



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
 - a. VP McKeon: Tomorrow is the Mental Health Forum, please let Wes know if you are unable to go! Please post the graphics for it! I'll send one last message tonight or tomorrow. Thank you to everyone that has made it possible!
 - b. Speaker Villanueva: Cabinet elections start tonight and will go on for the next two meetings. These are important, but I am aware that this can be an intense time. Be respectful, be professional, last semester we set a standard during our elections, do not be biased because of your friends. Keep personal beef out of this as well. Be thoughtful, you are electing the next group of student leaders. Personal sentiments, questions of time commitments, and general disagreements with someone will be out of order. Bringing up relevant professional experience is completely in order.
- 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
 - i. Motion to approve the consent calendar by unanimous consent
 - j. Motion is seconded
 - k. Motion is approved
- VI. Student Concerns
 - a. Parliamentarian Elghazawi: Since this our last meeting is April 26th, today is the last day to submit to get concerns answered within two weeks.
 - b. Senator Bakshi: There will be complete cleanse of some online jobs over the summer according to HR.
 - c. Senator Ogunnowo: Is there something like a treasurer social for student organizations?

- d. Motion to commit to F&A
 - e. Motion is seconded
 - f. Motion fails
 - g. Senator Giaquinto: Some of the residence halls, the one-door is facing the road, and if someone wants to study the door they could
 - h. Secretary Pallant: This has been an issue for years, we can look into it on On-Campus but I don't see it changing
 - i. Senator Sparks: You can get in through the trash room door or through the basement
 - j. Senator Hughes: I think a good initiative would be to take another look at maintenance requests.
 - k. Director Gates: OIDI is putting up marketing for Asian Pacific Islander Desi American month to be in a different month than Asian American Pacific Islander month.
 - l. Senator Olabode: On the website it says it is in May, but in the past it was in April.
 - m. Motion to commit to DEI
 - n. Motion is seconded
 - o. Motion is approved
 - p. Parliamentarian Elghazawi: We're almost halfway through April and there has been no programming for Arab American Heritage month.
 - q. Senator Constandinidis: They are not doing anything as of right now.
 - r. Motion to commit to DEI
 - s. Motion is seconded
 - t. Motion is approved
 - u. Senato Hughes: It is also Autism Acceptance month and nothing is being presented.
 - v. Motion to commit to On-Campus
- VII. Report A: Nighthawks Update, *Senator Ryan Parker*
- a. Senator Parker: This is Jade Cessna, intern for the Dean of Students.
 - b. Jade Cessna: I have been working on this since my freshman year. Nighthawks will be a student organization that will help students get home safely. We have had a great amount of support from our community. I will be moving on from this project after this year, and we decided to make this program a student organization after consulting with the school.
 - c. Senator Parker: In April, we have been trying to build an executive board. May will see interviews for the board. In September, we hope to get funding from ASG and search for general members. We are hoping to launch the program in October, and we will evaluate how it went in November. ASG involvement will see periodic updates, cabinet and ASG leadership involvement, and open lines of communication.
 - d. Senator Hughes: What is the plan to maintain a perception of Nighthawks as something people can be secure in?

- e. Jade Cessna: No one actually knew we tried to be departmentally affiliated. We wanted to see what they can provide to us from another perspective other than being departmentally affected. I don't think students will be concerned about the distinction.
- f. Senator Madrigal: What is needed to make the hypotheticals concrete?
- g. Jade Cessna: This project went on the backburner during COVID. We really need to set up a great executive board.
- h. Senator Stein: For the general body, will you be holding interviews?
- i. Jade Cessna: There will definitely be interviews for students that want to be Nighthawks. Background checks will be necessary, and we have to find a way to pay for it.
- j. Senator Parker: Until those questions can be answered, we will not be launching the program.
- k. Senator Stack: Can you expand on the steps you are using to build the executive board?
- l. Jade Cessna: I've started connecting with other students including Ryan and we have created a strong network with the Dean of Students. She has recommended students for several positions.
- m. Senator DeVictor: Will the funding be going to DAB and then Nighthawks?
- n. Jade Cessna: We are separating from DAB, and we'll have to rework some of the legislation on some of that.
- o. VP McKeon: If you are planning on being a new student org, what are some of the startup costs and will you be able to fund them?
- p. Jade Cessna: We need to figure that out. We were going to be Tier 1 at the beginning, and our startup cost will most likely be about \$30,000.
- q. Senator Giaquinto: What role will MUPD play in this?
- r. Jade Cessna: MUPD will be training the Nighthawks and serving as a point of contact?
- s. Senator Kelley: What steps are you envisioning taking to protect Nighthawks?
- t. Jade Cessna: Through training and through making sure they know which situations to step out of.
- u. Senator Hughes: Are you extending the non-bias training past MUPD?
- v. Jade Cessna: That's a great idea, and it is definitely something we will be bringing to the table.

VIII. Report B: Off-Campus Affairs Updates, *Secretary Connor Manley*

- a. Secretary Manley: Tonight I want to talk about what Off-Campus does. As secretary, I try to communicate, lead, and be versatile. Lots of communication is involved in this and it also provides several leadership positions, including SCRC. Personal safety alarms was our big initiative started by Senator Webb this semester. We had lots of outreach and distribution went extremely well. We also have worked on renters' rights, which are now located in residence halls. We have started working on an

Off Campus Orientation packet for newly off-campus students. We are working on speaking with international students to better understand their issues as well. We are working on recycling, snow routes, and Sharefest as well. With SCRC, we want to inspect sidewalks in the city, advocate for an AmTrak station, and rewrite the ordinance for SCRC to ensure equal representation for students. In the future, we will be bolstering the personal alarm initiative, doing more with renters' rights, and doing a walk audit in the city of Oxford.

- b. Senator Parker: Is it possible to get an email list of off-campus students?
- c. Secretary Manley: We might be able to, but I can't get access to it for legal reasons.
- d. Senator Stein: Have you considered expanding to Greyhound bus stops as well?
- e. Secretary Manley: AmTrak initiated that conversation, but I think it is a really good idea.
- f. Senator Hughes: What do you think the accessibility audits will look like as well as the follow through?
- g. Secretary Manley: We will be walking through and communicating with the City of Oxford.
- h. Senator Ogunnowo: Does the school keep track of students that move off-campus?
- i. Secretary Manley: I am not sure.
- j. Senator Prebles: We want to try and figure it out, but next year we can look into something like that.
- k. Senator Gay: What has the work looked this year for AmTrak and what will it look like?
- l. Secretary Manley: There is a bus depot being constructed at Chestnut Field. AmTrak is up next to be built, and should be coming in a few years.
- m. Senator Davies: How can students not in ASG get involved with the City of Oxford and SCRC?
- n. Secretary Manley: Every meeting is a public meeting. So come hang out with us!

IX. Report C: Academic Affairs Updates, *Secretary Ruku Pal*

- Secretary Pal: I sit on a lot of committees in my role as secretary. All undergraduate advisors have representation in the Undergraduate Academic Advising Council. The Council of Undergraduate Curriculum handles all things related, and the Academic Policy committee reviews academic policies. Through University Senate, I work with Dr. Amy Bergerson and the provost's office. Over the past couple of years, we have worked on many things, especially during COVID. We extended credit/no-credit as well as reviewing our relationship with the remote proctoring service Proctorio. We have worked on various resources and accessibility concerns, revisions to the university attendance policy, as

well as running the Outstanding Professor Awards. We updated the Statement of Good Teaching Practices, addressed student concerns and issues, and worked on a search committee for the Dean of Undergraduate Education.

- Senator Dang: Are the committees ones you sit on?
- Secretary Pal: Yes, along with other student leaders.
- Senator Davies: Do you know what the search process will look like for a new provost? Will we have a say?
- Secretary Pal: Dr. Bergerson will still be here, so we will still have a point of contact. The provost's office is well aware of our record of representation for the student body.

X. Old Business

XI. New Business Item A: SR212219: A Resolution to Extend the Exemption of the Unity Funding Cap

- a. Senator Parker: This legislation is looking to extend the Unity Funding cap extension passed last semester.
- b. Secretary Sutton: How will the shift to being a student organization change the way Unity Funding is used?
- c. Senator Parker: I was approached with this position only a few days ago, so I am not entirely sure.
- d. Senator Davies: Are you able to go into what the delay was with Nighthawks?
- e. Senator Parker: The delays came down into the transitions that occurred during the initiative. Those will not happen again, and Nighthawks is firmly a student organization.
- f. Senator Scott: I don't see any potential downsides to this legislation, and I will be in support.
- g. Senator Stack: Nighthawks has been going on for two years now, and I have seen a lot of substantive steps. I am in full support.
- h. Secretary Sutton: Ordinarily I'd be concerned about extending this, but I have faith in those involved.
- i. Senator Patel: This is a great program and utilizes unity funding, I think it should be passed.
- j. Motion to end debate and call to question
- k. Motion is seconded
- l. Motion is approved.
- m. SR212219 is approved.

XII. New Business Item B: Speaker of the Student Senate election

- a. Speaker Pro Tempore Wes Payne
 - i. Speaker Pro tempore Payne: Thank you so much for taking some time to hear me out. I am so excited to share with you what my

vision is. My pronouns are he/him. I am studying sports management and journalism. I am the current president of soul2soul acapella and a current Wilks fellow. About my ASG experience: I was an on-campus senator last year, I passed two key pieces of legislation, and I was the 2022-21 senator of the year. I served as speaker pro tempore this year, chaired oversight, and sat on steering. I have three main focuses as Speaker. Increased professional development opportunities; I want to introduce various workshops in Senate like linkedin and have senators have professional experience. ASG alumni networking with VP Grubb; I want to continue doing student organization panels and encourage ASG participation in seal workshops. Reconsider our approach to funding. I want to increase dedication of senate time towards ASG expectations, potentially reducing the requirements, having office hours, and an anonymous feedback form.

- ii. Senator Crone: Can you talk about approaching student funding?
- iii. Speaker Pro tempore Payne: It is something I have heard from many student organizations. The funding process can be more of an empathetic process. There are a lot of technicalities. There are a lot of issues with ASG precedent. It is something I would like to collaborate with whoever the treasurer and secretary for funding is.
- iv. Senator Davies: The speaker chairs the elections committee and oversees elections. How would you try and market ASG to students?
- v. Speaker Pro tempore Payne: It comes down to throwing it in their face as much as possible and tabling. The most effective way is telling them about information about the candidates. Making it a more personal approach instead of just sharing it on social media. Making ASG more grounded in marketing.
- vi. Secretary Sutton: What would you say your biggest weakness as pro tempore was?
- vii. Speaker Pro tempore Payne: As a leader and pro tempore, I struggle sometimes trying to find a balance between making people comfortable and keeping my authority as a leader. I have this innate want of everyone to like me and it is something I have struggled with in some of my other roles. It is something I have actively worked on since the beginning of this semester.
- viii. Motion to enter executive session
- ix. Motion seconded
- x. Motion is passed
- xi. Motion to issue a no-confidence vote
- xii. Motion is seconded
- xiii. Voting session
- xiv. Motion to exit executive session

- xv. Motion is seconded
- xvi. Motion is passed
- xvii. Speaker pro tempore Wes Payne is voted no-confidence for 2022-23 Speaker of Senate

XIII. Secretary of Safety election

a. Senator Ryan Parker

- i. Senator Parker: My name is Ryan. I am a first year social studies education and political science double major. I have worked on nighthawks, the doorbell, and sprint course differentiators. Every initiative we work on has to have some student support. I want every senator on the committee to have at least one piece of legislation at the end of the year. I want to bring administrators to committee meetings. The first safety meeting, Dean Moore will be at the meeting. I want to make community standards experience more equitable and resident assistant improvement. I want to build on what secretary Sutton has worked on regarding student counseling service and increase publication on the nighthawks initiative. I want to work with MUPD and Campus Services to start working on the blue light. I want to create opportunities for self defense classes. I want to include student orgs to initiatives. My timeline is not final. I have an appendix slide that expands on everything I want to work on.
- ii. Senator Grabow: The biggest issue with safety is not a lot of people are on it. that slows down some of our initiatives. How would you get more participation?
- iii. Senator Parker: I plan on bringing at-large members to safety to get different perspectives.
- iv. Secretary Sutton: Why do you want to run for safety?
- v. Senator Parker: When I ran for senate, the main goal I had in mind were issues surrounding safety. That is very important to me and I feel I do have very passionate and different ideas.
- vi. Secretary Stephens: How do you plan to eliminate barriers for students surrounding counseling services and title IX?
- vii. Senator Parker: Including multicultural orgs in that process brings a unique perspective. I do not have that underrepresented community. Surveying students is really valuable.
- viii. Senator Hughes: Could you go into more details about the reforms you want in student life and how that will affect RAs?
- ix. Senator Parker: I will collaborate with the future on campus secretary and the RA senator to differentiate what an RA is and how do you differentiate having a friend as an RA. We want to increase mental health for RAs.
- x. Senator Shreiber: In terms of restorative justice, do you have any ideas on how to make them more accessible?

- xi. Senator Parker: I have spoken to community standards and their main goal is to make themselves look more personable and they are willing to work with me on all of these.
- xii. Motion to enter executive session
- xiii. Motion is seconded
- xiv. Motion is passed
- xv. Motion to exit executive session
- xvi. Voting session
- xvii. Senator Ryan Parker is voted confidence for 2022-23 Secretary of Safety and Wellness.

XIV. Secretary for Off-Campus Affairs election

a. Senator Ethan Chiapelli

- i. Senator Chiapelli: I have spent two semesters as a committee member for off-campus. I also serve on the directors board for my fraternity and the vice chairman for the college republicans. For my platform, the first thing is outside involvement, being proactive, bringing energy and passion to the position. I have spent a lot of time thinking about how off-campus affairs can improve and one of the things I've noticed is that people think we do not deal with administration. We usually get complaints of garbage on the street. The key thing is that we can use outside involvement to make off-campus a better community for us because every student uses uptown and half of us live off campus. The main thing for me is keeping the community clean, making an initiative where we bring many student orgs to help organize the clean up of up town once a semester. I think it would be most realistic to do this once a year
- ii. Senator Stein: Is there anything else you would like to say?
- iii. Senator Chiapelli: I think what off campus needs is how Connor brought energy and passion to this position. I would love to work on a transitioning program with him to continue everything he has done. He is doing it with a lot less ability that other committees have
- iv. Director Gates: Is there anything on your presentation you would like to go over?
- v. Senator Chiapelli: The way I want my committee to work is that they will be the biggest key to see what changes people want to see off-campus. Other than that, I want to be someone who is willing to make the sacrifices we want to see
- vi. Senator Madrigal: During your time in off-campus, what was the hardest project you did and how did you learn?
- vii. Senator Chiapelli: Runner's right is a big project we have been working on. It has been hard trying to find a way to reach out to off-campus students and students who are about to sign leases with off-campus.

- viii. Senator Hughes: As an off-campus senator, how would you handle the inability to get a lot of off-campus representation?
- ix. Senator Chiapelli: As ASG, we have a lot of resources that we do not utilize as much as should. We can really utilize ISC and panhel to create the change we want to see.
 - x. Motion to enter executive session
 - xi. Motion is seconded
 - xii. Motion is passed
 - xiii. Motion to end debate and call the question
 - xiv. Motion is seconded
 - xv. Motion is passed
 - xvi. Voting session
 - xvii. Motion to exit executive session
 - xviii. Motion is seconded
 - xix. Motion is passed
 - xx. Senator Ethan Chiapelli is voted no confidence for 2022-23
Secretary for off-campus

XV. Secretary for On-Campus Affairs

- a. Senator Grace Payne
 - i. Motion to delay new business item e to next week.

XVI. Special Business of the Day

XVII. General Announcements

- a. Senator Parker: Sign up for steps for depth tabling. I would like to say thank you to everyone for your kind words. I appreciate everyone's support
- b. Parliamentarian Elghazawi: Thank you for your patience. Better together week is going on until Saturday, there is info about it in the Slack. You get one of these shirts if you go to the events.
- c. Senator Patel: The muslim association is holding a taste of the world event on Saturday. If you are part of a multicultural organization and would like to bring some food, reach out to us.
- d. Senator Davies: The mental health forum is tomorrow which you are required to go to. Next Saturday, the 23rd, Just duet are having a solo concert. The miami ice skating club is having an ice show on Friday, april 29, and Saturday
- e. Secretary Pallant: On-campus is doing our donuts events on Thursday, April 28th, from 9-11 at the seal. Next week, someone from Aramac is coming to dining. Please be respectful of them.
- f. Senate Advisor Edwards: Cabinet elections are always tough. They are an opportunity for us to choose our leaders but they are not a place for us to hold people to unreasonable standards. Please be conscientious of your leadership. If you need something, please talk to me and take care of yourselves.

- g. Secretary Stephens: Through the csdi, there will be free HIV testing happening this coming wednesday, 1-4 and there will be crumble cookies. Through the OIDI, they are unveiling their anti-racism workshop. The dates are Friday, april 22, and tuesday, April 26th.
- h. Parliamentarian Elghazawi: My student org will be holding executive board applications. You have to be Arab to join the executive board.
- i. Senator Stein: Passover starts this sunday. There is a passover event coming up. There are events throughout the week for passover food.
- j. Speaker Villanueva: Be conscious when you are scheduling meetings with people as there are three major holidays this weekend.
- k. Senator Constandinidis: Easter is the weekend after Catholic easter.

XVIII. Adjournment

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



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