

**SENATE AGENDA**  
04/05/2022  
Joslin Senate Chamber

- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Announcements from the Chair
  - a. Speaker Villanueva: I want to remind everyone that cabinet elections are starting next week and will go on until our last meeting together. Feel free to encourage your friends to run. Packets will be due this Friday. I do not grant extensions unless there are crazy reasons. So, keep that in mind.
  - b. Speaker Villanueva: I heard there was some kind of confusion about how pro temp and parliamentarian elections work. They will be happening at our last meeting together. They are nominations from the floor. All you have to do is nominate yourself or have another senator nominate you. Three minutes if you're contested and two minutes if you are uncontested.
  - c. Speaker Villanueva: A disclaimer while we prepare for cabinet elections. Cabinet elections are sometimes an intense period in ASG. It is really easy for your emotions to get the best of you. I want to remind you guys that you are all people and we need to treat each other with respect. ASG is important but winning an ASG election is not worth burning bridges with people. I want you guys to remember that because that has been an issue in the past and I would do everything in my power that it is not an issue this year.
  - d. Speaker Villanueva: Just because cabinet elections are going on, does not mean we halt activities in Senate.
  - e. Speaker Villanueva: Senator of the week is Senator Hughes. The senator who made the nomination said Senator Hughes worked really hard on the Gender Neutral bathroom legislation and deserves recognition for it.
- V. Consent Calendar
  - a. Approval of Student Senate minutes from 3/15/2022
  - b. Approval of Elections minutes from 3/03/2022
  - c. Approval of Safety minutes from 3/27/2022
  - d. Approval of Safety minutes from 4/3/2022
  - e. Approval of On-Campus minutes from 4/3/2022
  - f. Motion to approve the consent calendar by unanimous consent
  - g. Motion is seconded
  - h. Motion is approved

## VI. Student Concerns

- a. Reports back
- b. Senator Parker: This is in response to a concern brought up by Senator Ryan. There were some changes made to title IX. Anyone who is bringing a title IX case forward can be questioned by the person they are bringing a report against in real time. In that case, witnesses cannot be anonymous and that extends to all violations. The office is willing to work and support me with this but they said the legal council will push back.
- c. Senator Gay: I am reporting back on a concern from Senator Davies about the path between Etheridge and Maples. They are looking to expand the path but are worried about the budget.
- d. Senator Stack: I am reporting back about the temporary path behind Dodds. I contacted the physical facilities. Robert Bell reached out to me and informed me that it would be dealt with. They put some gravel down in the path over spring break. Second report back; the physical facilities worked to clean off all of the old nails and staples and posters and have replaced it with some new wood for student organizations who want to advertise their events.
- e. Senator Roemer: I am reporting back on the chromebook student concern. The first part is addressing the capabilities of a chromebook in an academic setting. Some professors only provide software instructions for windows and mac. Every academic department has somebody in IT and the professor should know that you can use their server to run the software. The other one is checking the process of getting your computer fixed. It seems to be working as it should even though it is a bummer that people have to go to the library every two days to check out their computer.
- f. Secretary Stephens: First concern is addressed to Senator Hughes with regards to classes of protected identities list. Miami university has classes that may go beyond the applicable requirements and the classes that are protected are currently listed on the OEO website. Second concern is the OIDI hosting an event. This event was not referenced to women's history month. The OIDI welcomes students' concerns and there is a place you can submit those concerns for heritage month. Third, for weekly III email, I will yield to Director Gates.
- g. Director Gates: I met with Dr. Kwapong. Part of the discussion was on the weekly III. He is working with Dr. Ramirez to transform to a newsletter format either next month or the beginning of next semester.
- h. Senator Dang: I am reporting back on a concern about the U3X bus route. One of the questions was where does it go? It goes to TJ max and the bus stop is called Wes Mills. During spring break, they said they merged the U3X to the U3 route. I just called BCRTA if we can separate both of them and they said they will work on it.
- i. New student concerns

- j. Senator Hughes: When there is a closure of a side of campus, there are some faculty who receive emails about them. By Armstrong, the side closure has barred the ability of students to use the few accessibility paths that we have on campus. The concern is a general lack of communication that those routes are being closed.
- k. Motion to commit to I&S
- l. Motion is seconded
- m. Motion is approved
- n. Senator DeVictor: Recently, we went for outreach with NRHH. The concern is about RA meal plans. An RA would like for them to have more flexible meal options than other students. RAs have a difficulty with their plans being used outside of dining halls. They are concerned about it being the same as regular residents.
- o. Motion to commit to on-campus committee.
- p. Motion is seconded
- q. Motion is approved
- r. Senator Ryan: In Armstrong this week and over the weekend, orders that have been placed on the kiosk in pulley and toasted bagels are not being properly submitted on the system. You have to order through Get mobile and there is a capacity that it does not allow you to order over.
- s. Secretary Sutton: Dining is aware of this issue. It is a weird technical glitch that IT is trying to figure out.
- t. Senator Olabode: First, with the course list, there is a lack of communication about courses like when you have certain courses that are offered in the fall or spring. We don't know that until we try to register.
- u. Motion to commit to academic affairs
- v. Motion is seconded
- w. Motion is approved.
- x. Senator Olabode: About courses, there is a lack of connection between the Daar and class bulletin. On the Daar, you're only allowed to take certain classes but on the bulletin, it says you have to take other certain classes.
- y. Senator Constandinidis alternate: When new classes are added at times, it is not usually on the daar. Talking to your advisors and professors for that particular class is the best course of action.
- z. Motion to commit to academic affairs
- aa. Motion is seconded
- bb. Motion is approved.
- cc. Senator Olabode: About accessibility, a student who works in the mail and package center could not find the accessibility ramp. We talked about how maps show accessibility routes. Should they check the map next time or is there another solution?
- dd. Senator Dang: Shriver is one of the best buildings for accessibility. There is a door right back to the package center. If you go up the ramp through brick and ivy, you can still use the elevators.

- ee. Senator Hughes: On the mobile ID app, there will be little distinctions on what door is ADA accessible but it is different from building to building. Looking at the map will be the best bet as the doors are not labeled as they are on mobile ID.
- ff. Senator Davies: For those who have registered for a study abroad program domestic programs, when you fill out the online paperwork, they have a list of the disciplinary sanctions but one of the questions is, "I will share with my loved ones this policy, please list the people you will share it with." That seems like an overly basic question as almost everyone in college is an adult.
- gg. Motion to commit to academic committee
- hh. Motion is seconded
- ii. Motion is approved
- jj. Senator Roemer: In an email, the university has determined to sign the entirety of the dining thing to a new company called Aramac. I want to know more of what that entails.
- kk. Secretary Sutton: The dining committee will be coming to Senate on April 19th. We are going to monitor what they are doing.
- ll. Director Gates: I am aware of some problematic questions the student council sent out about demographics but I was not aware that some questions on substance abuse are problematic. "You need to rate agree or disagree that my substance abuse have got me into sexual abuse." If anyone knows anything about this, I would love to see some responses.
- mm. President-elect Kaur: I had that come up as an issue when I was a student trustee. It is not a question that comes from Dr. Rosemary Ward but from the Ohio mental substance committee people and they are required to use their exact questions. It looks a little different when advocating for this change at the state level
- nn. Senator Parker: This coming from the state should not stop us from doing something about this concern.
- oo. Motion to commit to government relations
- pp. Motion is seconded
- qq. Motion is approved
- rr. Director Gates: The calories stickers on vending machines are not good for people with eating disorders and are uncomfortable to read.
- ss. Senator Prebbles: Is it to promote student health?
- tt. Secretary Sutton: I am a Nutrition major. You cannot see calories on products on the vending machines unless you are to turn around products so you have to make a decision before seeing the calories.
- uu. Motion to commit to on-campus committee
- vv. Motion is seconded
- ww. Motion is approved
- xx. Senator Bakshi: First, students are not able to use a meal swipe at dividends for York Street which I believe the dining hall committee passed.

Is there any education going towards the people that are checking out those at dividends?

- yy. Secretary Agee: Do you know if they tried to previously in the day use a meal swipe? if you do it back to back, it cannot take it.
- zz. Senator Bakshi: They did not use a meal swipe at all in the day.
- aaa. Senator DeVictor: Dividends do not have meal swipe options.  
Dividends have only been used in other markets.
- bbb. Motion to commit to on-campus committee
- ccc. Motion is seconded
- ddd. Motion is approved
- eee. Senator Bakshi: This past week, I have gotten two student concerns about SDS not taking students seriously about housing. They did not give a student a legitimate reason why their request was not approved and did not include that student's advisor in the conversation. Another student said that until they had parents involved, they were not taken seriously.
- fff. Motion to commit to safety
- ggg. Motion is seconded
- hhh. Motion is approved
- iii. Senator Marcum: I wonder if there are some solutions to cover the trash cans.
- jjj. Motion to commit to I&S
- kkk. Motion is seconded
- lll. Motion is approved

## VII. Reports

- a. Senate Touchpoint, *Student Body President-Elect Amitoj Kaur and Student Body Vice President-Elect Khenadi Grubb*
  - i. President-Elect Kaur: I am so excited to talk to you and shoutout to Victoria for squeezing us in. We wanted to touch base with you all, introduce ourselves and get to know you all better, and have you all know what our vision is for ASG moving forward. My name is Amitoj. I am a junior double majoring in Political science and Interactive media studies. I have commuted all three years of college and will probably do so in my senior year as well. I am an American first generation college student. On campus, I have been involved in random things including student trustee for two years. I loved being a student trustee and I was able to get a lot done. I co-founded women of color in excellence, an academic support group for women of color here in college. I work here in the Armstrong student center as a commuter student. I serve on the Armstrong student center board.
  - ii. Vice President-Elect Grubb: I am Khenadi and it is nice to meet you all. I am a junior political science major. I was one of you once and in the chamber my freshman year. It is cool to be back here. I

enjoyed my time as a district 6 senator. I took a year off after we went off from covid. I went to train with the air force. I am also in Zeta, a sorority on campus, women in law, mock trial, and Ohio innocence project.

- iii. Vice President-Elect Grubb: Amitoj and I met our freshman year at Miami at a program Miami hosted a leadership conference. This amplified our friendship and we took classes together. We always had the idea of running the student body. The conference gave us a sense of how we envision success in the student body.
- iv. President-Elect Kaur: For our platform, we are looking into student life, enhancing the multicultural experience, and student health and wellness. Also, increased access to menstrual products all over campus and creating a safe space on campus. There is a lot we want to get done besides our platform. Going back to our slogan of leading with love, we want to work on increased visibility on campus. Like reaching out to students from the student body president and vice president and making sure they know who we are. We both have our special interest projects that we intend to work on.
- v. Vice President-Elect Grubb: Being a military student, there is an extreme lack of visibility. We are currently trying to work with the library on students of military appreciation day. I do not understand why there is not much visibility when it comes to them. Sustainability is something we strongly campaigned for as well. Our plan was to talk to students who know more than us because we do not know everything. It is going to come down to our peers and student leaders like you in making the change that we want to see happen.
- vi. President-Elect Kaur: My special interest is facilitating culture change and environment in ASG and campus culture. Making a President's council of the Ohio schools of Student Body Presidents. I could benefit from learning how other presidents operate but it would be great for cabinets and students from different universities to collaborate together.
- vii. Vice President-Elect Grubb: If we came together as a united front, they would hear about concerns more often.
- viii. President-Elect Kaur: I used to be in national office so I spent a year of my life traveling the country and teaching kids to be better leaders. It is something that I know is important. How do we breach that gap and make sure that everyone is on the plane field? Many of us did not get opportunities during Covid. In terms of cabinet elections, when we think about a cabinet, oftentimes, we just want to put the strongest player in every single spot but we need a diversity of skill set, thoughts, and ability. The important skills are

being a hard worker and ready to learn, someone whose personal goals align with the mission, someone who is organized, and someone who is genuinely excited to be here.

- ix. Vice President-Elect Kaur: What we can promise to you all that we will hit the ground running. We are very eager, excited, and motivated to get started. We want to give more room and more time to hear from you about what you want to do and how you can do that. We will be around to serve as mentors. We will take feedback in stride.
- x. Director Gates: Can you elaborate what leadership development looks like in career?
- xi. President-Elect Kaur: Regardless of how many majors we have, we obviously care about the common good. How good would it be if ASG got 30 minutes to talk to recruiters. Also resume reviews as we are both good at it. We have got some experience and there are many other people in Cabinet that can serve as guides.
- xii. Senator Hughes: Regarding the development of your initiatives, with your upcoming term, what does the development of extending those initiatives look like to you guys?
- xiii. President-Elect Kaur: Especially with menstrual products, every restroom needs a trash can. Would we maybe have to settle for one floor? It depends on how negotiation works with the administration. How do we make sure it is a cross campus collaboration? And making sure everyone is involved and you all are filled in every step of the way.
- xiv. Vice President-Elect Grubb: We have had a couple meetings with the administration regarding waste. They know it is an issue, they know it is going to have to happen soon. It is just a matter of when. Making sure it is done correctly and fairly and that student opinion is weighed into that.
- xv. Senator Davies: You mentioned keeping senators in the loop of conversations and that senators are kept updated. Elaborate more on specific ideas or goals with how you want to do that.
- xvi. President-Elect Kaur: I want to wait to see who gets on our cabinet. This is not the last time we will be doing this. We hope to be doing multiple reports throughout the year. Something I would like to see with comms is giving you all a newsletter of opportunities on things we are planning and us being more active with students. We hope to do questions of the week and get to connect more. So when you have these big ideas, you're eager to meet with us.
- xvii. Secretary Stephens: when thinking about the pandemic, is this something that is on your mind in terms of students transitioning back to normalcy? What conversations are happening and what would it look like?

- xviii. President-Elect Kaur: We feel like the school spirit has kind of diminished. Communication with one another is very different from what it looked like. Part of what has been on our minds is how can we break the ice? Instead of different players on multiple teams, how do we work together? How can we bring people together?
- xix. Vice President-Elect Grubb: We cannot do it alone and we need you guys' help with all of that. How much do you guys care and how much do you want to see that transition? It takes you guys as student leaders to set that example and as student leaders, I have full confidence in all of you.
- xx. President-Elect Kaur: We are going hard for the mega fair. While we can be as hyped as ever, if you all do not match our energy, we will look weird.
- xxi. Chief of staff Wu: Post pandemic, we started seeing long-term signs in stress resilience substantially down and overall issues like that. We are looking at more long-term lasting effects. How could you see yourselves helping to support these new generations of students who are seeing these long-term events?
- xxii. President-Elect Kaur: Again, being a role model. If any of you all email me at 11 pm, I would respond "go to bed." Making sure senate meetings do not go past times. Paving the way and being the role model. With our chief of staff, we are hoping they would be able to facilitate and encourage Cabinet to chill out and provide support. If a student is struggling, asking how they can be supported. Sometimes, people need to know that they can fall and lean on others but we do not usually foster that in Miami.
- xxiii. Senator Giaquinto: We have talked about having a leadership gap, can you talk more about that? What are your plans to fill in the leadership gap?
- xxiv. President-Elect Kaur: With the leadership gap, it can be as little as the difference between ccing and bccing someone and some of these acronyms we say. It may be talking to underclassmen and saying this is how you can write an email. How do we advocate for ourselves in a manner that is professional? Part of it will be leadership one on one but also Miami one on one.
- xxv. Vice President-Elect Grubb: Even little stuff like knowing the committees. I could not speak up as a freshman. Things like that might be repetitive for those who know what is going on but it might be helpful for people who are afraid to speak up.
- xxvi. President-Elect Kaur: Also making sure we are all on the baseline.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business



- a. SB212216: *A Bill to Update the Bylaws of the Secretary for Safety*
  - i. Senator Giaquinto: Before she left, Sec. Sutton wanted to make sure whoever took over her role had really good bylaws. "Whereas the current bylaws for the Secretary for Safety do not accurately reflect the duties and responsibilities of the Secretary;"
  - ii. Senator Parker: We are hoping to change to secretary of safety to secretary of safety and wellness. There is some harmful language that we replaced with something that is a little more easier to read. Also, creating a list of bystander intervention.
  - iii. Senator Parker: We got rid of "the secretary of safety will be involved in the green beer day forum." "Upon election, the Secretary for Safety and Wellness shall sit on the Community..." We added Coordinated Response Team (CCRT) Prevention and Response subcommittees. "The Secretary for Safety and Wellness shall co-chair the Student Dining Hall Advisory Committee alongside the Secretary for On-Campus Affairs and the Secretary for Infrastructure and Sustainability. The Secretary for Safety and Wellness shall participate in planning and hosting, alongside other student organizations, an annual SIV Awareness Forum."
  - iv. Senator DeVictor: I have some concerns about changing the secretary title to secretary of safety and wellness. It might impede with other secretaries' works.
  - v. Secretary Sutton: It is already listed in the bylaws that I deal with wellness. Sometimes, the title is not reflected on all the work that I do.
  - vi. Senator Davies: Do you envision that the name of the community will follow that change as well?
  - vii. Secretary Sutton: Yes, it is in the bylaws.
  - viii. Senator Giaquinto: Having the title would be significant especially with handling covid.
  - ix. Senator bakshi: 213 G that is crossed out is supposed to be a J not an I.
  - x. Debate
  - xi. Parliamentarian Elghazawi: I think it is well-written and you guys should vote to approve it.
  - xii. Senator Constandinidis alternate: I agree with Parliamentarian Elghazawi. Clean bylaws are always fantastic. It is nice to accurately reflect all the duties of the secretary.
  - xiii. Motion to end debate and call the question
  - xiv. Motion is seconded
  - xv. Motion is approved
  - xvi. Voting session
  - xvii. The legislation is approved.

- b. *SR212217: A Resolution to Increase Visibility and Quantity of Gender Neutral Bathrooms in Miami University's Residence Halls*
- i. Senator Hughes: Through my experience as a non-binary student in the ASG, my very first concern was that there was not a gender neutral bathroom in residence halls. We drafted this resolution to ensure that every residence hall has at least one gender neutral bathroom with a shower. This is just signifying our wants to work with physical facilities to get initiatives like this done. This was a wonderful collaboration between I&S and DEI.
  - ii. Senator Gay: This initiative has been going on even before this semester. In appendix A, we found that a lot of dorms just did not have them.
  - iii. Senator Hughes: We found a problem with not only the lack of the bathrooms but the labels. On a floor plan, it would be labeled private and no one knows what that means. This link right here will take you to see the audit date but these are pictures of what labeled restrooms look like in residence halls. There is a general lack of communication and infrastructure for bathrooms in general.
  - iv. Senator Gay: As I&S, we reached out to Robert Bell. The physical facilities budget is already planned out. The idea of redesigning all the dorms and putting all the gender neutral bathrooms in them is not very feasible. So, we are looking at small changes like fixing the signage. Robert Bell did support that smaller scale renovations are the way to go.
  - v. Senator Hughes: The bulk of the halls that did not have a gender neutral bathroom are dorms that have not undergone renovations which means that there is an opportunity for those dorms to have gender neutral bathrooms. This is a mechanism for change to happen while meeting those needs for the projects.
  - vi. Senator Kelley: I want to provide the DEI committee's perspective on this initiative. As a queer student, it is really important to me for trans students to be able to use bathrooms and make sure they are safe and that physical facilities are contributing to their wellness and safety. For the DEI committee, we are hoping to develop partnerships with the Office of Institutional Diversity and Inclusion.
  - vii. Debate
  - viii. Senator Crone: I think this piece of legislation is great and the timing is great. A lot of these renovations have not happened yet so there is still space for it to happen.
  - ix. Senator Constandinidis alternate: I really liked the legislation. As a trans student at Miami, I really appreciate the authors and sponsors. I think we should pass this resolution.
  - x. Senator Scott: Ditto!

- xi. Secretary Stephens: This has been a long time coming. It has been magnificent to see what the two committees have been able to create. Not only have we made physical facilities aware, all the major DEI on the campus are backing it. I beckon you to pass this tonight so we can get started.
- xii. Secretary Agee: In addition to passing this legislation, we contacted physical facilities about the interacting maps. They are currently working to make sure gender neutral bathrooms are noted on the maps.
- xiii. Director Gates: This is also in conversations with social justice. They are really excited about this legislation and we have a lot of campus partners looking forward to ASG's continued DEI work. I would really support you all in voting for this legislation. The authors have worked really hard on this. Please vote. Thank you.
- xiv. Motion to end debate and call the question
- xv. Motion has been seconded
- xvi. Motion is approved.
- xvii. Voting session
- xviii. Legislation is approved unanimously.
- c. SB212218: *A Bill to Foster Transparency in the Oversight Committee*
  - i. Senator Bakshi: All standing rules updates are currently required to be reported to the Associated Student Government Senate. "Whereas: The Oversight Committee is an internal committee that is currently not required to have standing rules updates voted on by the Associated Student Government Senate; Whereas: The Oversight Committee should be transparent with changes to bylaws in order to minimize the risk of unintentionally targeting those brought to be investigated by the committee; Therefore, be it resolved: The Bylaws of the Associated Student Government shall be amended as follows:"
  - ii. Senator Bakshi: Here you can see what the standing rules are currently. Recently there has been discussion about the reform of the oversight process and we do not want this to target those who have been in an oversight case.
  - iii. Senator Hughes: Why did we choose a simple majority?
  - iv. Senator Bakshi: I think it was the easiest way. We want to see how it is and if there are issues with that, we will look at seeing something different.
  - v. Debate session
  - vi. Senator Crone: I like this legislation. If we are going to make changes that will impact the entire senate, the entire senate should also have a say.
  - vii. Senator Constandinidis alternate: It is good that the oversight committee is transparent.

- viii. Motion to end debate and call the question.
  - ix. Motion is seconded
  - x. Motion is approved.
  - xi. Voting session
  - xii. Legislation is passed unanimously
- X. Special Business of the Day
- a. Troy Travis, *Assistant Vice President of Enterprise Operations*  
Tim Gruenhagen, *Manager Network Engineering Services*  
Randy Hollowell, *Manager IT Communications & Client Advocacy*  
Mike Witzman, *Cisco Senior Systems Engineering Director - US SLED*  
Matt Hackworth, *Cisco Solution Architect for Miami*  
Mike Amann, *Cisco Account Manager for Miami*
    - i. Motion to reorder special business of the day to first item for the sake of our guests time
    - ii. Motion seconded
    - iii. Motion is approved
    - iv. Troy Travis: Thank you for having us. My name is Troy Travis. I am with IT services. I will do introductions for our team in IT and part of Cisco. Brief overview. This is a picture of a heatmap with Armstrong. The green circles are access points. We know that our students and faculty are all there and this is what we are really built and stand for. As I go through the agenda, I want to remain student focused. We want to share with you what we have done, what we are doing and where we are going. I am our VP for enterprise operations in IT; User support, classroom technology, all the operations. This is Tim who manages the operating group and Randell who handles communications.
    - v. Mike Amann: I am the account manager at Cisco. I oversee the University's overall satisfaction at Cisco. I am also a proud parent of a Miami freshman.
    - vi. Troy Travis: Over the years, we value student input and feedback and we have taken that seriously and put many things into action. It pains me to say I have not been in front of you for a while and I have not had the opportunity to meet you. We have been working on stable infrastructure, more wifi everywhere, more internet which means more bandwidth. Cable TV in res halls. We were able to get data and upgrade to streaming TV. Emergency call towers is something students have asked for and engagement with ASG. We look to strive for balance between stability which is important and innovation and providing new features and functions. This is the baseline of what we have done over the years. What we have done more recently, from 2019 to 2022. While we have gone through the pandemic, we have been pretty busy. We had to get a new connection out to the world so we could continue to grow the needs

and demands that the school and university wants. We have increased the bandwidth on other fronts; regular internet which we increased, internet 2 which expands globally, content network which is our state academic research network and has all of facebook, netflix, and youtube. It is faster and lower cost for us. This is the complexity that we all manage on the backend. The wireless access points are really important. They allow our wireless devices to get onto the network. we have massively increased that by 55%. A lot of people have been working really

- vii. Troy Travis: More bandwidth; we have invested in network security and have moved from addressing 10 million malicious events a day to 100 million. We have moved from multiple rooms sharing access points to individual rooms for the personal wifi strategy. There is now wifi in every room. We did a massive refresh in classroom technology. All the classrooms had improvements to be able to do hybrid learning during the pandemic. The res life TV has been a wonderful evolution. Data showed costs were going up in the past 2 years. We worked with res life and they surveyed some of the students and disadvantaged students that might have some challenge. We have continued to provide free streaming service to every common area. What we saw was the skyrocketing use of netflix. That shifted our investments to more wifi and bandwidth. Emergency call towers now have more wifi. We have really been pushing hard. Miami does not get to operate verizon and t-mobile, we have made it as easy as we can. We use our rooftops and AT have microtowers on all of our rooftops. Verizon is in talks with us to try to do that. They are trying to join onto our rooftops. Lastly, client Engagement with you. Thanks to a few senators who have reached out, we have begun that reboot. We are reengaging with you and I want us to get that going again.
- viii. Troy Travis: Next gen wifi. We wanted to get a new system in here to give us the ability to take on more capabilities. New controllers, more access points, more standards like wifi six. Better user experience and really positioning us for new things that are coming. We knew we needed to get to a new platform and we spent some time looking at that. We increased the density of our wifi and we are doing more of the outdoor wifi to allow for better rooming and things of that nature.
- ix. Troy Travis: I wanted to give you a timeline of what we have been doing. We began back in January 21, trying to get ahead of some of those things we knew are going on globally. We wanted to start early and wanted to be ready for Fall 2022. A lot of folks were very busy including some contractors. We focused on res life first. We

installed the new controllers and the new wireless systems. We experienced a few issues.

- x. Mike Amann: Some of the challenges was everyone was coming back and bringing back that full load with the amount of students that were using it. All that came back and we saw challenges whether it was firewalls, faster devices, chattier applications that were built up during the pandemic. We work closely with Samsung and Apple and how the devices connect with each other. When they make changes, they do not always tell us about it. When they do, there is suddenly more stuff happening. How do we handle that difference in what is happening on the network, not just the number of devices connected to the network. As we work through those kinds of things, we work with the stuff here. This is what has to happen behind the scenes. We are here in partnership with Miami for your student experience. We work with a lot of Universities but we don't work closely with a lot of them. The reason we are close with Miami is because of that shared vision.
- xi. Mike Witzman: We take it personally when our networks don't perform the way we want them to. You all have technical staff who care for you and advocate for you. What we found is that in two years of the pandemic, all of a sudden, people started coming back to class. That transition happens at 10:05 in the morning in Farmer and it tested our system and how we have it set up to its limit. We recognize that and we are just advocating for you. We fixed a whole lot of things but when we fixed those things, new things bumped up. Mike got us global resources. Cisco was adamant on getting their stability back. By fall, being able to register all your devices is something we are looking towards. The average no. of devices was two and a half five years ago. Now it is eight to ten devices. You are gonna have an experience that you will tell your parents and friends about. We appreciate the opportunity to come and talk to you. There is a fine line between innovation and stability.
- xii. Mike Witzman: Cisco engagement and support. Cisco advanced services are very involved. We have Cisco resources directly involved and have extended those to continue. We are close to Miami because of the shared vision. We have some additional resources along with the capabilities and get feedback on how well they work and user experience. Business unit has been directly involved
- xiii. Randy Hollowell: We have a marketing org we are bridging in to help with student adoption. We want students to be fully engaged. We have funded it. We feel accountable for the challenges that we have instigated so we want to make sure there is a dedicated person to help escalating issues that come up.

- xiv. Mike Witzman: I have enjoyed working with the Miami staff and we will continue to build on this partnership. We would like to get your feedback. You may not feel it or see it but technology is right there. We want to work with the team to drive that adoption and improve your experience.
- xv. Troy Travis: I feel badly that we have not been in front of you but if you can take one message away, there has been a team of people behind you. One way to reach us is [miamioh.edu/wifi](http://miamioh.edu/wifi). The good news is we had challenges in Farmer but did not have challenges everywhere. I only saw one ticket post spring break but we saw 30 tickets between september 1st and march 1st. Either the situation was not as bad or we were not hearing. We want to find better ways to get listening feedback. Call IT help or go to this site. If a student sees a rogue device that is causing a network problem, call IT services. We want to continue our meetings with ASG. We are open to how we can best service, questions, or suggestions.
- xvi. Senator Bakshi: how often do you look at the QR code feedback of all the ones that are posted specifically in farmer. How do you access the feedback and how does that play a role in what you guys do?
- xvii. Troy Travis: We look at it. We have IT planning and the continual improvement teams. At this stage, we do not have a large enough volume of data.
- xviii. Tim Gruenhagen: It is on a periodic basis maybe on a couple times per semester. if you have an issue, go to [miamioh.edu/wifi](http://miamioh.edu/wifi)
- xix. Troy Travis: I would be interested to know if you find that useful. Do we need to do it in more places?
- xx. Senator Bakshi: I know that personally from what I have been told. At the beginning of the year, we heard some information about scanning those QR codes to give you those data. Some people have to tell students in Farmer to scan the code and give feedback often, not only when they have issues.
- xxi. Director Gates: what do you feel like your biggest frustration is in communicating it to students and how can we help bridge that gap?
- xxii. Troy Travis: The biggest frustration is finding the right avenue to get stuff put out. We do a newsletter that we send out every semester to students but it is hard to gauge how those are being read. We do have instagram, twitter, and facebook. We are always interested in the best ways to reach students. Any ideas, we are open to those. It is very difficult even for faculty and staff just to find the right avenue but we are open to any ideas people want to get out.
- xxiii. Senator Dang: Adding on the QR code, maybe you can put more of that out in the schools. I have a problem with my academic

building. I often have problems in Armstrong and I wish the QR code is there and I can report right away.

- xxiv. Senator Prebbles: Is there a plan to keep that innovation going and ahead of other universities?
- xxv. Troy Travis: We want to get through this current wave. We do stay in continuous contact with our current partners and stay with Edu cost and listen to our peers to see what others are doing. One of the ways I'd like to stay ahead is to listen to students.
- xxvi. Tim Gruenhagen: We do not keep something in place until it can no longer be upgraded. There will always be new controllers. We can continue to innovate on the old controllers and put the new features on. We have been ahead of the curve for years. We have other higher education partners. when we see another university. what you guys are doing, we tell others about it. We have partners through K-12 and universities. Miami has been very quick to listen
- xxvii. Troy Travis: We have been monitoring and trying to look at utilization. We strike a balance between that and innovation. It is important to us that we give you solid reliable service. It is a constant balance. Our team delivers on a core stable structure. We know you have felt the pain but it is frustrating for us. In addition to innovation, making sure we see how long the useful life of the service is and we are not just waiting.
- xxviii. Senator Hughes: Thank you for coming. I know many of us have initiatives involving IT. Out of respect for your work and emphasis on stability, what are the kind of initiatives that would be the least disruptive to maintain the stability we are looking for? What are the kind of changes that would be most doable so we are not causing more problems for you?
- xxix. Troy Travis: I am a member of the University Senate and I think one of the things that are helpful in a piece of legislation is just talking with us so we can provide some counsel. Just let us know in advance what you are working on.
- xxx. Senator Parker: You mentioned that Cisco resources are directly involved and can be expected to stay involved. Are you worried about any issues that might arise when that cisco support expires?
- xxxi. Mike Armann: There is no expiration of support from cisco. What we brought is additional resources until it is well and working.
- xxxii. Troy Travis: As part of that stability, we do invest in support contracts and that won't go away. Now, Cisco is providing an abundance but we will continue to support contracts.
- xxxiii. Senator Bakshi: In terms of communicating with students, have you thought about communicating through teachers and professors? Students can benefit through professors from knowing there is an issue with the wifi when there are quizzes and exams.



- xxxiv. Tim Gruenhagen: A couple of the avenues we have with those kinds of things, we post them to MyMiami. We do have an outage page on our main website. We often will communicate to our faculty via canvas on their homepage. Part of the problem is that the more emails we send, they just go in and out. There are technology partners in all of the colleges and they help faculty and students. We communicate with them on a regular basis to let them know when there are issues. We try to hit as many different places as we can but if there are places that students frequently visit, There is a new mymiami coming out during the fall and that will have an announcement feature.
- xxxv. Senator Scott: I have more dedicated and faster internet than I do in my dorm. Outdoor wifi is insanely amazing and I appreciate the amount of work you put in.
- xxxvi. Speaker Villanueva: Thank you all for coming.

## XI. General Announcements

- a. Senator Crone: My improv group is having an improv show at 7:00. Pearson 128.
- b. Senator Hughes: Thank you for passing the legislation. April 30, I am doing a music fundraiser from 5 pm to 11 ish. But you should be there because girls rock is really cool.
- c. Parliamentarian Elghazawi: Today, we committed our hundredth student concern of the year. We are one legislation away from twenty. Ramadan started a few days ago, keep it in mind when you are scheduling meetings.
- d. Vice President McKeon: The mental health forum is on Wednesday, April 14th at 7 pm in the Wilks Theater. You are required to attend but I would really love for people to spread the information around. I want to give a shoutout to all senators who worked on this event.
- e. Senator Kelley: Thank you so much for passing the legislation. Cabinet elections start next week and getting signatures has been really hard. If anyone has a packet, maybe couple people in here want to sign
- f. Speaker pro-tempore Payne: I want to make an appeal: please be here for cabinet elections. I really do not think we have a more important three week stretch. Not to be this guy, I have gotten some dumb reasons to be missing senate recently. I want to stress the importance of attending this. Former Sen. Nav Chima asked me to make this announcement. Next week is the Better Together event series. It is a series of events celebrating interfaith. It is a multicultural event and will be a lot of fun.
- g. Director Gates: I want to remind you about the Miyake conference which is on the 8th. Myaamia center really wants us to attend this event because it allows us to continue our collaboration with them. Please show up. It also counts as a multicultural event.

- h. Senator Parker: On behalf of the entire safety committee, please sign up for audits.
- i. Secretary Stephens: To all of the graduating seniors and to their friends, the CSDI will be hosting a graduation ceremony specifically for underrepresented communities in undergraduate and graduate. It will be May 12 at 6 pm. It is my hope you can share and spread the word.
- j. Senator Davies: CSDI is also hosting lavender graduation for LGBTQ seniors who are graduating.

XII. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn
- b. Motion is seconded
- c. Motion is approved.



# Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit

*Ben Waugh, Secretary of Finance; Cortlin Morris, Secretary of the Treasury*

11 March, 2022

## I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Skelly, Giaquinto, Marri, DeVictor, Schreiber, Sparks, Hall, Froelich
- B. Excused: Gaddis, Gallo, Jones, Patel, Desch, Selby
- C. Unexcused

## II. Updates from the Chair(s)

### A. Secretary Waugh

- 1. Please continue to attend your Office Hours:  
[📅 Spring 2022 Office Hours](#)
- 2. This is the last meeting until April 1st

## III. Updates from the Committee

## IV. Old Business

- A. Capital Audit Follow-Ups (from 2/11)
  - 1. [Hillel: Association of Jewish Students](#) - Ben
  - 2. [Women in Law](#) - Cortlin
- B. Spending Audits (from 2/25)
  - 1. [Chabad Jewish Student Group](#) - Katie, Laura, Sarah Grace
  - 2. [Hillel: Association of Jewish Students](#) - Abby, Megan, Maria

## V. New Business

- A. HUB Uploads: [📅 Hub Upload Assignments](#)
- B. Capital Audits: [2021-2022 Capital Audit Response Tracker](#)



1. [Comparative Education Club](#) - Megan, Colin
2. [Miami Bicycle Club](#) - Josh, Shraya

C. Time Permitting Stuff:

1. Capital Audits
  - a) [Scuba Diving and Snorkel Club](#)
  - b) [Miami University Commercial Banking Club](#)
2. [MU Dropouts Skydiving Club](#) (Spending Audit - FY 22, Cycle 1)
  - a) September

**VI. Adjournment**



# Infrastructure and Sustainability

Secretary Alia Agee

30 March, 2022


## 1. Attendance

- a. Monnica Gay, Nicole Bacon, Marcella Arguello

## 2. Secretary Announcements

- a. General check in/High, low, buffalo

## 3. Old Business

- a. GNB Discussion!
  - i. Let's take 30 minutes to review the legislation together:)
    1.  GNB Legislation
- b. Collaboration with Food Recovery Network
  - i. Levi Grimm is the new contact and would like to do at least one food recovery before the end of the school year. I need someone to reach out to him and explain how food recovery from dining halls and sporting events is not possible right now as food safety is a major concern
- c. Meeting with Jules this week!

## 4. New Business

- a. NA

## 5. Round Table

- a. NA

## 6. Action Items

- a. Nicole Bacon: Email Levi Grimm
- b. Monnica Gay: Email Robert about Etheridge path concern



# Committee on Student Organization Funding and Audit

*Ben Waugh, Secretary of Finance; Cortlin Morris, Secretary of the Treasury*

01 April, 2022

## I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Gallo, Desch, Giaquinto, Selby, Patel, DeVictor, Hall, Schreiber, Ernstberger, Froehlich
- B. Excused: Marri, Skelly, Jones
- C. Unexcused

## II. Updates from the Chair(s)

- A. Waugh
  - 1. Continue to attend your Office Hours: 📅 Spring 2022 Office Hours
  - 2. Please provide AT LEAST 24 hours advance notice if you plan on missing a meeting - and don't just deny the Google Calendar invite!

## III. Updates from the Committee

- A. One Fun Thing You Did Over Spring Break!

## IV. Old Business

- A. Capital Audit Responses: [2021-2022 Capital Audits](#) - Josh, Collin
  - 1. Comparative Education Club
  - 2. Miami Bicycle Club
  - 3. Scuba Diving and Snorkel Club
  - 4. Commercial Banking Club
- B. Spending Audit Responses
  - 1. [Chabad Jewish Student Group](#) - Laura, Sarah Grace



**V. New Business**

- A. [Japanese Language and Culture Club](#) - Patrick, Michael, Maria, Jack
- B. [Black Student Action Association](#) - Abby, Nikhil, Mia
- C. [MU Fighters Guild](#)
- D. [Miami Misfitz](#)

**VI. Adjournment**



# Infrastructure and Sustainability

Secretary Alia Agee

06 April 2022

## 1. Roll Call

- a. Kennedy Hughes
- b. ~~Julian Bialous~~
- c. Nicole Bacon
- d. Monnica Gay
- e. Marcella-Alysia Argüello

## 2. Secretary Announcements

- a. Alia: I am so proud of you all and your hard work with the GNB initiative/legislation!

## 3. Old Business

- a. NA

## 4. New Business

- a. Alia: I will meet with Levi Grimm to discuss food recovery with FRN
- b. Student Concern: closure of the sidewalk on campus has caused accessibility issues near Armstrong; not properly communicated and the temporary path is not accessible
  - i. We should talk to Robert on this and get more information about timing and accessibility
  - ii. Kennedy: I can do this
- c. Student Concern: trashcans around dining halls are beginning to attract wasps/bees; coverage?
  - i. Let's reach out to Brent Mason and ask if the trashcans could be emptied more often at Maple
    1. [masonmb3@miamioh.edu](mailto:masonmb3@miamioh.edu)
  - ii. Let's also talk to the Miami Apiculture Society and see what they think
    1. Rocco Huston
      - a. [hustonra@miamioh.edu](mailto:hustonra@miamioh.edu)
  - iii. It would be good to check and see how the Myaamia Garden initiative is going and if it's pollinator-friendly





1. Ruthy Rutherford -GEODES

d. When will we not have plasticware in the dining halls?

1. Let's ask Brent Mason about that in an email and see what other sustainability aspects are within the new contract

**5. Round Table-Any New Student Concerns/Initiative Ideas?**

a. NA

**6. Action Items**

a. Senator Kennedy Hughes: Reach out to Robert Bell about communication of closures on campus (and specifically around accessible routes.

~~b. Senator Julian Bialous:~~

c. Senator Nicole Bacon: Contact Mackenzie Rutherford about the Myaamia Garden and where it's going to be located

d. Senator Monnica Gay: Contact bee club ask them about natural ways to deter bees (fill them in about the trash can situation)

e. Senator Marcella-Alysia Argüello: Email Brent Mason about trashcans in front of Maple

f. Secretary Alia Agee: Email Brent about plasticware in dining halls



**SENATE AGENDA**  
04/11/2022  
Joslin Senate Chamber

- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Announcements from the Chair
- V. Consent Calendar
  - a. Approval of Student Senate minutes from 4/05/2022
  - b. Approval of Elections minutes from 4/10/2022
  - c. Approval of Funding & Audit minutes from 4/01/2022
  - d. Approval of Funding & Audit minutes from 3/11/2022
  - e. Approval of Infrastructure & Sustainability minutes from 4/6/2022
  - f. Approval of Infrastructure & Sustainability minutes from 3/30/2022
  - g. Approval of Communications & Media Relations minutes from 4/10/2022
  - h. Approval of On-Campus Affairs minutes from 4/10/2022
- VI. Student Concerns
- VII. Reports
  - a. Nighthawks Update, *Senator Ryan Parker*
  - b. Off-Campus Affairs Updates, *Secretary Connor Manley*
  - c. Academic Affairs Updates, *Secretary Ruku Pal*
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
  - a. SR212219: A Resolution to Extend the Exemption of the Unity Funding Cap
  - b. Speaker of the Student Senate election
    - i. Speaker Pro Tempore Wes Payne
  - c. Secretary of Safety election
    - i. Senator Ryan Parker
  - d. Secretary for Off-Campus Affairs election
    - i. Senator Ethan Chiapelli
  - e. Secretary for On-Campus Affairs
    - i. Senator Grace Payne
- X. Special Business of the Day

XI. General Announcements

XII. Adjournment



# Communications and Media Relations Committee

*Jenna Walter*

*ASG Office*

10 April 2022

## **I. Roll Call**

- A. Present: Senator Marcum, Senator Argüello, Senator, Davies, Senator Hanson
- B. Excused: Senator O’Finn
- C. Unexcused:

## **II. Rose, Bud, and Thorn**

- A. Sydney: Rose: mental health forum, Bud: Going to the mental health forum, Thorn: Architecture project and not knowing good hiking trails
- B. Eli: Rose: got an internship! Thorn: Have a lot of work to get done, Bud: Heard back from another internship as well for the summer!
- C. Marcella: Rose: Made banana bread! Bud: Best friend’s birthday coming up! Thorn: Have to take car back
- D. Marissa: Rose: Had a fun day yesterday! Thorn: Had a microbiology exam  
Bud: Solo concert coming up!
- E. Bethel: Rose: Study abroad trip is happening! Bud: Having a surprise dinner for a friend! Thorn: Tough exam

## **III. Old Business**

- A. Project Check-ins
  - 1. Eli: Updating website with minutes and senator information
  - 1. Colleen, Marcella, Sydney, & Bethel: Newsletter Project



## 2. Bethel: IG Highlight Funding Tips

### IV. New Business

#### A. New way to track progress

1. Please mark off tasks in this form when you're doing them/have completed them

a) [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1\\_fMOIV1jWdP3UR-BCI\\_6b2wYGAIC669St-2Bs6xuMfU/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_fMOIV1jWdP3UR-BCI_6b2wYGAIC669St-2Bs6xuMfU/edit?usp=sharing)

#### B. Marketing the Mental Health Forum and making some posts!

#### C. Assist Jenna with ASG Banquet slides

#### D. Itinerary Outline for the Banquet

#### E. Photo booth decorations for the banquet

#### F. ASG Elections Marketing ideas

1. Use armstrong screens more

a) Use res hall screens as well

2. Org outreach

a) Send out slides to student orgs

### V. Action Items

#### A. EVERYONE: continue to spread the word about superlative voting!

#### B. Marcella: Itinerary for the banquet

#### C. Eli: Marketing for elections and website updating

#### D. Sydney: MHF Marketing

#### E. Marissa: Banquet Stuff

#### F. Bethel: Funding IG highlight and list of decorations

### VI. Adjournment



## On-Campus Affairs

*Becca Pallant*

10 April, 2022

### I. Roll Call

A. Present: Sen. Marcum, Sen. Ryan, Sen. Ogunnowo, Sen. Stack, Sen. Hughes, Sen. Bakshi, Dir. Gates, Sen. Payne, Sen. Roemer, Sen. Parker

B. Absent: Sen. Dang, Sen. Olabode

### II. Announcements from Chair

Sec. Pallant: Nothing new!

### III. Senator Updates/Check in

Sen. Bakshi: SDS initiative has slowed from administrative pushback, will contact Vada for action steps. On employment updates student concern, Thursday phone call did not happen. Administrator did not respond.

Sec. Pallant: Send follow-up on Tuesday.

Sen. Payne: Waiting on co-senator for flier, plan is made for Thurs. April 14th 10-11:30, 1-2:30. You should come!

Sen. Roemer: What's Poppin' with ASG! Quote came back higher than expected. Approx. 50 cents/serving. April 29th, 3-5 in Met Quad.

Sec. Pallant: Maybe popcorn bags in the microwave?

Sen. Bakshi: Sent things in the Slack about the flier, having it sometime on Thursday. Making it that money goes mostly towards prizes to draw incentive. Maybe \$10 gift cards? If you win games, get a raffle ticket.



Sec. Pallant: Has to be specific, cannot be from places that serve alcohol. Also maybe have winners pick? Email me everything that you have for all district events.

Sen. Hughes: going to try to set up a meeting with Sec. Pal in regards to the Textbook Drive, working on I&S right now on accessibility initiative. Will loop in On-Campus.

Sen. Parker: Doorbell initiative moving forward, looking to meet with I.T. and send survey out to RAs. RA question forum as well.

Sen. Ryan: We will send Sec. Pallant the questions used and connect you with the feedback.

#### **IV. Student Concerns**

Sec. Pallant: Disability Access Parking concern has not been reported back. Progress?

Sen. Ryan: I have not received an email back, Dan Darkow.

Sec. Pallant: Maybe reach out to parking?

Dir. Gates: Email Stephanie Dawson from Miller Center.

Sec. Pallant: Do that and CC Dan.

Sec. Pallant: RAs looking for different meal plan options. No! Stickers on vending machines?

Sen. Bakshi: Who do I go to for vending?

Sec. Pallant: Scott Smith, general manager of vending services. SmithSD1.

Sec. Pallant: Dividends meal swipes for york street options not working.

Sen. Bakshi: Self-checkout, students don't know how to do that. Staff needs to know how to help the student.



Sec. Pallant: Sen. Payne can take this.

Sen. Bakshi: Costs in Emporium are not communicated effectively. Labeling is either inaccurate or hard to find.

Sec. Pallant: We can bring this up at dining. Everyone please take photos in markets of what pricing looks like.

Sec. Pallant: Maybe only one outreach event? The morning with more food would be the best option. Helping at tabling is open to each senator. Thursday April 21, 9-11am.

Sen. Marcum: I can make fliers.

Sec. Pallant: Do we want to make a large report of the main projects we've completed?

Sen. Payne: I think that would go very well.

Dir. Gates: Maybe schedule the same day as OPAs?

Sec. Pallant: Doc in google drive, enter anything you wish to share. I want you all to talk about your own work. Last meeting of Senate.

Sen. Marcum: Send me information for instagram post.

## **V. Adjournment**