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SPEAKERS

VPLA Goldstein, Senator Dazet, Clerk of Senate Corcoran, Senator Moss, Senator Deffendall, Senator Hymel, Advisor Courseault, Senator Metzler, Senator Smith, Amber Lemelle, Appointee Sorlin, Senator LeBeau, Senator Fornatoro, Tiffany Cortisol, President Lemelle, Pro Tempore Mott, Senator Rizzi, Senator Sattar, Senator Sakib, Appointee Lemons, Senator Hunsaker, Vice President Charles, Senator Nguyen, Parliamentarian Hinnawi

- VPLA Goldstein 00:27
 I call this meeting to order at 5:02pm. When I call your name please say here or present. If you are proxying for someone, please say present by proxy. Christine Bourgeois.
- Senator Smith 00:45
 Point of information, she graduated.
- VPLA Goldstein 00:53

 Dwayne Crenshaw.
- Senator LeBeau 00:54
 Present by proxy.
- VPLA Goldstein 00:59
 Candace Dazet.
- Senator Dazet 01:11

- Here. Sorry, it wouldn't let me unmute.
- VPLA Goldstein 01:16 Lukas Deffendall.
- Senator Deffendall 01:17
 Here.
- VPLA Goldstein 01:21
 Julia Duong. Julia Duong. Brett Fornatoro.
- Senator Fornatoro 01:29
 Here.
- VPLA Goldstein 01:33
 Alicia Helbing. Alicia Helbing.
- Senator Rizzi 01:42
 Here by proxy.
- VPLA Goldstein 01:50
 Daniel Hunsaker.
- Senator Hunsaker 01:54 Here.
- VPLA Goldstein 01:54 Jenna Hymel.
- Constar Lumal 01:EE

- Here.
- VPLA Goldstein 02:01
 Nhi Le. Nhi Le. Twanna LeBeau.
- Senator LeBeau 02:07
 Present.
- VPLA Goldstein 02:10
 Michael Mariana. Michael Mariana. Oscar Martinez.
- Parliamentarian Hinnawi 02:23
 Present by proxy. Sorry I forgot I was proxying.
- VPLA Goldstein 02:27 Chloe Metzler
- Senator Metzler 02:29
 Here.
- VPLA Goldstein 02:32 Jordan Moss.
- Senator Moss 02:34 Here.
- VPLA Goldstein 02:37
 Brendan Mott.

- Pro Tempore Mott 02:38
 Present.
- VPLA Goldstein 02:40 Henry Nguyen.
- Senator Nguyen 02:42 Here.
- VPLA Goldstein 02:46
 Samuel Rivas. Samuel Rivas. Alyssa Rivers. Alyssa Rivers. Tara Rizzi.
- Senator Rizzi 03:04
 Here.
- VPLA Goldstein 03:08

 Mohammed Mohiuddin Sakib.
- Senator Sakib 03:11
 Present.
- VPLA Goldstein 03:13
 Naw Safrin Sattar.
- Senator Sattar 03:16
 Present.
- VPLA Goldstein 03:18
 Da'Yanah Smith.

- Senator Smith 03:20
 Present.
- VPLA Goldstein 03:33

With 18 out of 24 senators present, we meet quorum. Moving on the agenda, I would like to amend the agenda. Refilling Aunt Flow proposal, which was under New Business, will be addressed during my report to the Senate. Are there any other corrections or changes to the agenda?

Senator Rizzi 03:59

Tara Rizzi, senator IDS, point of information the audio keeps kind of cutting in and out as far as the Zoom call.

VPLA Goldstein 04:42

So just to repeat, I would like to make an amendment to the agenda. The Aunt Flow proposal will be addressed in my report to the Senate not during new business. Are there any other changes or corrections to today's agenda?

Pro Tempore Mott 04:55

I'll just have a point of information Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore. So Y'all know if you have to leave the senate meeting early because this happened before we didn't meet quorum any more after the beginning. If you have to leave early, please, it is recommended that you yield somebody else to proxy.

- VPLA Goldstein 05:12
 Tiffany.
- Tiffany Cortisol 05:13

Point of information, let's get the amendment passed first, then you can make your annoucment.

P Pro Tempore Mott 05:22 Okay, VPLA Goldstein 05:22

Are there any other corrections or changes to today's agenda? Are there any objections to today's agenda? With no objections to the agenda, it is approved. Are there any corrections or changes to the minutes from last meeting? With no objections to the minutes, they are approved. So moving on, are there any senator communications or annoucements?

Pro Tempore Mott 05:55

Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, I apologize but I just wanted to let everyone know that per SGA Senate Rules and Procedures, if you need to leave a Senate meeting early, it is imperative that you yield somebody else a proxy for you for the rest of the meeting because if too many senators leave we will no longer meet quorum which has happened during meetings in the past.

- VPLA Goldstein 06:19

 Are there any other senator communications or annoucements?
- Senator Smith 06:23
 I have one question.
- VPLA Goldstein 06:25 Name and College.
- Senator Smith 06:27

 Da'Yanah Smith, College of Interdisciplinary Studies, point of inquiry for Brendan. In regards to the meeting time, what time do our meetings end?
- Pro Tempore Mott 06:36

 Point of information, the Senate meetings go until we're finished pretty much. 6:00 is a rough estimate but they can go longer if needed. Am I correct?
- Senator Smith 06:51
 Okay so if we do- if you need to- so when do you want that to start? Today or after today?

Pro Tempore Mott 06:59

Well, you don't have to email your proxy beforehand, you could just, during the meeting say I motion to make XYZ my proxy.

- Senator Smith 07:08
 Okay.
- Pro Tempore Mott 07:10

 And if they agree, then we can second that motion it will go through.
- VPLA Goldstein 07:17
 Are there any non Senator communication or annoucements?
- Senator Hunsaker 07:22

 Daniel Hunsaker, Junior-at-Large, the big basketball game tomorrow. This is a big chance for the team to go to March Madness.
- Senator Hunsaker 07:38

 Point of information, Azizah Hinnawi, College of Sciences Grad Senator, they're also doing a raffle for anyone who shows up you can get gift cards. I think they're giving away \$100. I don't know someone came to the desk and said that.
- VPLA Goldstein 07:58
 Are there any other nonsenator commincations and annoucements?
- VPLA Goldstein 07:59

 Brett Fornatoro, College of Liberal Arts, can we do an off the books type of event for the basketball game?
- VPLA Goldstein 08:15
 How do you mean? Like the Senate?

- Advisor Courseault 08:19

 Point of order, we can talk about that in open forum.
- VPLA Goldstein 08:27
 Any other non Senator communications or annoucements? Moving on, does the Pro Tempore have a report?
- Pro Tempore Mott 08:38
- VPLA Goldstein 08:39
 You can come up to the podium.
- Pro Tempore Mott 08:47

Hello. So my name is Brendan Mott. For those of you who don't know me, as of last meeting, I thought the new president Pro Tempore. My responsibilities include being the head of the Governance Committee. I actually sent an email roughly right before this meeting to all the committee members. So please respond to that email as soon as possible. We are going to have to meet throughout this semester because our main responsibilities are to look at our governing documents, make sure everything is up to date, make sure everything is followed properly. And in addition, we will also have to meet to discuss anything related to bills, resolutions, and/or Nominations and Appointments to the Senate from here on out, so please respond. We will have to be meeting shortly. And I do you think because of our responsibilities, we might have to have actual meetings, whether it be via zoom or in person, not necessarily just email meetings. Just for the reason of what our responsibilities are. And I yield the rest of my time for questions.

- VPLA Goldstein 09:49
 Anybody have any questions? Do any committees have reports?
- Pro Tempore Mott 10:14

Hello, again, I'm also the chair of our ad hoc committee for On Campus Dining and Housing. I'm going to be emailing anybody who said they're interested before, but I also want any other senators who are interested to reach out to me for that reason, as well, because that committee, it's more of a side committee. It's not part of the main committees. It's just- our basic responsibilities is to coordinate with housing and dining departments on campus to do open forum types of events. And I actually have good news. This was word by mouth at first,

but then became official when I got word from the director of dining services on campus that they are now required by the university to do dining focus groups where students will be talking to them regularly. And they actually reached out to me and wanted to do some kind of partnership type of thing where students actually voiced their concerns related to food on campus. And housing was also for the idea, and I yield the rest of the guestions.

VPLA Goldstein 11:16

Anybody have any questions? On to executive reports. President Lemelle, do you have a report?

- Amber Lemelle 11:36
 Yes, I do have a report today. Can y'all hear me okay?
- VPLA Goldstein 11:40 Yes.
- President Lemelle 11:42

Okay. So first, I just wanted to let you guys know, yesterday, the exec board met with the administration. And it was a pretty productive meeting, we got a lot of things discussed. And first of all, I just wanted to say that they have been listening to us about a few things. So I'm not sure if you all got the email about your financial aid. If you're receiving a refund, they did let us know when it's supposed to be dispersed. And last year, we had a little bit of trouble with getting that communicated to students. So that was something that we were really happy about. It's a small victory, but it's still a victory. So I just want to let you guys know that that was accomplished. We also talked to them about administration being a little bit more engaged with student body and also SGA. I feel like their presence on campus is a little bit absent. And it has been for a while. I know Dr. Nicklow goes to basketball games and things like that. But I feel like students would like to see him engage with students or hang out not hang out but come to our events and let us know like who he is and show that he's for the students. And I also think that being around students, and you know, seeing how we interact as a community, would give him more insight and give the students more insight and feel more comfortable coming to us for issues that they may want to bring to him. So we talked to them about that. And I had a meeting with Dr. Golz today, which is our Dean of Students, and the head of Student Affairs. And once a month- can everybody mute themselves, please, if you're on Zoom? Okay, thank you. Once a month, I had meetings-

VPLA Goldstein 13:36

Amber, you're breaking up. Can you repeat just like your last five sentences?

- President Lemelle 13:51
 Yeah, I just was saying, can y'all hear me?
- VPLA Goldstein 13:54 Yeah.
- President Lemelle 13:55

Okay. I was just saying that once a month, I get to meet with the faculty senate board. I do have a chair on that board. So we meet with all the members, they're kind of like our version of Senate, but for faculty members instead of students. And I wanted to open an invitation to you guys, because I talked to Dr. Golz today in our meeting, and just like SGA, those meetings are open to everybody. So the next meeting is going to be held on March 8, it's going to be via Zoom. However, there's going to be an in person meeting in April. I'm not 100% sure of the date itself, but I will let you know. But I want you guys to email me if you're interested in coming. I feel like having student representation there would be a big step for SGA in regards to Senate and faculty senate administration. So if you guys are interested in coming to that, I'd love to have some of you come with us. I know that Katie has been coming to the faculty senate meetings as well. So I think that this will be a good opportunity for us to get our foot in the door with faculty and also kind of hear what they have going on so that we can put our insight on it as well, so please email me at sgapresident@uno.edu email so that you guys can let me know if you want to come and we can talk about some things we may want to bring up in open forum or if there's anything that you specifically want to discuss, I can request to have it put on the agenda and I can speak on our behalf so I think that that would be a good opportunity for us and let me know if you guys want to join in on that. And that's all for my report.

VPLA Goldstein 15:28

There's three minutes for questions. Does anybody have any questions for President Lemelle? Vice President Charles, doe you have a report?

Vice President Charles 15:52

Hello everyone. I'm Vice President Aneglo Charles for those of you who are new and I salute y'all. The report today is very short. The budget, the senate operating budget is \$19,804.31. Same as last time and the time before that. I say this all the time, please pass the bills and get it done so we can operate it. Happy Black History Month! This is an exciting month for me and your fellow Black students so just very important month for us, so I would like to recognize us and therefore I would leave with a quote and that's all: "The new dawn blooms as we free it, but there's always light if only we are brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it" Amanda Gorman. That's my report. Thank you.

- Senator LeBeau 18:54

 Twanna Lebeau, College of Liberal Arts, are we having a retreat this semester for SGA?
- Vice President Charles 19:00

 For the SGA, so we're gonna offer two styles of the retreats. The first retreat we're going to offer as an option is April 5. I think it's- what is it called?
- A Advisor Courseault 19:11
 It is Legislation Day at the Capitol.
- Vice President Charles 19:15
 It's Legislation Day at the Capitol where we all get on a bus to Baton Rouge.
- Senator LeBeau 19:23
 Anyone can go to that retreat though right?
- Vice President Charles 19:24

 Right. so then we're also gonna plan, I think I want to do an escape room but if you guys have any ideas, or it is going to be later on in the semester but it required that you guys attend one but yes.
- Senator Smith 19:45

 Point of question Da' Yanah Smith, College of Interdisciplinary Studies, in regards to the budget, the deadline is March 30th.
- Vice President Charles 19:52
 Correct.
- Senator Smith 19:52
 Okay, not march 3rd. Also, is there a limit on on how much they can ask for?
- Vice President Charles 20.03

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No, it's not a limit. So that organization or that event will provide an itemized list of needs, then we will vote on whether to allocate the organization's full amount or partial funding. This just needs to be submitted in a timely manner.

Senator Smith 20:28

Okay. And also too, in regards to the funding and what we've got to do, about how long does it take for you to hear something back?

- Vice President Charles 20:37
 In regards to what?
- Senator Smith 20:39
 If it's a event-
- Pro Tempore Mott 20:43

Point of information, Brendan Mott, Senior-at-Large. So Angelo was talking about the budget request. That's actually different than a bill. A bill is something we write with our yearly budget during our Senate meetings, whereas budget requests- we have a certain budget each year as SGA. And part of that budget gets allocated to the Senate to pass bills. However, organizations during that time can do budget requests, where you essentially organizations can request funding directly rather than having to go through Senate for the next year.

A Advisor Courseault 21:17

Point of information, both Angelo and Brendan are correct. If you- there's more information on the website but, Senate can give money to different ways. You can get money from a bill and you can money through a budget request, which is what Angelo was saying. when it comes down to budget requests, Angelo, he's over the committee, and so there will be a committee that's assembled, the budget request will be for the next school year. So there's no limit, however, the Committee will decide on if they want to fully fund it or they might give partial funding. When you put in a budget request, it does have the come with a special form, it does have the come with folks. So essentially the same thing that you would use for a bill, except you're coming off the top with funding first, and then- As you know, we have \$19,000 in our operating senate budget. That's what was left over from the budget. So we have about- we have ordered about \$60,000 in budget request for the 2021-2022 year and out of that 60, we have \$19,000 left. Technically, we had about \$80,000 for funding these organizations. And then the budget request came out and then we have \$19,000 for people who aren't able to be budgeted plus or they forgot or they used up before the deadline and that's not enough.

- Senator Smith 22:47 Oh okay.
- A Advisor Courseault 22:50
 Hopefully that- Yeah.
- Vice President Charles 22:52
 Yeah, so the number I report on every week is what's in y'all's actual account if y'all wanted to pass bills.
- Senator Smith 22:58
 For now?
- Vice President Charles 22:59
 Yes. For now.
- Senator Smith 23:00

 But the deadline for if you want to do budget request for next year is March 30.
- Vice President Charles 23:04 Yes.
- Senator LeBeau 23:06

 Twanna LeBeau, College of Liberal Arts, and that's for any student organization on campus can submit a budget request?
- Vice President Charles 23:11 Yes.
- A Advisor Courseault 23:13
 Point of information not only student organizations but any department. So departments can

also put in budget request as well.

- Senator LeBeau 23:19 Okay.
- Senator Smith 23:21

Da' Yanah Smith, College of Interdisciplinary Studies, so if someone puts in, if a department puts in not a budget request but just for a bill for next week, about how long does it take for you to say well, I'm gonna accept it or deny it.

pay for the money, it has to be 30 days, and it has to be very specific in that is on learn in-

- Vice President Charles 23:35 So the set of rules and procedures says if you want to have a bill that says that we're gonna
- Pro Tempore Mott 23:46 Time. That's also time.
- VPLA Goldstein 23:57

Moving on, my report for the senate is short as well, I just want to reiterate my office hours, they are Mondays and Tuesdays from 2pm to 5pm. And Wednesdays from 1pm to 5pm in university center 236B. So if you have any problems or questions, you want clarification on anything, please feel free to come. We will be following up on what I spoke about last week, we will be sending out a survey very shortly basically asking-there's three different ways for you guys to get involved. Whether it be emailing your deans or administrators, speaking directly with fellow students, or surveying your buildings like actually going on campus and seeing what needs to be done in your college's buildings. So please, respond to that poll or that survey by Sunday. If you don't respond, we're just going to assign you a task. And we'd much prefer you be doing something that you want to do, and not just something that we assigned to you. The last item is regarding refilling the Aunt Flow dispensers. I think that's a really awesome initiative that y'all passed, but we do have to actually continue to execute it. So we basically are going to need people to volunteer to refill the dispensers. It's only in five buildings, if you wanna just pick one day a week, and you come get the product to refill and then go to the 5 buildings and refill them. People that are on Zoom, if you can just type your name in the chat to let us know that you are willing to volunteer to do this. The more people that volunteers, the fewer times anybody will have to go do it. Those of you that are interested in volunteering that are here in person, please let us know, in during questioning and I yield the rest of my time for questions.

Seliatoi Lebeau 20.07

Twanna LeBeau, College of Liberal Arts, wouldn't it be easier if we do it by colleges.

VPLA Goldstein 26:16

I mean, that's fine. It's really a matter of like how many people want to, so if I get 15 people that are willing to do it, then yeah, we can absolutely split it up by building or college. And that'd be great. But if nobody volunteers, then I'm just gonna pick people so

- Parliamentarian Hinnawi 26:34 Jordan Moss in the chat, volunteers.
- VPLA Goldstein 26:36 Ok, cool.
- Pro Tempore Mott 26:40

Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, so one of my questions is could there possibly be some way that people could let us know if the dispensers are empty, because on the vending machines are on campus there's like a little sign that says if it's empty, please email this person. So could there be like a sign we put up saying email SGA?

VPLA Goldstein 26:56

Jenna Hymel, College of Liberal Arts, point of information, there is a sign on those dispensers that say call this number if it's empty.

- Pro Tempore Mott 27:06 okay, point of information, then the one of the men's restroom was taken off.
- VPLA Goldstein 27:10

Okay, well, point of information, Katherine Goldstein, VPLA, the number that it says to call or text does not work. So that's not- clearly that method was not sufficient.

Advisor Courseault 27:22

Point of information, Joy's aware that the number that they gave us doesn't work. And she did reach out to the people and they have not responded. So if we could possibly make a QR code.

Or another sign but the numbers that's a moot point.

VPLA Goldstein 27:43

But regardless, we need people that will actually then- once somebody lets us know they're empty, we need somebody that will go and fill them.

Senator LeBeau 27:52

Point of information, Twanna LeBeau, College of Liberal Arts, if we refill them weekly, then we wouldn't need anybody to call, right?

VPLA Goldstein 27:59

That's why I that was a why-

- Vice President Charles 28:05
 Point of information, who's responsible for it, actually.
- VPLA Goldstein 28:09 I mean, us.
- Vice President Charles 28:11
 Okay, yeah, I just wanted to know.
- Pro Tempore Mott 28:13

Point of information, Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, that was a bill that we passed last year thatt our former VPLA Lair actually wrote and it was very good bill, but we need people to go fill the dispensers because they're always empty.

Senator Smith 28:27

Point of information, Da' Yanah Smith, College of Interdisciplinary Studies, can we just go ahead and see who wants to volunteer?

VPLA Goldstein 28:35

Yeah, so if you're interested and you're in here in person, please raise your hand. Okay. And then so somebody write that down for me?

- Tiffany Cortisol 28:47
 Point of information, I got it.
- VPLA Goldstein 28:48

 Okay, thank you. That's it. Just keep your hands up until Tiffany lets you know she's got them down.
- President Lemelle 28:58
 President Lemelle point of information.
- VPLA Goldstein 29:00
 Anyone else have any questions?
- Parliamentarian Hinnawi 29:03 Jordan Moss in the chat has a question.
- VPLA Goldstein 29:06 Jordan.
- Senator Moss 29:08

 Jordan Moss, point of inquiry when we decide or when we get all

Jordan Moss, point of inquiry when we decide or when we get all the volunteers for filling the dispensers, how would that work? Would it be like somebody has to check on it every week thing or every month? How would that work?

VPLA Goldstein 29:27

So my suggestion was basically just once a week, we could just pick a day that's good for whoever's volunteering that week. If we figure out a way for people to let us know, so that we only have to refill them when they're empty, then great, but in the meantime, yeah, I would say it should be every week.

Senator LeBeau 29:53

What about every Friday, because campus is kind of empty on Fridays. So, refilling the dispensers on Friday I think would be the best day so it will bre ready for Monday.

A Advisor Courseault 30:06

We have a point of inquiry from Madame President.

President Lemelle 30:13

Hey, I actually was going to say the exact same thing that the person just said. So no worries, I was gonna say Friday would be a good day. And I was saying that the people who decided to volunteer and Katie, I texted you the names that said they wanted to in the chat, every Friday would be good. Like she said that so that on Monday, it will be ready for the students and then just have one person, like a rotation consistently every other week or something like that, and then we can be filled and checked.

VPLA Goldstein 30:50

So everybody that volunteered, I'll send you an email, if not tonight then tomorrow. And we can work out a schedule between the senators.

Parliamentarian Hinnawi 30:59

Point of information, Hinnawi Graduate-at-Large, if you're going to do it on Fridays, you do have to be aware that a lot of the buildings close earlier than usual. So you have to make sure that you're running at a time before they close like the library, at least.

Pro Tempore Mott 31:14

Point of information, Brendon Mott, Pro Tempore, most of the buildings closed around 4:30 or 5:00 on Fridays.

VPLA Goldstein 31:23

We'll sort out the details. Are there any other questions? Okay, so the Vice President of Programming is not here, but she did leave just very short report for me, which is basically just that this Thursday, so tomorrow, February 10, in the UC ballroom from 7 to 10 - so tomorrow from 7 to 10 in the UC ballroom is Glocade. It's light up in game on with SAC! Glocade is a glow in the dark game room featuring mini golf, ping pong, foosball, and more. And I guess they already have volunteers, so they're good on that. But just basically, everybody should come, it should be a good time. Advisor Tiffany, do you have a report?

A Advisor Courseault 32:23

Yes. Tiffany, Advisor, I do have a report. I just wanna thank you guys for being so flexible, I know this school year has not been the most traditional school year. And this semester hopefully- so again I thank you for your flexibility and your patience. We will be sending out the form pretty soon about staying involved, getting involved and if you ever get overwhelmed- our job is not legal. So please, your school, your wellness, your wellbeing comes before this so if you get overwhelmed at the task you receive please reach out and let us know. My goal is for everyone to be successful in Senate. Also April 5, again, it is the day at the Capitol. It is open to everyone. Oh, from last meeting, Jordan mentioned wanting to get items for tabling. First, I really encourage you all to look at the budget, which is published online and just look at all the money that SGA voted on and what we said that we're going to give money to. We do have \$5,000 allocated to promotional items. So if they're items that you want to get, I encourage you to go find what you want and you can say Tiffany, this is what I want, send it to me and I will work to make sure that it gets ordered for the table. So we do have money for that, but I do encourage you to go look at the budget and see where SGA allocates funds to because it is worth it. I yield the rest of my time for questions.

- VPLA Goldstein 34:34
 Anybody have any questions?
- Pro Tempore Mott 34:36

Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, so two questions, actually. So the first one is did you find out through correspondence about if students are excused from classes that day like they were previously before COVID?

A Advisor Courseault 34:46

I have not, but I'm certain that they will be because this is coming from a director from Dr. Nicklow and the ULS system. So it would be really messed up if he does not but I will get it in writing.

Pro Tempore Mott 34:57

Okay, and my second question is, does it promotional materials just relate to tabling? Or can it be promotional materials for other things too? Could it be posters or banners or anything?

A Advisor Courseault 35:10

I'm so glad you mentioned that. There's also money for marketing. So I encourage you all this week to look at the website and see where you have agreed to put the money. There's money for that but you have to be the initiator and I'll make happen

- Senator Smith 35:26
 - Da' Yanah Smith, College of Interdisciplinary Studies, now for marketing with banners and posters. Does that still go through SGA? Or does that go directly towards-
- A Advisor Courseault 35:36

That is a really good question. That will be for the betterment of SGA and because you got already allocated money to that, that's nota bill, it's waiting for you to use it.

Senator Smith 35:51

Okay, now for example what if it wasn't for SGA before a department like my college?

Advisor Courseault 35:59

Then they would have to write a bill.

- Senator Smith 36:00 Okay.
- VPLA Goldstein 36:02

Are there any other questions for Tiffany? Moving on, so on the agenda under old business, it just says senator involvement, but I think- I feel like covered that we're gonna be sending out surveys. There is no new business at this time. So we will now hear nominations and appointments. Will Mahaut Sorlin either come forward or unmute? You have three minutes to introduce yourself and 3 minutes for questions.

- A Advisor Courseault 36:02 Very good question.
- Appointee Sorlin 36:49

 Hi, I'm Mahaut Sorlin I'm a graduate student in pyschology, what else do I say?
- VPI A Goldstein 37·11

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Why you're interested in joining the Senate?

Appointee Sorlin 37:12

Yeah. So I wanted to join SGA last semester for the reasons to research, to talk about problems we have in our department that involve mental health survey churches and schools and we wanted to start with the sheets you all got recently so I thought like it would be more efficient to do that through SGA. That's it.

VPLA Goldstein 37:39

Do we have any questions for Mahaut? So if you want to leave the room- So we have six minutes for open discussion.

VPLA Goldstein 37:40

You have to yield your time.

Appointee Sorlin 37:44

Oh, I yield the rest of my time for questions.

Senator Hunsaker 38:17

Daniel Hunskaer, Junior-at-Large, point of information, don't both nominations have to be voted on together?

Pro Tempore Mott 38:22

Point of information, Brendan Mott, Senior-at-Large, that only happens if someone motions to slate. So that means both nominations will go together but since that did not happen we will be counting the votes separately.

VPLA Goldstein 38:34

Anybody wanna say anything?

Senator LeBeau 38:42

Twanna LeBeau College of Liberal Arts, can we just ahead and vote?

- VPLA Goldstein 38:43
 Yeah, I mean, if that's good, everybody good? Yes, I will now take a roll call vote.
- Pro Tempore Mott 38:52

 Brendan Mott, Senior-at-Large, point of order, that does have to be motioned and seconded.
- VPLA Goldstein 38:56 Okay.
- Senator LeBeau 38:57
 Twanna LeBeau, College of Liberal Arts, I motion to vote.
- Parliamentarian Hinnawi 38:59
 Azizah Hinnawi, Graduate-at-Large, I second.
- VPLA Goldstein 39:02
 So,I will now take a roll call vote for Mahaut Sorlin for Senator for the College of Sciences. When I call your name, please vote yes, no, or abstain. Dwayne Crenshaw,
- Senator LeBeau 39:23
 Abstain by proxy.
- VPLA Goldstein 39:27 Candace Dazet.
- Senator Dazet 39:29 Yes.
- P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 39:32

- Senator Dazet 39:34 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 39:38 Lukas Deffendall.
- Senator Deffendall 39:39 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 39:43
 Brett Fornatoro.
- Senator Fornatoro 39:44 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 39:49
 Alicia Helbing. Alicia Helbing.
- Senator Rizzi 39:57
 Abstain by proxy.
- VPLA Goldstein 40:02
 Azizah Hinnawi.
- Parliamentarian Hinnawi 40:03 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 40:05

Daniel Hunsaker.

- Senator Hunsaker 40:06 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 40:09 Jenna Hymel.
- Senator Hymel 40:10 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 40:13
 Twanna Lebeau.
- Senator LeBeau 40:14 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 40:19
 Oscar Martinez.
- P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 40:21 Yes by proxy.
- VPLA Goldstein 40:24 Chloe Metzler.
- Senator Metzler 40:27 Yes.
- VPI Δ Goldstein 40·30

- Jordan Moss.
- Senator Moss 40:32 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 40:35
 Brendan Mott.
- Pro Tempore Mott 40:40 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 40:43
 Henry Nguyen.
- Senator Nguyen 40:44 yes
- VPLA Goldstein 40:57 Tara Rizzi.
- Senator Rizzi 40:59 Yes.
- Vice President Charles 41:02
 I'm sorry to interrupt, point of order, there's a message in the Zoom that really needs to be read.
- Clerk of Senate Corcoran 41:08

 Point of order, I am handling it. There's a current audio issue but me and Azizah are working on communicating with the senator's. Thank you for pointing it out though.

- VPLA Goldstein 41:18

 Mohammed Mohiuddin Sakib.
- Senator Sakib 41:22 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 41:25 Naw Safrin Satar.
- Senator Sattar 41:28 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 41:30
 And Da' Yanah Smith.
- Senator Smith 41:33 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 41:36

Okay so with a vote of 16 yeses, 0 nos, and 2 abstentions, Mahaut Sorlin is appointed Senator for the College of Sciences. Will Cooper Lemons please come forward for nomination a Senator for the College of Liberal Arts.

Appointee Lemons 42:14

My name is Cooper Lemons, I'm a junior in Political Science and Philosophy in the concentration for public policy, ethics, and law. I'm a part of the Tocqueville Scholars Organization for the philosophy concentration. I wanted to get into SGA just to sort of represent the interests and things in mind that the other students around me I've heard express and also just sort of represent interests that I think would benefit all and just trying to see what all that the government can do to make this campus better for students. I yield the rest of my time.

VPLA Goldstein 43:14

Anybody have any questions for Cooper? You may now leave the room. We now have six minutes for open discussion.

Pro Tempore Mott 43:41

Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, motion to vote.

Senator LeBeau 43:45

Twanna LeBeau College of Liberal Art, I second that.

VPLA Goldstein 43:48

Okay, cool. So, I will take a roll call vote please. When I call your name please vote yes or no or abstain

Senator Moss 43:57

Jordan Moss, point of inquiry. Before we start the vote, I think the issue that I messaged has to be handled first.

Clerk of Senate Corcoran 44:10

Point of information, for some reason the computer that is holding the Zoom meeting currently is not putting out output in a way that is hearable. So I cannot unmute my computer without creating an echo, so Azizah has been listening out for you guys, and vocalizing your votes, if we cannot hear you, ourselves. I'm also monitoring the chat so that if anybody post anything, you can either post it for everyone to see or if you have a private message you can message my profile, Clerk of Senate as co-host and directly message me and I can speak on your behalf. I apologize and thank you for your patience while we work out the technical kinks.

Senator LeBeau 44:51

Twanna LeBeau, College of Liberal Arts, point of information. Jordan Moss is wondering why my proxy for Dwayne Crenshaw- we are both proxies for Dwyane Crenshaw because he asked both of us. So that's that's the question.

VPLA Goldstein 45:08 Oh, okay.

- Senator LeBeau 45:10 Yeah that's the question.
- Clerk of Senate Corcoran 45:13

Yeah, point of information. If you don't mind, me and Tiffany are both looking at my computer so if you need to message something privately I ask that you send it to Ashtyn Corcoran. That way me and Tiffany can see it privately and handle it as necessary. instead of sending it to Tiffany's because we can't see that computer.

- VPLA Goldstein 45:32
 Point of inquiry, did Dwayne fill out a proxy form?
- A Advisor Courseault 45:37

 I have not checked but for the sake of this, since Twanna has been voting by proxy Jordan can be excused from it.
- VPLA Goldstein 45:51

 Jordan I don't know if you've heard that.
- Senator Moss 45:54
 Yeah, I heard. The only thing I was just wondering is that he said he wanted to abstain from voting and whoever proxied said yes earlier, so I just wanted to make sure that was clear before we move to the other voting.
- A Advisor Courseault 46:12
 Okay, well so moving forward-
- Pro Tempore Mott 46:15
 Point of information, that really wouldn't have affected the vote either way so I say we could leave it as the Pro Tempore.
- VPLA Goldstein 46:21
 Okay, so I will mark his vote down currently as abstain. So moving on, Candace Dazet.

- Senator Dazet 46:39 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 46:42 Lukas Deffendall.
- Senator Deffendall 46:43 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 46:47
 Brett Fornatoro.
- Senator Fornatoro 46:48
 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 46:51 Alicia Helbing.
- Senator Rizzi 46:54
 Abstain by proxy.
- VPLA Goldstein 46:59 Azizah Hinnawi.
- P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 47:00 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:02

- Senator Hunsaker 47:03 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:05
 Jenna Hymel.
- Senator Hymel 47:06 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:10 Twanna Lebeau.
- Senator LeBeau 47:11 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:14 Oscar Martinez
- P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 47:16
 Abstain by proxy.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:20 Chloe Metzler.
- Senator Metzler 47:22 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:25

Jordan Moss.

- Senator Moss 47:26 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:29
 Brendan Mott.
- Pro Tempore Mott 47:30 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:32 Henry Nguyen.
- Senator Nguyen 47:34 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:38
 Tara Rizzi.
- Senator Rizzi 47:43 Yes.
- Senator Rizzi 47:47

 Mohammed Mohiuddin Sakib.
- Senator Sakib 47:50 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:53

Naw Safrin, Sattar.

- Senator Sattar 47:55 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 47:56
 And Da' Yanah Smith.
- Senator Smith 47:58 Yes.
- VPLA Goldstein 48:06

So with a vote of 15 yeses, 0 nos, and 3 abstentions, Cooper Lemons is appointed to the position of Senator for the College of Liberal Arts. We can now move to open forum. This is where we discuss matters pertaining to betterment of SGA. We have 12 minutes.

Vice President Charles 48:48

This is from Madame President. Hey guys, please let me know if you're interested in participating in a faculty senate meeting. It will be amazing for us to get more support from an open line of communication with the faculty so if you would like to participate with the faculty senate meeting, please email Amber at sgapresident@uno.edu.

A Advisor Courseault 49:14

Tiffany, Advisor I just wanted to say that student affairs will be throwing a parade. I cant think of the actual dates but if SGA would like to participate in the parade, please let me know. Letting you know, I am signing SGA up, so please at least 5 people walk in the parade and I'll get some throws. And I think that that would be another great way to advertise that SGA is on campus and we're here for the student body. and I'll send out an email.

Senator Fornatoro 49:54

Brett Fornatoro, College of Liberal Arts, so from mention of the basketball game tomorrow, since of course we can't pass something by tomorrow, we should somehow be active at the game.

- Advisor Courseault 50:14
 Senator Fornatoro, I agree. Where is- is it going to be at the UNO arena?
- Senator Hunsaker 50:22

 Daniel Hunsaker, Junior-at-Large, it's at the arena and students get in free. You just have to show your UNO ID and it's like this giant- there's a student section that you can sit in and normally it's 10 guys but we want to get about 50.
- Advisor Courseault 50:44

 I was gonna say maybe we could bring the SGA tablecloth and hang it over the railing.
- Pro Tempore Mott 50:52
 Point of information-
- VPLA Goldstein 50:57 Twanna.
- Senator LeBeau 50:57

 Twanna LeBeau, College of Liberal Arts, usuasally at the basketball games in the student section, It gets a little hectic because of some fraternities there. And it makes me not want to sit in the student section. Because it's really heavy there ad it's rude.
- Senator Hunsaker 51:14

 Daniel Hunsaker, Junior-at-Large, I do acknowledge that but we have talked to President Nicklow numerous times and also the general manager of the arena about it and obviously we're not gonna do that, but I mean- obviously we're gonna be there to cheer on the team. But the athletics department and the fraternities have a roster of the other team and what you essentially do is taunt the other team, but we did not curse or anything like that.
- VPLA Goldstein 51:46
 Point of inquiry, VPLA Goldstein, do students have to sit in the student section?
- Senator LeBeau 51:54

No, we dont have to, but point of information, the things that the fraternaties do and say are very disrespectful and undermining not the other team but if- for instance for the homecoming game that they had, the things they were saying were basically racist against people of color. So that made me uncomfortable sitting in the student section especially since this is a diverse university so that's why I'd rather not sit in the student section.

A Advisor Courseault 53:11

Point of information, I love that idea, Brett. We have banner paper. We can- and I understand that we feel unsafe. We don't have go to the student section but if SGA could put a banner on the rails that says SGA supports the basketball team, I think that'd be great. But someone's going to need to make the banner.

- Senator LeBeau 53:34
 Me! Oh, I'm sorry.
- A Advisor Courseault 53:36

I'm in the office tomorrow. I have a paper, I have paint. We can just say SGA supports. And then someone can be responsible to go and hang it on the little rails.

Senator Smith 53:49

Point of inquiry, last question What's so big about this game tomorrow? Tell me.

- Senator Moss 53:55 Jordan Moss-
- Senator Hunsaker 53:57

Daniel Hunsaker, Junior-at-Large, so right now we're number one in the conference and we're playing the second best team.

- Senator Smith 54:04 Okay,
- VPLA Goldstein 54:04 and Katherine Goldstein, both teams, VPLA, if they win to can go-

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Senator Hunsaker 54:11

So if they win tomorrow, essentially they're going to get the number one seed in the conference and then they play a little conference game and the number one seed is probably going to make it to March Madness by winning the conference tournament.

- Senator Moss 54:25

 Jordan Moss, point of infromation.
- VPLA Goldstein 54:28

 So Daniel, can you- would you be willing to come get the banner and hang it up at the game since you're definitely going?
- Senator Hunsaker 54:34
 Yeah. I don't know how you could really like hang it up.
- Senator Hymel 54:43
 We're gonna use tape to put it on the rails.
- Senator Hunsaker 54:51 Oh yeah, ok.
- VPLA Goldstein 54:59

So there's not an official event but as many senators as possible that can attend, that would be great.

Advisor Courseault 55:10

This is just a point of inquiry,how many senators in here do not have a T-shirt or an SGA shirt? Okay.

Parliamentarian Hinnawi 55:26

Advisor Courseault 55:29

Okay, I'm gonna be sending out an email for your shirt sizes. We're gonna get you some shirts.

- Advisor Courseault 55:37
 Anyone have anything else?
- Senator Fornatoro 55:53

Brett Fornatoro, College of Liberal Arts, looking past the basketball game to future sporting events, I would definitely be interested in distributing certain funds that are allocated already or allocating new funds to sporting events.

- VPLA Goldstein 56:11
 For marketing SGA?
- Senator Fornatoro 56:13 yeah
- VPLA Goldstein 56:18

So, I guess going back to what Tiffany said, the budget is online and there's money allotted, so that can totally fall under marketing. So you have ideas for what?

- Senator Fornatoro 56:32

 How loose can we be with interpretations?

"okay you can do that" and I'll just send you the link.

- A Advisor Courseault 56:37

 It's \$5,000. What I can do is I can give you the vendor that SIL uses and we get a discount. So if you're interested I can just send- as a matter of fact, I'll send the vendors that we use to everyone and you can just get in the account for SGA, don't order anything. I still have to say
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- VPLA GOIUSLEIN 57:07
 I think he's I think he's asking how loosely, can we interpret the money.
- Senator Fornatoro 57:13
 Yeah
- A Advisor Courseault 57:15
 Oh, we can do cups we can do-
- VPLA Goldstein 57:18

 Doing thing in terms of at school?
- T-shirts!
- Senator Fornatoro 57:27
 What if we did the thing where people shoot at half court and if they make it they win money?
- Pro Tempore Mott 57:32
 Point of information we can't give away money.
- Advisor Courseault 57:35
 Yeah, because Louisiana has rules against that.
- Senator Hunsaker 57:44

 Point of information, Daniel Hunsaker, Junior-at-Large, I personally work with the guy that's in charge of athletics marketing we could definitely with an event somehow. He's definitely interested in doing that with all the fraternities and doing that with SGA.
- Parliamentarian Hinnawi 58:04

 Point of information from Jordan Moss, the game is also super important because not only are we the number one seed, we haven't been this good in a minute so they need to continue to

have as much support as possible. As a former athlete in the athletic department a lot of funding for underfunded sports (track and field one of the highest ranking sports on campus) rides on the success of the basketball team. So they need to continue.

- Senator LeBeau 58:31
 2016 to be exact, is the last time we went to March Madness.
- VPLA Goldstein 58:49
 Point of inquiry, what time are the games?
- Senator Hunsaker 59:00

 Daniel Hunsaker, Junior-at-Large, boy's game is at 7:30pm and girl's game is at 5:30pm.
- Senator LeBeau 59:15
 Twanna LeBeau, College of Liberal Arts, can we motion to adjourn the meeting?
- VPLA Goldstein 59:21
 Can I get a second?
- Parliamentarian Hinnawi 59:22
 Azizah Hinnawi, Garaduate-at-Large, I second.
- VPLA Goldstein 59:26
 So I've adjourn this meeting at 6:01pm. Thank you everyone.