SENATE AGENDA 11/02/2021 Joslin Senate Chamber



- I. Call to Order
- II. Two Minutes of Silence
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Announcements from the Chair
 - Speaker Villanueva: Next week will not be a regular meeting, it is our administrator panel. There will be a social afterwards. It is mandatory! Please be respectful of our guests Jayne Brownell, Kimberly Moore, and Steve Large.
- V. Consent Calendar
 - a. Approval of Student Senate minutes from 10/26/2021
 - b. Approval of Infrastructure & Sustainability minutes from 10/27/2021
 - c. Approval of Academic Affairs minutes from 10/31/2021
 - d. Approval of Safety minutes from 10/24/2021
 - e. Approval of Communications & Media Relations minutes from 10/28/2021
 - f. Approval of Diversity & Inclusion minutes from 10/31/2021
 - g. Approval of On-Campus Affairs minutes from 10/31/2021
 - h. Approval of Oversight minutes from 10/12/2021
 - i. Approval of Oversight minutes from 10/19/2021
 - j. Approval of Oversight minutes from 10/19/2021
 - k. Motion to approve by unanimous consent
 - I. Motion is seconded
 - m. Motion is approved
- VI. Student Concerns
 - a. Parliamentarian Elghazawi: Sec. Pal asked me to report back on some concerns. The asterisk is difficult to see on sprint courses, and the Academic Affairs committee will work with students. The second concern is about TW's in classrooms; this will be brought up in the Committee for Teaching Excellence. Same for cultural proficiency of professors. There was another concern about classes being offered in certain semesters or years. Meet with your advisors to find alternatives for these classes. In terms of specific advisors, she will be working with several administrators to address that. The last concern is about DEI training for professors, that will be brought up to USenate.
 - b. Senator Olabode: This concern is about health services and insurance. I reached out to Dr. Large and received the response to have the student reach out to a specific person.

- c. Secretary Sutton: I am responding to the concern about having to pay after three visits to SCS. My committee will be publicizing the fee waiver option for this.
- d. Secretary Agee: I am responding to the concern about takeout in dining halls. Before COVID, to-go containers were never a thing. We are looking at reusable containers but this is a long-term project.
- e. Senator Hemrick: I'm reporting back on Plan B concerns on campus. I was in contact with Dr. Steve Large and I was told that we could not put Plan B on campus.
- f. Senator Bialous: I am reporting back on the lack of shower hooks. Administration told us they would investigate the newer renovations.
- g. Senator Gates: Students on academic probation currently face many restrictions, including not being able to hold an on-campus job. I have heard that people have lost positions because of this.
- h. Senator Chiapelli: If their GPA fell below a point, they lose financial aid provided by the government.
- i. Motion to commit to Academic Affairs
- j. Motion is seconded
- k. Motion is approved
- I. Senator Chima: I would like to know if Miami will offer a booster COVID-19 vaccine.
- m. Senator Adrianna Parker: They are offering booster shots through the health center. You can call and set up an appointment if you meet eligibility requirements.
- n. Secretary Sutton: I would like to see the differentiation of sprint courses on the course list concern readdressed. I think it is still inaccessible for those with visual impairments.
- o. Motion to commit to Safety
- p. Motion is seconded
- q. Motion is approved
- r. Senator Stack: Last Wednesday this was brought to my concern. It regards the language regarding funding sanctions. Last Spring there was an issue with the Chess Club failing an audit, and as a penalty they were given two options. It turns out that the vague language led to miscommunications with the committee on what was actually being penalized.
- s. VP McKeon: I wanted to raise the fact that the Judicial Council has not been used and it exists to handle appeals for the F&A committee. I think senators should be aware of it as an option.
- t. Senator Gates: Is the concern about the penalties or the communication of the penalties?
- u. Senator Stack: Primarily the communication of the penalties
- v. Motion to commit to F&A
- w. Motion is seconded
- x. Motion is approved

- VII. Report A: Gender-Neutral Bathroom Audit, Secretaries Alia Agee & Vada Stephens
 - a. Secretary Agee: We are here to give you a report about a collaborative opportunity. We received a concern about gender neutral bathrooms on campus. We would like to conduct an audit with your help and push the administration to act.
 - b. Secretary Stephens: Essentially the purpose of this initiative is to improve campus facilities to ensure students have a safe campus to call home. It's important for us to understand how many non-binary and trans students do not have access to gender neutral bathrooms. The concept of the gender neutral bathroom already exists but they were not created with the intention of trans/non-binary inclusion. We want to make our spaces safe and inclusive for our students.
 - c. Secretary Agee: We reached out to physical facilities and they provided us with all of the floor plans on campus. We want to identify dorms with no gender neutral bathrooms, privacy of bathrooms, and showerless bathrooms.
 - d. Secretary Stephens: We want to conduct the audits on Nov. 13-14 and 20-21. There are 21 halls that need to be accounted for. Right now they do not have concrete information about what exists in what halls. You should double check that RA's and RD's are aware of your presence in the building. We are hoping to have groups of 5-6 in residence halls. Secretary Agee and Senator Adams created a spreadsheet to sign up.
 - e. Secretary Agee: Here is the spreadsheet to sign up.
 - f. Secretary Stephens: It is also important to point out any additional things you notice about the residence halls and bathrooms, including lack of showers. We want to conduct this audit in the Fall and write legislation to rally student support for this issue. We want this to be a top priority for Miami administration.
 - g. Secretary Agee: Campus Planning is really for this!
 - h. Senator Grabow: Is this a purely all-gender restroom issue or is accessibility a concern?
 - i. Secretary Stephens: It will be an all encompassing audit.
 - j. Senator Grabow: Will we include a guideline on what to look for?
 - k. Secretary Agee: We are mostly looking at gender neutral bathrooms, but we can look into adding more.
 - I. Senator Ryan Parker: Post-audit, what is the goal?
 - m. Secretary Agee: Once we get all the data, I want to work with Campus Planning because they can tell what is feasible and what isn't. For the dorms that don't have any at all we want a physical sense of being and determine what is appropriate.
 - n. Senator Adrianna Parker: How are you going to advertise that these gender neutral bathrooms are available?
 - o. Secretary Stephens: We want to build a foundation and collect data. It will become pertinent that these locations of the bathrooms are more

accessible. We will look into that once we've reported to Campus Planning.

- p. Alternate Kravitz: In some bathrooms that do have showers, could there be practical concerns?
- q. Secretary Agee: I think that would be a great concern to commit and/or fill out a maintenance form.
- r. Alternate Capriolo: Which resources have you been consulting to guide the audit?
- s. Secretary Stephens: I have been sharing our plans frequently with CSDI and the Miller Center. We will be consulting with them to create a compulsive report for Campus Planning. This is a stepping stone to expand to our academic buildings as well.
- t. Senator Stack: How do you plan on factoring Dodds into the audit?
- u. Secretary Agee: I had a meeting with Campus Planning today about it and I forgot to take it off the spreadsheet.
- VIII. Report B: Academic Affairs Coalition Standing Rules Update, Senator Grace Payne and Senator Cathleen McLaughlin
 - Senator Payne: We are representing the Academic Affairs committee to go over standing rules changes. We are changing our name from "coalition" to "committee"
 - b. Senator McLaughlin: The two things mean the same thing but this way it is more consistent. The second main part deals with representation on the committee. Ensuring representation from each college is essential for the work we do on Academic Affairs. We require a certain amount of members from each college. Enrollment impacts the amount of representatives from each college. We prioritize senators but we will open at-large seats to the student body if lacking representation.
 - c. Senator Davies: What is the timeline for implementing these?
 - d. Senator Payne: She hasn't told us specifically but I would assume after special elections.
 - e. Senator Tiefenthaler: What is the process to appointing at-large members?
 - f. Pro Temp Payne: The committee decides what process they would like to elect at-large members.
 - g. Senator Grabow: When does the committee meet?
 - h. Senator Payne: Sundays at 11.
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business Item A: Confirmation of Directors of Transgender Equity & Inclusion
 - i. Evan Gates
 - Gates: My pronouns are he/him. I am involved in DAC,
 F-Word, Soul2Soul, and other things. We were both selected because we bring different perspectives on what trans equity

and inclusion looks like on campus. We also want to focus on coalition building. Gender neutral bathrooms is one example and connecting with relevant administrators is vital to us. This an issue that goes beyond interpersonal relationships into systemic oppression,

- ii. Jubilee Skoczen
 - a. Skoczen: My pronouns are they/she. I am involved in SASS, Spectrum, Greek Life, and the Academic Scholars program. I would like to see more education for students and professors on campus. Things like Spectrum's Trans Allyship Workshop are awesome. I would also like to see increased engagement for students with similar experiences. We would like to help students reach resolutions with minor issues.
 - b. Alternate Kravitz: How do you think you two will work together in the role?
 - c. Skoczen: I have no ASG experience, and Evan really helps in this regard. Both of us have very different perspectives that are necessary.
 - d. Gates: The fact that I have such an internal experience and Jubilee has external experience will be important.
 - e. Motion to enter executive session reserving VP McKeon
 - f. Motion is seconded
 - g. Motion is approved
 - h. Congratulations to our appointed directors!

XI. New Business Item B: On-Campus Senator (District 6) election

- i. David Medford
 - a. Medford: In high school, I was involved in Business Professionals of America, a procedure team, and some initiative based activities. I have leadership experience and I have seen issues with respect on campus. Custodians and many workers get ignored on campus and I propose a poster campaign to highlight our workers.
 - b. Senator Grabow: What motivated you to run for Senate?
 - c. Medford: I came as an alternate last week and I really enjoyed it.
 - d. Alternate Kravitz: How will you keep in mind students with diverse backgrounds?
 - e. Medford: I make friends with people of very diverse backgrounds. Based off of the people I have met, I am not afraid to address any concerns for people that come up and talk to me.
 - f. Senator Dooling: Do you know what kind of committees you'd be interested in?
 - g. Medford: The Funding and Audit committee sounds interesting and I need to look over the list.
 - h. Senator Adrianna Parker: Are there any other concerns you have noticed?

- i. Medford: Student workers in dining halls are often ignored?
- j. Senator Giaquinto: How would you advocate for other students?
- k. Medford: I love to learn, so if there is an issue that I don't understand I would ask others that do know.
- I. Senator Stack: How would you conduct outreach in District 6?
- m. Medford: I plan on sending a group email to District 6 residents to let them know I am their senator.
- n. Motion to enter executive session
- o. Motion is seconded
- p. Motion is approved
- q. Candidate Medford is elected.
- XII. New Business Item C: Senator at-Large elections
 - i. Logan Harvey
 - a. Harvey: I am a political science and history major with a minor in art history. I am an at-large member for F&A and serve on the Anti-Racism Board for the Honors College. I am also an intern for the Dean of Students. My primary focus is addressing mental health concerns for students. I want to bring awareness to the increase of withdrawals when it comes to mental health. I also want to advocate for LGBTQ+ students as well as low-income students.
 - b. Senator Grabow: What about your experiences motivated you to run for ASG?
 - c. Harvey: I've seen both what F&A does and all that ASG can do to help the Miami community. I want to make a difference
 - d. Senator Latham: Do you have any specific ways to pursue your initiatives?
 - e. Harvey: I've talked with the board I'm on about the lack of singles in honors dorms that have their own bathrooms. I also want to advocate around campus for mental health issues and hearing concerns.
 - f. Senator Ryan Parker: What is another committee you'd be interested in?
 - g. Harvey: I'd be interested in Academic Affairs but I am open to many things.
 - ii. Monnica Gay
 - a. Gay: I use she/her pronouns. I am the Secretary of UNIDOS and am involved in several organizations. I've learned to use my positions to campaign and listen to those that may have issues. I strive to improve every organization I'm in. I want to increase communication with constituents. I want to look into creating a newsletter and I want to talk to administrators about issues I have. Specifically the sprinkler system is a concern of mine. I want to

make it easier for cultural organizations to conduct outreach. While I haven't been on campus long, I believe ASG can improve it for the better.

- b. Senator Davies: What was your motivation to run?
- c. Gay: I think student government has a unique opoortunity to impact policy rather than just advocate.
- d. Senator Madrigal: What committees would you like to be om?
- e. Gay: I would like to be on I&S and DEI.
- f. Senator Hughes: How will you work to communicate with constituents?
- g. Gay: I write a lot of emails, and I will use these skills to communicate with consituents.
- iii. Antoinette Tucker
 - a. Tucker: I am a sophomore transfer student studying biophysics. In the past I've been an orientation leader as well as previous experience in student government. Here there is a lack of free food for low income off-campus students, and I would like to improve this.
 - b. Alternate Capriolo: How does being a transfer student impact your perspective?
 - c. Tucker: There is a lack of transfer student programming. I would like to work with Transfer Admissions to improve programming.
 - d. Senator Hollon: What committees are you interested in?
 - e. Tucker: Safety and DEI?
 - f. Senator Parker: We don't have a lot of diverse majors here. How would that bring a fresh perspective?
 - g. Tucker: I want to increase awareness of the biophysics program.
 - h. Senator McLaughlin: What other projects did you work on at your previous school that might have a place here?
 - i. Tucker: One of the things we did was we went around and looked at light fixtures. We also brought in different partners from other colleges to make textbooks more affordable for students.
 - j. Motion to enter executive session
 - k. Motion is seconded
 - I. Motion is approved
 - m. Candidates Harvey, Gay, and Tucker are elected
- XIII. Special Business of the Day
- XIV. General Announcements
 - a. Speaker Villanueva: If you were at the legislation workshop, steering submissions must be submitted by 5pm on Thursdays.
 - b. Senator Chima: META's first general body meeting is tomorrow and we will be serving dinner.

- c. Alternate Capriolo: I am reactivating the chapter of the Ohio Innocence Chapter here at Miami. I want to put together an exec board so fill out our interest form!
- d. Senator Madrigal: JQAS's first meeting is this week! We focus on foreign policy from a US perspective with emphasis on restraint. Harrison 109 on Thursday!
- e. Senator McLaughlin: Go see Stage Left's performance of Little Women this weekend!
- f. Secretary Sutton: Miami Food and Beverage is looking for students to take their survey! Please fill it out and encourage your constituents to. On Sunday at 7pm, there is an event. Please go!
- g. Speaker Villanueva: Please fill out my survey I sent in Slack!
- XV. Adjournment
 - a. Motion to adjourn
 - b. Motion is second
 - c. Motion is approved.



Safety Committee

Secretary Harper Sutton

7 November 2021

I. Roll Call

- A. Present
 - 1. Secretary Sutton, Senator Adams, Senator Parker
- B. Excused
 - Senator Grabow, Senator Riske, Senator Kelley, Senator Constandinidis, Senator Hollon, Senator Walker, Senator Travis, Senator Giaquinto
- C. Unexcused

II. Updates From the Chair

A. I apologize for cancelling the last meeting. Life has been extra hard recently and it's just currently taking a lot out of me to coordinate meetings and I'm hoping that will just be a one time thing.

III. Student Concerns

- A. From Senator Schreiber: Student Counseling Services charges you after three appointments and the fee waivers are difficult to find
- B. The denotation of sprint courses on the course list isn't very accessible for people with low vision and needs to be more significantly different
 - 1. Senator Parker will file the accessibility issue.

IV. Committee Work

- A. Status update on initiatives
 - 1. Blue light towers/lighting audit
 - a) <u>Spreadsheet from last year</u>



- b) How to from last year
- c) Zone map from last year
- d) <u>Sign up form from last year</u>
- e) Looking at the 15-24 for time frame to complete lighting audit
- 2. RAVE Guardian publicization
- 3. Sharps disposal
 - a) Coordinate with CSDI to have sharps disposal containers available at the Open Door Clothes Closet and also communicating how to make your own sharps container
- 4. Safety bulletin content warnings
 - a) <u>Survey</u>
- Senator Adams: After I sent my third followup email regarding signage about accessible stall bathroom outages, I heard back. They are looking to create more efficient and more visible signage for when maintenance is happening to be visible for the outside of bathrooms.
- B. What do you need help with?
 - 1. All good :)

V. Upcoming Events/Acknowledgements

- A. Tonight is A Conversation with Reginald Hudlin and Wil Haygood '76 at 7pm in Hall Auditorium!
- B. This week is the Freedom Film Festival! There will be different films shown all week at 7pm in the Leonard Theatre of Peabody Hall.
 - 1. Monday: A Patch of Blue
 - 2. Tuesday: Carmen Jones
 - 3. Wednesday: Imitation of Life
 - 4. Thursday: Shaft



- 5. Friday: The Butler
- C. This Tuesday is the Admin Panel at Senate! We won't be having an actual senate meeting afterward but remember to be ready with questions and be respectful of our guests.
- D. Sign up to do the gender neutral bathroom audit!

VI. Action Items

- A. Senator Adams Contact the CSDI (probably April Callis) about having sharps disposals available at the Open Door Clothes Closet. Propose the idea of DIY sharps disposals as well.
- B. Senator Parker File the accessibility issue for the course list. <u>The link to do that is here.</u> It'll ask what kind of access issue it is, it's a technological one, put the <u>link to the course list</u> and describe the issue of distinction of sprint courses from regular. The bold font and asterisk don't distinguish them super well and can lead to issues.
- C. Everyone else Please message me for next steps with things you're working on!

VII. Adjournment



Safety Committee

Secretary Harper Sutton

14 November 2021

I. Roll Call

- A. Present
 - 1. Secretary Sutton, Senator Adams, Senator Constandinidis, Senator Giaquinto, Senator Grabow, Senator Harvey, Senator Hemrick, Senator Riske, Senator Walker
- B. Excused
 - 1. Senator Kelley, Senator Parker
- C. Unexcused
 - 1. Senator Hollon, Senator Travis

II. Updates From the Chair

- A. The lighting audit practice is tomorrow at 6:30pm at the Seal! Please sign up to participate if you haven't already! <u>https://forms.gle/fVeoeFTzQFc6mMvJ9</u>
- B. I apologize for the confusion from last meeting. I didn't realize I messed up the time on the calendar invite until around ten minutes before the meeting, so that's completely my bad. For future reference, meetings will **always** be at 12pm on Sundays *unless* we as a committee discuss and pick a different time to meet.
- C. On another note, I would like to reiterate that if you will be missing a meeting, please let me know by 11:59 on the Saturday before the meeting if at all possible. It's difficult to plan for meetings when multiple people message me the day of that they won't make it, after I've already written the agenda.

III. Student Concerns



A. From Senate: The denotation of sprint courses on the course list isn't very accessible for people with low vision and needs to be more significantly differentiated from

IV. Committee Work

- A. Status update on initiatives
 - 1. Blue light towers/lighting audit
 - a) <u>Spreadsheet from last year</u>
 - b) How to from last year
 - c) Zone map from last year
 - d) Time frame is the 15th through the 24th
 - e) How can we incorporate blue light towers into the regular lighting audit?
 - (1) Senator Constandinidis: See how far they are from one another and how visible they are.
 - (2) Senator Walker: Can you see a light post from where you're standing?
 - 2. RAVE Guardian publicization
 - 3. Sharps disposal
 - 4. Safety bulletin content warnings
 - a) It *might* be happening! Feedback was due to Jaymee Lewis-Flenaugh on Friday, so I will keep you all posted with any updates I receive!
 - 5. Nighthawks legislation
 - 6. Secretary Sutton Maysa have you thought about publicization of SCS fee waivers?
 - a) Senator Constandinidis I'm not sure how to strike a balance with publicizing fee waivers at Student Counseling Services



but also not publicizing them too much. It might be better to encourage people to look at outside options.

- 7. Senator Constandinidis I went to a Dance Theatre performance yesterday and they did a really good job of providing trigger warnings.
- 8. Senator Grabow The main thing on my mind is the gender neutral bathroom audit, since I just got back from it. It made me think about the safety and accessibility, which I know isn't the focus of the audit, but I'm curious to see how responsive PFD will be to changes before I start thinking about fixing accessibility issues.
- 9. Senator Constandinidis I would like to see the expansion of free menstrual hygiene products and regular refills of scented disposal bags.
- B. What do you need help with?
 - 1. All good :)

V. Upcoming Events/Acknowledgements

- A. Sign up to do the gender neutral bathroom audit!
- B. It's Transgender Awareness Week! Stop by the library tomorrow, November 15, from 10am-2pm to grab some buttons, stickers, books, and other items to celebrate with!
- C. On Wednesday, November 17, in honor of Native American Heritage Month, there's a virtual panel discussion at 12pm to discuss indigenous identities featuring Dr. Alcalde, Dasha Harris (Director of the CSDI), and many staff members at the Myaamia Center. Link to attend here!
- D. On Thursday, November 18, there will be a virtual exhibit viewing of "Hearts of Our People: Native Women Artists" at 12pm, also in honor of Native American Heritage Month! <u>Link to register here.</u>
- VI. Adjournment



Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee

Secretary Vada Stephens

14 November 2021

I. Roll Call

A. Present

Tia Bakshi, Victoria Ogunnowo, Nav Chima, Maria DeVictor, Grace Kelly, Maysa George Constandinidis, Jubilee Skoczen.

- B. Excused: Debra
- C. Unexcused: Kerrigan, Evan

II. Check In/Icebreaker

A. What's one thing you are grateful for this year?

Nav: Having in-person classes has been nice and going for Professors office hours. Having ASG in the chamber. It is Nav's first time in the chamber.

Maria: thankful for a relatively normal year and feeling like a real college student

Tia: grateful to go back home for thanksgiving.

Jubilee: grateful for partner and ferrets

Maysa: grateful for friends and family

Grace: grateful for friends and family

Victoria: grateful for my best friend.

Vada: I have made it this far without covid and flu. Grateful for a lot of things.

III. Updates From the Chair

A. Meeting with VP of Institutional Diversity Cristina Alcalde

Vada: We were able to meet with institutional diversity and Will Hogan on Sunday.

B. Meeting with Kara Strauss

Vada: Christopher Columbus day is celebrated on the same day as indigenous people. It is a federal holiday. Due to the fact that we have a deep connection with myaamia tribe, we are looking into ways we can amplify indeginous people's day with programming and lessen the whole christopher columbus day. Can we remove that from our calendars considering it's a federal holiday?

Nav: The second part of the discussion was the land acknowledgement.

Vada: What are your thoughts on the indigenous peoples day and Columbus day on the same day? Do you feel we should not put it on our calendars? If not, what can we do?

Nav: Removing Christopher Columbus day from our calendar is a really good thing. However, Nav talked to Kerra. Why don't we put another day for indigenous day that might be significant to them? Kara said she cannot speak for indigenous people. They have a few holidays in the winter: new year and another in the spring. Those are very significant to them. Making a myaamia celebrated holiday for a day would be really cool.

Jubilee: we also want to acknowledge other indigenous cultures. They are both federal holidays. As a public university, we have to have Columbus day on our calendar. We should have events on that day and highlight indigenous peoples' celebration.

Grace: Having professors acknowledge it or do a land acknowledgement so it's not overlooked.

Vada: To summarize what we have all said, we most likely won't be able to remove Columbus day from our event. But we want to highlight indigenous

people day. Another day should possibly be created to celebrate indigenous people's day.

C. Meeting with Deans Advisory Board

Vada: We met Friday. There is a conversation with the dining hall changes and bringing in panera. Thinking about Ramadan and who may benefit from this. For Grace, can you fill us in with this? When I brought it up with the dean meeting, a student said this is something they are working on.

Grace: the dining advisory meets every week. Asked Harper to bring it up. Hoping to hear back early next week after emailing the team.

Maria: Armstrong student center already has some outsourcing. The university will no longer be running the staffing for dining.

Nav: Concern. Miami University is the biggest employer of Butler county. Many are below the poverty line. By outsourcing the labor, what would that mean for the people of oxford?

Grace: Starbucks is an outside company that is being sourced to Miami and you can only do that with declining dollars. Full scholarships set you up with the lowest meal plan. Will choices like vegan be inaccessible if it's only dining dollars.

Maria: It is unclear about how their swipes and declining dollars will be affected.

Vada: they want it to be accessible for students. They would reallocate dining staff to new resources. Beckons everyone to continue to research on this.

Nav: with new employees, they might not receive the same benefits because they will not be the state employees and will not receive retirement benefits.

Vada: Companies have to come in and bid and who is offering the best package will be the one who is selected.

Maria shared a paper document with Vada.

- **D.** Congratulations to our New Directors for Trans. Equity and Inclusion
- **E.** Potential Creation of Advocacy Fund (Community Service Based)

Vada: Clarification on this. Is very important to me and is about giving back to the community. Utilizing our alumni dollars for homeless trans nonbinary students that do not have clothing. Developing a fund where alumni can give to these groups and marginalized groups. If something goes wrong, the university will be held liable for this. Placing it under community service makes it safe. Cortland and Vada are having this conversation. DEI is so overreaching and broad and so many topics and we cannot keep everything to our committee. We need knowledge of this. I am working with Cortland to develop ideas. What would be an effective fundraising avenue. How would we decide where this money goes to?

Tia: Are you just trying to get money to help the people?

Vada: It's a fundraising thing.

Tia: If we have a room full of clothing from college students who don't want them anymore for students who don't have or feel uncomfortable shopping for clothes.

Vada: the csdi offers something like this for trans non-binary conforming students.

F. Climate Survey Complete <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1HnAlg9TQwsBHgvfclxGLcI7CihSAAp2</u> <u>KJ0VAhgPVHnw/edit</u>

Vada: The climate survey is done folks! Everyone should look over the document and review the climate survey and include any additional comments.

G. Please utilize me as a resource—both as Secretary and as a human. I am here for you all, whether it is for ASG-related things or if you just need someone to talk to!

Vada: I just want to tell everyone please continue to utilize me as a resource. I am both a secretary and a human being with feelings but I am here for you all in whatever way that means and will look like for you. It is an open door policy for me. Know that you have the right to ask if there are any concerns or questions. I want to make sure you all know that. This is an open space. This should be one of the most equitable and including spaces. I welcome dissenting opinions. I am here for you. I want to see you succeed and be pushed to the best. I am here to help you get there.

H. Clarifying Roles and Expectations

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DUwu7tXxT9fDAjCYSU_MgFR201 kYLUpTI0RAzpb21w4/edit

Vada: Given the last 72 hours, I just want to clarify and make sure we understand a few things. Something I am holding myself accountable to is being able to communicate more effectively and respond in a timely manner. It is something I am trying to improve on. Feel free to throw things at my calendar and if it doesn't work, I will let you know.

Senators are expected to work on two initiatives per semester. Personal initiative and committee initiative.

Does anyone have any questions about the expectations of the committee and the roles of secretary and senators?

Tia: How can we make sure we are all working together collaboratively outside meeting hours and how has it been done?

Vada: typically, you will be assigned a subcommittee. Making sure communication is clear in subcommittees. Knowing what everyone is doing in and out of the meetings. Before you leave the space, ask the team what are your action steps for this and what is your calendar like.

Nav: Shares an example of working on legislation with a team making sure they have access to mental health resources for people who were affected by the genocide happening in Nambia.

Vada: The meeting should not be the only time we are meeting to discuss. We should set a time to meet outside of the meeting. Delegate who is going to be doing what.

Nav: Delegates different sections to each team member. You can make amendments to others' work as long as it is a friendly amendment.

Vada: there should never be a time when you make changes and you have not communicated it. It's ineffective and makes us look crazy. There has to be constant communications between you and the person you're working with. My role as secretary is to serve as a guiding light but I cannot swim for you. I am here to provide constructive criticism and strengthen your ideas and provide the right resources. Is everyone clear with what their role is? 1 would be I'm confident with my role as a senator, 5 would be worse. Show of hands; many 3s. Good question Tia. Understanding that there will always be a leader but everyone should be equal and there should be communication with the team and secretary.

Tia: do all initiatives lead to legislation?

Vada: No. Not all things call for legislation. That's why I am here. I can tell you if this needs legislation, a report, or neither and I will include it in my general report of the committee.

Vada: Can we congratulate our new directors?

Jubilee: I use they/them pronouns. Evan Gates is my co-director. Our goal is to make sure we are facilitating gender equality. Evan is focusing on internal administration. I am focusing on what we can do for students. Vada: what is something you are most excited about? Jubilee: I am just so excited for this in general. This is a necessary position. A lot of queer studeents face a lot ogf backlash daily; microagressions and hate speech. I am really excited. Evan and I are working with April for lgbtq issues, we want to create a space for trans and non-binary conforming students. Having someone who understands your experience is important and can make a huge difference in mental health. Vada: I am looking forward to this partnership with both of you and the committee. Welcome to the family.

I. Now what? Closing out this semester and planning ahead

IV. Committee Updates

- A. Senator Olabode
- B. Senator Kelley

Nothing for now. The dining meeting did not happen. Hopefully I will have updates on Monday.

- C. Senator Grabow
- D. Senator DeVictor

Me and Tia. trying to get things going. Not much this weekend. We need to schedule with Jessica.

E. Senator Bakshi

We spoke with Jessica and Dasha. We were supposed to have a meeting on Friday with the four council presidents. They canceled within the hour of the meeting because everyone who were free on the when to meet declined invitation because of an event. I am trying to find another time to meet. We asked Jessica, the dei chair of the panhellenic, questions. We found out that DEI chairs are vPs and are not mandated to go to discussions for panhellenic chairs. This is somewhat of an issue because the chair is needed for communication. We should hold the chairs accountable eg. If the president does not go to round tables, a fund is usually issued.

F. Senator Constandinidis

I started doing research and reached out to Dr. Alkade. I was looking at the diversity of faculty and staff and it was not shocking to see how very non-diverse our faculty is.

Next semester, do we run again for a senator position?

Grace: It is every year, not semester.

G. Senator Chima

Nav: Land acknowledgement. We talked about the indigenous peoples day. They want us to use it as much as possible. We have to consider when it is appropriate and not overusing it. In terms of institutionalizing it, we talked about ideas and having it out in the syllabus. They already do it as sporting events but it's kinda sporadic. We talked about making that almost mandatory for events in a way. Making a mandatory module about the Myaamia peoples and their history here in Oxford would be a good idea. Institutionalizing the land acknowledgement and recognizing where we are. We want to make sure we are not overusing it and it is not losing its impact. We are being very careful and cautious.

Vada: Do you think this is something you want to right a legislation for since it will be

Nav: I am assuming this will require legislation. It will be a resolution.

- H. Senator Patel
- I. Senator Ogunnowo

Started with Initiative. Met with Jenna Walter and Dasha Woods. Will be collaborating with the communications committee and the csdi. Askes DEI members to look over the initiative and add complex but thoughtful questions if they have any.

V. Director of Trans Equity Inclusion Updates

- A. Director Gates
- B. Director Skoczen

VI. Clarifying Current Sub Committee Initiatives/Expectations

A. A Resolution to Condemn HB 327

Vada: I want to make sure I have an understanding of who all the authors are.

The authors of the "better draft": Maysa, Tia, Nav, Victoria, Maria, Kerrigan, Nikhil, Debra.

The committee reviewed the better draft document.

Vada: this is the legislation that I feel is most honest where the committee stands. It was a collaborative effort. Does everyone agree with that?

Nav: I do think it reflects my thoughts. However, there is one change that needs to be made. If we want this to be a resolution of actionable steps, then we have to say members of the ASG will go to the state house and testify. If we want it to be a sense of senate, we should reflect that in the title.

Vada: Authors, that is something I think you all should talk about. To my understanding, we are given an opportunity to present this on the 30th. By then, it is my hope that I talk to Randi. This is the document that Secretary Tyree and Secretary Pal sponsored.

Nav: Why are some highlighted?

Vada: they are highlighted by Kerrigan.

Nav: How do you feel about these highlights?

Vada: the only one I am not sure that needs to be there is "was the whole title IX ... federal funding." I did not understand the whole basis of sex in this sentence.

Nav: It would affect sex because it is a part of critical race theory.

Maysa: Intersectionality is a huge part of critical race theory. If this bill passes (alarm rings), it will not only take out race but sex and many uncomfortable topics.

Vada: Please consult Kerigan as well and make sure he is aware. There was a conversation with steering today. The issue was not the language but getting the sponsors.

Tia: They also wanted us to look at the sense of the senate legislation. Getting to Randi to sponsor the legislation.

Vada: Randi has read this version which is more of the reason we want to use this version. I don't feel bad because this work was done by the majority of the committee. It is my expectation that all authors signed on here will have a conversation outside of this meeting. I suggest adding "further be resolved, the university is doing a better job making sure students are aware" because if it is passed, boom! students are wondering why their major no longer exists.

B. Campus GNB Audit

Vada: Who has volunteered and is working on it: Tia, Maria, Victoria.

- C. Honoring Indigenous Peoples Day/ Myaamia Land Recognition
 a. Nav, Vada,
- D. Legislation to Add Bias-reporting, Student Wellness, DEI Resources to Syllabi

Vada: Who would be interested in this? Maysa, Victoria, Tia, Maria.

- E. Senator Liaison (Unity Funding Programming)
- F. Ramadan Accommodations (Pushing this Initiative along) Vada: Grace is working on this. <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dw-K2vo-4zhNXqxiAYw9f9d_Blam</u> <u>euWQHsY29zgBtHM/edit</u>

VII. Clarifying Individual Initiatives/Expectations

Victoria: Increasing cross cultural competencies.

Grace: Ramadan accomodations in dining.

Nav: Institutionalization of land acknowledgement

Tia & Maria: DEI in Greek life

Maysa: Increasing diversity in faculty and staff

VIII. Action Items

- A. Review Climate Survey and Please include in additional questions, comments, or concerns you have here. <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/11ntADkIDA9SRnTrV2wbB9ZcqG</u> <u>N_nclhwc77etjDA4/edit</u>
- **B.** Ensure you are making contact with the necessary people (administrators, faulty, constituents for initiatives and legislation and keeping record
- C. Please find time to rest!!!!Vada: You're human before anything else and you matter.

IX. Upcoming Events

- A. Trans Awareness Week (November 13-19)
- **B.** Transgender Awareness Week Celebration at King Library Lobby Monday, November 15th 10am-2pm
- C. International Education Week Keynote Address & Awards Reception Nov 18th 4-6pm Shriver Center John Dolibois Room Nav: Please come.
- **D.** "This is my Body" presented by the CSDI "Body Image and Gender" Nov 15th 3-4pm in CSDI Office

Jubilee: Trans day remembrance is the 19th that the spectrum is presenting. Lgbt specific.

Vada: When is thanksgiving? We are having a virtual meeting next week.



Elections Committee

Speaker Victoria Villanueva 7 November 2021

I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Wes Payne, Dan Pollock, Danielle Stein, Harrison Crone
- B. Excused: Jenna Walter, Omar Elghazawi
- C. Not Present: Matthew Hollon

II. Agenda

- A. Rose and Thorn for the week
- B. Discussion about special elections for the rest of the semester
 - 1. Villanueva: Change bylaws to only be able to have a certain number of special elections in a semester?
 - 2. Stein: What if we hit that limit but we lose too many people?
 - 3. Crone: Adding a clause that we can vote to have emergency special elections.
 - 4. Villanueva: Should we pass this legislation instead of holding special elections?
 - 5. Payne: I think we should wait because then they'll technically only have 1 meeting before the end of the semester and it is redundant.
 - 6. Payne: Would our special elections be after winter mega fair?
 - 7. Villanueva: Yes. It's just a question of when we would have elections. Probably the second week back.
 - Payne: Mega fair is on 2/5 and our second meeting would be on 2/1.



- All: We should create legislation (bylaw change) instead of having a special elections but make sure we're being transparent about that to the body
- C. Committee standing rules approval
 - 1. Crone: Should we add the change now?
 - 2. Villanueva: Yes, where would that go?
 - 3. Crone: Duties of the elections committee
 - 4. Vote: 3-0-0 to approve the standing rules
- D. Student Body President & Vice President packet
 - Villanueve: This is the packet that people have to fill out to run for student body president and vice president. Next week we will approve the packet and you guys are going to help me make changes. The packet will be released during the last week of February on Friday (February 25). Change things to in person, packets will be paper instead of a google form, change dates.
 - 2. Villanueva: There are a lot of guidelines on page 3 for these roles so make sure to read through them and comment on what needs to be changed because they differ from year to year. Our next meeting is our last one (11/28).
 - 3. Payne: I think the process to elect a student body president if no one runs is cool

III. Next meeting

- A. We will debrief on the election turnouts
- B. Begin marketing plan for SBP/VP



Steering Committee

Speaker Victoria Villanueva

October 7th, 2021

I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Payne, Stein, Bakshi
- B. Unexcused:
- C. Excused: Madrigal, Elghazawi, Chima

II. Personal intros

- A. Villanueva: Favorite food is tacos
- B. Bakshi: Serbian
- C. Stein: Pizza & ice cream
- D. Payne: Pizza

III. A Bill to Address the Frequency of Special Elections in ASG

- A. Payne: I agree with your comment Victoria.
- B. Bakshi: I don't know if it's necessary to mention the vacancies because it's repetitive.
- C. Villanueva: For context, elections is going to modify their standing rules to reflect this



D. Approval with edits: 0-3-0

IV. A Resolution Condemning Ohio House Bill 327

- A. Villanueva: I don't think it's urgent and it should be a sense of the senate and not a resolution. Randi is the university lobbyist so he needs to be a sponsor in my opinion
- B. Payne: It seems like everyone is worried about just getting it done. And it doesn't seem like all the authors are on the same page
- C. Villanueva: I think it should be rejected because our feedback wasn't taken seriously. Kerrigan is the only one who has edited it
- D. Bakshi: I wish there were more meetings because I didn't know we were submitting it again until yesterday
- E. Payne: Should be sense of the senate. Didn't indicate that they spoke to anyone that they should have. Have had 1 meeting. Did not listen to our feedback. They did listen to asking Ruku and Austin about it. The main issue is all of these authors are listed on it but only one person worked on this version
- F. Vote to reject resolution: 0-0-2



Administrative Committee

Parliamentarian Omar Elghazawi

04 November 2021

I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Davies, Latham, Madrigal, Prebles, Elghazawi
- B. Unexcused No one :D
- C. Excused

II. Announcements from the Chair

- A. Welcome, Jack!
- B. Welcome, Scot!

III. Icebreakers

A. Rose and Thorn

IV. Old Business

- A. Updates on Previous Bills
 - 1. Land Acknowledgement
 - a) Waiting on Pres. Jett and Kara Strass Written pending further changes. Sponsorship is appreciated.
 - 2. <u>On-Campus Bylaws</u>
 - a) Waiting on Sec. Pallant In Progress
 - 3. D&I Bylaws
 - a) Waiting on Sec. Stephens Written pending further changes
 - b) Plan is to incorporate some previous changes into the Love and Honor code instead - In progress



- 4. Tech Officer
 - a) Passed and reflected
- 5. Standing Rules Adjustments
 - a) Passed and reflected
- 6. Pay Updates
 - a) Passed and reflected
- 7. Student Trustee
 - a) In progress would anyone like to work on it?
 - (1) Sen. Davies and Sen. Prebles volunteered to help
- 8. Voting Rights
 - a) Going to the floor Nov. 16th
- 9. Special Elections Cap
 - a) Sen. Davies and Latham volunteered to help

V. New Business

- A. New Admin committee folder
- B. Upkeep

VI. Action Items

- A. Sen. Davies
 - 1. Continue to work on the legislation tracker from last year
 - 2. Make sure any official documents on the website are up to date especially the committee specific standing rules
 - a) If they aren't, work with Sec. Walter to update them once they are approved for the year
- B. Sen. Madrigal



- 1. Check in with committee heads to see if they have approved their Standing Rules for this year
 - a) F&A Secs. Morris and Waugh
 - (1) For this one specifically, ask them if they would be able to change the font of the doc to Roboto for accessibility
 - b) Elections Spkr. Villanueva
- 2. Let Eli know once they are approved and presented so he can get them updated on the website
- 3. Make them aware that any changes must be presented to Senate; if they approve them without changes they are good to go.
- C. Sen. Latham
 - 1. Look through the ASG website to see if any other major documents (ie. not old ones, ones that are still active/useful) for accessibility problems (font, format, etc).; work with Sen. Prebles
- D. Sen. Prebles
 - 1. Look through the ASG website to see if any other major documents (ie. not old ones, ones that are still active/useful) for accessibility problems (font, format, etc).; work with Sen. Latham
- E. All
- 1. Update about action items in Slack
- VII. Adjournment



On-Campus Affairs

Becca Pallant

14 November, 2021

I. Roll Call

- A. Present: Sen. Hemrick, Sen. Medford, Sen. Ogunnowo, Sen. Payne, Sen. Stack, Sen. Wells, Sen. Roemer
- B. Excused: Sen. Morton
- C. Unexcused:

II. Announcements from Chair

A. Sec. Pallant: Our event is this Wednesday. Meal swipe donations start this Saturday as well.

III. Donuts with ASG check-in

- A. Sen. Parker: do not have the staff for ordering ahead so asked us to call at 6:30am to set aside how much we need. I will call in the morning.
- B. Sec. Pallant: what kind of donuts do we want? Regular size or munchkins?
 - 1. Sen. Parker: Regular would be best. \$9 for a dozen
- C. Sec. Pallant: do we want to do flyers for this or just virtual marketing?
 - 1. Sen. Parker: mix of both probably
 - 2. Sen. Stack: I think we should focus on making a good plan for virtual marketing.
 - 3. Sec. Pallant: we will share on social media as well as emails



IV. Meal Swipe Donation Tabling

- A. Sen Payne and Sen Olabode: we should try to table this week on Thursday and Friday in Armstrong but also next week in dining halls.
- B. Sec. Pallant: Is the purpose for this week to have them just be aware it's coming?
 - 1. Flyers can be showing the steps of how to donate and how to go about the process
 - 2. Monday: Maple (11:30-1:30, 5:30-7:30), Garden (5:30-7:30), Martin, Western (5:30-7:30)
 - 3. Sec. Pallant: we will have tabling for Monday and Tuesday. Monday will be lunch at Garden and dinner at all 4 halls. Tuesday will be lunch everywhere.

V. District Outreach Events

- A. Sen. Ogunnowo: will be making paper turkeys, designing cards for nursing home residents, "chat and chew" with ASG senators of district 2. It is this Friday from 4pm-7pm.
- B. Sen. Parker: our event is Sunday December 5th at 7pm. Pizza and sugar cookies with icing. Come and meet the senators and talk about how ASG works. Trying to keep it simple to get more people to come.
 - 1. Sec. Pallant: I would look into the SDS pizzas
- C. Sen. Roemer: district 4 is going to have a bonfire at Peffer Park on Friday December 3rd from 5pm-8pm. We will have smores and Jack will be making flyers.

VI. Senator Updates/Check in

A. Any updates?



- 1. Sen. Roemer: All the printers will be upgraded over the J term. People have requested to have the printers be removed which is why we do not have many printers. No longer have to swipe ID to print starting next year. Talked about adding printers to the residence halls. The only issue is that they have a printing contractor who services the printers. The RD has to be there and coordinate schedules for the printers which might be hard. They extended an offer to help advertise printing locations through their IT team.
 - a) Sec. Pallant: what is the new ID system?
 - b) Sen. Roemer: Instead of the GET app, it will be like Apple Pay and you can scan your phone to use it instead of the card.
- 2. Sec. Pallant: what are your next steps?
 - a) Sen. Roemer: possibly printers in residence halls?
 - b) Sen. Payne: I think it would be helpful to have printers in the res halls. But not sure about damage.
 - c) Sen. Olabode: damage was not the concern. It was more about the privacy of going into someone's home.
 - d) Sec. Pallant: I think we should reach out to the ORL board and get their help. What about academic buildings? What are the next steps with that?
 - e) Sen. Roemer: we can focus on advertising to students the different printers available for them.

VII. Adjournment



Off-Campus Committee

Secretary: Connor Manley

November 3, 2021

I. Roll Call

Present: Sen. Chiapelli, Sen. Prebles, Sen. Pollock, Sen. Wells

Excused: Sen. Bacon, Sen. Bialous, Sen. Webb

Unexcused:

II. Updates from the Secretary

- A. Chima Concern
 - Manley: First we have Sen. Chima's concern from a few weeks ago about access to religious sites outside of Oxford. I'm going to get a list of religious orgs that we can survey if they have similar issues. I'm also gonna consult with Sec. Stephens and Sen. Chima since they likely know more about this than I do.
 - 2. Wells: help with org outreach for religious site access
- B. Chiapelli Concern
 - 1. Chiapelli: Skippers doesn't have enough trash cans outside their patio, trash ends up on sidewalk, their jurisdiction ends at the fence, so they often leaf blow garbage into the street
 - 2. Committee consensus: Manley will mention to city, but it's a Skippers problem, they need to be more understanding and just pick up the trash immediately surrounding their patio

Struggles and Successes

III. Business of the Day

A. Recycling



- 1. Pollock: Current ideas include: recycling video for Greek Life, incentives for recycling collection, greek Life dumpsters, add in publicity for Greeks, audit recycling access, recycling bins uptown, business recycling, magnets distributed by green orgs
- 2. Prebles: Greek life might need incentives/cost help to be agreeable, communal dumpsters/solutions could work
- 3. Wells: Green Team is interested in working with us mugreenteam@miamioh.edu
- 4. Manley: Best bet might be to leave aside uptown things for SCRC
- 5. Prebles: Get City Council's support on requiring properties to have recycling bins
- 6. Manley: Resident survey probably wouldn't work, maybe go to landlords and ask about provision of recycling bins, particularly at apartment complexes (e.g. OXRE, Red Brick)
- B. Walking Safety
 - 1. Manley: Potential audit of sidewalk and lighting, would be a spring thing because of the scale
 - 2. Pollock: Sidewalks are property owners' responsibilities to clear off snow. Also, I had a conversation with a gerontology professor for a class and Bird scooters can block sidewalks for older residents.
 - 3. Manley: I'm going to reach out to City about potential openness to receiving audit results and then we can decide about pushing forward.
 - 4. Wells: I'll start work on a graphic to encourage students to get their scooters off the sidewalk and into the grass
- C. Renters' Rights
 - 1. Manley: Want to reach out to Vicka Bell-Robinson about posting things in Res Halls. I will also work with Sec. Walter and Comms on making sure the OFFC renters' rights page is how we want it.



- 2. Wells: Billboards must be rotated monthly, but flyers are longer-term and very common
- 3. Manley: Where else would students look for info on Renting and leases?
- 4. Chiapelli: Send an email to all sophomores or all students with what to look out for
- 5. Pollock: Word of mouth is super important. Could we cultivate a collection of people who lived there
- 6. Manley: Yeah a database of reviews on ASG site would be nice
- 7. Pollock: quick checkboxes of what the property has
- 8. Chiapelli: some leases are explicit in how breakdowns are handled
- 9. Manley: We should continue brainstorming on ways to aggregate renting info. Could be a role for CollegePads if that partnership comes to fruition.

IV. Action Items

- A. Bacon
 - 1. Meet as Recycling group
- B. Bialous
 - 1. Meet as recycling group
- C. Chiapelli
 - 1. Brainstorm ways to get reviews of places to live
- D. Pollock
 - 1. Email MU Green team (<u>mugreenteam@miamioh.edu</u>)
- E. Prebles
 - 1. Brainstorm ways to get reviews of places to live
- F. Webb
- G. Wells



- 1. Write out infographic for getting Birds into the grass, send to Comms
- 2. Reach out to Marissa with this info
- H. Manley
 - 1. Schedule ecoreps meeting
 - 2. Email Vicka
- V. Adjournment



Oversight Committee

Speaker Pro Tempore Wes Payne

9 November, 2021

I. Oversight Case #202203 closed.

