

Senate Minutes March 16th, 2021 Union Ballroom, 6:30 PM

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

- a. Present: 39
- b. Absent: 8
- c. Proxy: 3

III. Approval of the Minutes

IV. Special Orders

- a. Reports (5 minutes each)
 - i. Special Reports
 - ii. Advisor, Mary Skinner
 - 1. At this time, we don't think COVID guidelines on campus will change or go away.
 - 2. All faculty and staff on campus were given the opportunity to get the vaccine.
 - iii. Graduate Assistants, Ian O'Rourke and Katie Mahar
 - 1. No report.
 - iv. President, Julia Nall
 - 1. Group 1C is now open for vaccines. This means if you live in a dorm or Greek house, you can get vaccinated.
 - 2. There are a lot of big cabinet events coming up. Go support your fellow ASG agents.
 - v. Vice-President, Ben Cameron
 - 1. Faculty of the year nominations will be open until next Tuesday. Share the graphic and encourage your friends to nominate people.
 - 2. If you are interested in serving on the selection committee for this, reach out to Ben.
 - vi. Treasurer, Jissel Esparza
 - 1. There is a funding session this Thursday at 4pm. It is the second to last one.
 - 2. The last funding session will be next Monday at 3.
 - 3. The deadline to submit a budget is March 24th at 5pm.
 - vii. Secretary, Emma Kate Dillon
 - 1. Director of Marketing Nate Martinez
 - a. Next week Nate will be meeting with us about sending out emails to our respective colleges.

- b. Make sure you have a headshot for Senate next week.
- viii. Chief Justice, Adam Hagler
 - 1. No report.
- ix. GPSC President, JD DiLoreto-Hill
 - 1. No report.
- x. Cabinet Reports
 - 1. Chief of Staff, William Motazedi
 - a. ASG Day is Thursday from 12-2.
 - b. There will be a table tomorrow at the Sooie involvement fair.
 - c. On Thursday there will be an ASG Alumni Society kick off event.
- xi. Membership Development Coordinator, Lexi Robertson
 - 1. The Sooie involvement fair is tomorrow. Sign up to help on the link Elijah Conley sent in the group me.
 - 2. ASG Day is Thursday from 12-2. We need at least two senators there at all times.
 - 3. The next All Call is next Tuesday at 5. We will be talking about how to incorporate diversity and inclusion into our work as ASG agents.
 - 4. There is a stereotype training on blackboard right now that will only take around 30 minutes. Take advantage of this opportunity.
- xii. Chair of the Senate, Caleb Parker
 - 1. ASG Senate Proclamation No. 1- A Proclamation Recognizing Dr. Jeffrey Allen Murdock
 - a. Author(s): Chair of Senate Caleb Parker, Director of Lifetime Engagement and President of Inspirational Chorale Nicole Dominguez
 - b. Sponsor(s): Senator Lily Jones, Senator Kathleen Bridgforth
 - c. Period of Voting
 - i. Vote Carries: 29 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain

V. Appointments, Nominations, and Elections

VI. Public Comment (3 at 2 minutes each)

a. Will Motazedi: Alex Alvarez brought this issue of gender inclusive housing to ASG's attention in September. He wants to emphasize the importance of this bill.

VII. Old Business

a. ASG Senate Resolution No. 17- A Resolution to Support the Re-Opening of Professional Photo Sessions by the Career Development Center

- i. Author(s): Gerson Fajardo AMP, Senator Mary Eichenberger
- ii. Sponsor(s): Senator Abigail Lindsey, Senator Grant Smith, Senator Maddie Jones, Senator Holland Harvat, Senator Gabi Gies
 - 1. Campus Life Committee Report Senator Jones
 - a. Recommended to pass as written.
 - 2. Period of Authorship
 - a. It is time to open up this resource for students. Our university has great COVID numbers right now, and phase 1C for vaccinations just started.
 - b. This service would still follow CDC guidelines to keep everyone safe.
 - c. Question of if there is someone whose job it is just to take the pictures or would they have to hire a new photographer.
 - d. Answer that from his understanding there is someone who is already employed that would take the photos.
 - 3. Period of Voting
 - a. Vote Carries: 41 Pass, 0 Fail, 1 Abstain
- b. ASG Senate Resolution No. 18- A Resolution to Implement Gender Inclusive Housing
 - i. Author(s): Senator Hope Davenport, Lavender Society President Toby Klein, Deputy Director of Diversity and Inclusion Alex Alvarez, Director of Residential Outreach Kirstin Ryan
 - ii. Sponsor(s): Senator Colton Simpson
 - 1. Campus Life Committee Report Senator Jones
 - a. Recommended to pass as written.
 - b. They are excited to see more legislation and policies about this in the future.
 - 2. Period of Authorship
 - a. They want to reiterate the importance of passing this legislation and showing that ASG and our senate support this.
 - b. This will help make future students feel like they don't have to change to fit in at this university.
 - c. Question of where the money would come from to have this.
 - d. Answer that there wouldn't be a need for additional funding since we already have the housing capabilities it would just be choosing where it would go.
 - e. Question of if any other universities do this already.

- f. Answer that the University of Indiana, Vanderbilt, University of Kentucky, and Mizzou have options like this for their students.
- 3. Period of Voting
 - a. Vote Carries: 28 Pass, 7 Fail, 7 Abstain

VIII. New Business

- i. ASG Senate Bill No. 9- The ASG Standing Rules Presentation Bill of 2021
 - 1. Author(s): Senator Brooklynn Warren, Senator Colton Simpson
 - 2. Sponsor(s): Senator Hope Davenport, Senator Max Sutton
 - a. Period of Authorship
 - i. The purpose of this bill is to have OFA and ASGJ come speak at the beginning of the school year to introduce themselves to the branch.
 - ii. This would encourage senators to know and understand what is going on in other branches.
 - b. Referred to Internal Affairs Committee.

IX. Announcements

- a. 2021-2022 Chair of Senate Announcement
 - i. Congrats Jack Switzer!
- X. Adjournment