

Minutes of the

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION SENATE

OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

APRIL 21, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

1. This meeting was called to order by Acting Speaker Allen at 2:05pm in the HSC (Holmes Student Center) Sky Room.
2. We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the Peoria, Kaskaskia, Piankashaw, Wea, Miami, Mascoutin, Odawa, Sauk, Mesquaki, Kickapoo, Potawatomi, Ojibwe, and Chickasaw Nations
3. **Voting Members Present:** O'Brien, Gibbons, Hensley, English, Colvin, Ashton, Woodward, Allen, Olson, Perez-Hernandez, Althoff, Musgraves, Corpuz, Douglass, Babcock, Ramos, Rogers
4. **Voting members Absent:** Kolawole, Jovanovich, Martin
5. **Voting members Excused:**

**VERIFICATION OF QUORUM**

1. Quorum is met.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. There are none.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Acting Speaker Allen moves to approve 4-7-2023 and last week's senate meeting minutes.
2. So moved.
3. Seconded.
4. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.
5. There is none.
6. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote.
7. The motion is passed, and the minutes are approved. 2:06pm

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

1. Acting Speaker Allen moves to approve the agenda.
2. So moved.
3. Seconded.
4. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.
5. There is none.
6. Acting Speaker Allen requests a motion to move new business a-c to old business g-i.
7. So moved.
8. Seconded.
9. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.
10. There is none.
11. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote.
12. Vote passes business is moved.
13. Acting Speaker Allen requests a motion to move old business h to old business b.

14. So moved.
15. Seconded.
16. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.
17. There is none.
18. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote.
19. Vote passes business is moved.
20. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote to approve the agenda.
21. The motion is passed, and the agenda is approved. 2:07pm

## **SPEAKER REPORT**

1. Acting Speaker Allen states
  - a. “Hello Senators,
  - b. This week I have taken over the role of Speaker as well as completing my roles as Deputy Speaker. With that in mind I have gotten a lot done this week starting with going over transition materials with former Speaker Dallas and beginning an outline for my own ideas for what the senate needs to uphold in the next year. I think it’s important to state that everyone here is a student. We have been in a state of recovery for the last year, but the upcoming year is going to have specific needs for reforming us to the activities of pre-pandemic Senators. We likewise are getting used to the HuskieHub system, but I have been working on some fixes for our options for repairs to the way the site serves finances specifically supplemental funding request alongside our web administrator, our accountant, and many other web administrators who I began meeting starting Wednesday as Deputy Speaker and into Thursday. It is fair to the say the members of

administrator want to act alongside student government to accomplish a lot the head of the rec, athletics, the GRC, and the LRC have all shared their interest in cooperating with us on projects that we workshopped I also reached out to the heads of the Greek councils so if you know them please ask the IFC, MGC, NPHC, and Panhellenic President or treasurers to reach out to me through the email I sent them. Student Involvement on campus is the center of those communications. Financially we will be at a deficit next year so we won't be able to do many of the events we lucked out with this year as well as many of the orgs that used our supplemental funding which is why I think the next administration should aim for unification. Another project I have taken up in that effort is to make the downstairs space that a few have seen into an organization gathering and planning space. If you have not finished your service hours and legislation you will be missing out on some stuff. I am narrowing down the list of candidates for Senator of the year so if you want to be on that list make sure you submit all of your documentation. Next week I will be much busier filing everything so if you need to meet with me set it up sooner rather than later. Thank you to everyone who participated in the trash cleanups around campus. I went to the rec today and it was looking much better. Thank you also to Chairperson Jovanovich and Senator Kolawole for submitting those pictures I have been posting stuff to Instagram so please submit stuff the same, so I don't have to make as many doodles. Lastly this week I attended a few of the Vice President for Academic Affairs candidate meetings and I have a lot of hope for whoever fulfills that role. I may have to leave this meeting early as I have a meeting with member of council

of the river band of Potawatomi but as that will be my first ever absence, I hope y'all can hold some space for me."

2. Historian Babcock is recognized.

3. Historian Babcock states.

a. Point of information you missed Special report.

## **SPECIAL REPORT**

1. There are none.

## **OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER REPORT**

### **A. Deputy Speaker's Report**

1. There are none.

### **B. Historian's Report**

1. Historian Babcock is recognized.

2. Historian Babcock states.

a. I have worked with Acting Speaker Allen to move into the Speaker role.

b. In the meantime I would like to remind the following Senators to please get their transition materials to me by the end of the day: Chairperson Ashton and Chairperson Rogers. There are also a number of Executive Branch members I have not received transition materials from, and I will be sending out a reminder email to all of them. The only one I have received from Executive Branch is Chief of Staff Innis

### **C. Clerk's Report**

1. Clerk English is recognized.

2. Clerk English states

a. Faculty Senate report

- i. Election of Faculty Senate and University Chair next meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> at 3pm for Ben Creed
- ii. University Advisory Committee of the Board of Trustees will be giving a report.
- iii. Social Justice Committee will be giving a report.
- iv. Operating Staff Council will be giving a report.
- v. Supportive Professional Staff Council will be giving a report.
- vi. And Student government

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

A. Chairperson of Board of Elections' report

- 1. Chairperson of Board of Elections Olson is recognized.
- 2. Chairperson Olson states
  - a. Special election has concluded.
  - b. I want to congratulate all 7 candidates. You will be receiving a confirmation email later today.
  - c. SGA [Student Government Association] inauguration this May 11<sup>th</sup> 4-7pm  
Altgeld

B. Chairperson of Environmental Affairs' report

- 1. Chairperson of Environmental Affairs Jovanovich is recognized.
- 2. Chairperson Jovanovich states
  - a. We ran a lot of earth week events over 30 bags of trash.

b. Lagoon restoration ending at 5:30pm though possibly earlier.

C. Chairperson of Campus Life and Greek Affairs' report

1. There are none.

D. Chairperson of Public Affairs' report

1. There are none.

E. Chairperson of Organizational Oversight's report

1. There are none.

F. Chairperson of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion's report

1. There are none.

## **EXECUTIVE REPORT**

A. President's report

1. There are none.

B. Vice-President's report

1. There are none.

C. Treasurer's report

1. There are none.

D. Deputy Treasurer's report

1. There are none.

E. Chief of Staff's report

1. There are none.

## **CABINET REPORT**

A. Director of Diversity, Equity and, Inclusion

1. There are none.

B. Director of Organizational Development

1. There are none.

C. Director of Athletics

1. There are none.

D. Director of Student Life

1. There are none.

E. Director of Public Affairs

1. There are none.

F. Director of Academic Affairs

1. There are none.

G. Director of Community Engagement and Environmental Affairs

1. There are none.

**OLD BUISNESS**

A. SR54037

1. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a motion to discuss agenda item A. A resolution to reference the Bylaws in the Constitution so that updates to the number of Senate seats no longer require two (2) pieces of legislation.
2. So moved.
3. Seconded.
4. Clerk English is recognized.
5. Clerk English introduces the bill.

- a. A resolution to reference the Bylaws in the Constitution so that updates to the number of Senate seats no longer require two (2) pieces of legislation.
  - b. OK you guys had three weeks to look this over hasn't changed in all three of those weeks. This just instead of the Constitution stating a specific number, it points to the election bylaws that can be updated instead of requiring 2 pieces of legislation.
6. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.
7. There is none.
8. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote. 12 yays // 0 nays // 0 abstain 2:16pm

B. SR54043

1. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a motion to discuss agenda item B. A resolution to nominate candidates for the 2023 Senate Speaker Election
2. So moved.
3. Seconded.
4. Acting Speaker Allen is recognized.
5. Acting Speaker Allen introduces the bill.
  - a. This is a resolution to nominate candidates for the 2023 Speaker election. The Speaker shall be chosen by the Senate and serve one year term in office. My term of office is set to expire on May 5th. The Senate must have a speaker and only those properly nominated may take part in the elections. Thus anyone who wants to nominate someone can do so now.
6. Senator Douglass is recognized.
7. Senator Douglass states

- a. I'd like to nominate Speaker Allen.
8. Acting Speaker Allen is recognized.
9. Acting Speaker Allen states
  - a. I accept.
10. Senator Colvin is recognized.
11. Senator Colvin states
  - a. I'd like to nominate Chairperson Hensley.
12. Chairperson Hensley is recognized.
13. Chairperson Hensley states
  - a. I accept.
14. Senator Douglass is recognized.
15. Senator Douglass states
  - a. Question for the Senate, who is not graduating and would be eligible to run just out of curiosity?
  - b. OK. Thank you. Also, just as a point of information, you can nominate yourself.
16. Historian Babcock is recognized.
17. Historian Babcock states
  - a. You want to add the names to the legislation.
18. Senator O'Brien is recognized.
19. Senator O'Brien states
  - a. I would like to nominate Senator Corpus.
20. Sergeant at Arms Corpuz is recognized.

21. Sergeant at Arms Corpuz states

a. I accept.

22. Chairperson Rogers is recognized.

23. Chairperson Rogers states

a. I'd like to nominate Senator Musgraves.

24. Senator Musgraves is recognized.

25. Senator Musgraves states

a. I accept.

26. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote. 16 yays // 0 nays // 0 abstains 2:20pm

#### C. SR54038

1. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a motion to discuss agenda item C. A resolution for an amendment that fixes general issues with the SGA [Student Government Association] Constitution.

2. So moved.

3. Seconded.

4. Clerk English is recognized.

5. Clerk English introduces the bill.

a. We've talked about this one a little bit and actually going over it the past couple of weeks we've noticed something that should be on there.

b. OK it's already on there never mind I rescind comment.

c. It changes the constitution to be more correct and the same formatting throughout

6. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.

7. There is none.

8. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote. 18 yays // 0 nays // 0 abstains 2:22pm

D. SR54039

1. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a motion to discuss agenda item D. A resolution to grant official recognition to student organizations.

2. So moved.

3. Seconded.

4. Chairperson Hensley is recognized.

5. Chairperson Hensley introduces the bill.

a. As discussed last week they all passed OO two weeks ago.

6. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.

7. There is none.

8. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote. 18 yays // 0 nays // 0 abstains 2:24pm

E. SR54040

1. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a motion to discuss agenda item E. A resolution to confirm members of the 55th Session Cabinet.

2. So moved.

3. Seconded.

4. Acting Speaker Allen is recognized.

5. Acting Speaker Allen introduces the bill.

a. Student association cabinet is created by the President to help them in their duties we talked about this last week is there any further discussion?

6. Senator Douglass is recognized.

7. Senator Douglass states

a. Since I couldn't last week, I do fully endorse this candidate.

8. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote. 14 yays // 3 nays // 1 abstains 2:26pm

F. SB54037

1. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a motion to discuss agenda item E. A bill to update the Bylaws to update seat reassignment process to clarify the procedure for updating the number of seats.

2. So moved.

3. Seconded.

4. Clerk English is recognized.

5. Clerk English introduces the bill.

a. This one was discussed last week, it's the same thing. There are numbers set in there that future sessions feel like they need to change it they can, but this reflects other student government bodies that have representative seating. As well as making sure that at a minimum each college gets one Senator as well as making sure that there are seats at a minimum required, it also adds Staff for the Board of Elections but not too many.

6. Senator Martin is recognized.

7. Senator Martin states

a. I was going to ask for a little bit more specifics please.

8. Clerk English is recognized.

9. Clerk English states

- a. do you want specifics in general or do you want specifics on something specific?

10. Senator Martin is recognized.

11. Senator Martin states

- a. specifics in general please

12. Clerk English is recognized.

13. Clerk English states

- a. The big thing that it changes for the Board of Elections is that when they meet for the Board of Elections stuff planning, they also need to reach out to the office of enrollment and marketing and communications to get the projected students for next year so they can use those numbers in their calculations the calculations are as follows.
- b. the maximum number of seats shall not exceed 75 the minimum shall not be less than 21 there shall be one seat for each college one for each Graduate School two for university housing seven for underserved communities which is one for each underserved center as well as four for at large Senators.
- c. There is a minimum reserved for 20% underserved and a minimum of 20% for university at large these seats will be decided based on the housing and enrollment data which we gotten from the office of enrollment and marketing communications the rate will be 1000 students per seats it is acknowledged that there might be students who change their major from the projected numbers or are in multiple majors however there should be a small fact and B

and if it is a big effect it will be reflected in the next sessions after that so it should fix itself.

- d. It then deletes its old stuff which are all the specific things with specific numbers.
- e. for spring elections it changes the number to a percentage so that way it's flexible with the amount of seats

14. Senator Douglass is recognized.

15. Senator Douglass states

- a. I do have one more question for you Clerk English in #6 when it talks about where the data comes from do you want to put a timeline in there on when we'll be collected or which academic year the data is pulled from. I would assume it's in the spring, but do we want to set a specific date.

16. Clerk English is recognized.

17. Clerk English states

- a. That's a good idea.
- b. I make a motion to modify the language of Part 2 article three section 1A 6 to read everything it says except after marketing and communications put, "for the next academic year by the end of January" this means it would read in total "the rest of the seats shall be filled based on the enrolled and housing data from the enrollment management and marketing and communications office for the next academic year and shall be done by January 31<sup>st</sup>"
- c. Historian Babcock is recognized.
- d. Historian Babcock states

- i. It might make it easier to have it say something along the lines of using the most up-to-date version of the enrollment data. This way you don't get too bogged down in the timeline.
- e. Clerk English is recognized.
- f. Clerk English states
  - i. Are you saying instead of saying the next academic year say the current data from the enrollment marketing communications office?
- g. Historian Babcock is recognized.
- h. Historian Babcock states
  - i. Yep, I'm saying you could say something like this based on the enrollment and housing data gathered from the office of enrollment management marketing communications that is most up to date and shall be completed by... the rest of the statement.
- i. Clerk English is recognized.
- j. Clerk English states
  - i. The friendly amendment is accepted.
  - ii. So now in total it reads the rest of the seats shall be filled on enrollment and housing data gathered from the division of enrollment management, marketing and communications from the most current enrollment and housing data this shall be done by the 31st of January such that there is one seat for every thousand (1000) students rounded to the nearest whole number seat."
- k. Motion is approved.

1. Wording is added.
18. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.
19. There is none.
20. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote. 16 yays // 0 nays // 1 abstains 2:36pm

G. SR54041

1. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a motion to discuss agenda item F. A resolution to clarify and define selection criteria for Supreme Court Justices
2. So moved.
3. Seconded.
4. Clerk English is recognized.
5. Clerk English introduces the bill.
  - a. A resolution to clarify and define selection criteria for Supreme Court Justices
  - b. Motion to change the wording.
  - c. A6 S4.C, change, "The Chief Justice shall ensure that the list is updated and shared with the President and the Speaker of the SGA [Student Government Association] on bi-semester basis." to "The Chief Justice shall ensure that the list is updated and shared with the President and the Speaker of the SGA [Student Government Association] within the first four (4) weeks of each semester."
    - i. Second
    - ii. Motion passes
  - d. Historian Babcock is recognized.

- e. Historian Babcock states
  - i. I think this is a really good piece of legislation and I'm glad you reached out.
- f. Acting Speaker Allen states
  - i. We are still in the motion to add the language.
- g. Motion passes and wording is changed.
- 6. Historian Babcock is recognized.
- 7. Historian Babcock states
  - a. This is a good piece of legislation. I'm glad you were able to reach out with Chief Justice Jarvis on this. Did she have any other comments on the legislation as a whole?
- 8. Clerk English is recognized.
- 9. Clerk English states
  - a. Last meeting the only thing that she had not had time to approve was the section that we just talked about everything else she did approve last meeting.
- 10. Senator O'Brien is recognized.
- 11. Senator O'Brien states
  - a. the only problem with this is that we might run into some issues with the First Amendment specifically the freedom of association and this could infringe on people's freedoms to associate with people of the same belief I don't think that's something we should just overlook.
- 12. Senator Douglass is recognized.
- 13. Senator Douglass states

- a. that doesn't automatically conflate with being an elected position which you do not have a right to it's a voluntary position, so I don't think we we'll have issues with that.

14. Historian Babcock is recognized.

15. Historian Babcock states

- a. We have also consulted student legal services with that, and we won't have any issues appropriate concern, but we don't have to worry about it in this case.

16. Senator Colvin is recognized.

17. Senator Colvin states

- a. my one concern with this with section two I would having the Supreme Court Justices in the same organization having the Justices in a larger organization such as an honors organization could be too wide of a nut that might be restrictive against being able to have a Supreme Court.
- b. They might not have the same beliefs, but they could be in the same organization, so I have a bit of a concern with organization in general look at honors or organization.

18. Clerk English is recognized.

19. Clerk English states

- a. To your point you kind of said it when you were talking the honors program is not considered an organization, I know there are other ones that might be there but could you give some examples of other ones so we can talk about those specifically.

20. Senator Colvin is recognized.

21. Senator Colvin states

- a. off the top of my head Greek honors organization order of Omega I know that's a very large organization on campus though that's not an organization that meets all the time but that would fall into this

22. Senator Douglass is recognized.

23. Senator Douglass states

- a. I think that's a good point, but the point of this legislation is to prevent a conflict of interest with any or that the SGA [Student Government Association] oversees the honors organization you mentioned do you know off the top of your head if they're SGA [Student Government Association] recognized.
- b. typically this would regard organizations that are on Husky hub under our supervision.

24. Clerk English is recognized.

25. Clerk English states

- a. I make a motion to change the wording of section 2A i and A ii of “the same organizations” to “the same SGA recognized organizations.”
- b. Second
- c. Senator O’Brien is recognized.
- d. Senator O’Brien states
  - i. What do we do with candidates that are in mock trial organization  
yeah that's an organization that's run by the SGA [Student Government

Association] but there are a lot of candidates who might be interested in Supreme Court Justice that are in that organization?

e. Clerk English is recognized.

f. Clerk English states

i. Talking with Chief Justice Jarvis she recognized that there could be an issue but also in fairness to others on campus it's not fair to have one org is not able to go to the Supreme Court. While yes it does run in line with it it's not foundational and is not required for it so your line of thinking is there are enough candidates out there that aren't in mock trial that we should also open that one because if we open up that one then there are a bunch of other tangentially related once

ii. I understand your point. I brought that point up to Chief Justice Jarvis as well, but they brought up the point that if we allow one, we allow a lot more.

iii. Her line of thinking was that there's enough candidates out there that aren't in mock trial that we shouldn't eliminate so it would also include mock trial.

g. Historian Babcock is recognized.

h. Historian Babcock states

i. I was able to confirm that the Order of Omega was on Husky Hub, so they are SGA [Student Government Association] recognized.

ii. to everyone's concern it would be a bigger problem if we were not allowing Supreme Court Justices to come out of the same school that

would be a problem but there are a ton of other organizations that still have to deal with Justice and in the department of law there's a United Nations mark Illinois so other than mock trial there are plenty of other orgs on campus that support and or go in line with Supreme Court Justice governmental stuff

iii. Even if someone does come up there are other opportunities for them to get involved in other opportunities in a different way.

i. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

j. Senator O'Brien states

i. We don't have candidates, that's why they haven't been able to meet.

That's part of what I've spoken on in the past. SGA [Student Government Association] doesn't have the best name out there. So we could go to these organizations that are similar to the Supreme Court and start recording to there shouldn't be an issue if there's three mock trials could be for the career but that might be an issue but

ii. We may run into the issue that the one org is the one we can't vote on but

k. Clerk English is recognized.

l. Clerk English states

i. point of order we're still in the motion to discuss changing it to add SGA [Student Government Association] recognized orgs.

m. Acting Speaker Allen states

i. It is discussing that change.

- n. Senator O'Brien is recognized.
- o. Senator O'Brien states
  - i. It still pertains.
- p. Acting Speaker Allen states
  - i. I'm also a prelaw student and I'm not in any organizations on campus but I'm here but you're correct who we should be going through those types of organizations to find candidates that advertising has been an issue and you have goals alongside that.
- q. Historian Babcock is recognized.
- r. Historian Babcock states
  - i. There are multiple orgs we could recruit from the ones I listed I'm sure there are more that I can think of off the top of my head but there are plenty of orgs we can recruit from they don't all have to be from the same source, and I don't think we will run into an issue there.
- s. Passes
- t. Words are changed.

26. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

27. Senator O'Brien states

- a. It's just so hard and tricky because I know there are other orgs we can recruit from we want young faces and I would hate for there to be a freshman or a sophomore that's really involved in mock trial and have them not be able to run for the position just because they're part of that org if that makes sense I

would hate to run into that issue so I'm just trying to prevent that from the  
long run

28. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

29. Chairperson Jovanovich states

a. Would you recommend a friendly amendment?

30. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

31. Senator O'Brien states

a. Like you come up with one

32. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

33. Chairperson Jovanovich states

a. If mock trial is where you see the most conflicts maybe, we could specify that  
like make an exception.

34. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

35. Senator O'Brien states

a. I just really wouldn't know how to word that because as Historian Babcock  
has said there are multiple organizations that deal with justice that's why I  
have a problem with the order SGA [Student Government Association] is  
recognized organizations as a whole I don't know if you want to just put in  
that topic justice and law or how you want to do that.

36. Historian Babcock is recognized.

37. Historian Babcock states

- a. It would also require the members of the Supreme Court who are in that organization to then stay in that organization people change what orgs they are part of all the time.

38. Clerk English is recognized.

39. Clerk English states

- a. Nothing requires the Justices to stay in the current orgs that they are in

40. Historian Babcock is recognized.

41. Historian Babcock states

- a. That's what I'm saying it requires everyone to stay in the same organization for their entirety.

42. Acting Speaker Allen states

- a. no it's basically like you're in an organization it's listed the next year if you're no longer in that organization you state that.

43. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

44. Chairperson Jovanovich states

- a. just for clarification if you were planning to run and you knew you had a conflict because you were a member of a particular organization and you were in an organization would swing the Supreme Court Justice majority whisper particular side could you drop out of the organization and still run.

45. Clerk English is recognized.

46. Clerk English states

- a. Yes, we obviously wouldn't encourage that because then you would be specifically breaking against the integrity against it but nothing in this bill specifically stops that.

47. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

48. Senator Kolawole states

- a. Suppose we do have the Supreme Court Justices, does that mean we all can't join the same organization.

49. Acting Speaker Allen states

- a. are you talking about here in the Senate or in the Supreme Court

50. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

51. Senator Kolawole states

- a. the Supreme Court

52. Acting Speaker Allen states

- a. If both Justices wanted to join an organization, they could not.

53. Clerk English is recognized.

54. Clerk English states

- a. all it affects is when they are nominated and when they are approved so if they are already on Supreme Court, it does not affect them all it affects is when we are voting and when the President nominates sent to Senate.

55. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

56. Senator Kolawole states

- a. Correct me if you're wrong. I thought you were trying to undo the conflict of interest that currently exists. If they are supposedly in this position and then decide to join in or does that not go against the objective of this legislation

57. Clerk English is recognized.

58. Clerk English states

- a. what this bill is trying to do is prevent conflicts of interest in the future of popping up it does not prevent any current conflict of interest from popping up such as my trial which has three members from popping up

59. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

60. Senator Kolawole states

- a. I'm kind of conflicted because I'm just trying to be objective here if I'm not going to be able to run first supreme Justice just because I'm involved any particular organization it is prohibiting me from joining various orgs on campus.

61. Senator Douglass is recognized.

62. Senator Douglass states

- a. It sucks to tell people that they can't just based on other affiliations.
- b. But we have other restrictions we have GPA requirements we have unofficial levels to how busy people can be if you're a paid employee of SG [Student Government] there are a lot of considerations not just for us but for the university there are a lot of state and federal requirements all those are in place to prevent future problems and that's all that this legislation is doing its preventing future conflicts of interest of Supreme Court Justices.

- c. I believe the pros outweigh the cons and I will be voting for this bill.

63. Chairperson Hensley is recognized.

64. Chairperson Hensley states

- a. We haven't had an issue of Justices apply the most Justices we've had is 3 or 4.
- b. I don't understand the writing of this bill in session two if someone is in mock trial and there's only two Justices the third one who is also part of mock trial we wouldn't be able to meet quorum and I think that's a problem I think this bill you know if we have a bunch of nominations it would make sense but right now it's not the time because of that I'm voting no

65. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

66. Senator O'Brien states

- a. I agree as we go through this time when we're trying to build up SGA [Student Government Association], we can't increase the barriers of entry to this organization we want to get more people involved we want to spread it and I think this is something that would exclude candidates.

67. Senator Perez-Hernandez is recognized.

68. Senator Perez-Hernandez states

- a. I don't quite feel the same I feel this bill would actually give more opportunities for students who wanted to join and are in different organizations this way we can have more students who have different interests to represent the SGA [Student Government Association] when discussing a meeting and to have a more diverse and representative Supreme Court.

- b. Having this more open invites more students to apply for this position.

69. Clerk English is recognized.

70. Clerk English states

- a. to Senator O'Brien's and Chairperson Hensley's point yes we don't have a ton of applicants right now but I would rather build foundation of a Supreme Court on stronger more future looking principles than we just need people now so we're going to slack and standards I think it's better to say we want the Supreme Court to always meet so that's what we're going to have in place so that's why I read it like this

71. Chairperson Hensley is recognized.

72. Chairperson Hensley states

- a. I'd have to disagree I'd rather have a Supreme Court be able to rule on 199 than not be able to rule on all 200 because they don't make quorum for one.

73. Clerk English is recognized.

74. Clerk English states

- a. I mean right now they do there's four right now and they can, so they currently do meet quorum and hopefully we have a lot of young members so hopefully even if we get only one or two next year the year after that we'll continue to always have quorum I understand your concern that this is another barrier detention but I don't think it's too high of a barrier to cross.

75. Senator Althoff is recognized.

76. Senator Althoff states

- a. The only reason we have quorum right now is because we have two students from the same order.

77. Clerk English is recognized.

78. Clerk English states

- a. yes, but also first of all we have three from mock trial yes but that doesn't mean that they'd always be the case so Brian to it we haven't been recruiting from various organizations and I think that's an issue we have not gone out and asked for candidates, so I think if we start going out and asking for candidates, we'll get more nominations.

79. Senator Althoff is recognized.

80. Senator Althoff states

- a. for members of Supreme Court where do you start recruiting from my idea for recruiting will be mock trial because that's where we get most of the Supreme Court Justices

81. Clerk English is recognized.

82. Clerk English states

- a. As the story in Babcock and Senator O'Brien brought out model UN model Illinois various different law organizations on campus, we have not done any recruiting for it to my knowledge in this session so to do literally any unveils 3 orgs that we talked to you today would be a great start.

83. Chairperson Rogers is recognized.

84. Chairperson Rogers states

- a. yeah, I think that political science society pre-Law Society would be a great way to reach out to that they have different events we could go to and advertise that'd be a good PA thing.

85. Senator Douglass is recognized.

86. Senator Douglass states

- a. When I did outreach first the Supreme Court was typically to the College of law, we got Chief Justice Jarvis from that those are the departments I looked at.
- b. The advantage to department is that it is not student organization.

87. Acting Speaker Allen states

- a. A challenge we have is outreach or you have a new PA so there's an Ave. for that.

88. Senator Douglass is recognized.

89. Senator Douglass states

- a. just as a point of order this is constitutional amendment, so it does require 2/3 majority to pass.

90. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote. 10 yays // 9 // 0 abstains 3:01pm

91. Failed to pass.

H. SR54042

1. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a motion to discuss agenda item G. A resolution to grant official recognition to student organizations.
2. So moved.
3. Seconded.

4. Chairperson Hensley is recognized.
5. Chairperson Hensley introduces the bill.
  - a. These orgs came up to oh last Wednesday they are both approved they both had their Presidents come to our meeting I believe both orgs have the NDC [Non -Discrimination Clause] which was the issue we mostly see besides that they meet all of the SGA [Student Government Association] requirements.
6. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.
7. There is none.
8. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote. 18 yays // 0 nays // 1 abstains 3:02pm

I. SR54044

1. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a motion to discuss agenda item I. A resolution to confirm members of the 55th Session Cabinet.
2. So moved.
3. Seconded.
4. Sergeant at Arms Corpuz is recognized.
5. Sergeant at Arms Corpuz states
  - a. Point of order I could not find this on the original agenda, it is on the updated one.
6. Acting Speaker Allen is recognized.
7. Acting Speaker Allen introduces the bill.
  - a. This is a resolution that was chosen by the President to select a cabinet to assist them in their duties all directors must be appointed by the Senate we will hear two first the director of student life and then for the Chief of Staff.

8. Senator Colvin is recognized.

9. Senator Colvin states

- a. Or divider I don't believe we ever received the resumes.

10. Senator Douglass is recognized.

11. Senator Douglass states

- a. My bad I will send them out.

12. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens to the stand

- a. Good afternoon everyone I am Anthony heavens I'm currently the director of student life student engagement I'm here to run again for the next year period since I have had the position I have made multiple different things and I have some things in progress that I think if I was elected it would be helpful to the community to help me finish it one of the things that I did was creating the SOS student opinion survey and posted that around campus what I've been doing with that is taking that information and using that to bring issues to attention such as they want a different options in the banning hall or they wanted the elevators to work or they wanted to decrease the amount insurances at the clinic
- b. to address these issues I've had meetings with people at the clinic to address these issues I've also worked with maintenance people to address elevators I've also helped student organizations filling out supplemental funding request just to get them understand what the form is for and how to fill it out correctly. I was kind of a student liaison between SGA [Student Government Association] and the student body.

- c. another big project I'm working on currently is having an AU one cards mobilized for the apple wallet and Android wallet and other things of that nature I have a meeting with George middle missed April 28 I've been compiling a lot of information for the one card office I've had multiple meetings with George middle list over the summer if granted the position we will look for a project manager for that task and that's something that as someone who's already in this position that I would be the best to continue it for already knowing everything that's going on

13. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

14. Chairperson Jovanovich states

- a. I didn't see your resume but what year are you and what's your

15. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.

16. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states

- a. Once again, my name is Anthony Evans, I'm a business administration major.  
I'm going into my senior year.

17. Historian Babcock is recognized.

18. Historian Babcock states

- a. how many hours have you been clocking a week.

19. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.

20. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states

- a. I clock between 15 and 20 I believe I believe our Max is 20 so I'm always  
between there.

21. Historian Babcock is recognized.

22. Historian Babcock states

- a. What does your semester look like next year?

23. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.

24. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states

- a. Haven't picked it out yet. But usually I try to keep my schedule pretty concise.

I'll say online classes with a couple of in person classes which are normally only between 1:50 so I should have a lot of time.

25. Historian Babcock is recognized.

26. Historian Babcock states

- a. Do you have an idea of how many credit hours you will be taking?

27. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.

28. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states

- a. I'm currently at around 90 right now so I need 30 which will mean 15 and 15.

29. Senator Martin is recognized.

30. Senator Martin states

- a. since you have goals for doing things in your term do you have goals or a timeline for when you want to get stuff done

31. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.

32. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states

- a. The ultimate timeline is to get things done before my term is over though stuff happens um which impacts that.
- b. It took so long to get the one card situation figured out because we got a new CFO [Chief Financial Officer], and it took some time for him to get

acclimated to his new position. I can assure you I do try to work as fast as possible.

33. Senator Musgraves is recognized.

34. Senator Musgraves states

- a. What was the QR code that you put out around campus?

35. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.

36. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states

- a. It was the SOS; the student opinion survey was in the HSC [Holmes Student Center] and some of the dorm rooms as well.

37. Senator Musgraves is recognized.

38. Senator Musgraves states

- a. Besides that what have you fully completed in your term

39. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.

40. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states

- a. Looking over nomination for student AJ award
- b. I went to all the conduct board meetings I have to go to
- c. I met with dining and housing to try to make the students' life better in those areas as well.
- d. I've met with Matt Gonzalez, the director of the rec center and I put in the new sign.

41. Clerk English is recognized.

42. Clerk English states

- a. have you filled out any transition material to help you or to help anyone in the future years from now?
- 43. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.
- 44. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states
  - a. I have filled out my transition material because I'm waiting to meet with George minimalist so I can get a full complete picture which is next Friday.
- 45. Historian Babcock is recognized.
- 46. Historian Babcock states
  - a. have you been receiving my emails about transition materials because I have been sending them out and I was wondering when you've been getting those out and done?
- 47. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.
- 48. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states
  - a. did you send it to master an e-mail or my Staff e-mail because I haven't?
- 49. Historian Babcock is recognized.
- 50. Historian Babcock states
  - a. I believe I've emailed both in the past you should have also received an e-mail from James Innis, and he should have copied me on this.
- 51. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens is recognized.
- 52. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens states
  - a. Me and James have had a conversation about those transition materials, but I didn't want to submit anything until I meet with George Middlemist since that's going to be crucial to those transition materials.

53. Current Director of Student Life Anthony Heavens leaves the stand.

54. Senator Douglass is recognized.

55. Senator Douglass states

- a. motion to split the question.

56. Seconded

- a. Acting Speaker Allen asks if there is any discussion or debate.
- b. There is none.
- c. Acting Speaker Allen asks for a vote.
- d. The vote passes and the legislation is split.

57. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

58. Chairperson Jovanovich states

- a. I like him.
- b. I've seen the SOS flyer over campus.
- c. at the rec center I see the new sign it looks good
- d. I'm excited to see what he will do.

59. Senator Martin is recognized.

60. Senator Martin states

- a. He has the potential to be a good candidate.
- b. When it comes to some of these projects, he could be a little bit more diligent about them for the time frame because we still have a lot of the same problems with housing in campus life and I'm pretty sure they're aware of them, but they need to get more diligent about them.

61. Sergeant at Arms Corpuz is recognized.

62. Sergeant at Arms Corpuz states

- a. put the parts about housing I would like to reiterate a lot of the repairs are handled over summer as they can't be handled over a school year since students are using them.

63. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

64. Senator Kolawole states

- a. I think it was a good speech. He told us what he had started but he also talked about what he wanted to continue. He mentioned some projects he wants to continue so I would give him a chance to continue.

65. Clerk English is recognized.

66. Clerk English states

- a. I think the fact that he is stated a wants to continue work over summer is really indicative of how committed to this he is and knowing from experience from other things having consistent line of communication is beneficial so I think he would be a good candidate I've seen some of the movies he's been working on, and I think as you goes, you'll be getting quicker and quicker

67. Senator Douglass is recognized.

68. Senator Douglass states

- a. reviewing records for this session we have not heard records from the scanner for every four weeks, but we have heard from him, and I understand that reporting can be difficult to work around your schedule.

- b. I do have some concerns about him being able to fulfill every duty of his job, but I do see the value of reappointing someone who knows what they're doing and their job.

69. Chairperson Ramos is recognized.

70. Chairperson Ramos states

- a. I think this candidate brings a lot to their position I really like the initiatives they have planned upcoming for this semester is my only drawback is that we don't have a single Staff report from him and then in addition to Senator Douglass's points not hearing from him I'm a little drawn back from that lack of transparency.

71. Senator Martin is recognized.

72. Senator Martin states

- a. I wanted to second what Chairperson Ramos and Senator Dallas were saying.
- b. We have not seen any Staff reports, which is kind of really important because even if they're not every four weeks we should get them at least at a constant pace so we know what the updates are.

73. Historian Babcock is recognized.

74. Historian Babcock states

- a. I share those concerns.
- b. I'm a little bit concerned about the fact that I've heard nothing about his transition materials and I'm more than happy to give him another week to attend that meeting and finish that transition materials, but I had no

correspondence of that due date, and the due date was this Friday which was communicated months ago to the entire executive branch.

75. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

76. Senator Kolawole states

- a. He explained why he hasn't sent in his transition materials.

77. Historian Babcock is recognized.

78. Historian Babcock states

- a. I have been emailing all semester.
- b. he never communicated to me initially or at all about needing more time I'd be happy to give him more time if he reached out but he just never reached out I just don't have a problem with giving more time I just I never understood that and I need to do my job so things need to get communicated and passed down properly and I can't do that if people don't tell me about that

79. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

80. Senator Kolawole states

- a. Can anyone give statements on whether he actually did the things if he is fulfilling his commitments even with this communication I think if he's doing a good job in other areas is it is showing that he will continue to do good work?

81. Senator Martin is recognized.

82. Senator Martin states

- a. To Senator Kolawole's point we have already given his chance

- b. as administration and SGA [Student Government Association] we need to do a better job at communication and even just saying like hey my Staff reports are a little bit late, and my transition materials need an extra week because Historian Babcock did give him a bunch of times and even an evil once would have shown good communication skills.
- c. When I first came into office there was a whole bunch of talking about the importance of directors turning in their Staff reports on time and that was in December maybe that was why my very first thought was about that so he should have had a long time about that

83. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

84. Senator Kolawole states

- a. I totally agree to what you're trying to say but we are Senators we're all students we have so many things we're trying to do, and some things can get lost and to be very fair should we really holding against him when we have also had legislation deadlines pushed back again and again.

85. Acting Speaker Allen states

- a. If you're referring to the fact that I give people a lot of time for the legislation that's specifically because I see you guys every week, so I have a chance to ask in person what I believe Historian Babcock 's way of doing the same was with the emails.

86. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

87. Chairperson Jovanovich states

- a. With all due respect for the executive board candidates' positions last year we had a similar problem. very few people have little to show for candidate. did here in terms of the year so at least the candidate doing distinct things he's done so I've heard students talk to him about the survey so I mean we're trending in the right direction Olivia Newman thinks he should be appointed on the cabinet again I don't see any reason why he shouldn't I understand the cause for concern but I'm feeling good about this candidate.

88. Senator Martin is recognized.

89. Senator Martin states

- a. I like they like to say I've heard the opposite about this candidate.

90. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

91. Chairperson Jovanovich states

- a. could you please elaborate on that?

92. Senator Martin is recognized.

93. Senator Martin states

- a. what I mean by that is why he has been in office I've heard people say he could be doing more than what he has done

94. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

95. Chairperson Jovanovich states

- a. Obviously, he could be doing more but we're trending in the right direction. He has things he's completed he has a list of things he wants to continue to complete, there is always room for improvement and I'm excited to see you what he does next year.

96. Senator Martin is recognized.

97. Senator Martin states

- a. part of being executive branch Staff reports are important there is a whole bit of legislation about it and its important people should write them out and that was back in like September or November or somewhere towards the end of the year, so he had months to get those things done so it's kind of part of your job to get those done and if it's not being done that's kind of a problem

98. Clerk English is recognized.

99. Clerk English states

- a. part of that legislation that was talking specifically about Staff reports and other disciplinary action regarding those did not get signed into the bylaws until late February to do to some administrative purposes.
- b. so we did not have that pushback from HR administrative angles because those policies did not go into effect until late February.

100. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

101. Senator Kolawole states

- a. The points are valuable.
- b. He did not fulfill communication yes but
- c. His talk is cheap he made commitments about doing stuff has he fulfilled those commitments you told us what he's done he's still this what he's planning to do I really believe we should encourage him.

102. Senator Martin is recognized.

103. Senator Martin states

- a. yes, you said what he's going to do but at the same time I feel like we do have the right to be a little bit pickier about who we have in office because we have to remind ourselves that we are representing the students and we do need to take our jobs a little bit more seriously.
  - b. If you look at what's been written in news articles as well as what students are saying, we are a public body and people aren't taking us seriously, so we need to take that into account when we're voting.
104. Acting Speaker Allen calls for a vote. 13 yays // 6 nays // 0 abstains 3:25pm
105. Acting Speaker Allen states
- a. I resend the chair to Historian Babcock. I'm just heading out to that meeting with Rafael of the river Potawatomi, thank you all.
106. Historian Babcock is recognized.
- a. You will have 5 minutes to present followed by questions starting whenever you're ready.
107. Duane Meighan to the stand
- a. Good afternoon, everyone. I am Duane Meighan. I'm a member of the Arrogant Epsilon 5 chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity incorporated and I am going for the Chief of Staff. Going for the position, I believe right for the road because I've experienced leading and commanding E-board properly. I'm currently the President of the National pan Hellenic Council and you can see our success in our events throughout Homecoming, the successful completion of the steps shown after party and the most recent Black business Expo in order to give organizations better chance and different businesses on display. I

have personal experience in leading a Community Board and by bringing different events and community services to fruition I can bring different members and different lines of cabinets and different visions to fruition. Personally living outside of SGA [Student Government Association] I feel like you guys lose a lot of student Presidents and support while you might feel like you guys signed up for this and that's part of the business of what you signed up for it can be a lot more than that a lot of students see you guys on campus can be more than being seen as the fence a great way to do that is to put in the work and to attend different organization events let them know ahead of time or to collaborate with them this can help change the perspective of SGA [Student Government Association]. There's a brand new Oregon campus called spiring woman in health with one of your Senators are currently vice President starting a new org is not easy but how seeing as how she's applied and seeing how SGA [Student Government Association] is on the flyer they're like hey what does SG [Student Government] and they could be informed about sg's and they could decide to become a member of SG [Student Government] of whatever branch they want to join but at the end of the day I'm here to assist live. She trusts me enough to have me stand in front of you and to stay why should be Jesus that she's the future and she has the vision of how I should come together the end of the day my goals are her goals and how to make them come to fruition. I understand how some of you might feel about me up here in my history, but I've grown in those two years,

and I will stand by my word to make sure SGA [Student Government Association] flourishes as well as they can be.

108. Senator Douglass is recognized.

109. Senator Douglass states

a. Almost a year ago you were censored due to not being able to complete your duties. I am concerned about your ability to deal with the menial tasks Chief of Staff is much more than directorship it's a very paperwork heavy meeting heavy demanding position.

b. How can you assure us that you can fulfill the administrative duties?

110. Mr. Meighan is recognized.

111. Mr. Meighan states

a. because after the semester I'm stepping back from most of the things except for student government and Alpha Phi Alpha

112. Senator Martin is recognized.

113. Senator Martin states

a. in your position of Chief of Staff how do you plan to give SJ a better represent seriously. how do you plan to get students to trust us more and take us seriously

114. Mr. Meighan is recognized.

115. Mr. Meighan states

a. I'm well known on campus I have my hands in a lot of different organizations so they know my name how do I get my event booked they know my name and I've been able to help them out so they can by knowing me know that

SGA [Student Government Association] is a good space to go all I have to do is point them in the direction they can go OK SGA [Student Government Association] can be here for us is what they can start thinking when I'm in the Chief of Staff position 1:33

116. Sergeant at Arms Corpuz is recognized.

117. Sergeant at Arms Corpuz states

- a. In terms of preparation have you talked to Chief of Staff Innis or any other Chief of Staff

118. Mr. Meighan is recognized.

119. Mr. Meighan states

- a. Yes, I talked to the 2021-2022 school year Chief of Staff, and I talked to him daily about how to effectively do his job about how his own cabinet looked him all the time I don't want to make sure I can be that same pillar of support for the current cabinet.

120. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

121. Chairperson Jovanovich states

- a. What is your core schedule?

122. Mr. Meighan is recognized.

123. Mr. Meighan states

- a. I just met with my counselor yesterday, but it'll be about 15 credits.

124. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.

125. Chairperson Jovanovich states

- a. as a point of clarification did you say that you are no longer going to be in  
your leadership position in your chapter will it just be student govern
- 126. Mr. Meighan is recognized.
- 127. Mr. Meighan states
  - a. no I'll still be involved in the chapter but in terms of extraneous organizations  
I'm leaving them behind for student government and my chapter.
- 128. Senator O'Brien is recognized.
- 129. Senator O'Brien states
  - a. What is your current expected graduation?
- 130. Mr. Meighan is recognized.
- 131. Mr. Meighan states
  - a. Fall 2024
- 132. Mr. Meighan leaves the stand.
- 133. Chairperson Rogers is recognized.
- 134. Chairperson Rogers states
  - a. I'm in full support of this candidate. It's kind of refreshing to see someone  
who is so passionate and so dedicated to changing the face of SGA [Student  
Government Association] and changing the relationship we have with  
students.
  - b. in the words of Chairperson Jovanovich this is a no brainer
- 135. Senator Martin is recognized.
- 136. Senator Martin states

- a. I would love to agree with Chairperson Ramos. She's absolutely right it's refreshing to see someone who is passionate, and this candidate seems more genuine and serious about the position and ways to go around campus to help us out.
- b. He also talked about ways to get more representation which is something we need right now.
- c. He also seems genuine about taking his job more seriously and he's already been an SGA [Student Government Association] so he kind of knows how it runs which is really nice to see.

137. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

138. Senator O'Brien states

- a. If he is passionate, I don't know if Chief of Staff is the place to make that change.
- b. as Senator Douglas said it is more manual day-to-day task and Chief of Staff in his mostly picks up a lot of that Presidential work especially with the legislation where we removed the assistance

139. Senator Musgraves is recognized.

140. Senator Musgraves states

- a. It is an important role I believe he can fulfill this duty.
- b. The current Chief of Staff is doing great, but I think the candidate will do Even better.
- c. and things in the past shouldn't reflect on him now especially since he's come back and been willing to put a new foot forward.

141. Chairperson Rogers is recognized.
142. Chairperson Rogers states
- a. it's definitely a fair criticism to question their track record if he is up for doing the paperwork of the job and him demanding it is but I think drawing from his qualifications and his involvement in the past I think he can safely say he's going to be capable of taking on this role.
143. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.
144. Chairperson Jovanovich states
- a. It is fair to question his commitment but after you drop out of too many leadership roles and can focus you can really drill down on what you want to accomplish, and I think he's going to do good work going forward.
145. Chairperson Olson is recognized.
146. Chairperson Olson states
- a. How many hours would Chief of Staff normally have to do.
147. Historian Babcock states
- a. Minimum 10 hours
  - b. I believe the current Chief of Staff probably prop more and judging based on Chief of Staff Innis's nodding that is true that they clock more than 10 hours.
  - c. just to give everyone an idea of what Chief of Staff does they oversee all the paid positions they make sure any adjustments to ours get made they signed things to confirm our hours they also go after people for not doing their jobs they have consistent meetings et cetera.
148. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

149. Senator O'Brien states

- a. I'm not saying I don't believe in second chances, but I just want to bring up everything so we're all aware of what's going on the Chief of Staff is kind of in charge of all directors to make sure they're on task and if this candidate was unable to fulfill the duties of a directorship, I don't know how he would manage watching over all the directors.
- b. I would also like to point out he is in his fifth year so he has a year and a half left and he wants to make changes and Chief of Staff might not be the best place for him to make that change.

150. Senator Martin is recognized.

151. Senator Martin states

- a. I would like to disagree with you Senator O'Brien because if the Chief of Staff's job is to overview the directors then his job is to make sure that people are doing their job and their job are to make sure others are doing their job so he can make change it'll just be behind the scenes as he will be making sure you will be doing your job as the next Chief of Staff.
- b. When someone passes away who might have been very close to you it can impact you and various ways I've been in a traumatic experience before, and it really affects your ability to do stuff especially towards the end of the end of the semester.
- c. The fact that he came back aiming even higher tells you about his character.

152. Chairperson Rogers is recognized.

153. Chairperson Rogers states

- a. I agree. We are all students we all go through things and as someone who has dealt with the immense pressure of life in an insane cataclysmic scale it definitely affected my ability to do my leadership roles affects us all differently, but we can all speak to how much that takes over your mind.
  - b. I agree with Senator Martin he came back aiming higher and it's shown throughout his time here that he is more than capable of completing a task.
154. Chairperson Jovanovich is recognized.
155. Chairperson Jovanovich states
- a. calls to question
156. Seconded
157. This passes
158. Acting Speaker Historian Babcock calls for a vote. 7 yays // 9 nays // 2 abstains.
159. Fails to pass.

## **NEW BUISNESS**

- 1. There are none.

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

- 1. Clerk English is recognized.
- 2. Clerk English states
  - a. Hello recently there's been some not good things that's happened in some Oklahoma government places for example one of the ones that shouldn't happen which was on my mind due to the OMA [Open Meetings Act] stuff that we've gone through is that a local council in Oklahoma was experiencing all much

troubles and so a reporter left a recorder in the council room after the meeting ended and in recorded counselors of an Oklahoma County discussing that such as things about quote I know where two deep holes can be dug if you need them this is in reference to two different reporters who had been writing non positive pieces on the various sheriff officers and council members they also in reference to talking about black people complained that they have more rights than we do this is specifically about hanging black people. This is scary and I just wanted to bring to your attention what's going on throughout the country.

3. Senator Martin is recognized.

4. Senator Martin states

- a. I was going to ask what that last part was where you said something about more rights could you please repeat that.

5. Clerk English is recognized.

6. Clerk English states

- a. yeah let me find the statement so I say it as correctly as I have access to I don't know all the context for it there are only a limited number of recordings that were given to the papers that have been reporting on it however from that this is what they have been recorded saying they got more rights than we do this was according to the article in reference to not being able to hang black people

7. Chairperson Rogers is recognized.

8. Chairperson Rogers states

- a. yeah, I have heard these recordings it gets so much worse so bad.

9. Senator Douglass is recognized.

10. Senator Douglass states

- a. As of two days ago there were four people who were recorded during that meeting, I just looked it up the county commissioner was the one who said that exact thing and has resigned as of two days ago.

11. Clerk English is recognized.

12. Clerk English states

- a. this is something else this is stuff that's affecting democracy in general Texas has a couple of bills on the docket some of which are specifically targeting certain counties like they can only affect one county so only one county in Texas is affected by these bills only one county in Texas has above 3.5 million people let me say what it does it eliminates the position of election administrator in county is above 3.5 million people this is Senate bill 1/5 90 and there's only one county where this is the case and that's Harris County this is targeted disenfranchisement as there is only one county that has above 3.5 million people they have another one on the docket that is above 2.7 people that's still only Harris County. They are targeting a specific county because it does not agree with their beliefs are this is not how you run a democratic body in my opinion, and I would say in a lot of legal scholars' opinion, so I just wanted to let you all know what's happening in other parts of the country.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Senator Douglass is recognized.

2. Senator Douglass states

- a. SGA [Student Government Association] final Banquet and Inauguration 3-7pm May 11<sup>th</sup> in Altgeld Ballroom. Passing the torch, SGA [Student Government Association] superlatives and welcoming the incoming executive branch.
3. Senator Martin is recognized.
4. Senator Martin states
  - a. Before the ball and inauguration are you doing all the old and new people are just the new people
5. Senator Douglass is recognized.
6. Senator Douglass states
  - a. For example vice President believe is going to still be vice President next year but besides that I'm not sure but I'm going to assume she will be reinaugurated
  - b. If you were wondering about the Senate, the Senate inaugurations will not happen on that day typically the Senate inaugurations will happen during the fall trainings.
7. Senator Perez-Hernandez is recognized.
8. Senator Perez-Hernandez states
  - a. BFA Exhibition will be at the Jack Olsen Gallery and the Annette and Jerry Johnson Student Art Gallery May 1<sup>st</sup>-May 8<sup>th</sup> 10am-4pm daily. There will be a reception on Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> from 4-7pm.
  - b. The men's volleyball team just returns from Kansas City we placed 9 in the gold bracket and 13th overall out of 42 teams in Division One so much better than last year where we were in the copper bracket in place so just saying that we beat out a bunch of teams and I'm really proud of our team.

9. Historian Babcock states

- a. The senior show for the arts is going to be really cool. I recommend everyone stop by it'll be in the art building.

10. Senator Kolawole is recognized.

11. Senator Kolawole states

- a. Senior Design Day on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> 12-4pm

12. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

13. Senator O'Brien states

- a. CAB is hosting a Drive in Movie at Anderson Hall lot E Friday April 28<sup>th</sup> 8-10pm and the movie will be Top Gun: Maverick.

14. Senator Douglass is recognized.

15. Senator Douglass states

- a. Movie starts at 8 or doors open at 8.

16. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

17. Senator O'Brien states

- a. Movie starts at 8.

18. Chairperson Ramos is recognized.

19. Chairperson Ramos states

- a. The National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc. Induction 10am  
Lincoln room
- b. Denim Day walk with Omega Psi Phi fraternity Inc. and Safe Passage. Starts at  
Central Park (near grant and Stevenson). Ends at MLK [Martin Luther King jr.]  
Commons

20. Clerk English is recognized.

21. Clerk English states

- a. EWB [Engineers Without Borders] and SWE [Society of Women Engineers] MLK [Martin Luther King jr.] clean up right now never mind it just finished.
- b. The same people who are running the denim day safe passage are running a walk a mile in their shoes on Saturday starting at 9:30. It might cost tickets I'm not sure, but it goes to a good cause ending sexual violence.

22. Senator Martin is recognized.

23. Senator Martin states

- a. I'm going to say it might not because it's a nonprofit organization.

24. Clerk English is recognized.

25. Clerk English states

- a. now it will because it's to raise money for safe passage it'll be like giving a donation to the safe passage, but I don't remember if it is required or not and once again it's tomorrow at the combo center at 9:30am

26. Senator O'Brien is recognized.

27. Senator O'Brien states

- a. IFC [InterFraternity Council] Tugs championships are this Saturday Sigma Nu Phi Sigma Kappa it'll be at 3:00 o'clock on Saturday will be held on Edgebrook drive near Greek row all the ticket proceeds will go to charity to a good organization so if you guys are free you should go.

28. Historian Babcock states

- a. Do you know what charity you're raising money for?

29. Senator Althoff is recognized.

30. Senator Althoff states

- a. Hope Haven

31. Senator Douglass is recognized.

32. Senator Douglass states

- a. It's a homeless shelter, they do a lot of other stuff but that's the main thing.

33. Senator Martin is recognized.

34. Senator Martin states

- a. What's the event are you guys like playing soccer? Are you boxing? What are you doing.

35. Senator Althoff is recognized.

36. Senator Althoff states

- a. We sit in these trenches, and we pull on rope will you pull the rope backwards.  
We tape up our arms and we pull on the rope backwards.

37. Historian Babcock states

- a. It's a giant tug of war game.

38. Senator Martin is recognized.

39. Senator Martin states

- a. I thought y'all were going to be boxing.

40. Historian Babcock states

- a. Everyone should have received an e-mail in undergraduate classes there is a survey by Amy Martin who is doing research on students awareness and access to food so it's learning about food insecurity for students it would be really helpful if

you could take that survey not only for her research as a graduate student but also for me because I'm putting together a section of the big museum next exhibit on insecurity of food for students please spread the word of that survey it is in your e-mail and in the minutes [Qualtrics Survey | Qualtrics Experience Management](#)

- b. Ceramic club sale happening next week the 24th through the 26th on the second floor from 10:30 to 4:30 I'm really excited this is the first time selling stuff I actually have some stuff in the kiln right now as we speak and I'm really excited how it turns out there'll be a bunch of really talented ceramic majors and people who are passionate about that it'll be on the second floor you might have to look around because it's on the other entrance so but you should go
- c. this is our third-class meeting there are two meetings left so our last meeting will be on May 5th which has a lot of other things happen next two meetings will be kind of important that's us deciding on the budget for next year so I'd really appreciate everyone showing up to those meetings listening we will you're receiving a report from treasurer mark on the budget for next year it's really important to attend those.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

1. Acting Speaker Historian Babcock calls for a motion to adjourn the meeting.
2. So moved.
3. Seconded.
4. Acting Speaker Historian Babcock asks if there is any discussion or debate.
5. There is none.
6. Acting Speaker Historian Babcock calls for a vote.

7. The motion passes and the meeting adjourned at 4:03pm

#### **CLOSING ATTENDANCE**

1. **Voting Members Present:** O'Brien, Gibbons, Hensley, English, Colvin, Ashton, Woodward, Olson, Perez-Hernandez, Kolawole, Jovanovich, Althoff, Musgraves, Martin, Corpuz, Douglass, Babcock, Ramos, Rogers
2. **Voting Members Absent:** Allen
3. **Voting members Excused:**
4. **Candidate Members Present:**

#### **MINUTES SUBMITTED BY**

Clerk English on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

54<sup>th</sup> Senate on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023