



Senate Minutes  
October 20th, 2020  
Union Ballroom, 6:30 PM

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Roll Call**

- a. Present: 40
- b. Absent: 2
- c. Proxy: 8

**III. Approval of the Minutes**

**IV. Special Orders**

- a. Reports (5 minutes each)
  - i. Special Reports
  - ii. Advisor, Mary Skinner
    - 1. No report.
  - iii. Graduate Assistants, Ian O'Rourke and Katie Mahar
    - 1. No report.
  - iv. President, Julia Nall
    - 1. You can change your voter address until the 30<sup>th</sup> if you're registered in Arkansas.
    - 2. No candidate yard signs or chalking on campus.
    - 3. Thank you to everyone who participated in Homecoming! Check out the Chancellor's State of the University address.
  - v. Vice-President, Ben Cameron
    - 1. No report.
  - vi. Treasurer, Jissel Esparza
    - 1. Funding session this Thursday at noon.
    - 2. So far, we have allocated a little over \$7,000 to RSOs.
  - vii. Secretary, Emma Kate Dillon
    - 1. Newswire deadline is noon before the day it is due.
    - 2. Headshots are not on Thursday anymore, but there are new times in the group me.
    - 3. Promote the early voting graphics!
  - viii. Chief Justice, Adam Hagler
    - 1. Rebecca Carrol: One Homecoming expenditure report was incomplete due to an issue in the estimated costs section. It was appealed and they found an inconsistency in the instructions, so it was approved.
  - ix. GSC President, JD. D' Loreto-Hill
    - 1. No report.

- x. Cabinet Reports
  - 1. Chief of Staff, William Motazed
    - a. He encourages a good vote on the Re-Use Room Legislation.
    - b. NYT subscription kick off on Thursday.
    - c. Campus life resource fair on Wednesday.
    - d. VAC Pack the Pantry Drive – each branch will be assigned a hygiene item. If you bring one, you will be put into a raffle for a gift card.
  - xi. Membership Development Coordinator, Lexi Robertson
    - 1. Keep an eye out for your FLF mentee to reach out.
  - xii. Chair of the Senate, Caleb Parker
    - 1. Make sure to get your headshot taken.
    - 2. Keep on reaching out about legislation ideas.

**V. Appointments, Nominations, and Elections**

- a. Student Safety Commission Nominations and Speeches
  - i. Senator Sutton (Senator Simpson)
  - ii. Senator Eichenberger (Senator Jones)
- b. Period of Voting

**VI. Public Comment (3 at 2 minutes each)**

**VII. Old Business**

**VIII. New Business**

- a. ASG Senate Resolution No. 3- A Resolution Supporting the Expansion of the Grade Forgiveness Policy in the Wake of the COVID-19 Pandemic
  - i. Author(s): Senator Matthew Pollard
  - ii. Sponsor(s): Senator Harrison Davis, Senator Ben Turner
    - 1. Period of Authorship
      - a. Right now, we get 9 hours of grade forgiveness. This resolution would ask to change that number to 12 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.
      - b. Question of if he asked the Director of Academics in Cabinet.
      - c. Answer of no.
      - d. Question of if this will extend to when the COVID-19 pandemic is over.
      - e. Answer that right now, the resolution is focused on just the COVID-19 pandemic.
      - f. Question of if its 9 hours for four years.
      - g. Answer is yes. OSU and LSU provide up to 18 hours. The minimum he saw anywhere was 12 hours.
      - h. Referred to Academics Committee.

- b. ASG Senate Resolution No. 4- A Resolution to Support the Creation of the ReUse Room
  - i. Author(s): Senator Jack Switzer, Director of Sustainability Sydney Golding, Senator Sophie Hill
  - ii. Sponsor(s): Senator John Richards, Senator Gabi Gies, Senator Kathleen Bridgforth, Senator Lily Jones
    - 1. Period of Authorship
      - a. The ReUse room would be where students could come to get school supplies and small electronics. It would alleviate some of the financial burden that comes along with college. Portland State has a similar program that is very stressful.
      - b. This is similar to the OER program ASG has been working on. We can't lower to cost of tuition at the U of A but doing something like this can help each semester.
      - c. It hits all 3 pillars of sustainability: economic, social, and environmental. This aligns with the U of A's goal to divert waste from landfills.
      - d. After passed, there would be tabling drives in the Union. Once there is a large enough demand and school supplies, the goal would be to create its own room.
      - e. Question of if the room is created, would you foresee an ASG agent being created for it?
      - f. Answer that it was assumed to be run on a volunteer basis or have the director of sustainability oversee the room.
      - g. Question of if this is yearlong project or just at the beginning of the semester.
      - h. Answer that it will function as a pilot program during the first year and be located in the ASG office. If all goes well, there would hopefully be a room in the Union and function similarly to Boss Hog Outfitters.
      - i. Referred to Campus Life Committee.

**IX. Announcements**

- a. Senate Leadership meeting afterwards.

**X. Adjournment**