petty reasons.
 - Villanueva: I do think it's something that could be used for petty reasons. That's where when we look at these things we have to have confidence in future Committees. We have to have some level of confidence in them.
 - Chenkus: It just feels like why would we put something in there that we don't expect to use.



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- Villanueva: Do you want to take away the part about the Code of Conduct? In the Constitution it's been interpreted that way for a while, and part of it is also leading by example. We wanted to put it in there explicitly. Technically there is nothing in the bylaws that say ASG members have to promote safe COVID protocols for example. There are things in the Code of Conduct that aren't in our own bylaws that should be encompassed. Oversight is built to have flexibility in terms of "smaller" violations and also to encompass restorative practices.
- Sassan: I think we are obligated to include it as a student organization of Miami University. If we don't include it it sets a precedent that we are somehow above the Code of Conduct. We can't predict what will happen in the future but you can only hope that sensible people will be part of this body, but I think it's important to include.
- Kravitz: I totally get the University's policy, I don't think ASG should be another avenue to enforce that. It is a foundational document, but ASG as an institution helps change the environment on campus. We're a changing body.
- Villanueva: It's a fair concern. It's why the Senate Leadership and Cabinet decided to make this a Senate approval document like the Standing Rules. If it passes as is there's nothing to say that the Senate next year can't change it next year either. It changes with the times.
- Elghazawi: I think we need to have confidence in future bodies and that the body is liberal enough to not legislate on these types of things.
- Villanueva: If someone violates the Code of Conduct and they are disciplined, but it doesn't violate something in our bylaws, they could probably not face repercussions in the future in ASG. I think it's important to look at it that way. It's been petty before and it can be in the future, and that will happen no matter what we do with this. I want to make sure this is as best as it can be before it is brought to the Senate.
- Chenkus: I don't like how easily this could be used against people for political reasons or just disagreements in general. I'm not sure what the solution would be. I think we could use certain parts of the Code of Conduct and not all.
- Kravitz: I'm leaning one way or the other. I definitely think it can be abused, but this changes from year to year and something that's worth bringing to the Senate to have a full discussion.
- Elghazawi: I say the Senate should have a say on it but keep it in for now.
- Committee vote
 - 6-0-0 in favor of bringing to the Senate.
- Oversight standing rules



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- Discussion
 - Villanueva: for future consistency in the Committee we should have our own standing rules. Will be voted on by committee and then presented to ASG as a whole. We're anticipating having new Senators so I want to wait to vote on it until those new members come in. Might share ahead of time.
 - Will vote as a committee once we receive new members
- Delegation of points-tracking
 - Attendance points; Ian
 - Multicultural event; Wes
 - Constituent outreach; Omar
 - Student org visits; Sidra
- Bylaw changes/legislation
 - Changes to non-bias training clause & investigation clause & Code of Conduct
 - Jake, Sidra, and Omar will work on this
 - Investigation clause: A discrepancy in terms of motions and second would start an investigation, which is not the best way to do so. I think a committee vote would be best.
 - Sassan: Any reason it was like that?
 - Villanueva: I am really not sure. I see no reason for it.
- Check-Ins with Committee Heads
 - Villanueva: something else I might want to get rid of, but not this year. Historically I have just assigned everyone committees to check in with. There'll be a form to fill out.
 - On-Campus Affairs: Sidra
 - Off-Campus Affairs: Chloe
 - Diversity & Inclusion: Jake
 - Funding & Audit: Omar
 - Safety: Sidra
 - Alumni Relations: Ian
 - Administrative: Jake
 - Steering/Elections: Omar
 - Governmental Relations: Wes
 - Communications: Ian
 - Infrastructure: Chloe
 - Academic: Wes
 - COVID-19 Ad Hoc: Ian
- Oversight / Pro Temp Feedback
 - Elghazawi: we do good work as a committee.
 - Kravitz: a Queen.



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- Sassan: you deal with a lot of BS.



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Diversity and Inclusion Committee Meeting Agenda

Sunday, February, 14th, 2021

I. Rollcall

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

II. Updates from the Chair

- A. Freedom Summer Videos
- B. Meeting with Anthony James
 - 1. Op-Ed: How are symbols important for inclusion?
 - a) Western Lobbies, Haygood Way, Nellie Craig Building, Wayne Embry
 - 2. Collaborating with ASG
- C. 'We Need to Talk' Podcast

III. Committee Updates

- A. Sen. Stephens: Cultural importance of symbols in our culture. Capitalize on how to reflect diversity around the campus/community. Representation and voices in College of Arts and Sciences across all its disciplines
- B. Sen. Ubaydullaeva: Sent out survey to student body regarding apparel initiative. Does not have enough input from the international student community. Reached out to orgs that work with international students, no response. Contacted steering for help on how to reach out to the international student community.
- C. Sen. Chima: Flags in Armstrong, do the flags have to be from formally recognized countries.
- D. Sen. Agee: Seeing how race and SIV issues intersect. Working with Tyara and Anondo from CSDI on program details regarding lectures on March 7th about SIV issues and how it impacts the black community.
 - 1. Sec. Small: Supports the project, this topic is not addressed enough. Best to not have faculty in the breakout rooms, if they are mandatory reporters



that could act as a barrier to conversation. Could we put a moderator in the breakout rooms that is not a mandatory reporter?

2. Sen. Agee: No students came to the lecture last semester, asking ASG to help promote the events.
- E. Sen. Elghazawi: Last year started initiative for better Ramadan accommodations. Submitted legislation to steering
- F. Cameron: Speaking with Vicka about diversity board that highlights people that have contributed to diversity on campus
- G.

IV. Old Business

- A. 2021 Inclusion Forum?
 1. Sec. Small: Unsure if we will get the engagement necessary. Talking with Jannie to live stream an in person panel. Can only really have 8 people in Wilks at a time. Would have to do it fully virtually.
 2. Sen. Stephens: Necessary to have a forum due to current societal situation.
 3. Sec. Small: A victory even if 1 person attends. Contact event planners for Nikki Giovanni event
 4. Sen. Patel: Are we allowed to give some form of incentive to come to the forum? Extra Credit?
 5. Sec. Small: Many professors offered ec last year, could be done again this year. Could offer priority funding through DAC ambassador program for orgs that attend. Leaning towards doing it all online
 6. Cameron: Social media aspect to the forum. People ask question via social media and it is answer through our social accounts

V. New Business

- A. Review of Climate Survey
 1. Sen. Stephens: Went well, temp. Of ASG is improving. This is the most diverse ASG has been in the past few years
 2. Sec. Small: Comments are much more positive than in previous years. Victoria is working on Bylaw change to include nondiscrimination and more code of conduct causes. Writing the inclusion plan both for D&I



committee and ASG as a whole in the coming weeks. Brainstorm ways that we can write an inclusion plan.

3. Cameron: Body seems very positive and eager to get things done. Learning a lot from each other.

B. Inclusion Plan & Bylaw Changes

C. [D&I Committee Initiative & Goal Form](#)

VI. Action Items

- A. Create a report for Anthony James about ASG's D&I Initiatives

VII. Upcoming Events



Judicial Council

ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Case: 2021-16JC

February 12, 2021

Associated Student Government

Judicial Council

Date: February 12, 2021

Case: 2021-16JC

Hearing Time: 6:30pm

Luxembourgish Students at Miami

v.

Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit

Members in Attendance:

Jannie Kamara, *Student Body President*

Jessica von Zastrow, *Student Body Vice President*

Trey Petrella, *Secretary for On-Campus Affairs*

Emily McClary, *Secretary for Off-Campus Affairs*

Omar Elghazawi, *Off-Campus Senator*

Cameron Tiefenthaler, *College of Arts and Sciences (Soft) Senator*

Matan Bar, *District 3 On-Campus Senator*

Petitioner:

Claudia Zaunz, *President of the Luxembourgish Students at Miami*

Jake Kravitz, *Treasurer of the Luxembourgish Students at Miami*

Respondent:

Ben Waugh, *Secretary of Finance*

Dan Bosworth, *Secretary of the Treasury*

Please see the next page for decision.



Judicial Council

ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Case: 2021-16JC

February 12, 2021

To the Representatives of Luxembourgish Students at Miami,

After deliberation, the Judicial Council of the Associated Student Government has decided to uphold the sanctions laid upon your organization by the Committee for Student Organization Funding and Audit, in violation of Associated Student Government Standing Rules Sec. 15.4.

The basis of our decision was found in accordance with the Associated Student Government Bylaw 711.D., which states that the committee shall consider “intent, severity, magnitude, and negligence.” We found that your organization was directly negligent in your actions, as you failed to contact the Committee on Student Organization for Funding and Audit in order to figure out a solution for your unspent funds. Furthermore, the organization was given five months to spend the approved funds and apply for a sweep exemption, which it had prior notification of from the Committee. The officers of the organization stated during the hearing that they did not get back by the deadline for sweep exemptions due to their own negligence.

Although we recognize that the Associated Student Government’s website did not reflect the current bylaw change at the time your appeal was submitted, it is the decision of the Council that this discrepancy weighs little on the negligence and lack of intent displayed by your organization and its officers. However, we do apologize for the bylaws not being present as updated, and will work diligently with the Parliamentarian of the Student Senate and the Secretary for Communications and Media Relations to update the website at the earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,

Jannie Kamara, *Student Body President*

Jessica von Zastrow, *Student Body Vice President*

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Petitioner:

Claudia Zaunz, *President of the Luxembourgish Students at Miami*

Jake Kravitz, *Treasurer of the Luxembourgish Students at Miami*

Respondent:

Ben Waugh, *Secretary of Finance*

Dan Bosworth, *Secretary of the Treasury*

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I. Call to Order

II. Announcement from the Chair

A. Omar Elghazawi, *Off-Campus Senator*

1. Senator Elghazawi: today we will be hearing an appeal from the Luxembourgish students at Miami for restrictions set upon them by the funding and audit committee. We will begin with opening statements--each side will have 5 minutes. Each member of the council will have 10 minutes to ask both sides questions. Closing remarks will be 5 minutes for each party.

III. Opening Statements

A. Luxembourgish Students at Miami

1. Jake: We are appealing the harsh 25% penalty to our funding for next semester due to misused funds. ASG has thousands of unallocated dollars that should be allocated to... ASG bylaws 711d state that the F&A committee must consider severity and unprecedenced of these situations. This 25% penalty is harsh, and the changes due to the pandemic were not made publicly available--these updates bylaws are not made publicly available on ASG's website. How does ASG promote fair and equal access to



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funding? We ask to rule in our favor and to eliminate this penalty or minimize it to the lowest penalty possible

2. Jake yields all time left back to the chair-- 1 minute

B. Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit

1. Secretary Bosworth yields all time remaining back to the chair

IV. Questioning from the Council

A. Jannie Kamara, *Student Body President*

1. LuxSM: were there any individuals you could have passed off this responsibility to?

2. Jake: only Claudia and I received the email

3. Claudia: we're barely making the minimum of members. Our other executive member was just a freshman. Between me being gone and Jake being alone, no one else could take that responsibility

B. Jessica von Zastrow, *Student Body Vice President*

1. Funding & audit secretaries, why are these penalties in place if student organizations are not able to hit the benchmark for spending?

2. Secretary Bosworth: it comes down to fiscal responsibility. This penalty discourages organizations from over requesting funds. This is a rule that predates us as chairs. Mr. Kravitz took on this responsibility when he requested these funds on August 25th.

3. Funding & audit, this is a tier 1 organization. Does funding and audit have different rules for tier 1 organizations?

4. Secretary Bosworth: no, there is no difference in rules and standards for all student organizations. The only difference is the amount of funds they may request

5. LuxSM, did you take the Canvas course to understand the funding guidelines?

6. Jake: yes, and I attended an optional SEAL workshop

7. Claudia: I did as well

8. LuxSM: why did you not apply for a sweep exemption?



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9. Jake: the deadline slipped away. I am slightly confused by the argument of the sweep back exemption being flexibility--I don't think flexibility should end at a certain date

C. Trey Petrella, *Secretary for On-Campus Affairs*

1. Funding & audit, is there any rule in place that if an organization wouldn't be able to use all of their funds by the deadline, could they ask for an extension?
2. Secretary Waugh: there is a sweep back exemption that students can apply for. This application was open until January 8th, and student organizations were able to submit applications based on unique circumstances that we would make a ruling on. We did not receive a sweep exemption from this organization nor did they reach out to us via email. In an email to organization back in August, ASG funding acknowledged this semester would require flexibility and allowed organizations to contact us to adjust any potential remaining funds
3. LuxSM: was there any part from the treasurer or the president to clarify the sweep exemption process?
4. Jake: it wasn't a lack of clarity, but I did not manage to get back by the deadline
5. Claudia: Personally, I was having issues with flying home from at the time. This is also our fault, and we could have reached out to ASG, but we do not want to have this penalty for this next semester
6. Jake: these circumstances only add to the factors that should be considered with the bylaw
7. Funding and audit, when did LuxSM apply for this funding?
8. Secretary Bosworth: August 25th
9. LuxSM, is there a reason you guys applied for this funding but did not spend the minimum amount?
10. Jake: those reasons are outlined in an appendix

D. Emily McClary, *Secretary for Off-Campus Affairs*



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1. Funding and audit, how has funding and audit given flexibility to students based on the pandemic?
 2. Secretary Waugh: again, I contacted all organizations to ensure they knew of our flexibility. Both chairs determined to lower the percentage of required spending because of the pandemic as well. We have made beyond reasonable accommodations for all student organizations
 3. LuxSM: you said you believe the changes to the bylaws have been made ex-post facto--why?
 4. Jake: we requested this funding way in the past before this bylaw change was made. There is nothing inherently in the ASG bylaws against ex post facto, but it also was not made publicly available
- E. Omar Elghazawi, *Off-Campus Senator*
1. Jake, you are a voting member of ASG, correct?
 2. Jake: yes
 3. Jake, you voted yes to the bylaw changes discussed, correct?
 4. Jake: yes. At the end of the day, we need to consider what is publicly available. When preparing for the appeal, I had to contact the Speaker of the Senate. What was available on the website at the time was out of date
- F. Cameron Tiefenthaler, *College of Arts and Sciences (Soft) Senator*
1. Funding & audit, what in this appeal stuck out to you in terms of severity? What made this a severe case that required sanctions?
 2. Secretary Bosworth: this is a mandatory sanction that is put in place with the ASG bylaws in mind. In this situation, this was an objective decision that complies with the standing rules and the bylaws. The bylaws do not restrict us from imposing mandatory sanctions. This applies to all organizations in this situation
- G. Matan Bar, *District 3 On-Campus Senator*

V. Closing Remarks

- A. Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit



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1. Funding and audit has 14 minutes
2. Funding & audit: you have heard excuses and admission. At no point has the organization denied violating the standing rules. We have a long standing policy that we will not get involved with intra-organization issues. There was no reason not have used the funds that were requested for Jackbox games and an extension pack. This is not a harsh penalty; it has been in place for a long time, long before our time at Miami. We believe we have been fair, equitable, and objective. Severity, negligence, magnitude, and intent were all considered. There was no lack of communication. The organization could have reached out to us, and they admitted they did not reach out to us. A surplus does not matter when examining the fiscal responsibility of organizations; if they request too much, they should still receive a penalty. Changes were made publicly available. They are always available to students who request it. We were extremely transparent, including in emails. The organization had every guideline sent out by student activities. The organization had increased access to the documents and the committee. Changes were made following the rule of ASG. It is not the responsibility of the funding & audit committee to update the website, but the Parliamentarian. Jake admitted he went to the workshop that we discussed these policies at. Letting a deadline slip away is not a valid excuse; organizations were reminded before the deadline. We were flexible, but there also has to be a date that this expires. We cannot reach out to every organization, organizations have to reach out to us. As chairs, we have made increased efforts this year to contact presidents and treasurers every time a change was made. We have been proactive and reminded organizations to reach out. Information was also sent out to the advisor and vice president. The date of the request was not ex post facto. On the funding request, Mr. Kravitz acknowledged



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this. This should not be appealed to student senate; these bylaws have been appealed. This is not a body of law, so we do not have to adhere to legalities, even though ex post facto does not apply. Mr. Kravitz had access to the bylaw change. We are not under obligation to receive senate approval. This is a way to get out of something that falls on the treasurer and the president's lack of communication. We have made every good faith gesture possible to help student organizations during this time. We have to be fair to all organizations, which means we need to penalize all organizations in the same sentiment. We request this council to reject this appeal and to keep this penalty, not reduce it because that sets a bad precedent.

B. Luxembourgish Students at Miami

1. LuxSM has 10 minutes
2. We have an understanding that we spend money for events during the event. We do not admit to the violation but do not contest it. This penalty is harsh to us because we don't have as much money, so 25% matters to us. Denying \$50 is a lot of money for someone working in a low wage area. The committee could have offered flexibility when we initially appealed to the committee. Traditions are not bylaws. Transferring in parliamentarian is fair to be an issue, but should further prove that flexibility is needed. We did not have increased access. My capacity as a student senator should not affect the justice here. The sweep back exemption does not change the fact the committee should consider extenuating circumstances. We are confused how auditing was done and do not believe it was random. Interpreting this situation as objective, if the committee does not believe that the language is in there, it should be in there. The question is how does ASG promote fair and equal access to funding? We would like to ask the council to rule in our favor and eliminate or reduce the penalty imposed.



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VI. Closed Deliberation

- A. The committee enters the executive session. The answer will be sent via email to both parties at the end of the day.

VII. Adjournment

Dear Judicial Council,

Pursuant to Funding and Audit Standing Rule Section 14.3, this document is an appeal to the Judicial Council with attached grievances. Respondent asks for the Judicial Council to refer to both the attached original appeal (Appendix A) and subsequent denial of relief from the chairs (Appendix B) before consulting this document, for proper context.

Upon denying relief to Luxembourgish Students at Miami, the committee chairs cited Funding and Audit Standing Rule Section 15.4 numerous times. In the view of the respondent, the chairs entirely relied on Funding and Audit Standing Rule Section 15.4 for its rationale in denying relief. The chairs themselves state that their rationale is founded “mostly on the fact that the sanction in this matter is the standardized and mandatory penalty as outlined in the Standing Rules”. However, the rationale applied by the committee holds no standing as committee standing rules do not supersede the bylaws of the Associated Student Government. In fact, Funding and Audit Standing Rule Section 1.2 states “These standing funding rules, upon ratification by the Student Senate, are subsidiary only to the ASG Student Senate at large, the ASG constitution, and the ASG Bylaws”.

In light of the lack of any consideration of ASG Bylaw 711.D on faulty premises, the respondent asks the Judicial Council to perform its own consideration of ASG Bylaw 711.D on these grounds alone. Therefore, on the same merits outlined in Appendix A, the respondent requests the elimination of the imposed funding reduction in its entirety with a warning from the Judicial Council.

If and only if the aforementioned grounds and requested relief are not satisfactory to the Judicial Council, the respondent requests that the Judicial Council consider the following grievances and possible relief. Respondent recognizes that the Judicial Council is under no obligation to limit the grounds of its rulings but may choose to do so.

ASG Bylaw 711.A.5 requires that the Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit, “Submit any student organization sanctions to the Student Senate for a vote of approval”. Additionally, ASG Bylaw 711.D. requires “The sanction to be imposed shall be decided by the Student”. The Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit has not submitted the respondents alleged violations to the Student Senate. Regardless of any alleged unknown and unwritten past precedent, bylaws take supremacy.

Furthermore, numerous parts of ASG Bylaw 711.A. require that violations are of restrictions set forth in “Section 716”. Section 716 appears to not exist in materials available to the public online. The nonexistence of section 716 calls into the question the ability of the Student Senate and certainly the Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit to impose sanctions.

Lastly, the respondent objects to the grounds of the audit of the respondent. ASG Bylaw 711.A.1-3 state various grounds for which to audit the respondent. The Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit cited “random audits” as its grounds for the audit when unilaterally imposing the sanction (Appendix C). Thus concerning ASG Bylaw 711.A.2., the

respondent alleges that the audit was not random but automated based on financial data available to the Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit. While reasonable to audit based on the aforementioned information, the audit would then indeed not be random. Furthermore, if all student organizations are audited in this manner, the process is still not random. The letter of the bylaw in question should be amended if this is the case for the practice to continue.

The respondent realizes that changes have recently been made to the bylaws concerning funding requirements. The respondent believes these changes were made ex post facto to the date funding was requested and approved. Common law and understanding dictates that changes must not be retroactive. Furthermore, the lack of availability of the updated bylaws to the public online at this very moment, the only truly publicly accessible platform during a pandemic, constitutes an undue burden to the respondent and the general public. The aforementioned burden is itself a violation of ASG Bylaw 206.C.1. and should not penalize the respondent. Concerns about the lack of availability were raised in Appendix A and are apparent.

In light of the lack of certainty of the ability for the Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit to have imposed sanctions on the respondent, the respondent requests the elimination of the imposed funding reduction in its entirety.

If and only if the requested relief in the totality of the appeal are not satisfactory to the Judicial Council, the respondent requests that the Judicial Council consider a reduced penalty to the respondent's funding.

Sincerely,

Claudia Zaunz
President

Jake Kravitz
Treasurer

Representatives of Respondent Luxembourgish Student at Miami

Appendices

Appendix A (Original Appeal):

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OQvO6KySG0WiBHQUHwta1CRuNFea1uhf/view?usp=sharing>

Appendix B (Denial of Relief):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/159UNkEXPMkb_7snxE-TDXoofGq-uvwMZ/view?usp=sharing

Appendix C (Unilateral Imposition of Sanction):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IHgUpsrN0K6P74cRMnL_LU6kx-fYT0a/view?usp=sharing

Appendix D:

To all involved,

On a personal note this is not a personal endeavor, nor a personal crusade against any person. This is simply an appeal from an organization which I belong to, as do many other students. A fair shake is all I want, as I would want if not in ASG. I write this for two reasons. The first reason being because I am aware of the sometimes competitive or hostile nature of ASG. The second reason being because reading the denial of the appeal was striking. My name was mentioned three times, our president's not once. The appeal was referred to as my appeal. This appeal is not "mine" it's LUAM's. Let's not make things personal. I'm cheering for everyone involved to grow from this, myself included- I can attest I have already.

Sincerely,

Jake

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DATE: **February 12, 2021**

**OPPOSITION TO APPEAL AND
MOTION TO DENY**

**RESPONDENT’S RESPONSE AND OPPOSITION TO PETITIONER’S APPEAL TO
THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL**

Respondent Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit (“the committee” or “F&A”), by and through undersigned chairs Ben Waugh, Secretary of Finance, and Dan Bosworth, Secretary of the Treasury (“chairs” or “co-chairs”), hereby move this Council to deny the above-captioned appeal and uphold the findings and sanctioning in this matter. The facts in this case are outlined below.

I. PARTIES

1. Petitioner¹ Luxembourgish Students at Miami is at all times relevant herein a Registered Student Organization (“RSO”) at Miami University.

¹ Petitioners improperly and erroneously refer to themselves in their appeal letter to this council as “Respondents.” For this appeal, Respondent refers to the Funding and Audit Committee, while the Petitioners are the organization.

2. Petitioner Representative Claudia Zaunz is at all times relevant herein the president of Luxembourgish Students at Miami.
3. Petitioner Representative Jake Kravitz is at all times relevant herein the treasurer of Luxembourgish Students at Miami.
4. Respondent Funding & Audit Committee is at all times relevant herein a Senate Committee under the Associated Student Government (“ASG”).
5. Respondent Representative Ben Waugh is at all times relevant herein the Secretary of Finance of the Associated Student Government and the Chair of the Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit.
6. Respondent Representative Dan Bosworth is at all times relevant herein the Secretary of the Treasury of the Associated Student Government and the Chair of the Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit.

II. JURISDICTION

1. This council has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to ASG Bylaw 302.E.

III. NATURE OF RESPONSE / FACTS

1. This response arises from a violation of Funding and Audit Standing Rules regarding the minimum percentage of awarded funds that must be spent in a given semester by student organizations.
2. Petitioners were a Registered Student Organization during the fall semester of the 2020-2021 academic year.
3. Petitioners were classified as a “Tier 1” organization within the Red Brick Rewards system, co-managed by ASG and the Office of Student Activities.

4. As a Tier 1 organization, Petitioners were able to request a maximum of \$1,500 in the fall semester from ASG via the Funding and Audit Committee, among other rewards as outlined in the rewards system.
5. On Tuesday, August 25, 2020, at 11:32 AM EDT, Petitioner's treasurer Jacob Kravitz submitted a funding application for the Cycle 1, Opportunity 1 funding hearing. *See Ex. A.*
6. Mr. Kravitz, in his official capacity, completed the application, including acknowledging that the organization must spend 75% of approved funds within the semester, and that failure to spend 75% of funds would result in a 25% penalty of funds for the following semester. *Id.*
7. As the Petitioner's request was under \$300, the committee reviewed and decided on the application through the (amended²) pre-approval process, allowing for the determination of the application to be made absent of an organization representative.
8. Petitioners requested funds for an online game night, described as “[a] get together playing onlien (sic) games with Luxembourgish students at Miami. We hope to get to know members better as well as having fun! The event will build community and enrich the Luxembourgish experince/ties (sic) on campus.” *See Ex. B.*

² The amendment in this case refers to the reduction of the pre-approval amount from \$500 to \$300 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. In this matter, the organization would have been subject to the pre-approval protocols either way, and any argument against the pre-approval should be rendered moot by this council.

9. Petitioner's request consisted of two items: (1) Jackbox Party Quintpack in the amount of \$98.75, and (2) Keep Talking and Nobody Explodes in the amount of \$14.99. The vendor for both items was listed as Steam. *Id.*
10. The event was listed to be held on September 23, 2020. The event was submitted on the HUB and was listed as "Approved," thus complying with the requirements of the committee regarding event submissions on the HUB. *See Ex. C.*
11. The committee unanimously voted to approve the funding request for Petitioners in the total amount of \$113.74. *See Exs. B and D.*
12. Petitioners did not request funding at the Cycle 1, Opportunity 2 hearing.
13. The total approved funds for the fall semester for Petitioners was \$113.74.
14. On December 8, 2020, Respondent's Chair, Ben Waugh, sent an email to all RSO presidents, vice presidents, treasurers, advisers, and entity accounts detailing the sweep exemption policy. Included in this email was information announcing that the committee chairs had decided to lower the spending threshold from 75% to 60% in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. In this email, the deadline for sweep exemption applications was listed as Friday, January 8, 2021. *See Ex. E.*
15. At the aforementioned deadline, Petitioners did not file a request for sweep exemption.
16. On January 9, 2021, the Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit issued a Notice of ASG Funding Audit to Petitioners. *See Compl. Ex. C.*
17. In this notice, Petitioners were found in violation of F&A Standing Rule 15.4, which states, "Organizations must spend 75% of all funds approved in a given cycle. Failure to spend at least 75% of funds within the semester in which funds

are approved will result in a 25% reduction of approved funds in the next funding cycle. Organizations approved for a sweep exemption will not receive this penalty³.” *Id.*

18. The evidence provided to the committee stemmed from a Financial Account Report generated from the HUB on January 8 at approximately 11:50 PM EST. *See Ex. F.*

19. On the aforementioned report, the balance remaining in Petitioner’s ASG Funding account of SD9076 was \$113.74, representing all approved funds for the fall semester. Based on this information, Petitioners spent zero percent (0%) of approved funds for the fall semester. As 0% is less than the 60% requirement, the Petitioners failed the audit. *Id.*

20. Petitioners were assessed a mandatory penalty of 25% on approved funds for the spring semester of the 2020-2021 academic year. *See Compl. Ex. C.*

21. Petitioners were advised of their appeal rights as found in Article XIV of the Funding and Audit Standing Rules. *Id.*

22. On January 23, 2021, Petitioner’s treasurer, Jake Kravitz, submitted an appeal to the chairs of the committee on the grounds that the committee failed to consider the sanctioning guidelines as outlined in ASG Bylaw 711.D. *See Compl. Ex. A.*

23. Petitioners claims in their appeal to the chairs that (1) there was a lack of intent to not spend allocated funds due to communication issues with the organization’s adviser in relation to the event funding requested, (2) the severity and magnitude of the infraction was minute due to the “comparatively small amount” of unspent funds in comparison to “other organizations,” and (3) that the treasurer’s (Mr.

³ In this case, 60% should be substituted for 75%. *See III - ¶13.*

Kravitz's) inexperience as a treasurer of an organization demonstrates a lack of negligence on the part of the organization. *Id.*

24. Petitioners closed their appeal requesting an elimination of the 25% penalty and a warning from the committee. Petitioners request, in the alternative, a reduced penalty. *Id.*

25. Petitioners at no point in their appeal dispute the findings in this matter, nor do they object to the fact they did not spend their approved funds.

26. On January 27, the chairs of the committee sent the Petitioners an ASG Funding & Audit Appeal Determination, stating that (1) the appeal ground lacked merit, (2) the findings in the case were upheld, and (3) the desired appeal outcomes were denied. *See Compl. Ex. B.*

27. The chairs, in their letter, explained that the determination made by the committee carries a mandatory sanction as stated in F&A Standing Rule 15.4, which incorporates the four factors of intent, severity, magnitude, and negligence found in ASG Bylaw 711.D. *Id.*

28. The chairs further explained that the COVID-19 pandemic was not a valid grounds for appeal, as multiple good-faith gestures were made by the committee to provide additional flexibility, including reducing the required spending threshold to 60%. *Id.*

29. The chairs upheld the sanctioning decision made by the committee. *Id.*

30. Petitioners were advised of their right to appeal to the Judicial Council in the determination notice. *Id.*

31. Petitioner's treasurer, Jake Kravitz, contact the ASG Funding email within an hour of sending the determination, requesting the information for submitting an appeal to the council, stating, in part, that "A certain decision to appeal in either case of which I am a respondent in is currently in flux."⁴ *See Ex. G.*
32. On Wednesday, February 10, 2021, Petitioners, through treasurer Jake Kravitz, submitted the above-captioned appeal to the Judicial Council. *See Ex. H.*

IV. RESPONDENT'S ANSWER TO APPEAL

1. Respondent admits that Petitioners have the right to appeal under F&A Standing Rule 14.3.
2. Respondent agrees that this council shall refer to previously sent notices in their decision-making. Respondent also submits other evidentiary documentation for this case to the council, as noted herein.
3. Respondent admits that Standing Rule 15.4 was referred to several times in the appeal determination.
4. Respondent denies that the chairs "entirely relied on [F&A] Standing Rule [...] 15.4" in the determination of the appeal.
5. Respondent admits that, in the appeal, the chairs stated that their determination is founded "mostly on the fact that the sanction in this matter is the standardized and mandatory penalty as outlined in the Standing Rules."
6. Respondent denies that the rationale cited in the determination "holds no standing." Petitioners, in their appeal, cite the parliamentary hierarchy of

⁴ Mr. Kravitz is the treasurer of another organization that was penalized and subsequently appealed to the chairs for a violation of S.R. 15.4. The decision in that case was identical to the case herein, as the appeal was almost exactly the same as the appeal submitted to the chairs for Petitioners in this case. For reasons unknown to the Respondent, that organization did not submit a Judicial Council appeal within the mandated time frame.

standing rules in comparison to bylaws. However, the Petitioners do not address the fact that ASG Bylaw 711.D. states:

“[u]pon determination that a violation has occurred, the Committee shall render a sanction unto the student organization. The Committee shall consider intent, severity, magnitude, and negligence in their decision. The sanction to be imposed shall be decided by a majority vote of the Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit. Any student organization found to have committed a violation may, however, obtain review of such sanction(s) through the appeals process outlined in the Committee for Student Organization Funding and Audit Standing Rules, which will include a review by the Judicial Council.”

7. Referring to IV.¶6, ASG Bylaw 711.D was invoked in this case, as the mandatory sanctioning, which has been a precedent of the committee preceding the current chairs tenure, took into account the four aforementioned factors.
8. Respondent admits to the context of Standing Rule 1.2.
9. Respondent denies that there were “faulty premises” in relation to any lack of consideration to ASG Bylaw 711.D.
10. Respondent calls on the council to uphold the sanctioning, despite Petitioners’ request to remove the penalty.
11. Prior to continuing this answer, Respondent notes that, in paragraphs 5, 6, and 7, Petitioners point to outdated and incorrect ASG Bylaws related to student organization funding and audit, as funding-related bylaws were updated on November 10, 2020 through SB202106, and immediately effective. *See Ex. I.*

12. Respondent calls on this council to dismiss the claim regarding sanctioning approval through Student Senate, as such mechanism no longer exists in the ASG Bylaws, as Bylaw 711.A.5 no longer exists. *Id.*
13. Respondent is under no obligation to report to or receive approval from Student Senate regarding any sanctions rendered by the committee. *Id.*
14. Respondent agrees the bylaws rank higher than standing rules, but disagrees with the context invoked in Petitioners' appeal, since, as was previously mentioned, the mandatory penalty already considers the factors in Bylaw 711.D and is well within the limits outlined in the ASG Bylaws⁵.
15. Respondent denies for lack of knowledge the statements regarding an alleged ASG Bylaw 716.
16. **Objection**. Respondent objects to Petitioners calling into question the ability of Associated Student Government to impose sanctions based on a former bylaw, and formally requests that the comment made in paragraph 6, sentence 3 of the appeal be stricken and called out of order. The basis for such objection is supported by the current ASG Bylaws, which do not contain any mention of a Section 716. Notwithstanding the corrections made, the absence of a bylaw should not be a meritorious ground for subjectively stating that ASG, whether it be through Student Senate or the Funding and Audit Committee, lacks the ability to impose sanctions on an organization in violation of funding regulations, or any regulations for that matter. Such comment lacks professionalism or decorum, even if submitted in writing and not stated verbally in a parliamentary-based

⁵ Notwithstanding that the ASG Bylaws often refer to the Standing Rules for clarification and policy on numerous occasions.

proceeding, and is not becoming of a representative of a registered student organization at Miami University.

17. Respondent denies the objection to the audit.
18. Respondent admits that ASG Bylaw 711.A⁶ dictates the various powers assigned to the committee regarding auditing.
19. Respondent admits that the Notice of ASG Funding Audit mentions random audits, but denies the allegations that such an audit was not random, or that this audit was meant to be random.
20. Respondent notes that Petitioners fail to identify any evidence that proves such an audit was not random. Petitioners point only to the fact that they “[allege] that the audit was not random[,] but [rather] automated based on financial data available to the [committee]. While reasonable to audit based on the aforementioned information, the audit would then indeed not be random.” Petitioners fail to identify in any aspect how the committee did not randomize the process or randomly select organizations. There is no evidence to show the committee failed to conduct a random audit.
21. Notwithstanding the previous paragraph, it is duly within ASG Funding’s powers to perform audits when a violation is known to have occurred.
22. Respondent denies that **all** [emphasis added] student organizations were audited in this manner, as not all student organizations received a Notice of ASG Funding Audit.

⁶ Too cumbersome to attach to appeal; all members of the Judicial Council have access to the bylaws via the ASG Shared Drive.

23. Respondent does not understand Petitioners' statement regarding "the letter of the bylaw."
24. Respondent adamantly disagrees with Petitioners' overall allegations regarding bylaw changes.
25. Respondent admits that changes were made to the ASG Bylaws regarding Funding and Audit. Respondent submits to this council SB202106, passed in Student Senate on November 10, 2020, for review. *See Ex. I.*
26. Respondent disagrees with the statement regarding changes being made "ex post facto to the date funding was requested and approved." The Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit is obligated to follow the current bylaws and standing rules as passed by the respective bodies within Associated Student Government. Neither the committee, nor ASG, is under any obligation to grandfather organizations into certain rules.
27. Respondent notes that the Associated Student Government, and subsequently the committee, is not a legal body, therefore, common law standards do not apply. Notwithstanding the previous statement, common law dictates that changes are made immediately. There is not a provision in any common law element that requires an entity to wait to enforce a law.⁷
28. Subsequently, Respondent denies that any enforcement of such changes were done retroactively. The date of the infraction⁸ was well after the revisions were made⁹. The policies put into place regarding the 75% spending rule were made

⁷ For example, the City of Oxford's ordinance limiting mass gatherings to no more than ten (10) people applies wholly to all individuals gathering within Oxford's city limits; there is no exception if an event was planned prior to the ordinance being signed or if someone did not live in Oxford prior to the ordinance taking effect -- all community members must immediately follow said ordinance. This applies here as well.

⁸ January 8, 2021

⁹ November 10, 2020

apparent to Petitioners at the time of their submission of a funding application, as acknowledged by Mr. Kravitz.

29. Moreover, the committee made additional relaxations of policy prior to the date of the violation, in order to make the spending threshold more easily attainable.
30. Respondent admits that the bylaws on the ASG website are not up-to-date, specifically pointing to a sudden transition in parliamentarians in recent months.
31. Respondent denies that such absence of updated ASG Bylaws presents “an undue burden” to Petitioners. In fact, Petitioners’ treasurer, Jake Kravitz, is a member and voting senator of ASG’s Student Senate. Mr. Kravitz voted “aye” on SB202106, modifying the ASG Bylaws in relation to student organization funding and audit. As such, Mr. Kravitz was in possession, from November 9 onward, of the updated bylaws. Thus, for this organization, there was no “undue burden.”
32. Respondent denies that the bylaws and/or changes to bylaws were not made public to the general student body, and further refutes that such aspect has anything to do with the current pandemic. ASG documents are considered public record under Ohio Revised Code, and as such, any individual can request updated records at any time.
33. Furthermore, Mr. Kravitz, operating in his official capacity as the treasurer for two organizations, including Petitioners, contacted the ASG Funding & Audit Committee for that exact purpose on January 17, 2021, specifically asking for “a copy of F&A Standing Rules as they were on January 9, 2021.” Chair Dan Bosworth complied with the request, pointing Mr. Kravitz to the ASG HUB page,

where the standing rules were up-to-date and effective at the time referenced. *See Ex. J.*

34. Respondent also notes that SB202106 is posted as public record on ASG's website under "Legislation."¹⁰
35. Notwithstanding any of the previous paragraphs in relation to the lack of updated bylaws on the website, such publicity of the bylaws did not disadvantage Petitioners, or any organization for that matter, in this case.
36. Petitioners were aware of the 75% rule, as previously mentioned, and were further made aware of the reduction to 60% in the December 8 email from Chair Ben Waugh.
37. Respondent denies for a lack of knowledge any violation of ASG Bylaw 206.C.1, as that specific bylaw falls outside the realm of this committee or the chairs. Furthermore, any argument that this "penalizes" Petitioners is rendered as moot, as it has clearly been established that the organization had the means to access updated regulations at any given time. In addition, the Secretary for Communications and Media Relations is not at fault, as maintenance of the ASG Bylaws are the responsibility of the Parliamentarian and the Administrative Committee¹¹.
38. Respondents formally request that all sanctions and findings in this matter are upheld, contrary to the request of Petitioners.

¹⁰ <https://miamiohasg.com/legislation-2020-2021>

¹¹ Again, due to a sudden transition to a new parliamentarian, the updating of bylaws is currently delayed.

39. Respondents formally request that the sanction in this matter not be reduced to ensure equity across all student organizations penalized for this violation, consistent with F&A Standing Rule 15.4.

V. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM RESPONDENTS

1. Respondents lodge several complaints and reaffirm several arguments with this process:

1. Petitioners never contacted the committee regarding the inability to spend funds until after they were penalized.
2. Petitioners agreed to such a penalty when submitting their funding application. *See. Ex. A.*
3. Petitioners had access to the Bylaws by several means, including (1) Mr. Kravitz's position as a Student Senator, (2) contacting the committee, (3) contacting the Speaker of Student Senate and/or Parliamentarian, (4) referring to the website, (5) accessing the ASG Shared Drive.

2. In addition, Respondents feel it necessary to address the comments made in Appendix D by Petitioners' treasurer Jake Kravitz:

1. Respondent finds the comments made in said appendix offensive, insensitive, unprofessional, and disrespectful to not only the committee/chairs of Funding and Audit, but ASG as a whole.
2. The comments made in Appendix D were unnecessary for consideration in this matter, as the comments are outside of the scope of this council.

3. At no point did respondent, or any other entity, allude that Petitioners would not receive a “fair shake” merely due to the status of Mr. Kravitz being in ASG.
4. Respondent requests that the comments regarding the “nature of ASG” be disregarded and blatantly ignored in making this determination; Respondents believe that such a statement is abhorrent in nature coming from any individual and has nothing to do with this appeal.
5. Respondent would like to especially comments on Mr. Kravitz’s statement regarding the appeal determination. Mr. Kravitz points to feeling targeted as his name was “mentioned three times.” For context, Mr. Kravitz is referring to the following statement:

“On January 23, 2021, Luxembourgish Students at Miami Treasurer **Jake Kravitz** submitted an appeal request to the Chairs of this committee, stating his belief that the audit decision rendered by the Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit (“the committee” or “F&A”) was misguided. **Mr. Kravitz** appealed based on the factors stated in ASG’s Bylaws surrounding sanctioning, specifically referring to ASG Bylaw 711.D.

On January 26, 2021, Secretary of Finance Ben Waugh and Secretary of the Treasury Dan Bosworth (“chairs” or “co-chairs”) met in executive session to review the appeal submitted by **Mr. Kravitz**. [emphasis added for counting purposes]”

6. Considering the above statement, the wording used is the same wording that is used for all appeal determinations. Mr. Kravitz’s name was used as he was the individual who submitted the appeal to the chairs. At all other points after the first paragraph, plus one sentence, Mr. Kravitz’s name was not mentioned once, rather referring to the organization.

7. Respondent never assumed that the appeal was solely Mr. Kravitz's.
8. Respondent is in no way making "things personal." To be frank with this council, Respondents are frustrated that such a comment was made, as it insinuates that such proceeding is indeed personal for Petitioners' treasurer. It is important to note that in no way does Respondent believe this is a personal matter.
9. Respondent appreciates Mr. Kravitz's growth throughout this process.

VI. PRAYER FOR DETERMINATION

1. Respondents repeat and reallege each and every allegation and statement set forth above as if fully rewritten herein.
2. **WHEREFORE**, for the foregoing reasons, Respondents respectfully request that this Honorable Council:
 1. Uphold the finding of "Evidence Found" in relation to Petitioners' violation of Funding and Audit Standing Rule 15.4;
 2. Uphold the sanction of a 25% penalty on all approved funding awarded from the period running from January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021, covering the entirety of the spring semester of the 2020-2021 academic year;
 3. Dismiss the above-captioned appeal with prejudice for the reasons set forth in this brief;
 4. Strike objected to material as set forth in this brief from the official record of these proceedings.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Associated Student Government
On-Campus Affairs Committee
7 February 2021

Attendance:

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

I. Updates from the Chair

A. Meeting Change for Next Week

1. Secretary Petrella: virtual. Will let you know in advance of meetings whether or not we will meet in person or virtual. Cases at Miami this week are higher than we've seen, so we must be safe. Secretary Bosworth and Secretary Waugh have asked us to be virtual next week because they need to meet at that time. We may be able to have our meeting in the senate chamber.

B. Remember the Trackers

1. [Student Concern](#) - stay on the student concerns during senate in order to track student concerns.
2. [Legislation](#) - Please mark any drafts you may have so Sec. Petrella can help in any way he can.
3. [Initiative](#) - keep your initiatives up to date so Sec. Petrella can help in any way he can.

C. New Policy for Updates/Attendance this Semester

1. Secretary Petrella: By this time in the year, we should know what is expected of us. Have updates each week unless you have a valid excuse (such as administrators not getting back to you). Attendance is lenient, make sure to tell me when you are unable to make it. However, 3 unexcused absences will lead to removal from the committee and 4 points in the Pro Tempore's point tracker.



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There will also be an On-Campus point system. Points can be given or subtracted (for example, taking minutes is -1 point).

- D. Updates to Testing Facility
 - 1. Secretary Petrella: there will be greater efforts to make paperwork easier, to enforce physical distancing, and to make it more accessible.
- E. Student Dining Hall Advisory Committee
 - 1. Applications are [here](#). Send it to your friends and constituents who may be interested.
- F. Bylaw Changes
 - 1. Secretary Petrella: you all will be authors on bylaw changes for the position of On-Campus Affairs Secretary.

II. Committee Updates

- A. Senator Capriolo: I am still working with RSG and I did get one professor to look over the survey and I am excited to see those notes. I also met with a team for the accessibility audit. We talked about making this a more long-term go and I learned a lot from this meeting.
- B. Senator Farag: There was a student concern about Martin gym last year which I covered. I'm hoping to keep up with the same administrator in order to ensure that the gym's extended hours are kept despite COVID in the future.
- C. Senator Giang: I emailed Dr. Large to work on expanding Campus Cares in order to implement trauma-related care.
- D. Senator Kelley: N/A
- E. Senator Kodman: N/A
- F. Senator Linkey: N/A for now.
- G. Senator Payne: After Senator Chima submitted her concern, I'm looking forward to working on an initiative related to workout facilities. Additionally, the Proctorio legislation should be presented to USenate soon.
- H. Senator Pallant: N/A
- I. Senator Sammouri: For the Ramadan initiative, hoping to have the legislation ready by Senate on the 16th.



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- J. Senator Singleton: Looking to see if there is counseling for students of color, hoping to make improvements in D&I with counseling services at Miami.
 - 1. Secretary Petrella: reach out to Dr. John Ward.
- K. Senator Sparks: N/A for now. Will be working on Lime scooter initiative this week.
 - 1. Senator Sammouri: where are all of the Lime scooters on campus?
 - 2. Secretary Petrella: they are not released on campus.
 - 3. Senator Linkey: I saw one off-campus, but otherwise there aren't many of them.

III. Student Concerns

- A. Senator Chima's Concern on the hours of remote workout facilities from 2/2/21

IV. Committee Work

- A. Accessibility Environmental Scan
 - 1. Secretary Petrella: we had an insightful meeting with the Miller Center that has led to a change from an "Accessibility Audit" to an "Environmental Scan". We will reduce our scope and hone in on one aspect of physical accessibility. Colleen will be our point person. Aspects we can look at: doors, menstrual hygiene receptacles/bathrooms, etc. This will be something we repeat on a semesterly basis.
 - 2. Senator Sparks: I think honing in on one aspect will be more effective.
 - 3. Senator Capriolo: I really enjoyed how Ruku describes accessibility as a mindset. I think this will also be a unique way for senators to get involved within their community and also collaborate with other student groups on-campus.
 - 4. Senator Payne: doors and bathrooms would be a good first place to focus on.
 - 5. Secretary Petrella: another option is doing a scan of stairs to make sure they are accessible to the visually impaired. This would be something that we could do next year. Another example of immediate need are the standing-only kiosks.



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6. Senator Capriolo: Something that was really helpful was the resources that the Miller Center gave us for the bathrooms. I think it could be hard to do too many this year because of the number of people available.
7. Senator Linkey: is it possible for us to pick something now but also to add something later on if we are successful with the first initiative?
8. Secretary Petrella:

V. Action Items

- A. Start your initiatives--anything from last semester or new ones

VI. Upcoming Events/Acknowledgements

- A. Congrats to Senators Giang and Sammouri for success in their flag initiative! New flags have been added to Armstrong.
- B. Superbowl
- C. Congratulations to Senator Payne for joining to Soul2Soul



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On-Campus Affairs Committee
14 February 2021

Attendance:

Present: Senator Capriolo, Senator Farag, Senator Giang, Senator Kelley, Senator Kodman, Senator Linkey, Senator Payne, Senator Singleton, Senator Sparks
Excused: Senator Sammouri, Senator Pallant
Unexcused: N/A

I. Updates from the Chair

- Electric-Scooters On-Campus
 - *Bird* is relaunching
 - *Spin* is possibly coming on campus (electric scooters and bikes)
- Service-Hours Reminder
 - 4 for entire year, 2 for semester
 - a) Farmers Market (all in one weekend), Mask Ambassadors Program, ComMUnity Connect
- Fitness pass update
 - Access Fellows- Meeting with Mike this week
- Sponsor Legislation
 - [Ramadan](#)
 - a) Collaboration with On-campus and D&I (potential time conflict)
 - [Electric-Scooters](#)
 - a) Designated parking areas

II. Committee Updates

- Senator Capriolo:
 - Meeting this Friday with President of Regional Student Government and Dr. Pete Haverkos of Regionals to hopefully finalize survey
- Senator Farag:



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- Nothing to update
- Senator Giang:
 - Meeting with Dr. Large next Friday to discuss campus cares and student counseling services
- Senator Kelley:
 - Working with Infrastructure Sustainability to get reusable bags at campus markets
 - Looking at prototypes
 - Issue with administration regarding parents issues
 - Made a survey for parents and students for data to give administration
 - Upcoming meeting with Adam regarding possible funding
- Senator Kodman:
 - Lime scooter parking legislation sent to Steering
 - Conversation about electric bikes on campus
- Senator Linkey:
 - Information coming up
- Senator Payne:
 - Got a student concern about north quad gym facilities last week
 - Sent out an email and currently waiting for response
- Senator Pallant: N/A
- Senator Sammouri: N/A
- Senator Singleton:
 - Sent an email to Dr. Ward for counseling services for students of color. He said that he is aware that students are in need of these and he discussed this new students of color support group. Campus Cares is always an option for the students and some staff members do some workshops that are helpful.
 - Contact Secretary Small for any other information on this project.
- Senator Sparks:
 - Lime scooter parking legislation
 - New legislation for electric bikes draft has been started

III. Student Concerns

- N/A for this week



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- Armstrong and King to go back to closing at midnight after lift of curfew

IV. Committee Work

- Mental Health Roundtable
 - Resources, including post-COVID-19
 - Farag: I think there will be a lot of social anxiety and being in big group with individuals.
 - Petrella: Eventually we're going to be back in normal rooms, how do we ensure that students are going to feel comfortable and safe in the classroom?
 - a) Effects of social media and mental health
 - b) ORL Meetings (15 min late to Senate)
 - c) Loneliness on campus- How can we still foster an inclusive environment when it's not a normal college experience
 - Linkey: We can do this by pushing involvement and making sure students know how to use The HUB
 - Petrella: We can collaborate with F&A
 - Linkey: I'm a member of Seal Ambassadors. I'll be hosting a workshop being held this Thursday for student involvement
 - Petrella: We can discuss using social media in a positive way. Being in a school that's twenty times larger than highschool, you have to actively make friends. One thing we talked about in ORL is if we had a card that's green, yellow, and red to foster a dining experience. Green means you can come and sit with me
 - Capriolo: I was talking to Evan Gates and Harper Sutton about how Covid and Zoom has made it easier to have meetings. When we start having to go back in person our time is going to shrink once we go back in person and having to walk back in forth more in between meetings.
 - Petrella: Your mental health should never come second in anything. I will not question you if you ask for a two week break. I value you as humans first.



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- a) Maybe we make a list about how to be successful. I just ordered blue light glasses.
- b) What about the going out culture at Miami?
 - Kelley: It's frustrating, I felt like I was missing out for not going out
 - Capriolo: Treating Covid as a reason to party
 - Sparks: Fraternity and Sorority culture pushes people to go out
 - Kelley: I've been avoiding frats like the plague
 - Capriolo: Maybe we feel bad about going out more because so many people post about it.
 - Linkey: The curfew was just lifted back up a few days ago. I don't even want to be around people the next couple of weeks because I don't trust people
 - Capriolo: There's social pressure with going out
 - Petrella: The more you're going out the longer it's going to take for your college experience to go back to normal. The going out culture at Miami is anxiety inducing, people say "I can't go into that bar sober."

V. Action Items

- Linkey: Pushing to make students aware of their options and The HUB
- Petrella: Social media talk with student affairs, virtual classes to exercise?
- Singleton: Virtual movie nights
- Petrella: Categorizing movies and shows for students to pick from

VI. Upcoming Events/Acknowledgements

- Happy Valentine's Day!



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Off-Campus Affairs Committee

February 14, 2021 via Zoom

Present: Senator Adjei, Senator Hudak, Senator Lake, Senator Manley, Senator Skelly

Excused: Senator Pallant

Unexcused: Senator Sassan, Senator McKeon

I. Updates from the Chair

- A. Welcome Senator McKeon!
- B. New meeting time
 1. McClary: I'll send out a new When2Meet in Slack; we'll most likely be meeting either Monday or Wednesday
- C. College Pads legislation
 1. McClary: Coming to the floor Tuesday; be sure to read over it and give it a sponsor!
- D. Off-Campus Secretary bylaw changes
 1. McClary: The bylaws for this position are pretty outdated, and don't accurately reflect how essential SCRC is; I'm changing the bylaws to reflect current SCRC precedent with agenda setting and communications
- E. Snow emergency/off-campus parking
 1. McClary: Last week OPD gave out over 200 tickets for cars parked on snow routes during the snow emergency; OPD will start towing and impounding cars this week if we have another snow emergency, so be sure to spread around the infographics Secretary Chunias about winter weather and parking in Oxford
- F. Attendance policy
 1. McClary: Again, I want to be flexible with you all and will allow four absences per semester; if you miss a meeting, it is **your responsibility to contact me** ahead of time, read over the meeting minutes and check the project tracker, and schedule a one-on-one with me if necessary

II. Newsletter Drafting - Feedback and Topics

- A. Topics to include
 1. McClary: For the February newsletter, I'd like to spotlight Black History Month- Enjoy Oxford did a phenomenal Youtube series on Black History in Oxford that I'd like to include; we'll also be doing a section on renters' rights edu since this is the time of year when a lot of students are making



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housing decisions for the fall; we'll be highlighting local business support initiatives; continue emphasizing health and wellness resources and links to stream virtual student performances and events

2. Manley: We could also spotlight COVID-safe activities as the weather warms up and we head into March
 3. Hudak: Clarify new business hours after curfew has been lifted — spotlight a couple of local businesses
- B. Resources list
1. Manley: Link to H&W day website and programming info
 2. Skelly: More emphasis on mental health and wellness resources
- C. Continue to sign up and share around the link prior to February 26th
<https://forms.gle/E69brCFwNaGeBz8g7>

III. Committee Updates

- A. Adjei
1. Working through resources to create local business infographics with Gus
- B. Hudak
1. Was working on recycling updates for off-campus
- C. Lake
1. In-progress on infographics and website for off-campus
- D. McKeon
1. N/A
- E. Manley
1. College Pads legislation coming to floor on Tuesday; Mask Ambassadorship and collaboration with Greek Life on service hour requirements; working on funding incentives for student orgs
- F. Pallant
1. N/A
- G. Sassan
1. N/A
- H. Skelly
1. Updated links in newsletter and found new Health and Wellness resources

IV. Action Items

- A. Adjei
1. Infographics



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- B. Hudak
 - 1. Rejoin uptown recycling initiative
- C. Lake
 - 1. Continue infographics; work on Renters' rights and small businesses for newsletter
- D. McKeon
 - 1. N/A
- E. Manley
 - 1. Update city on recent meetings with Funding & Greek Life on Mask Ambassadorship
- F. Pallant
 - 1. Continue to find virtual events to include for the newsletter
- G. Sassan
 - 1. N/A
- H. Skelly
 - 1. Work on health and wellness resources and tips for newsletter
- V. Celebrations**
 - A. Connor and College Pads legislation going to the floor on Tuesday!!!
 - B. Shout out to Gus for updating the Off-Campus section of the ASG website
- VI. Adjournment**