



Student Government Association Senate
Thursday March 21st, 2019
Session Agenda

I. Call the meeting to order

II. Roll Call

Bourgeois- Here

Bradley- Absent

Cannon- Here

Cao- Here

Cognevich-Here

Feldman- Absent

Hartlin-Here

Heuer-Here

Howard-Here

Howard-Williams- Here b Proxy

LeBleanc- Here

Ligier-Here

Melancon- Here by Proxy

Owen-Absent

Pitalo-Here

Poche-Here

Rusnak-Here

Thamard- Here

White-Here

Williams-Here

17 out of 20 we meet quorum.

White VPLA- Motion to suspend Robert's Rules to have Kenady to do her executive report now, so she can go to class.

Heuer COB- Second.

Also would like to nominate Chase Howard as temporary pro tempore.

Heuer COB- Second.

Brice Hartlin as temporary Parliamentarian

Heuer COB- Second.

Kenady Hills Report- a. I appreciate all the great feedback from shuttle us, I sent response to administration today. I do not think response is answering our questions, the response was going around the questions. No very sufficient. I think we should

vote based on these questions, and vote based on who we feel, regarding these. I think if the answer is no the response to administration will be strong. They might even buy it without us. Voting on this will be great because it is on paper, and I can show them, that the students of the university do not think it is a good idea, and do not support it and do not want to use it. I get nervous up here so sorry if I'm not explaining it correctly. Do not forget to nominate for proud privateers and that is it.

Ligier COIDS- You said if we don't vote they might get it anyways? With what funds?

Hills- that is what we are trying to find out.

Rusnak COS- Can we do another survey and include how much the bus will cost? Because a shuttle is great, but when you think of how much it costs it's not so great. I don't think it was a good idea to do a poll without all the information.

Hills- I think we could put out another poll, but I think it would not fix the problem of the university not being able to pay for it in the first place, or them not having clear answers to Senator Wesley's questions.

Cao COLA- Can you forward us the compound resolution?

Hills- Yes I totally forgot I will send it and share it with all of you.

Cognevich COS- Did Dr. Golz or whomever indicate the sponsors and some were forthcoming to help pay for bus?

Hills- I think this is all they gave us and are willing to give us.

Bourgeois COB- Just in your opinion, if you were to clarify "where was the money coming from", do you think if you would personally ask, they would give you a better answer?

Hills- if I were to ask, and I have that's the answer they gave me. I like the shuttle bus bill, just not the logistics.

White VPLA- Robert's Rules are over, so we will continue with the rest of the agenda.

III. Approval of the Minutes- no minutes to approve, I received them just trying to look over some things for ruling purposes. Just so everyone knows who doesn't read them they are like 15-20 pages long, so it does take a long time to get them word for word.

IV. Approval of the Agenda-

Leblanc COLA- The date is incorrect.

White VPLA- I will change that before we put it on the website.

Cognevich COS- Correct me if im wrong, but we are not supposed to put new business on the agenda if it has not gone through committees yet. I did get the email for rules committee asking about this. Usually we have longer to see things. I don't know how many people responded or what.

White VPLA- I was going to provide insight on this in my report but since it is relevant now I will discuss it. The way it has always been interpreted was if the finance and rules committees do not meet to discuss the bills, due to quorum issues with not enough senators, or no one shows up. They just don't exercise the power to block the bill. I will take a closer look at it. Its just how it historically been done. If you have issues with it you can bring it to the court, this semester to give an official

interpretation and ruling, because the rule is vague. However, we have had trouble in the past keeping committees and senators at a level good enough to meet quorum in the committees, therefore we just have been bypassing the ability to block bills.

Cognevich COS- I'm not asking for something that extreme, in the past though that means bills were generally required to be sent out before the weekend. I feel like the committees do not have time, not that we don't meet quorum, there just isn't enough time to review any of it. So how can they have met In the very short time frame.

White VPLA- If I may, can I request that we bring this up to either questioning in my report, or in open forum? Or is this a relevant thing for the agenda.

Cognevich COS- This does have to do with the agenda.

White VPLA- So are you saying because there isn't enough time you would like to push these bills in new business back a full week?

Cognevich COS- Just as long as they are in by Friday so that people have time to look at them. For this agenda for example, we had enough time to review the shuttle bus bill, so that should be fine.

White VPLA- I would be fine if upon senator request , and we would vote for the bills to be in for Friday before 4:30 so we can send it in over the weekend. However I would like to do that as a formal vote, but since we are not I a discussion section, I would like to hold off. Either in my report or when the bills come up.

Ligier COIDS- Point of Information when we got it for the weekend we were meeting on a Monday, so we were getting the same amount of time, it was just over a weekend, so it seemed like more time maybe because we didn't have school.

Cognevich COS- Yeah, but they had the weekend, we don't our days are filled by class. So I would like to make a motion that we remove items a,b,c and d from new business until next week.

White VPLA- so items a, b, c ,and d from new business?

Cognevich COS- no section 8, b, c and d.

Ligier COIDS- Inquiry: Is the garden bill up against any time constraint?

White VPLA- The bill is for supplies, and while theoretically the plants will die in time, they are not on a time constraint.

Grace Gilpin- Our meetings are gardening so we cannot meet until we have supplies.

ORDER. On Cognevich

White VPLA- I have been informed that they cannot meet until they get garden supplies.

Cognevich COS- I do not withdraw my motion.

Cao COLA- Second lowkey

Heuer COB- I object

Leblanc COLA- point of inquiry. What committees do the bills have to go through to make sure a bill passes?

White VPLA- I believe all four can review it but only rules and finance can block it, rules if it breaks rules and laws, and finance, if they finances on the bill are wrong.

Although Governance and Student Affairs, can still review and state their opinions in their reports at the meeting.

Cognevich COS- They have to go through committees and be approved.

White VPLA- So there has been an objection to table and remove the bills until they have gone through committees?

Cognevich COS- Yes, and they follow the rules.

Heuer COB- reason for objection is I was going to ask if I could remove all the other bills besides garden club because of their time constraint.

White VPLA- I don't believe it- you can make that motion after Wesley's motion has been voted on.

Cognevich COS- or you can motion to amend mine and add one

Joy Ballard- You can't amend a motion and add anything after the motion is done, you can only take off something.

Cognevich COS- oh. You can add anything.

Ligier COIDS- Point of inquiry- due to last week's agenda shouldn't a be old business.

Senator- no because --- *

White VPLA- no because we did not discuss

Cognevich COS- can I just amend my original motion to only remove b and c.

Heuer COB- Second.

White VPLA- I have a statement. Two are resolutions I would like the parliamentarian if the rules say anything about resolutions being passed through committees?

Cognevich COS- It does not because there is no money attached to resolutions.

Joy Ballard- Typically student affairs have always weighed in on resolutions because of the impact on the student body.

White VPLA- Is that a stated rule or historically done rule?

Joy Ballard- All legislation must go through committees.

Bourgeois SAL- point of inquiry, isn't everyone supposed to state their names before talking for the minutes? And is there an order for other senators not to answer questions only the VPLA?

Joy Ballard- Yes and yes.

Bourgeois SAL- Also, what is the phrase if there is a point of order but it hasn't been called?

White VPLA- It is still point of order, anyone can call point of order to anything during the meeting. It is called on a specific senator, two called on one senator in a meeting calls for a censure vote which I try to avoid.

Cao COLA- If what Wesley said is right, does that mean we can't talk about any of the new businesses?

White VPLA- The interpretation is if the committees do not meet and agree on the bill, then it cannot be legislation, we would have to call upon the court to have a ruling on what exactly that means, and who are the exact committees.

Joy Ballard- There is a motion and a second, we need to vote on it so if there are no other relevant questions can we move on and have this discussion in open forum.

Cao COLA- wait, pause But I thought we cannot talk about these things anyways because the committees didn't meet, and I want my question to be answered by one of you and no one is answering me everyone is just trying to get to this motion.

White VPLA- If I may I tried to answer the question or statement, but I can rephrase, it is a question of interpretation, and I asked the parliamentarian to find something but they did not yet, and I am sorry but that is your job can you please find that rule so we can figure out what it means or find anything contrary. So due to the rule being up for interpretation and needed to be called upon by the court.

Ligier COIDS- does being part of the group me and opting not to response still mean they are not at quorum?

White VPLA- According to the rules, it says that they can meet by email and other form of electronic communication, as long as all the senators of that committee has access.

Ligier COIDS- so does that not mean they did meet?

White VPLA- Yes, they met but did not meet quorum therefore they cannot ass legislation or vote.

Cognevich COS- Under rules and procedures section 4 senate committees sub section b item I, 1 and 2.

White VPLA- is there a rule stating what happens if a committee does not meet at all.

Cognevich COS- MUST. Means shall means shall not not do that,

White VPLA- if everyone agrees on that interpretation then none of the new or old business will be spoken of and also nominations, unless it is only legislative?

Cognevich COS- it says legislative instruments and this is also a point of information for appointments there are GPA requirements, but no other requirements?

White VPLA- It says in the constitution all senate is empowered to vote on appointments.

Cognevich COS- I was saying that anyone open for a senate seat is also up for appointment in SGA, is that a correct statement?

Joy Ballard- None of the committees have anything to do with GPAs, I am the only one with that information, and that wouldn't be a thing for committees to discuss.

Cognevich COS- well old business I don't think we should move anything because we heard enough about these things and they are de facto.

White VPLA- I would like to motion to suspend Roberts's rules and go into open forum

Cognevich COS- Second, but why?

White VPLA- We are basically in open forum anyways.

Joy Ballard- I think the pi sigma alpha bill has been thoroughly discussed, and the shuttle bus bill has been discussed in emails, so I think everyone has thoroughly been aware of these two and should be voted on today.

Ligier COIDS- as far as the resolutions neither involve finance.

White VPLA-The space allocation will later require money from the university so I think it should at least go the finance.. we would have to refurnish. Later.

Leblanc COLA- so if it isn't a bill with money involved it shouldn't have to go through finance. And if it isn't specifically stated than I think

White VPLA- I would like –

Leblanc COLA- Hold on now let me finish, it shouldn't have to go through and be passed by finance, since there are no finances attached.

White VPLA- I would like to get to those questions after the meeting, especially since depending on how this open forum goes, we might only have pi sigma alpha bill to vote on. What are the rules on hearing process?

Hartin Parliamentarian- The hearing process in general? Under the rules and procedures for nominations and appointments it says

White VPLA- There is nothing really on appointments.

Ligier COIDS- If there is a rule violation then they should just be stricken from the agenda.

Cognevich COS- Just while you were asking I looked for legislative instruments definition, and found on page 12 item 3 of rules and procedures, I didn't see anything so I would like to affirm what joy said that old business should not be stricken and in new business item a should not be stricken, because we had enough time and because the committees could not meet quorum.

White VPLA- but from what you read and said, you said the word MUST, and said they must meet and now you're saying regardless they could not meet and want to change the agenda based on that information. If we are going to define it as a rule, we should remove all of them not just some of them. To be fair. I would agree grandfathering in the pi sigma alpha. I would say all four should be removed.

Leblanc COLA-Point of inquiry isn't there a *untranscribable*

Joy Ballard- Yes

White VPLA- I would agree the motion may have been illegal in the first place.

Ligier COIDS- Why wouldn't the shuttle bus be grandfathered.

White VPLA- it has never been to the senate floor just discussed via email.

Cao COLA- Last week we me and had a discussion on it,

White VPLA- it was not in committees though

Leblanc COLA- Point of inquiry- what was the results if the committees do not meet quorum?

White VPLA- there are no rules if they do not meet quorum, but it says it MUST go through so if they do not meet quorum it can't be put through.

Leblanc COLA- Have those committees been informed on issues around quorum?

White VPLA- No historically committees have had trouble meeting quorum and keeping members so we just went ahead and put bills to the floor because if not nothing would get done. Since we have enough senators but the absence of one can fall below quorum, we have not had a week so far where we net quorum and were able to discuss any bills. Therefore, if we stick by this rule, I think it would cause issues in the future because of our problem reaching quorum. But until there is an official ruling on the rule, it will be interpreted this way.

Cognevich COS- If they don't meet quorum, there are no heads of these committees, so how can they be informed?

White VPLA- as VPLA I act as temporary heads to the committees, until one is nominated and appointed.

Cognevich COS- to prevent this, I don't see anything that says people couldn't be on more than one committee and if that's the case it might be easier to do that because it would keep quorum up.

White VPLA-
TIME

Cao COLA- Is there pauses for points of inquiry?

White VPLA- if it is about general rules and procedures it is but if it pertains to the conversation then no. If there is no motion to extend time I will reinstate Roberts's rules of order to continue the agenda. All of the bills in new business will be removed in result of committees meeting.

Ballard- I would suggest there be a vote on the record, for all the things that just happened and there was a motion.

White VPLA- I would declare the motion to amend the motion illegal, but we can vote on the original motion.

Cognevich COS- I would like to motion that the item in new business of the agenda were added improperly and would like to motion to remove them until they can be added properly.

Cao Second.

If there are no objections then no new business will be conducted until rules and finance can meet and discuss.

V. Communications and Announcements

a. Senators-

Cognevich COS- I handed out a packer of info to everyone and this is info on admissions at the university. As you can see the trend of downward of admissions, although administration has been saying there is a 2.4% increase. Which is wrong. This is even after the pick up after Katrina. The next two pages are numbers with full time and part time students. The last page just shows trends by college. People who live on campus do not have to attend UNO, and some live on campus go to Xavier and Dillard. We are not just voting on UNO students on campus, but other students who can live on our campus.

Cao COLA- Point of information- Privateer Place doesn't check who lives there, so it's not only students it's also people just living there.

Rusnak COS- How many people on campus have a parking pass is not accurate?

b. Non-Senators-no

VI. Committee Reports

a. Governance- Did meet quorum, but Howard Williams is not here to give a report

b. Rules- I am overseeing the rules committee, email requesting response to the bills, I received one response so we did not meet quorum therefore we have no report.
Leblanc- Rules does not have a head?

White VPLA- No Mason Poche is on appointments for rules committee head this meeting. He was also there last week but was proxied.

c. Finance- No report No Quorum

d. Student Affairs- Bourgeois SAL- We met for a while and approve of the agenda

e. Facility Services- Cognevich COS- Did not meet, but will be meeting with actual facility services tomorrow. In Dr. Nicklows State of the University Address, he said they would pave the engineering lot and it did not happen yet. In my questions about the shuttle bus I also asked about the lot but the response was weak.

Julianne Romero- Just an announcement for the whole senate can everyone please state your name and college for the records, I do listen but sometimes voices are muffled and I cannot make out voices, so please to make the minutes go faster.

Cao COLA- When we have a problem with facility services do we contact Cognevich or the people of facility services?

White VPLA- we made up c]facility services and on campus dining and housing committees over the years as we felt we needed them, but if you have a bill that might concern them then you can contact them. Although they are not responsible for passing bills or not.

Cao COLA-Milneburg needs to be picked up the trashcans and bathrooms are horrible, all the restrooms in the library are horrible and non-handicap accessible.

Cognevich COS- Trash should be picked up once a day, which is unacceptable that they are over flowing like that. That is the type of thing that should be talked about. Also anyone can come talk to me about this in or out the senate meeting, I always email back so feel free to email me.

f. On Campus Dining and Housing- Im still inquiring vending machines not being filed and adding the coffees, and plastic being overused. Still trying to get the number of parking passes administered, to get an estimate of how many people take their cars.

Cognevich COS- do we have aramarck's contract? If they do not respond in 5 days you can take legal action.

White VPLA- I will inquire about that

Leblanc COLA- why is it so difficult to give us the contract?

White VPLA- It has been hard to get it I have been asking for a year, I am not sure if they are ify about students getting the contract or if they do not know it is public record. I am working on making a public records request but I am trying to get the contact name, and I also never did one before.

Leblanc COLA- Have we reached out of administration for these requests because I work for the federal government and *White tried to speak* Hold on I am not done, and them not giving you this request is in violation of many codes and laws and I would hate to have to use to use my position to get these records.

White VPLA- I have been trying to work with Aramark first, before making a public records request. SO I will try to make one because I just think they are unaware that I can ask for the contract.

Leblanc- No, you can request it through public records and they HAVE to give you those contracts , it is the law. You can go to them and request it just like my salary. I am getting fed up , listening to you all want this document and its not being given to us.

White VPLA- I was unaware Aramark themselves had to I was previously told I would have to go through other channels but if that is true I will continue talking to Aramark to get those documents.

Cognevich COS- When I read trough the sunshine law , that you have to go through the custodian

Cao COLA- has anyone researched the new company cartwell, and see about vegan food and options.

White VPLA- we are not legally allowed to know this and discuss this, because people apart of that committee was supposed to not say anything because the contract is not technically complete.

Ballard Advisor- I met with the Vice President of Business Affairs this morning and I askd him who it was and he told me I cannot know and so this is news to me. It is not supposed to be public knowledge.

JD Extend time by 6 minutes , Cognevich second.

Cognevich COS- Having dealt with public bids a lot the bids are almost always open bids, so we should be able to see those bids.

VII. Executive Reports, Judicial Reports, Advisor Reports

a. President- Kenady Hills- Report above

b. Vice-President- Maddie Roach- 16,531.64 in soa , reerve is in the 500, 000 range no exact number, april 1st at 5 is the retreat, it will be fun. We have 23 requests for budgets.

Cognevich COS- can we get an exact number of the reserve account with the person we know now is the custodian for UNO for public records?

Roach VP- if they give it to us. I can formally request it.

Poche COLA- Can you repeat the time and date for the retreat?

Roach VP- April 1st at 5:00 PM

Cao COLA- If the meeting is in here can we say meeting and not retreat because I got excited until I realized we weren't going anywhere.

Roach VP- so its half here half somewhere else, it is not a meeting we will be doing different activities. If you just got on the senate you have to go to this one.

Cao COLA-what if we have a medical reason not to come?

Roach VP- You can come to the makeup one but it will be boring and more like a meeting than a retreat.

c. Vice-President of Legislative Affairs-

John-Michael White VPLA- We only have this room for an hour next week, if you have any questions about rules and procedures let me know, and proxys have

to have a reason it is up to my discretion if I feel like the excuse is valid, also absences are also up to my discretion. I also have a response to Dr. Golz's questions that were sent yesterday. Here it is. I do not believe the administration sees us as a group of intelligent adults, but rather as a group of children that they can persuade into buying whatever they please. Especially considering some of the responses for the shuttle bus bill, such as stating that the funding will come from the "University Budget" and that "Dr. Nicklow has committed to covering this cost" in the case that enrollment does not increase enough to cover the cost. I don't believe either of these to be true answers to the questions asked, and the fact that these are the explanations to such important questions as "what funding will be cut to provide funding for this" is disrespectful, insulting the intelligence of the Student Government and the Student Body, as a whole. I think it is time for the senate (as the representatives to the student body) to define what types of projects we will fund and what information we expect before we will even discuss funding a project of this size. I would like to call attention to the recent creation of the game room. Initially, the senate was told that if they paid for the renovation of the space that administration would pay to furnish it. The next semester, after renovations had been completed, we were told that administration would not be funding the game room, and advised that we should fund the furnishing of the room, lest we be seen as wasting the money spent on the renovations. Later, the SGA agreed to fund another project to allow students to walk from the library directly into the quad. After the project had been funded, Nicklow then began referring to it as "phase 1" of the quad renovation, a term never before associated with the project. I know many students did not like the idea of further renovations to the quad, especially the prospect of possibly moving the oak trees (including the Mardi Gras tree) to allow path for sidewalks, and had this information been presented to the senate, that this was only part one of a bigger project, it might not have been funded at all. I'm not trying to make a statement about whether or not we should fund the shuttlebus, but rather that we shouldn't fund projects to be partially funded by administration until we have statements with concrete answers of where their money is coming from and what their full intentions for the project, that have been signed by the relevant offices.

Cannon COS- Can people just lie like that for things we fund?

White VPLA- The people with the information after funding things was a student affairs worker, and for the quad they did not necessarily lie they just withheld information from us. Nothing is illegal because nothing was signed, I think when they say these things we need to have a written record and have it signed.

Cao COLA- Can you write a resolution for their responses?

White VPLA- Resolutions are not binding. And we had a young senate that I think did not want to do a resolution or nor did they know how. Even if we did they wouldn't have to follow through with our resolution especially since information was coming through second hand by student affairs.

Cognevich COS- I just want to state for the record procedural things ---- * undetectable*

White VPLA- I apologize I did see it but did not include it.

Ligier COIDS- SO if a resolution is non binding what is a way to get something bonding other than a resolution?

Cognevich COS- In my experience something in writing with a signature.

- d. Vice-President of Programming- No report
 - e. Judicial –No report
 - f. Advisors- Ballard, I have a few announcements and a statement. Sing up for ULS Day, I made it easy I have a QR code. It is April 10th in Baton Rouge. We will be a visible presence, and you get a free uno polo, there will be transportation. Please send out proud privateers. May 19th-21st it is now officially confirmed ate for SGA retreat. I want ot say thank you for tackling tough issues this semester, we get a bad rep for funding parties, but yall have made statements that needed to be made,and I wat o thank you all. Conversations by administration, have said that budgets will be tighter therefore your work will be harder, so prepare for that. I also think you should keep in mind larger issues. I also believe that it is now more important than ever to get it together and get bills on the agenda, I don't want to break your rules to do that but he have a budget to spend and we need to spend it. I want you to know your rules and follow them.
- Cognevich COS- Who is the proper person to talk to for....
- Ballard Advisor- I have that just send me that in an email so I can follow through.
- Cao COLA- for uls day do we have to talk to anyone?
- Ballard Advisor- No, we do not have to talk to anyone we just have to be a visible presence.
- Cannon COS- DO we have to stay the whole time?
- Advior- youc an drive there but still sin up.
- Cognevich COS- The performance s what? Is there anything against speeches?
- Advisor- it s limited to one performance per university so no we cannot.

VIII. Old Business

- a. B.S.19.B.3 Pi Sigma Alpha Speaker Bill-This is a bill to allocate \$9,000.00 from the Senate Operating Account to assist the Epsilon Rho Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society, and the Department of Political Science in hosting a speaking engagement, “Breaking Hate with Christian Picciolini,” an Emmy Award-winning director and producer, a published author, TEDx speaker, global peace advocate, and a reformed extremist. The event will be on one date, between April 22 and Thursday April 24, pending Mr. Picciolini’s availability.

Cory Pitalo is Christine’s proxy so he represented the bill.

Pitalo COIDS- It is the Pi Sigma Alpha bill asking for 9,000 from the SOA to have an ex Nazi come to school and speak.

Motion to question:

Second:

Bourgeois- abstain
Cannon- no
Cao- no
Cognevich-no
Hartlin-no
Heuer-no
Howard-no
Howard-Williams- abstain
LeBlanc- no
Ligier-no
Melancon-no
Pitalo-no
Poche-no
Rusnak-no
Thamard- no
White-abstain
Williams-no

With 3 abstentions 14 no's and 0 yes, this bill does NOT PASS

IX. New Business

- a. B.S.19.C.2. Shuttle Bus Bill- This is a bill to allocate \$63,327.78 from the SGA reserve account to help purchase a new shuttle bus for the University of New Orleans. The University of New Orleans does not have a free handicap accessible shuttle bus service for students that offers rides that allow students direct transportation to off-campus grocery stores, activities, and events. Currently, campus organizations and groups have to rent shuttle busses from private companies to transport students off campus. All athletic shuttle busses currently on campus are not handicap accessible. In a survey of 240 students living on campus, 210 students responded that If the University of New Orleans offered a free campus shuttle to local establishments (i.e., grocery store, Walmart, French Quarter, etc) they would use the shuttle service. The University has agreed to oversee operations such as scheduling, maintenance, staffing and any other extra expenses. Therefore: The student Government Association should buy a shuttle bus that will be free to use for students and any registered on campus organization. Tabled
 - b. R.S.19.C.3. Space Allocation Compound Resolution- tabled
 - c. R.S.19.C.4. Residents Hall Association Resolution-tabled
 - d. B.S.19.C.5 Garden Supplies Bill-tabled
- X. Nominations and Appointments
- a. Mason Poche- Parliamentarian Hello my name is mason poche I am a sophomore and I was in the senate but I formally resigned because I was going to transfer but I didn't.

Ligier COIDS- Last semester weren't yo head of something?

Poche- Finance committee

POI Cognevich- I thought it was your position to nominate people, and you never
Never asked if anyone was interested.

White VPLA- Yes I did we can go back and check the minutes. I asked for both
Finance, parliamentarian, and no one came up for parliamentarian.

Open discussion:

Ligier COIDS- I like the guy and when he was finance head he had little
communication in the group me I am looking at I now, and all he did was
establish the group me so for parliamentarian, I don't think that is a good fit.

Leblanc COLA- He was head of finance?

VPLA- yes.

Cao COLA- I think people can grow and change, so I don't think just because he
did bad last semester , doesn't mean he will be bad this time. Maybe he just needs
to change positions.,

Cannon COS- was he consistent in not communicating.

Cognevich COS- I would like to suspend Roberts rules so Ligier can look in the
group me.

Ligier COIDS- it was just an introduction

ORDER

Point of order- if any senators are ill and need to move feel free but there is a lot
of movement and it is very distracting.

Bourgeois- yes

Cannon-yes

Cao- yes

Cognevich- abstain

Hartlin-yes

Heuer-yes

Howard-yes

Howard-Williams- abstain

LeBlanc- abstain

Ligier- abstain

Melancon- abstain

Pitalo-yes

Poche- abstain

Rusnak- abstain

Thamard- yes

White- abstain

Williams- yes

Result: Mason Poche is Parliamentarian

- b. Zechariah Bowman-College of Business Senator my name is Zechariah Bowman, I was recruited by Kevin Heuer, I actually came into senate meeting before for a bill and ended up staying because it was interesting a now I wat to join.
Ligier COIDS- Do you have experience with SG at all?
Bowman- No just CBEC
Ligier COIDS- The reason I ask , is because people aren't committed so are you?
Bowman- Yes, I've been to many meetings and want to be involved.
Ligier COIDS- Motion to question
Brice Hartlin second
Bourgeois- yes
Cannon-yes
Cao- yes
Cognevich-yes
Hartlin-yes
Heuer-yes
Howard-yes
Howard-Williams- abstain
LeBlanc- yes
Ligier-yes
Melancon- abstain
Pitalo-yes
Poche- yes
Rusnak- abstain
Thamard- yes
White- abstain
Williams- yes
Result: Bowmen is senator
- c. Jonathan Lewis- College of Sciences Senator- not present for his appointment so he is tabled.
- d. Central Budget Committee
White VPLA-Motion to have them all come up and talk as a slate and we vote as a slate.
It was second by Brice Hartlin
Cao – I thought you could only be on one committee?
VPLA- yes this is separate. For the schools budget.
 - i. Wesley Cognevich- I've been here since fall of 2017 I was on this committee last year as well, I don't want us wasting money and think we should spend it on things we should actually pay for and help student orgs.
 - ii. Desmond LeBlanc- I am a sophomore I am a transfer and since I been here I was on judicial and now on senate I have a big issue on ways funds are being spent as a whole at this university. I would like to know so I an

- iii. Ryan Williams- (VPLA) ryan was on the CBC last year as SAC's representative so he is experienced with how the process goes.
- iv. Cory Pitalo- I've been in senate since last spring and would like to see where the money goes and have a say in it.
- v. Kevin Heuer- I also work with admissions and see how this budget works, and would like to be part of where all the money goes.

Ligier COIDS- What is the difference between CBC and Finance?

Cognevich- CBC is the whole budget allocated to SGA including SACs money, we allocate funds to organizations that need it, also to things we need in SGA, and the finance committee just overlooks finance in bills to make sure all the finances line up correctly.

Cao COLA- I have a problem with Ryan Williams being on CBC because he was on SAC last year and no shade but he chose a white rapper during black history month to perform for homecoming and also he tinted his face on flyers to make him seem racially ambiguous. So I don't think he has the right intentions for this position. How will he ensure he is not being biased?

POI Ballard- SAC gets their own budget and it had nothing to do with the CBC

VPLA- so it is biased how?

Cao COLA- Because he had a white rapper instead of the local new Orleans person who was black. And mostly his friends made his decision, and he used his power in all his organizations to get the white rapper.

POI Ligier- that should have been an objection to the slate because it is about one single persona and that person is not here to defend themselves, so maybe we should remove Ryan from the slate and vote on everyone else. Suspend Roberts rules to have questions answered individually but vote as a slate.

Brice second

Pitalo COIDS- in Ryan's defense I have never seen him be discriminatory or try to be racist or biased so...

Cognevich COS- in regards to the slate, senator cao this is for you....senator cao..

Point of Order please if we need to call a recess we can, a general point of order

Cognevich COS- one person on this committee if they are seen as making poor decisions, they need to sway at least half of us and we are a lot of people so I don't see that usually happening unless it is a big controversy. That is why the CBC is such a large thing because we need variety to make decisions.

Cao COLA- POI so are voting as individuals.

VPLA- we are discussing as one voting separately.

Cao COLA- whether or not you think someone can or cannot make a difference sometimes they can so I have to be skeptical of who is on the committee.

Ligier-Motion to vote for these as a slate and exclude Ryan Williams because he is not present and cannot defend himself.

Second Brice Hartlin

ORDER on whole senate

Motion to question second brice hartlin

Bourgeois- abstain

Cannon-yes

Cao- yes

Cognevich-yes

Hartlin-yes

Heuer-yes

Howard-yes

Howard-Williams- abstain

LeBlanc- yes

Ligier-yes

Melancon- abstain

Pitalo-yes

Poche- yes

Rusnak- yes

Thamard- yes

White- abstain

Williams- yes

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Everyone except Ryan is approved.

XI. Open Forum

Joy- Grad cords are in tomorrow so come in tomorrow or Monday to pick it up, just send proof of graduation and ill give you the cord.

Ligier COIDS- How many graduating senators are there.

Joy- I actually do not know that's why I'm asking

VPLA- That is also the reason for the records request.

We are investigating rules there are 90 pages, so I am going to go back and look at all the documents and see what contradicts and make a priority list. It goes constitution first code of laws and then procedures. Therefore, I will start implementing rules that we do not follow because there are some.

Cao COLA- As most of you know UNO is in violation of the sunshine law, and I was looking up how much UNO pays for Net tutoring which is the 24 hour tutoring service. And I don't think we should support it because it is not always 24 hours. Like some aren't accessible. And I want to have data

VPLA- if there are issues for you write that down and the time so you can document it because sometimes things are a lot of heresay and it is better to provide documentation.

Cao COLA- well its online.

VPLA- well yes, you can still write down the time and say you didn't receive a tutor at that time

Cognevich COS- Two things: I suggest you send emails to the person and our custodian, and cc me because im always interested, and leave a paper trail. When you don't document everything they will discredit you. Administration will ignore you, so have everything in writing.

Joy- The SGA@UNO.EDU and its in sga records, so cc them. But if you want my response email me. But emailing sga is good.

VPLA- If it has anything to do with me or Kenady or Maddie's position please cc us on that.

Heuer COB- So first, I think it is crazy that this meeting lasted 2 hours and 30 minutes being there was no new business, this is kind of insane. Being that both times that zack has come to this meeting it has ran this long, and the fact that he still wants to be in sga is insane and great.

VPLA- I think specifically the rules we have are unnecessarily bad and make things long. There it too much to implement and it needs to be reformed. Especially to make things smoother.

Ligier COIDS- We are always so grateful for people wanting to join, these last two meeting have been long, and that's why I always vote yes for senators because we appreciate anyone who is willing to stay this long in a meeting to get appointed.

Cao COLA- Yes it takes long but in real politics this stuff takes long, and in the end we all signed up for this. If you don't want to stay the whole time you can proxy.

Cognevich COS- Generally you don't want to cc someone boss if it is the first time you are cc'ing them , but if it is a recurring problem you could cc them. As for our meetings going long, the fact that we are actually discussing things are very important. In my time in senate this has rarely happened, we would just pass anything and now we are discussing things which I think is important.

Motion to extend time by 12 minutes Poche

Second

It was objected but the motion was withdrawn

Cognevich COS- debate is good don't ake it personal

Poche – I've been approached this semester to sponsor many bills, maybe we could post on the website senators and colleges so orgs know what senators to use.

Feedback welcome.

I believe she is referring to our Instagram.

I think we should table as well contact student affairs committee

Cognevich COS- Didn't senator cao say it was good to table.

Cao COLA- yes and no one responded.

VPLA- I think Christine sent out a doodle poll for it.

Cannon COS- I think most of the meeting was to understand the rules and we didn't understand

Ligier COIDS- We are supposed to read and understand the constitution and rules

Cannon COS- I want saying it to be mean, I was saying that might be why it takes so long.

Joy- it was an hour before a single report was given

VPLA- the three documents are 90 pages, and they don't make any sense, they are grammatically wrong, and make no sense, there might be a lot of growing pains but I think it will be work it. We operate more on history than rules and it needs to change. I expect you as a senator to read the documents but not as a person or human to actually read it because it is difficult.

Hartlin COS- as a member of governance, we have to literally rewrite the documents, and it is ridiculous and there is

Ligier COIDS- is there a way to implement a "sponsor" for new senators. So we can help them understand new things so we are not always asking you or joy for clarification.

VPLA- I am willing, to train new senators, I never get questions about operating until the meeting. We can make a big lil system maybe?

Cao COLA- Accountability Buddies

Cognevich COS- Twi things: One is the constitution reform is that implemented?

VPLA- I gave the governance committee the same scale we used at the retreat to correct the constitution. We are behind, but they have last year's reforms as well , and from the summer retreat.

Cognevich COS- Me anna and a friend, took the bus to rouses for 1.25 it took 7 minutes to get to rouses, we walked back in 12 minutes slowly while eating ice cream, so I think the shuttles on campus are just fine, we don't need a shuttle bus when we have the ones on campus. I checked you can get almost anything from rouses.

VPLA- we are pushing on 3 hours can I please sit down? My back is starting to hurt, but like this hurts.

Cao COLA- Is there an online pdf of the constitution?

VPLA- The easiest way is to go on google and type in sga code of law.

Cao COLA- Its not so much taking the bus but standing outside and walking to the bus stop is whats dangerous especially depending on the time. And the bus doesn't pass on time. And people are mean so walking isn't always the safest. And rouses isn't as affordable and the quality isn't good. I think if you are going support the bus bill or not you shouldn't expect every person to be able to do it exactly how you did.

Hartlin COS- The constitution is under documents and forms and under common forms.

TIME

Motion to extend time by 12 minutes

Heuer second.

Leblanc- WE JUST DID IT F***

Cao COLA- You can leave at anytime you don't have to stay damn dog.

VPLA- If you need to leave at this time you can you were here it is open forum and you can leave

Cao COLA- Yeah so you can leave

Leblanc COLA- You can just go on with yourself. I was quiet and you can chill out now f***

ORDER

VPLA- we can now continue.

Heuer COB- When we pass a bill there has to be advertising on the advertisements that are paid for by sga with our logo.

VPLA- we formally had a position in the office tat was sga marketing but once nigel became president he dropped it and we don't have anyone who's job it is to do that but I can see in the job descriptions.

Heuer COB- Im talking about music departments abelton bill. I don't remember seeing any sga logos.

Cognevich COS- I suggest finance for that since they gave money for it. I also did data for the amount of students it serving the bus will have to make 5 trips per hour.

Cao COLA- Can I suggest making the constitution into a google doc so everyone can make corrections or notes on what they feel needs to be changed.

VPLA- I think we are in the process. But the problem is I don't think it will help much because three still needs to be amendments so it would just be better to make procedural amendments.

Ligier motion to adjourn

Hartlin second.

XII. Adjournment 7:54 PM