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SPEAKERS

Senator Plasse, Senator Mott, VPLA LeBlanc, Senator Bellow, President of SAC, Senator Rayburn, Joy Ballard, Senator Roach, President Romero

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- S** Senator Mott 02:10
I call this meeting to order at 5:03pm on March 31 2021. So can I have a temporary pro tempore, please. I can appoint either senator Crenshaw or senator Plasse to do it.
 - S** Senator Plasse 02:47
I'm fine with doing it.
 - S** Senator Mott 02:48
Okay, so you just have to keep time I can give you the time stamps when it comes to those parts of the meeting.
 - S** Senator Plasse 02:56
It would be much appreciated.
 - S** Senator Mott 03:00
Okay, so now we're gonna I'm gonna call I'm gonna have Joy call roll for me, please.



Joy Ballard 03:06

I got you, all right ***Roll Call*** With eight out of senators, eight out of 13 senators present we do meet quorum.



Senator Mott 06:11

Okay, so, next is the approval of the agenda. Are there any corrections or changes to today's agenda With none, we're going to go to the approval of the minutes but I don't think we got any minutes but Amber Lemelle said she's gonna work on those over the break. The next is communications and announcements. Are there any senator communications or announcements? And if you do you have three minutes to speak. Okay with non do any non senators have communications or announcements? Okay, next, we're gonna move on to committee reports. Um, does the governance committee have report I do not have a report so no report. Does the rules committee have a report. Okay, I don't think we have a Rules Committee head so I'm gonna move on to finance



07:36

they don't have a report.



Senator Mott 07:38

Okay, that's fine. So we're gonna move on to Student Affairs, does student affairs have report



Senator Plasse 07:55

no report.



Senator Mott 07:57

Okay. Next on campus dining and housing. So this is my report. So I have a short little just bit of information. So last week, we talked about privateer place's leases ending before finals, or at least before finals are over. President Romero got a response from Dr. Goalz, and unfortunately, it's related to COVID because the spring semester schedule that UNO made was very late and so basically, privateer place already made their lease schedule before UNO made their calendar. we had to do you make our calendar based on COVID restrictions at the time. Furthermore, we actually are going to be having a event with this committee next week. So we're going to be having an open forum with the Residential Life

staff. So if you're interested in coming to that, please send me an email, I will put the email in the chat. I'm also going to be reaching out to the SGA President, as well as the housing staff so they can so they can hopefully put it on the social media and it can be advertised. I recognize that proxy, Senator Lair Yeah. How many senators Do we have present now joy.

J

Joy Ballard 09:24

That brings our total to nine out of 13.

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Senator Mott 09:27

Okay, so we do still meet quorum. Lastly, on the Residential Life is still in the process of hiring a new area coordinator for PontchartrainHall North, and they are actually going to be having a presentation with one of the candidates next week. I have actually been graciously invited to this to this awesome presentation. So if anybody had like anything they would want to know about this candidate, please let me know as well my email is in the chat, and I yield the rest of my time for questions. Okay, so next is is on other reports. So President Romero, do you have a report?

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President Romero 10:13

Alright, I do thank you so much.

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Senator Mott 10:17

Okay, so that's gonna be on six minutes to speak and then three minutes on for questions.

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Senator Roach 10:26

So president Romero, I have a few reports for y'all actually to piggyback first off of Brendan, with housing, I did have a meeting this morning with Dr.Goalz and I followed up on that issue.She said that they are working with students who are graduating. So if you're graduating, you can stay until graduation at privateer place. Also, if you have finals, you just have to basically submit your files to Denise and she will make sure that you can stay until your finals are over. So if you have any questions with privateer place please just reach out to them. Dr. Goalz did explain how it is UNO's fault you know, with the COVID and all that had nothing to do with the way privateer place's leases are because they do it based off a regular calendar year, not what COVID brought to us. So it's it was just a mix up in those communications, but they are working with you. So if you do live in privateer

place, and you do need to have accommodations to move out, then just let Dr. Goalz and privateer place know. Secondly, if you're graduating you check our emails this morning from Dr. nippo, about commencement. So I guess they talked to the fire marshal, and we're able to get a good, like a better amount of people who can come to graduation. So you have to RSVP and each person or each graduate gets four tickets. for family members. Usually it's not really a number, because we have the whole arena, but because of COVID is four people, those four people will have to sit with each other socially distance from the next four people and following COVID restrictions. So you probably have to wear a mask and things like that too, but we do get guests, we do have an in person graduation. Once they get all the rsvps they will be able to tell you when each of the colleges graduate. And if I remember correctly, Dr. Goalz told me this morning that business possibly sciences and definitely liberal arts will be split up in probably multiple graduations because we're just bigger colleges within the university. That's basically it, I yield my time for questions.

S Senator Mott 13:29
Brendan Mott, I'm a junior at large. Did you get my email that I sent you recently about the advertisement?

P President Romero 13:37
No. Did you send it within the last couple of hours?

S Senator Mott 13:40
Yes, I did.

P President Romero 13:41
Okay, yeah, no, I didn't see it. I'll look at it. And I'll respond back. I have a thing to do tonight later on. So I'll catch it tonight.

S Senator Mott 13:56
Cool. Are there any more questions for president Romero? If not, we're going to move along to the vice presidents report. If we do not, then we're gonna move on to the vpla report thats me but I do not have his report.

V VPLA LeBlanc 14:33
Point of information I will talk about my report in open forum.

14:39
Motion to be recognized as present.

S Senator Plasse 14:46
Second Linda Plasse junior at large.

S Senator Mott 14:51
Okay.

J Joy Ballard 14:53
That brings us to 10 out of 13 senators present

S Senator Mott 15:00
We still meet quorum. Okay, so our next report is the Vice President of programming, you will have six minutes and three minutes for questions. Oh,

P President of SAC 15:11
that's me. I think I'm Eric sac president. I don't have any really new things besides the talent show that I talked about. We didn't get any body wanting to audition. So that kinda isn't happening at all. Now, sadly. Um, but I want to remind everybody, next week, there's a little cooking demonstration on the sixth at 6pm. It's gonna be really cool and funny. I want to be cooking alongs and I'm a hot mess. Um, then the week after that, we have a big carnival. We have all the food squared away like pretzels, a little cheese dipping sauces, and corn dogs. And there's gonna be a bunch of games. I think I said them all last time. And then sock off is still going along. Great. That's on the 21st. Um, yep, that's all I have. I yield my time for questions.

S Senator Mott 16:21
Okay, if nobody has questions for the Vice President of programming, then we will move

on to the advisor report.

- J** Joy Ballard 16:30
Hi, y'all. Um, I don't have much of a report. This week, I worked with Alex bello and keirseey to fix the bill and get everything lined up so that we all can vote on that tonight. That is good. Um, other than that, I don't really have anything. I am out of the office the rest of the week, finishing up my dissertation. So if you need me, I may be slow to email back, but I will do my best to respond. Um, yeah, that's really all I have. I'll take questions.
- S** Senator Mott 17:11
It seems like we have some confusion in the chat on I think somebody joins and it's really confused now.
- J** Joy Ballard 17:19
Thanks, Eric. Yes, um, so we started the meeting on time. Those are the rules. We are following the rules. We started on time, Brendan is doing a fantastic job of running the meeting. So we started on time, but someone can definitely make a motion to recognize Alex as present.
- S** Senator Bellow 17:44
Alex bellow IDs motion to be recognized.
- S** Senator Plasse 17:48
When the Plasse junior at large motion, seconded
- J** Joy Ballard 17:53
we have 11 out of 13 senators present.
- S** Senator Mott 17:57
We still meet quorum.

- S** Senator Bellow 18:01
Alex bellow IDs. I'm also a proxy for Hayley fretz. So I don't know how to handle that.
- S** Senator Mott 18:11
You can motion for your proxy to be recognized.
- S** Senator Bellow 18:14
Alex bellow, IDs motion for proxy for Haley Fretz proxy to be recognized
- S** Senator Plasse 18:22
Linda Plasse junior at Lord motions seconded
- J** Joy Ballard 18:26
that brings us to 12 out of 13 senators present so we meet quorum.
- S** Senator Mott 18:37
Okay, so does anybody have any more questions for advisor Ballard? Okay, so next we're gonna move along to old business. Give me one second. So we have the we have the bill from last week, which is the the public administration gala bill. So with the author and principal sponsor please come forward?
- S** Senator Bellow 19:35
Alex bellow IDS i am the sponsor.
- S** Senator Mott 19:39
He has six minutes to introduce the bill and 10 minutes for questioning. Okay.
- S** Senator Bellow 19:47
Alex bellow ids. I am the sponsor, the author of The bill has class tonight so she she couldn't make it but as advisor Ballard stated in the in her report last week we had to put we have to table the bill because there was a question about the appropriate way on our

an acceptable way to spend state funds on food. So advisor Ballard walked us through the process, we are required to get a right of first refusal from UNO's campus caterer before we can close purchase food elsewhere, the campus caterer accepted the bid, and will be able to provide charcuterie boards to the 25 attendees. So on that note, we, so we have to amend the budget request from 1,508.98 to 1,558.98, because the campus caterer their bill came back at \$550 versus what the original credit request was was \$500. So it's \$550 line item for the food, which brings the total bill to 1558. Their total budget request rather to \$1,558.98. That is all that I have. I yield the rest of my time for questions.



Senator Plasse 21:33

Linda Plasse junior at large. I had a question regarding what we had discussed last week. I know that one of the things written in the bill was that there was a request for like gift cards, which advisor Ballard recognized that like we cannot use it was that amended and taken out of the bill? Or has it been changed at all yet?



Senator Bellow 21:50

So yes, so the the written bill has not been been changed. So we were originally requested \$500 for the gift cards. So the gift cards are now being replaced by the charcuterie boards. instead of us giving instead of them giving their registrants the gift cards to get food.



Senator Roach 22:29

I have a question. Senator Roach graduate student at large, just so that I didn't receive the like, I don't know if we got sent the edited one. But if it was possible to maybe I know last time we like share the screen and we're able to see the bill as we went through it. Would that be possible to pull up in share screen and like see it as we go over it?



Senator Mott 22:52

Um, okay. I believe that we actually need to, um, if we're gonna do an amendment, I believe usually that would that gets called during the next phase, like you talked about during the initial bill, and then we moved on them. It's later on is what happens. Is that correct? advisor Ballard.



Joy Ballard 23:11

Correct. That says came up in old businesses. Basically, we needed the amendment. I

think it's okay. You can introduce the official amendment and the amendment. Okay. Questions about the whole thing now?



Senator Mott 23:25

Okay. Yeah. So this is just about the bill in general for now, and we're going to introduce the amendment during the amendment phase. So does anybody have like questions about the initial bill?



Senator Roach 23:35

Senator Roach, graduate student at large. Can we pull up a document of the original bill to show on a share screen I did not receive that. Also via email so



Senator Mott 23:51

I can do that for you give me one second So I don't actually think I received an original copy of the bill either actually



Joy Ballard 24:15

I had Desmond send it to me because I didn't either Hold on. I will pull it up.



Senator Bellow 25:16

So the information Alex Bellow IDs, the information that was changed is the \$20 gift card to local restaurants at 25 of the 25 \$20 gift card for local restaurants was replaced with 25 charcuterie boards at a cost of \$22 per board versus which you can see that was the \$20 for per board. So that's the that was the item that was in question. That advisor ballard was able to help us work through. Thank you, advisor Ballard. Advisor Ballard, can you update the total amount which would be 1558.98? Please? Thank you.



Senator Mott 26:28

There we go. Now that it's the correct bills. So does anybody rise in opposition to the bill? Okay, hearing none, we'll move on to three minutes controlled by the principal sponsor. Do you have anything else you would like to say?

S Senator Bellow 26:52
No, thank you, not at this time.

S Senator Mott 26:55
Okay. So next we will move on to amendments. Are there any amendments to the bill, which we already talked about, but formalities Um, can you explain the amendment one more time?

S Senator Bellow 27:03
Sure. So the bill is being amended to replace the request of 25 gift cards in the amount of \$20 per card. We're replacing that with a \$22 charcuterie board. So 25 \$22 charcuterie boards to be distributed to each registrant.

S Senator Mott 27:35
Okay does anybody writes an opposition to this amendment? Okay, hearing none, we're going to vote on just the amendment by roll call. So we're not going to vote on the official bill yet. We're just going to vote on the amendment to the bill. The joy Can you call the roll for me please.

J Joy Ballard 28:13
Roll Call Vote With 10 Yeses, this amendment passes.

S Senator Mott 29:37
Okay, so next we're going to enter final debate. So did anybody rise in opposition to this bill? Once again? Hearing none, on does the principal sponsor of this bill, have anything else you'd like to say you have three minutes?

S Senator Bellow 29:55
Not at this time. Thank you.

S Senator Mott 30:01
Does anybody rise in support of the bill?

- S** Senator Roach 30:06
Senator Roche, graduate student large, I would like to rise in support of the bill. I think that it's great that we're finally going to be you know, passing a bill but I think that it's also great that this event is being held and being held virtually, and that people are still going to be able to, like come together at this Gala and, you know, enjoy themselves. So I rise in support. And I yield the rest of my time for those outside supports.
- S** Senator Mott 30:47
Okay, so it's seems like Desmond is here now. So we're gonna reinstate him as VPLA. We're gonna wait till after voting. Okay. So next we're going to do a roll call vote on the final bill. One more time, joy.
- J** Joy Ballard 31:08
All right. ***Roll Call Vote*** With 10. Yes. This passes. Congratulations.
- S** Senator Bellow 32:03
Thank you. Thank you all.
- S** Senator Mott 32:05
Okay, next I'm going to reinstate the VPLA position to Desmond. Okay.
- V** VPLA LeBlanc 32:16
Thank you, Senator Mott, for holding down the fort for me do apologize for that guys had a unexpected delay. situation. Sorry, that resulted in me I'm going to step away. And I'm back. So excuse me for that. Um, okay, so the next item on the agenda. We don't have new business nominations and appointments. Do we have Mr. Patrick Rayburn here?
- S** Senator Rayburn 32:42
Yes i'm here.
- V** VPLA LeBlanc 32:47
Mr. Rayburn if you can take yourself off mute and just introduce yourself to us. And can

you tell us why do you want to join SGA or Senate? specifically?

S Senator Rayburn 33:01

I actually go by Ian, which is my middle name. But I wanted to join SGA because I feel like there's just not a lot of things that go on on campus for like the students who are going here to be engaged to be more social sides. I was trying to help maybe just create more of a campus life at UNO

V VPLA LeBlanc 33:50

What year are you here at the university?

S Senator Rayburn 33:54

I'm about to be a junior. I'm currently a sophomore right now, but I'm going into my junior year. Okay.

V VPLA LeBlanc 34:02

Thank you. Are there any questions for Mr. rayburn at this time?

S Senator Bellow 34:08

Alex bellow IDs. Ian, Are you housed on campus? Are you a commuter?

S Senator Rayburn 34:17

I currently live in North Hall right now. We are moving off campus next year.

S Senator Bellow 34:26

Got you. Got you. Do you feel with you moving off campus, thus becoming a commuter student, you're still going to be able to invest the time and energy into creating the campus life that you are envisioning for the school?

S Senator Rayburn 34:44

Yes I think so. I'm also in Lambda Chi, and I'm involved in Greek life. So I'll be on campus a

lot still.

V VPLA LeBlanc 34:58
Are there any other questions for Mr. Rayburn

S Senator Mott 35:04
Brendan Mott jr at large what are some aspects of campus life other than like, like campus life itself that you're interested in improving? Like, can you be more specific?

S Senator Rayburn 35:15
Like just having like maybe like this a one or two things a week, where people can just like, class and just go de stress a little bit, maybe meet people I know right now it's hard because it COVID or just like have services that we can give to students. And it's like, maybe like a free car wash for people who live in the dorms, or pplace something like that. Just simple things like that.

V VPLA LeBlanc 35:47
Thank you for that. Are there any other questions? Okay, hearing none, Mr. rayburn. I'm gonna put you in our waiting room. Okay. Oh, looks like he was already gone. Okay, great. All right. So now guys, we will go into initial debate with Is there anyone that rises in support for Mr. Rayburn? Is there anybody that objects to Mr. rayburn being appointed as a senator for the College of Liberal Arts.

S Senator Roach 36:46
Motion to question senator Roach.

V VPLA LeBlanc 36:50
motion has been called. Are there any objections?

S Senator Bellow 36:55
Second, the motion.

- V VPLA LeBlanc 36:59
point of order for myself.
- S Senator Bellow 37:03
Okay, Alex, bellow IDS. Second, the motion.
- V VPLA LeBlanc 37:05
Motion has been called and properly seconded. Are there any objections? Hearing none, we will go ahead and do the roll call vote advisor Ballard do you mind doing it just for this one as well, since this is the last one. Thank you so much.
- J Joy Ballard 37:28
Roll Call Vote With 10 Yes, one abstention. Zero no's. He is confirmed. Great.
- V VPLA LeBlanc 38:39
Congratulations, you are now a appointed senator for the College of Liberal Arts.
- S Senator Rayburn 38:47
Thank y'all.
- S Senator Bellow 38:49
congratulations.
- V VPLA LeBlanc 38:53
Okay, please stay after the meeting so we can do the finalization of everything. Okay.
- S Senator Mott 39:00
Thank you. point of order didn't senator ***unknown*** finalizations gets done last week?
- V VPLA LeBlanc 39:07

Yeah, but I have to do I have to work with something with him after the meeting. Okay. Okay, thank you. So next we move into open forum. This is 12 minutes and anything for the betterment of SGA. I will start and then kind of briefly tell you guys about the report that I was supposed to give earlier. Again, I do apologize from my lateness. I had an unexpected situation where I had to bring my grandmother to urgent care and then bring her home. Nevertheless, I did come back but in my report, I wanted to tell you guys that the President is pleased with our idea as far as helping give Friendship Circle an uplift He did make some suggestions as well. I will read those to you guys really quickly. If I can get zoom out of the way this came from peer review is he said, there are a lot of options but Friendship Circle would have been my his personal suggestion and favorite ABM and our facilities team will be the partners on this effort. But our primary contact will be Miss Deborah haddaway, who was copied in that message, he wanted to suggest at a minimum of repairing the pavers, refreshing plants, and modernizing seating bench area and adding a plaque from the 2020-2021 SGA. Deborah also would have some great ideas, but she hasn't reached back out yet. I wanted to bring this up to you guys first before I reach out to them with a specific date, as well as the other amenities that we will be needing for this project. So that is all that I have. Does anybody have any questions for me?

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Senator Mott 41:11

Brendan Mott junior at large. So is this going to be a project where SGA senators are going to be invited to go out for the Friendship Circle and do a bunch of stuff like? Or is it going to be more along the lines of ABM gets money to do a bunch of stuff? Because that sounds kind of confusing to me.

V

VPLA LeBlanc 41:27

Well, that was the whole purpose of us voting on it last week because SGA meaning Senate is going to go out and work with this ABM and facilities in the facility services team is going to be like our backup to do some of the more strenuous things that we can't do. Nevertheless, for example let's just see if there's like, I don't know some chiseling that needs to happen. You know, they will be there to help us with that.

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Senator Mott 42:02

Thank you so much.

V VPLA LeBlanc 42:16
Are there any other questions? All right, so you guys are free to talk about whatever for the betterment of SGA

S Senator Bellow 42:27
Alex below IDs. I just learned and maybe you all didn't know this, but I don't finish my coursework until the summer but I was invited to participate in graduation, which was kind of weird to me, because I thought you didn't participate in graduation until after the coursework is completed. But in case there are any people here who are finishing up your coursework in the summer, and you weren't aware, you can participate in graduation, I sent an email to confirm if this was accurate. And I did get a response back that, um, you know, that that summer graduates are able and you guys may know that this was just a little new to me. And so I wanted to share it in case you didn't know.

S Senator Mott 43:13
I'm Brendan Mott, junior at large. The reason that is because they don't actually have a graduation ceremony for the summer semester. So they allow Spring Summer graduates to participate in the spring ceremony.

S Senator Bellow 43:26
Okay, thank you. I wasn't aware I just wanted to share it.

V VPLA LeBlanc 43:31
Desmond Leblanc VPLA the president of the university did speak about this at our meeting where the summer graduates would be invited for this spring's this spring's commencement. Nevertheless, he said whether or not you actually graduate from the University, that's a different story. So whoever graduates in the summer or yeah was officially done in the summer. If you want to walk in the spring, you're free to do so. And if I'm not mistaken, advisor ballard has that always been the case where the summer graduates were able to do it in the spring?

J Joy Ballard 44:10
Yes, our our commencement ceremony is not a true commencement and the fact that like, just because you walk doesn't mean you have a degree. Often times graduations before

grades are due so like you could walk fail all your courses and not technically have a degree but it is a ceremony to enjoy with your family.



Senator Bellow 44:38

Okay, thank you, Alex bellow IDs. Is there typically a December graduation at UNO?



Joy Ballard 44:47

Yes, we do have a December graduation.



Senator Bellow 44:52

Okay. Okay, thank you.



Senator Plasse 44:55

Senator Plasse junior at large. I also just wanted to bring to everyone's attention that the swamp ball scholarships and the Women's Center scholarships, their deadlines have all been pushed back to April 9. So if you are considering applying for more on campus scholarships and finance, opportunities, those are still being extended. So you have not missed a deadline for those.



VPLA LeBlanc 45:16

Thank you for that Senator plasse. Is there anything else for the betterment of SGA?



45:22

unknown college of liberal arts.I don't know if this is SGA related, but you're talking about the carnival last week. And I was wondering when the date was



VPLA LeBlanc 45:32

The SAC President may be able to answer that one for the carnival.



President of SAC 45:38

What was the question again?



45:40

The date for the Cornwall?



President of SAC 45:42

That is the 16th. Friday the 16th.



45:45

Okay. And another follow up question was the Lambda Chi Fraternity was interested in joining like having a booth, maybe a duck booth or something? So I don't know. Um, go about doing that. Email me.



President of SAC 46:01

I'm gonna put my email in the chat. And we could talk to you.



46:09

Okay, thanks.



President of SAC 46:10

Welcome.



VPLA LeBlanc 46:12

Desmond Leblanc VPLA also, SAC does have the and correct me if I'm wrong, Eric, the suck off volunteer form is out if anybody needs that email the SAC president Eric so that he can get that over to you?



President of SAC 46:32

yes, it's gonna be fun.



VPLA LeBlanc 46:37

Are they any anything else for the betterment of SGA? Guys? Is there anything else? If not,

I don't mind entertaining a motion to adjourn.

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Senator Mott 47:00

Something and I was more of a question. Brendan Mott Junior at large. So I was kind of thinking about something about like outreach to students, because I feel like we don't have a very well known presence on campus. Like, I'm gonna be honest. Before I joined I didn't know what SGA was. I didn't even know that something like this even existed on campus my freshman year. So like, how I want to know if we can possibly outreach to students more, and this might be a next school year project. But I was just thinking, what if we tried to meet with other student leaders or other like, or other organizations on campus and try to get our presence more well known?

V

VPLA LeBlanc 47:37

What I will say Desmond Leblanc VPLA What I will say the pandemic has really dampened down a lot when it came to SGA. I think Brendan, you were here pre covid or did you just come in right when the

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Senator Mott 47:52

i just came in right when COVID hit I was a senator for like three weeks and then COVID hit right.

V

VPLA LeBlanc 47:58

So prior to COVID. And now that we talked about this in the SGA, exec meeting with the President, prior to COVID. We did not realize how we were doing so much more than what we're doing now. But we took it for granted because we were saying some of the similar things. But we are open to doing better marketing. I know advisor Ballard did mention the possibility of if we wanted to hire somebody for marketing, as far as SGA is concerned, that is an option. Or if anyone else has any suggestions on how do we reach out to our students, I know prior to COVID, we were having and we were supposed to have one this semester. I mean this year, but it didn't work out that we were we were supposed to have like college. Oh, I lost you guys. Oh, there it is what we were supposed to have a college town halls are sorted sort of speak, to hear what our students have to say. Nevertheless, that did not happen, unfortunately. But there is some outreach that is supposed to happen. Due to the way the world is set, we have not been able to do those things. But nevertheless, if we go back to some sort of normalcy in the next semester, and going forward, those are certain things that will have to be done. Like those, those seminars that

we were supposed to have.

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Senator Mott 49:30

So are those college like meetings? Are they similar to what I was doing with the dining and Housing Committee where like it's an open forum for students to come to college and senators.

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VPLA LeBlanc 49:40

As a matter of fact, that was that was the name because I did one for College of Liberal Arts two years ago, or maybe a year ago, a year or two ago. And students did come we did talk, they knew SGA was there and stuff of that nature. So it was an open forum actually for the college. Okay.

J

Joy Ballard 50:00

Point of order it's literally in the constitution that y'all are required to do open forums. So, yeah, it's, it's a rule.

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Senator Mott 50:17

Brendan Mott Jr. at large. So what is the accountability to have us do that, because I feel like we could have done that over zoom this year. Since everyone was burnt out.

J

Joy Ballard 50:26

yes, yes, we could have and at this point, really, I mean, just being honest, anybody could file with the court that the Senate is not following their rules. Um, that being said, that never happens, because I mean, basically, because no one knows you exist, no one knows your roles that you're supposed to do those things. So the odds of someone turning you in for not doing that just quite frankly, aren't good. That's a blessing and a curse. Take that for what it is. Um, but that being said, Yeah, they should be happening. But I think just being honest, we spend a lot of time in these meetings talking about how we need to do things, and we should do things. Put a zoom meeting on the calendar. Let's talk. And is it a little late for this semester? Sure. But I think moving forward. At this point, we've been operating virtually for over a year, we got to figure it out.

S Senator Plasse 51:31
Time

S Senator Mott 51:41
I think Linda was still keeping time, I forgot to set the clock. So I'm glad you did that.

V VPLA LeBlanc 51:46
Time has been called

S Senator Bellow 51:47
motion to extend Alex bellow IDs motion to extend

S Senator Mott 51:52
Brendan Mott Junior at large I second that motion.

V VPLA LeBlanc 51:55
As soon as it applies, just reset the clock for 12 minutes, please.

S Senator Rayburn 52:00
So yeah, my question was, if we're ever going to meet in person

V VPLA LeBlanc 52:05
not this semester. Now this semester, no, we're not meeting in person this semester. And for those who have been appointed this semester, you will have to run in the fall elections. So you're not automatically added to that fall roster. Because you were appointed. So Senator Han saker. And Senator Rayburn, you guys will be running in the fall elections, and anyone else who was appointed, will be running in those fall elections. Senator Mott, if you want, we can schedule to do some sort of open forums before the semesters out. That way we can, you know, let students know that, you know, like, you guys are saying that the senate is here.

- S** Senator Mott 52:59
Okay, I will email you and maybe try to think about that, maybe formulate how we can do that. I can maybe send you how we were doing it with with my like, little ad hoc committee
- V** VPLA LeBlanc 53:13
tell you what, yeah, I'm gonna allow you to be the head of that. in that aspect to get that going. Okay, let me know how you want that to go.
- S** Senator Mott 53:22
Okay. Okay. Thank you so much.
- V** VPLA LeBlanc 53:24
No problem. Is there anything else for the betterment of SGA
- S** Senator Plasse 53:35
Linda Plasse junior at large motion to adjourn.
- V** VPLA LeBlanc 53:41
motion has been called Is there a second?
- S** Senator Bellow 53:44
Alex bellow ids. Second emotion.
- V** VPLA LeBlanc 53:46
motion has been called and properly seconded. Are there any objections? Hearing none, and now adjourn this meeting at 5:54pm. Thank you guys.