

Student Government Association

Thursday, October 3, 2019

Session Agenda

- I. Call the Meeting to Order 5:06 PM
- II. Roll Call
 - Cannon- Here
 - Heuer- Here
 - Hills- Absent
 - Leblanc- Absent
 - Melancon- Absent
 - Ngo-Here
 - Owen- Here
 - Pitalo- Here
 - Rollins- Absent
 - Rusnak- Here by Proxy
 - Simms- Absent
 - Thamard- Absent
 - Vitali- Here by Proxy
 - White- Here
 - Williams- Here by Proxy
 - Yarbrough- Here
 - Cognevich- Here
 - 11/17 Senators Present.
- III. Approval of the Minutes
 - Minutes were approved
- IV. Approval of the Agenda
 - Agenda Approved
- V. Communications and Announcements
 - a. Senators-
 - b. Non-Senators-
- VI. Committee Reports
 - a. Governance- no report
 - b. Rules- no report
 - c. Finance- Kevin Heuer COB- has met and agree with the finances on the agenda
 - d. Student Affairs- no report
 - e. Facility Services- no report
 - f. On Campus Dining and Housing- John Michael- had to cancel meetings with dining because of conflicts earlier today students received about a sign on the 2nd floor of South

Hall, and the entire floor will be charged if no one comes forward or no one finds out who damaged the sign. Which is unfair for those not involved and it is a failing of dorm security, not the whole floor.

Bourgeois- What time is the meeting?

White- 2 pm on Thursdays

Owens SAL- What email? Who sent it ?

White- Jessica Lieman, they sent it in a pdf and its grouped in with other things so you wouldn;t catch it.

VII. Executive Reports, Judicial Reports, Advisor Reports

a. President

Christine Bourgeois- PJs is opening monday october 7th , there is a committee being formed for gender neutral restrooms in the rec. Let me know if your interested , just email my presidential email. I am also opening up this to non-senators.

Leblanc Motion to be recognized

Kevin Heuer Second

I sent out the first round for the 5 who are invited to lunch with dr nicklow, please respond so I can know who can go. I sent out the invitation on the senator lunch, all the info is in the email, it is in celebration for you and for new senators who are going to be sworn in that night.

b. Vice President

Maddie Roach VP- Senate Operating account is \$21,106.67 and the reserve as of now is \$390,779,72. I am waiting on actual reserve numbers from Lajana. Retreat November 5th on a Tuesday provided with lunch. From 12:30-1:30.

c. Speaker of the Senate- no report

d. Vice President of Programming- Christine as a Proxy for Santana- Homecoming Nominations has been sent out due October 14th; November 4th-8th Pep rally at UC; Game is that night. Paint Party Friday. UNO SACs instagram will have all announcements and information up to date.

e. Judicial- no report

f. Advisors-

Ballard- Elections are over, the constitution passed with 90.08% it will take effect in January when we return, we also have 12 new senators joining us, if nomination s go through today plus elections it will be 31 senators. This is a great improvement. There is still 19 empty seats College of Business has 3 Engineering has 2 IDS has 0 Liberal Arts has 6 Sciences 5 Sophomore at large 1 and Junior at large 2 seats, we can still take appointments. Everyone will be official, we have to provide a week for contesting election results, if nothing comes my way everyone will be sworn in on the 17th at the next senate meeting. that is also christine's appreciation/etiquette lunch, October 22nd lunch with Dr. Lassen on university budgets. , november 5th is SGA retreat, and a lot of

free lunches. Finally SGA does historically nominate on HOCO Court, we are not meeting next week for fall break.

Dr.Golz- Incidents of hate speech on the social app we had 2 meetings about students impacted and we helped with how to process it. Some of the suggestions; currently we have no time restrictions or restrictions, so you can post what you want when you want with no restrictions. The exception to that is that if you get flagged 4 times you are then on the moderating wall, and a moderator makes a decision to take it off or not. Because of free speech restrictions if we don't have time manner place restrictions everything is fair game, including hate speech. Unless you are clearly targeting an individual and its severe, pervasive harassment from an objective standard. That is all language i do not expect you to know or remember. But thats what has gotten us to this point. We talked about possibly having moderators. So if we want to say we can only have things on here that are school related, it would be the moderators responsibility to make sure everything is school related. The other option is to close the wall so people can't post. We still have events ,we still have pplunge check in, just no one can post anything. Third option, restrict it so only UNO Officials can post via desktop so no interactions.

TIME

Motion to extend time by 6 minutes Kevin Heuer

White Second

Golz- I would like to hear feedback on what you think, I am happy to consider that. SGA funds the app, so as representatives should have a say in what happens.

White SAL- So hate speech can not be taken off.

Golz- Not currently, it is protected by the first amendment unless it falls into harassment.

White SAL- so this is only preventing hate speech on the social not around school

Golz- Yes.

Owens SAL- I personally like the first option, because you can say if you loose things and I don't think it would be beneficial to take down the whole wall.

Golz- So have time place manner restrictions, got you.

Heuer COB- So if it is decided ti have moderators, are these going to be volunteers?

Golz- It would be something to consider. From my understanding, people are posting 24 hours a day, and the moment something is not moderated, people will push posts through. So we will have to figure out how to moderate at 24 hours. We could make it a paid student position. But who pays and moderates them.

White SAL- Are there any screen shots, so we can see what actual hate speech actually is?

Golz- I have screenshots of the first incident. But if you scroll back far enough you will see it.

Leblanc COLA- Do we know it is costing SGA to fund this app?

Ballard- POI- It was a 60,000 contract over 5 years and sga paid for $\frac{2}{3}$ rds. And Student Affairs paid the other $\frac{1}{3}$.

Golz- Can we follow up on that.

Cognevich- Did you say an option where you do nothing?

Golz- That is an option but not a great option.

Cognevich- What about an automated response?

Golz- There are none currently

Cognevich- I thought you said if it is flagged 4 times it is sent to the moderating wall?

Golz- Yes but that is the only time?

Cognevich- Is it taken off the wall when it is flagged 4 times?

Golz- Yes, but without time place and manner restrictions.... We post it, and christine and I had a conversation about how SGA could potentially get involved, not solving the problem, but addressing the issue and working with The new associate provost and dean about programming.

Leblanc COLA- is this something that can be moderated through your office?

Golz- It would be a full time job, I am on it when i can to moderate but this incident happened when I was not on the app.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

- a. SWISE Rocket Bill- This is for a rocket launch it is october 25th, at the field next to the HPC. It will be really cool they have rockets that are like 6 feet tall. It will also help with outreach for people who may not have been interested in science and space. Everyone is invited.

Cannon- Yes

Heuer- Yes

Leblanc- Yes

Ngo- Yes

Owen- Yes

Pitalo- Yes

Rusnak- Yes

Simms- Yes

Vitali- Yes

White- Yes

Williams- Yes

Yarbrough- Yes

Cognevich- Yes

Bill Passes.

X. Nominations and Appointments

- a. Kia Jackson
- b. Cordell Stewart
- c. Nicky Cao

POI- They can be voted on even though they aren't here.

Motion to table until they are present leblanc

White second

Point of inquiry Leblanc- are they notified that this is going on?

Cognevich- Yes, I know i saw nicky and emailed her and the last email i sent went to all three of them.

Joy- I also saw nicky today and she knew about this.

XI. Open Forum

Christine President- If there are any senators that want to help fund and sponsor a bill on diversity and equity and inclusion programming. Please contact me. We have the money for it.

Cognevich VPLA- I started having Student Orgs sending me emails I direct them to the website with all of your names to help with bills. Watch your inboxes. I just wanted to let yall know.

Leblanc COLA- has the website been updated since the most recent one?

Cognevich VPLA- NO it is not official yet

Ballard- It is completely up to date besides the election that just happened.

White SAL- I had a question for Christine, do you have a cabinet selected?

Christine- No

White- Is that something you have been thinking of?

Christine- Yes

White SAL- Who is the vice president of programming?

Christine- Santana

White SAL- has he given a reason for not attending meetings?

Christine- Yes, he has had multiple things come up, but he does have class. But he will try to give me a report for every meeting to keep us updated.

Cognevich- Yes, actually for our exec meeting he had a report for us, but we told him he should have it sent out to the whole senate.

Leblanc COLA- I know we have been hearing that this time is not working for a lot of our senators, we will be having 31 senators. But out of the senators now we have only seen about 6 or 7? I know that one time in the science building we had almost no senators, we met quorum because of proxies. I know it is because of time restraints. Going forward can we find a time that more people can meet?

Cognevich- Right now we have 9 present, it usually between 9 and 11, 4 senators have told me they have class right now but that is a good point and when everyone gets sworn in I will make a poll and get time availabilities.

White- What are the senator names who have class at this time?

Cognevich- See me after.

Owens SAL- Take back the night is October 4th, and I would like SGA to come and represent. It is a multi-campus march and on-campus wide gender and sexual assault. And if you are interested in carrying the banner let me know.

Julianne- I was just going to say that time in sciences where only like 6 people showed up that was a time where a lot of Greek life recruitment was happening and people involved did fill out proxies.

White SAL - I was going to talk with Christine and Joy about the Social App, stuff that probably shouldn't be in the minutes like the vulgarity of the things said. So if anyone else is interested I will be talking with them after.

XII. Adjournment 5:38