

Student Government Association
Thursday September 19, 2019
Session Agenda

- I. Call the Meeting to Order 5:05 PM
- II. Roll Call
 - Cannon- Here
 - Cognevich: Here
 - Heuer- Here by Proxy of Pitalo
 - Hills- Here
 - Leblanc- Here
 - Melancon- Absent
 - Ngo-Here
 - Owen- Absent
 - Pitalo- Here
 - Rollins- Absent
 - Rusnak- Here
 - Simms- ABsent
 - Thamard- Here by proxy of Leblanc
 - Vitali-Here
 - White- Here
 - Williams- Here by proxy of Leblanc
 - Yarbrough- Here
- III. Approval of the Minutes
 - The minutes are approved
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
 - Remove afro caribbean night bill from agenda for not going onto the committees in the correct amount of time,
 - Add discussion on constitution to amend the constitution we voted on last week Desmond Anna Rusnak COS Second
- V. Communications and Announcements
 - a. Senators
 - b. Non-Senators
- VI. Committee Reports
 - a. Governance No meet no report
 - b. Rules- Desmond Leblanc- The Rules Committee did not meet however, I would like for senate to know the reason as to why this took place. Since the beginning of the semester, we have failed to follow the rules and guidelines that WE voted on. This is highly unacceptable and as your Senate Parliamentarian, I feel it is my job to inform you of this.

We MUST do better and going forward, I will hold each and every senator, including myself accountable to following ALL the rules and guidelines that we voted on. If you would like to know the details we can discuss it at open forum

- c. Finance- no report
- d. Student Affairs- no report
- e. Facility Services- no report
- f. On Campus Dining and Housing- John Michael- We met again, as an update, trying to get to go boxes to get a token, and try to tie to IDs whether or not get, issue with dish washer, there are more water on the dishes new drying racks, software that allows the food trucks db did not come in yet, freedom meals and meal exchange have not yet been added to website but is on social media. They are officially looking into updating the sandbar menu, housing next Thursday and after that we will be on a rotating schedule of the meetings.

VII. Executive Reports, Judicial Reports, Advisor Reports

- a. President- Report from Christine reported by Maddie- I am out at Loyola for a meeting today so Maddie will be giving my report. The sustainability circle met for the first time this semester. This is a group of faculty, staff and student volunteers dedicated to helping our campus become more sustainable. Myself and John-Michael are a part of it and if it's something you are interested please shoot me an email at the SGA President email. More information coming next week. I will be sending out a poll asking for your lunch availability because, surprise, I'd like SGA to break bread together and thank you for the hard work you've been doing. So please respond to it so I can pick a time that majority can attend. I was emailed by Dr. Nicklow about a huge problem that's going around campus that is littering. All weekend Sodexo picked up trash from all over campus. Not just cups and wrappers, but entire fast food bags and trash bags. It's a big issue let me know if you have any ideas on how to avoid this and fix this issue.
Desmond Parliamentarian- Maybe we should get the judicial department get involved the judicial department gets involved by seeing citations if UNO PD gives citations
Kenady Hills SAL- did president spend his own money for Sodexo?
Maddie- I am not sure I can ask Christine.
John Michael SAL- do we give citations for littering?
Maddie- They do as an actual law, so I don't see why it wouldn't be different on a college campus.
Cognevich- it is a \$500 fine
Desmond- If they don't they can start.
- b. Vice President- Maddie Roach- The Senate operating account is at \$21,106.67. And the in the reserve we have \$390,779.72 but we are still waiting on actual numbers. Retreat date is in advance November 5th from 12:30 to 1:30 with lunch provided.
Kenady Hills- Can we have nacho bar?

Maddie- Well it is Julianne's birthday so we will be having cake, but let's see if we can have nachos?

Julianne- Since its Kenady we can have nachos.

Maddie- Yay, then we will have nachos.

Kenady- But Moes not Chartwells

Maddie- Noted we will have vegetarian, vegan and pescitarian for those who need.

- c. Speaker of the Senate
- d. Vice President of Programming
- e. Judicial
- f. Advisors- Joy Ballard Advisor- Next week is national hazing prevention week and I chair the committee on hazing so all of you got added to a moodle course and or emailed it is... the state requires us to give hazing training to members of organizations you are members of SGA so I am strongly encouraging you to do the course. Also having a luncheon on human dignity on hazing and there will be nachos. In SGA elections are coming up, appointment forms are coming up working with amy king, and has to approve the whole election list, second, the other thing added to agenda, something I caught this morning, we took out the part where it allows us to reform the constitution, and took out the process and that is vital to how we address the constitution and if we put that language in the code or rp that can be problematic for students to get a say. Section 10 now to section 8. Locked the keys in the car we can't do anything because the mechanism to change it.
Wesley- I don't remember us taking it out, was it by accident?
Joy Ballard- That's what im thinking because why would we take that out? I went this morning to type the comments in for it and it wasn't there.
Welsey- What time is the luncheon on monday?
Joy- 12 in innsbruck

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

1. Constitution Amendment-

Desmond Leblanc Parliamentarian- So this was brought up to the reform committee this morning the process to change the constitution, just to simply put the section 10 into the the new constitution into section 8.

Opposition:

Support:

Amendments:

Vote:

Cannon- Yes

Heuer- Yes by Proxy of Pitalo

Hills- Yes

Leblanc- Yes

Ngo-Yes
Pitalo- Yes
Rusnak- Yes
Thamard- Yes by proxy of Leblanc
Vitali-Yes
White- Yes
Williams- Yes by proxy of Leblanc
Yarbrough- Yes
Cognevich: Yes
Pass 13/13

X. Nominations and Appointments

XI. Open Forum

Kenady Hills SAL- So I actually was looking into tampons and pads so i got into contact with the person who does it at the mall, to see if his company is large enough, and facility services, and thats how that is going.

Cannon COS- Tonight is Step Afrika at 7:00 in the UC in the ballroom it will be fun come out.

Leblanc Parliamentarian- My college open forum was okay, I got some feedback that i would like to share, they were interested i got 1 person to sign up. Is adequate tutors are getting funded? I was told some areas are not being funded. I will go to dr.nicklow. Why is maintenance so ridiculously unreliable in the dorms?

JohnMichael- Oddly mixed process, goes through housing then to sodexo. Maybe a joint thing with Kevin or facility services committee.

Desmond Leblanc- the dean of the library is the new CIO it's interesting they were interested in hearing that. Did the dean of the library get a raise. Why classes are being combined, Sociology class. People also want to know about improving wifi.

Cognevich- However decides to take initiative on the sodexo and housing thing, I have names if your interested.

Joy Ballard- Undergraduate 4000 levels and Master 5000 levels being combined is not new, that was my whole masters, they just have more course work to do but it goes along with the class. We just hired a new diversity person for faculty and for students so if your interested in what they do let me know.

Kenady Hills SAL POI- Will we let known for hiring freeze?

Joy Ballard- I have no idea, but we are not on a freeze because student affairs is hiring.

Cognevich- No 6000 level will be combined just 5000 level with 4000 level.

Brad Smith-You said we have a new director or dean of diversity?>

Joy Ballard- Yes

Brad SMith- SO what her duties in her position?

Joy Ballard- So the one with the students is the assistant to the dean of students, she has also taken over the programming for diversity affairs offering training for students to get them trained

on safe space training and interaction. The faculty side is the same kind of training but for the staff and faculty.

Motion to extend time 10 minutes

Kenyatte second

John Michael SAL- Concerns about housing and privateer place let me know because i am trying to get things fixed with that as well for the housing committee. We've heard about the washer dryer situation and seeing if that raises the rent. Issues about pests and mold as well, you can talk to me after if you want and before next Thursday.

Brad Smith- A few of us are peer mentors and we were supposed to get pad and we never got communication and feel like we should bring that SGA.

Cognevich- How long ago was your hiring?

Smith- Beginning of the semester

Joy Ballard- Who do you report to?

Smith- Director of the academic advisors.

Kenady Hills- HR maybe?

Cognevich- How many pay periods have you gone without getting paid?

Smith- She said it was supposed to be in 2 stipends?

Cognevich- so not hourly?

John Michael SAL- I was a peer mentor last year and its technically a job not award they had to pay us biweekly, but i don't know if its changed. Because they had to treat us as workers. And if that's the case, I don't think you can go two pay periods without pay.

Cognevich- It depends when you start because sometimes you get a floating week because you start in the middle of a pay period

Kenady Hills- That sounds illegal.

Joy Ballard- Can you shoot an email to sga.uno.edu so i can do some fishing? If you email me i will follow up.

John Michael- Peer mentors was rough last year because the person would change every week.

Cognevich- Just go somewhere and find someone to get it done. And don't leave until they do

Motion to adjourn Hills

Second Leblanc

XII. Adjournment 5:39 PM