



Legislative Branch

Undergraduate Student Government

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Last 2025-2026 All-USG Agenda

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II. Call to Order

Senate Chair Kasik: I'd like to call this meeting to order. Vice Senate Chair McCracken, call the roll.

III. Roll Call

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. Adoption of the Agenda

Senate Chair Kasik: Onto the adoption of the agenda. Senator Spears?

Senator Spears: Motion to adopt the agenda.

Senator Shelton: Second.

Senate Chair Kasik: All those in favor of adopting the agenda please say aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Kasik: All opposed, nay.

Motion to adopt the agenda passes: The ayes have it.

V. Approval of the 04.23.26 Minutes

Senate Chair Kasik: Approval of the 4.23.26 minutes? Senator Swaminathan

Senator Swaminathan: Motion to approve the 4.23.26 minutes.

Senator Shelton: Second.

Senate Chair Kasik: All those in favor of approving the 4.23.26 minutes, please say aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Kasik: All opposed, nay.

Motion to approve the 4.23.2026 minutes passes: The ayes have it.

VI. Senate Chair's Remarks Senate Chair Ryan Kasik

Senate Chair Kasik: Moving onto the senate chair remarks. Good afternoon everyone. I'd like to thank everyone for coming and joining us here for our inauguration meeting. I'd like to express my thanks and appreciation for being given this opportunity in USG. I'd first like to thank Megan McCracken for her guidance and leadership this year. She was always there for me, and I couldn't have asked for a better Vice Senate Chair so thank you. Also, I'd like to...I'm incredibly proud of all the work that our senators achieved this year. Statistically, this is the most productive senate that we have had in quite a few years, and I'm proud that we all got to achieve this together. But, I'm more proud of the camaraderie and growth that I witnessed throughout the year. You would never be able to tell, but most of our branch and never met each other and were first year students before the year started. I am really going to miss seeing all of you in the office and during our meetings. I am incredibly proud of all you and I can't wait to see what you all do

in the future. So thank you. I would now like to welcome up Chief Justice Stillion for the Chief Justice remarks.

VII. Chief Justice's Remarks Chief Justice Stillion

Chief Justice Stillion: Alright, I know we have a lot to get through, so I just have a little bit to say. I very much enjoyed my time over the past four years in this organization. I have grown as a person. As a leader, as a student, and as a person who is capable of handling any challenge that comes my way. But, I have grown that way because of all of you. Because you have shown me, every member of this organization, what it takes to be a leader. From just in meetings like this, from your own individual projects, or just from being and talking with all of you in office hours. You have shown your willingness to put in the work, even outside of your incredibly busy schedules that I know each and every one of you are dedicated to as students. You have taken that time to engage with this organization, to engage with the student body, to advocate for change and for your fellow students even outside of your own individual interests. This organization has been, as Senate Chair Kasik said, incredibly successful this year compared to our past recent years. But this organization is only as strong as the members that it has. It has nothing to do with the procedures and structures that I love so much in this organization, it is about the members themselves and the work that you all have put in. I want to thank you all for that work, thank you all for making this organization what it is, and thank you for letting me spend the past four years alongside of you, and watching you all grow, and learning from you. Thank you.

Senate Chair Kasik: Now I'd like to welcome up Chief Justice Stillion again, for the swearing in of judicial leadership.

VIII. Swearing In Judicial Leadership Chief Justice Stillion

Senate Chair Kasik: Now I'd like to welcome up Chief Justice Reimer and the President and Vice President elect for their swearing in.

IX. Swearing In President and Vice President Chief Justice Reimer

Senate Chair Kasik: Now I'd like to welcome up Advisor Ferguson-Mike for the pinning of the president.

X. Pinning of the President Advisor Ferguson-Mike

Senate Chair Kasik: Now I'd like to welcome up President Shaw.

XI. Presidential Remarks President Shaw

President Shaw: Alright, good evening everybody. It's truly an honor to stand before you as I continue into my second term as Undergraduate Student Body President at the University of Akron. My first term has been nothing short of rewarding, gratifying, and inspirational, and I have met many people that have contributed to my experience that I wanted to take a moment to thank. First, I want to extend my deepest thanks to our outgoing members. Your leadership over this past year has left a lasting mark on our organization. You have set a standard of commitment, creativity, and integrity that will continue to guide us long after you have moved onto your next chapters. The work you have done has not only strengthened the student body but has also created opportunities and experience that future students will benefit from for years to come. In addition to that, to our graduating seniors, congratulations! This milestone represents years of hardwork, perseverance, and growth. You have balanced academics, leadership, and service, often all at once, and you have done so with resilience and purpose. While we are sad to see you go, we are incredibly proud of everything you have accomplished, and we are excited to see the impact that you will make beyond this campus. To our new and returning members, thank you for your continued dedication. Your willingness to step up, to carry forward what has been built, and to keep pushing for better is what ensures that our organization and our campus continues to evolve. Your leadership will be essential in shaping what comes next, and I'm confident that you will rise to that challenge successfully. I would also like to express my sincerest appreciation to our advisor Brittany Ferguson-Mike. Your guidance, patience, and unwavering support has been a constant source of strength for our organization, our directional leadership team, and to me. You've helped us navigate challenges, celebrate successes, and grow not only as leaders but as individuals. USG appreciates your willingness to step into this chaotically busy role, and we

couldn't account for our success without giving some credit to you. To our vice president of student affairs, Dr. Messina, thank you for your partnership and belief in student leadership. Your support has empowered us to take initiative, to lead with confidence, and to make meaningful contributions to campus life. Your collaboration has made a real difference in what we've been able to accomplish. To all the faculty and staff who have supported USG along the way, and to some who are here right now, thank you. Whether through mentorship, collaboration, or simply just encouragement, you have played a vital role in our successes. Your commitment to students has not gone unnoticed, and we are deeply grateful for everything you have done and what you continue to do. Finally, I want to share a big thanks to my outgoing Vice President Bethel Tsige. Your dedication to this organization is nothing short of remarkable. Being able to work alongside you this year has been extremely valuable to me. I have learned so much from you and I will carry these lessons into the upcoming year with our new vice president Scott Spears, and into my personal life and career. So Bethel, thank you from the bottom of my heart, This year has been a testament of what can be achieved when people come together within a shared purpose. It is through collaboration, respect, and genuine desire to make a difference that we have been able to build something meaningful. As we move forward, let's carry that spirit with us, continuing to support one another, to lead with intention, and build on the foundation that has been laid this past year. Thank you all for being a part of this journey. I am excited to continue the work and momentum that we have all put forth this year. Again, thank you all for being with us tonight and Go Zips! Go USG!

Senate Chair Kasik: Now, I would like to welcome up Chief Justice Reimer and the senator elects for their swearing in.

XII. Swearing In Senators Chief Justice Reimer

XII. Recess – Inauguration Reception 5:30-6:00

XIV. Election of the Senate Chair

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: The meeting is now called to order. Onto the election of the senate chair. Is there any debate or nominations for the election of the senate chair. Senator Shelton?

Senator Shelton; I motion to nominate myself as senate chair.

Senator Flickinger: Second.

Senator Shelton: I am going to speak on behalf of myself for a moment. I am a very seasoned senator. I've passed numerous bills affecting the entire student populous. I'm familiar with Robert's rules and the duties and rules of the chair. And due to my tenure, being two years on senate, I believe I am the most qualified. That's all. Thank you!

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: Is there any other nominations? Seeing none, can I get a motion to close nominations. Senator Swaminathan?

Senator Swaminathan: Motion to open debate?

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: Oh, Motion to open debate.

Senator Flickinger: Second.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: Can I get a motion to open debate. Oh. Sorry. Alright. All those in favor.

Senate: Aye.

Motion to enter debate passes: The ayes have it.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: Can I get a motion to close debate?

Senator Swaminathan: Motion to close debate

Senator Flickinger: Second.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: Alright, all those in favor of electing senator Shelton say aye...All those in favor of closing debate.

Senate: Aye.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: All those opposed?

Motion to close debate passes: The ayes have it.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: Alright. The vote is to select the senate chair..

Chief Justice Reimer: Point of order. You didn't actually motion to vote on the election of the senate chair. You just motioned to close debate.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: My apologies. Can I get a motion to move to the previous question.

Senator Flickinger: Motion to move to the previous question.

Senator Musgraves: Second.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: All in favor?

Senate: Aye.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: All opposed?

Motion to move to the previous question passes: The ayes have it.

Standing Senate Chair Shelton: Alright. The vote is to elect the senate chair. Your options are Senator Swaminathan or a Senator not nominated or abstained. Acting vice senate chair...

Associate Justice Stillion: Point of order. Those are not the options.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: Senator Shelton..Sorry..Your options are Senator Shelton or a Senator not nominated or abstain. Acting vice senate chair Shelton, please call the roll.

Roll is called.

Standing Senate Chair Sterns: The vote passes for Senator Shelton. She is now the Senate Chair Elect. I see the floor...I vacate the chair to Senate Chair Shelton.

XV. Election of the Vice Senate Chair

Senate Chair Shelton: Onto the election of the vice senate chair. Is there any debate or nominations for the election of the Vice Senate Chair? Senator Flickinger?

Senator Flickinger: I motion to nominate myself for Vice Senate Chair.

Senator Musgraves: Second.

Chief Justice Reimer: You don't need a second. Sorry.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Sterns?

Senator Sterns: I motion to nominate myself for Vice Senate Chair.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Swaminathan?

Senator Swaminathan: I motion to nominate myself as Vice Senate Chair

Senate Chair Shelton: Can I entertain a motion to enter debate? Oh. Will you please speak on your nominations? Senator Flickinger.

Senator Flickinger: Sure. Good afternoon everyone. I am looking to run for vice senate chair because I care deeply...

Associate Justice Stillion: Point of order. Please direct all statements through the chair.

Senator Flickinger: Got it. I am looking to run for vice senate chair because I care deeply about this organization and I believe I could faithfully fulfill the responsibilities of the office. The powers of the office which are detailed in the undergraduate student government bylaws section 2C1.A through C which are mostly procedural conditions, I believe should all bestow trust me with these powers as I believe I have a good understanding of what is best for the organization and the university. For those who do not know, the powers include voting in the event of a tie, voting in appointments, and voting as an active member of DLT. As for the duties of the office outlined in the bylaws, I am comfortable assisting and supporting the senate chair activities and objectives that they choose to pursue. I am also very comfortable in public speaking and reading, which is the most visible duty of the office. I participated in Speech & Debate in high school and have demonstrated public speaking skills throughout my time in student government and other organizations. I'm also experienced in Robert's Rule through my experience in student government and professional debate. Furthermore, the responsibilities take on any duties contained in section 2B2, would come naturally to me, as in both my end of semester and end of year reviews, I've mentioned a definition of what I believe a good leader, specifically a senate leadership, should do. In general, I believe good leadership has a moral...solid moral compass but will be open to taking other opinions into account. I know that sounds like a fuzzy definition, but it's the truth.

A leader shouldn't be easily swayed by others, but should also be movable enough to take others into account. Specifically, I believe that senate leadership should support the individual ideas and projects of senators. My biggest challenge coming into senate this semester was deciding what to pursue and how to begin. I was very good at identifying gaps but not necessarily finding solutions to close those gaps, because it was so new. Seeing that we will have mostly new senators this upcoming semester, I believe it is important for the senate chair and vice senate chair to have an idea or even better, a collective plan to support incoming members, and assist them in developing their projects and legislation. I also have extensive experience in leading and

supporting, specifically speech and debate students from 6th to 12th grade. Currently, I serve in a formal coaching capacity and our team qualified thirteen students for the national tournament, the most in our high school's history. I'm not the only coach of course, but I believe this example demonstrates my ability to lead and support teams. The last two sections are regarding time requirements in the bylaws, I am wide open for DLT meetings, Thursday afternoons for senate meetings, and available for much of the week to fulfill my office hours and weekly requirements. As for my experience in USG, I'm one of the newest members of senate, but I have brought two pieces of legislation to the floor and plan to work on new projects that I have laid out for next year. I've met with four faculty members in offices regarding legislation and projects. I've done more student outreach than what was required, particularly through my disability focused legislation, and I was also the vice chair for the F.A.S.T. committee. Outside of USG, I have extensive advocacy and government experience. I also have mentoring experience, as mentioned previously. I've worked with various advocacy groups and community groups which I can detail more if anyone's curious, and I'm currently interning at the office of congresswoman Amelia Sykes. These skills I've developed in and outside senate have equipped me well for this position as Vice Senate Chair. Thank You.

Senate Chair Shelton: I would now like to open remarks from Senator Sterns.

Senator Sterns: The last two years I've been a senator at USG. Throughout my time in USG, I've helped to work on a range of senate legislation. Most recently, my legislation to approve how students are notified of their grades in BrightSpace. I've also been under two different senate leaderships with vastly leadership...different leadership styles. My experiences at USG senate has given me a good perspective on what is needed from senate leadership in order to best support senators. The two of the most important aspects are availability and communication. Not only does the vice need to be able to support senators with their legislation, they also need to be able to work effectively with the chair. I believe I'm well qualified in these aspects. I've worked with the elected senate chair many times and I believe that our skills complement each other. I'll be able to handle many of the tasks required by the senate chair, such as dealing with emails that the senate leadership gets, documenting office hours, and supporting the senate chair in any of the aspects required. As said, nothing clashes after 4 PM next semester, which gives me ample time to do my required office hours and any other senate work. Aside from USG, I've also been on my fraternities governing committee and head of the scholarship committee. These experiences have given me expertise in supporting the work of leadership, and keeping up a group motivated to do their best, which I believe are important aspects for the role of Vice Senate Chair. Lastly, I have experience with being acting vice senate chair and have done so numerous times. I'm familiar with the responsibilities that this position requires in meetings. Overall, I believe that I am well qualified for this role.

Senate Chair Shelton: I know open remarks from Senator Swaminathan.

Senator Swaminathan: Hello! My name is Sridevi Swaminathan...

Chief Justice Reimer: Point of Order. Please make sure to address your remarks to the chair.

Senator Swaminathan: Hello, my name is Senator Sridevi Swaminathan, and I am a current senator for the Williams Honors College this upcoming term. I believe that bring a perspective to student government that isn't always represented, and I believe that this perspective is vital for an incoming senate..vice senate chair. Currently within USG, I have been apart of more than four committees including OSGS, A.P.S.S. - where I was the vice sen..where I was the vice chair - the Faculty Awards committee, and furthermore the Dining Experiences committee. My work has shown the depth and breadth of USG which I'm excited to bring to my platform as Vice Senate Chair. This year I have focused on the student experience, so student accessibility and outreach initiatives. I was able to pass my Zips for Sips proposal, where I was able to implement and fix a water fountain that is used by over 500 students and the Akron community. I've also funded and gotten a grant for 2 OSDE grants supporting students in Guzzetta Hall and the Biology Department as well. Overall, the depth and breadth of my experience aren't just with legislation and grants. I've also had the immense opportunity to work with different facets within and outside of USG. After Kim Gentile had the opportunity to talk to senate, I was able to jump onto an admission project where I was able to outreach to students coming in from Michigan, which is where I'm from. I was even able to work with different departments within USG, such as the communications team for my current A.P.S.S. initiative that is happening right now, and also with the student engagement committee where I was able to work and develop the ICE legislation that was previously brought up a couple weeks ago.

As a biology major, I'm trained to think analytically, use problem solving skills, and approach challenges with evidence-based solutions. But most importantly, I know how to listen and translate different viewpoints into actual impact and action, which I believe is very very valuable to this role. Furthermore, a Model United Nations delegate for over six years. Currently, I am a board member for the Metro Detroit Model United Nations Organizations where I run two conferences every year with over 600 attendees. Working and staffing and running these conferences has shown the importance of staff outreach and inclusivity. I've experience planning retreats for my staff at MeDMUN, and I am excited to bring these experiences to collaborate with our student senate together. Furthermore, this experience has refined ideologies within parliamentary procedure processes, which is very very valuable when running senate meetings.

I want to be Vice Senate Chair because I care about how effective our Senate can be. Through my experiences in research, policy, and education, I've learned that strong outcomes come from strong systems, and I want to be a part of leadership to help develop that. I want to help create a Senate that is more organized, more prepared, and more accountable to represent its constituents and bring ideas forward that actually lead to meaningful action." As vice senate chair, I will implement consistent committee and senator check-ins, streamline our status tracking system so that its more efficient system, and establish clear goals for every committee so progress is intentional and measurable. Not only that, but I want to be a helping hand to all new senators so they are able to understand that USG isn't just about writing legislation. You could reach out to different campuses organizations and offices across campus, and reach out. It's not just about writing stuff and putting it on paper. I want to also expand recruitment efforts to bring more diverse perspectives into USG such as the commuter population and people of color. Essentially, I want to create more opportunities for senators to go an outreach together, or more widely resent our constituents. This role to me isn't just about legislation, it's about building a Senate that turns actual ideas into true impact and I believe that with my abilities within the University of Akron and outside of the University of Akron, I've demonstrated experiences in leadership, communication, punctuality, and cultivating student advocacy, and with these experiences and skills, I know that I will be able to do exactly that, as the possible vice senate chair. Thus, I ask for your support. Go Zips. Go USG.

Senate Chair Shelton: Alright. May I entertain a motion to enter debate? Senator Flickinger?

Senator Flickinger: Motion to enter debate.

Senator Swaminathan: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor?

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed?

Motion to enter debate passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: We are now in debate! May I enter a motion to close debate and move to the previous question if there is no debate? Senator Sterns?

Senator Sterns: Motion to close debate and move to the previous question

Senator Flickinger: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, say Aye?

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, say nay?

Motion to close debate and move to the previous question passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: The vote is to elect the Vice Senate Chair. Your options are Senator Flickinger, Senator Sterns, and Senator Swaminathan, or a senator not nominated, or abstain. Acting Vice Senate Chair Swaminathan, please call the roll.

Roll is called and quorum was not achieved. Therefore, the motion fails.

Senate Chair Shelton: The motion fails. Senator Swaminathan?

Senator Swaminathan: Motion to open debate.

Senator Flickinger: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say aye?

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed?

Motion to enter debate passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: Cool, we're in debate.

Senator Swaminathan: As mentioned before, in my previous statement for support, I truly believe that I would be a strong candidate for this position. I was able to serve an entire where I was able to outreach with six different facets across campus and work with a different amount of individuals within USG. I believe that people see me as a peer and respect me. I believe that that would be valuable as an incoming vice senate chair. Not only that, but I do have an incredible amount of time on my hands, so I would love to utilize that to support my passions within USG.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Sterns?

Senator Sterns: As I've previously mentioned, I have been in USG for two years. I understand the rules and responsibilities that the vice senate chair requires. Some of the aspects include DLT in order to understand where the senate's going, where to best support them, and I feel that I'm well qualified in these aspects. When I entered senate, one of my biggest issues was onboarding and which I've felt like a lot of my fellow senators during that time also felt. So it took a bit of time for me to, as a new senator, get ready, get prepared, and start doing work on legislation. I feel like I'm well positioned in order to support any incoming senators and they can understand what they do, and contain the work of the previous senate leadership, and making senate a good place to pass legislation and support the student body.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Flickinger?

Senator Flickinger: I second the remarks that senator sterns made about supporting incoming members and being a very important role and part of senate leadership. As I mentioned, I believe that I would be uniquely fitted to this role. As again, I was... currently am serving in a coaching

capacity where I bring in new freshmen every year and have grown the team from essentially nothing. I believe there was two members when I began as a coach and there is approximately fifteen now. Again, there are thirteen members going to nationals. I believe, again, that the experience I have is uniquely suited to the responsibilities given to the Vice Senate Chair.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Swaminathan?

Senator Swaminathan: Motion to close debate.

Senator Flickinger: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say aye?

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed?

Motion to close debate passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Flickinger?

Senator Sterns: Motion to move to the previous question

Senator Swaminathan: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, say Aye?

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, say nay?

Motion to move to the previous question passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: The vote is to elect the Vice Senate Chair Swaminathan... Wait....excuse me. The vote is to elect the Vice Senate Chair. Your options are Senator Swaminathan, comma, Senator Flickinger or Senator Sterns, or a senator not nominated, or to abstain. Acting Vice Senate Chair Swaminathan, please call the roll.

Roll is called and quorum was not achieved. Therefore, the motion fails.

Senate Chair Shelton: The motion does not pass. May I entertain a motion to call a brief recess.

Senator Flickinger: So moved.

Senator Swaminathan: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say Aye?

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, say nay?

Motion to enter a brief recess: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: All right, we are now in a brief recess.

Brief Recess Occurs

Senate Chair Shelton: I call this meeting back to order.

Senator Musgraves: Point of Inquiry.

Senate Chair Shelton: I accept.

Senator Musgraves: Thank you. Noah mentioned it, but what are all three of your availabilities to help out with the senate chair, or yeah vice senate chair. Cause the senate chair is a very busy....

Senate Chair Shelton: Point of Order. You need to direct the inquiry to somebody specifically.

Senator Musgraves: Can I direct it to all three of them or...

Senate Chair Shelton: Audrey?

Chief Justice Reimer: You can.. You can direct it to everyone but you can;t do any debate in that motion. So you can ask them for their availability, but you can't say any statements...

Senator Musgraves: Ah okay. Point of Inquiry, Senator Swaminathan.

Senator Swaminathan: I accept.

Senator Musgraves: What is your availability to help out the senate chair.

Senator Swaminathan: I'm available as long as I don't have class, so I should be very available. I'm confused by your question, but if I'm not in class I'll be available.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Musgraves?

Senator Musgraves: Senator Flickinger...Same question.

Senator Flickinger: I'm available every single day past 3 PM and I'm open all of Friday.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Musgraves?

Senator Musgraves: Motion to debate.

Senator Sterns: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, say Aye?

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, say nay?

Motion to move to the previous question passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: We are now in debate. Senator Swaminathan?

Senator Swaminathan: Motion to close debate and move to the previous question.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say aye.

Chief Justice Reimer: There was no second.

Senator Flickinger: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, say Aye?

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, say nay?

Senator Musgraves: Nay.

Chief Justice Reimer: Division

Senate Chair Shelton: Your options are opposed, in favor, or abstain.

Division is called. The motion fails, debate is continued.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Musgraves.

Senator Musgrave: I think Senator Swaminathan is who I support. My vote will not change from that going forward. I would like to say why. I think for senate chair and vice senate chair, they need a difference of opinion. And no offense to Riley...Senator Flickinger, although the two of you would work insanely well together, I think that the difference in opinion that Sri..that Senator Swaminathan would offer to senator Shelton would be of much more valuable use to the senate as a whole going forward.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Flickinger.

Senator Flickinger: Motion to close debate and move to the previous question.

Senator Musgraves: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, say nay?

Motion to close debate and move to the previous question passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: The vote is to elect the Vice Senate Chair. Your options are Senator Swaminathan or Senator Flickinger or Senator Sterns, or a senator not nominated, or abstain. Acting Vice Senate Chair Swaminathan, please call the roll.

Roll is called.

Senate Chair Shelton: Alright. The motion passes. Senator Swaminathan is the new vice senate chair. Alright. Now we are moving onto the swearing of the new senate leadership by Chief Justice Reimer.

XVI. Swearing in Senate Leadership Chief Justice Reimer

XVI. Senate Leadership Remarks

Senate Chair Shelton: We are now moving onto senate leadership remarks. Point of Inquiry Chief Justice Reimer?

Chief Justice Reimer: There is no name on the agenda so if you would both like to speak, it's up to you.

Vice Senate Chair Swaminathan: Thank you so much! My first term with USG was incredibly amazing. I met so many great people and I'm really really excited to be on DLT this upcoming term. I hope, and I know that this is going to be a good year so go Zips! Go USG!

Senate Chair Shelton: I'd like to echo those remarks! It's going to be a great year, I'd hope to see some of the senators that left us come back. And I hope that it will be a nice and productive year and Go Zips! Go USG! I'd now like to move into open student expression.

XVIII. Open Student Expression

Senate Chair Shelton: Associate Justice Stillion!

Associate Justice Stillion: Hi! Some of you may know, but I did my Honors Research project on digitizing and organizing a subsection of USG's history from the 1970s. But my poster session where I will be presenting is tomorrow in the Honors Common Room from 10:30 to noon. If guys want to stop by and learn a little bit about the organization that we are all a part of, I would appreciate that. It is some pretty cool stuff. Thank you!

Senate Chair Shelton: President Shaw.

President Shaw: Hi everyone! Sorry, I didn't mean to distract you, but tomorrow is SpringFest. Tomorrow...it was moved from Infocision into the fieldhouse unfortunately due to weather but I believe that the Department of Student Life is giving out free food vouchers still. So pick up a food voucher, come see one of the many food trucks at SpringFest. But no, come have a great time, it's from 4 to 8. Unfortunately, there won't be a dunk tank so we won't be in it. Sorry. Maybe next year. But so come have a great time. Come celebrate our graduating seniors at the end of senior week. It's been a really great semester. It's almost the start of summer but yeah, thank you.

Senate Chair Shelton: Director of Finance Karima Damson?

Director of Finance Damson: This is my last time speaking about the francophone student association. First for SpringFest, if you want to make fun of Bethel like eme, she is participating in the Senior Ultimate Challenge. She's going to sweat so come to SpringFest. Don't forget to get your food vouchers, you can also get it tomorrow morning until 4 PM. Good luck with finals everybody, I know everything is really stressful, and thank you for being here today with everything you have to do for finals. I just want to add that I'm really really proud of everybody,

I'm proud of the new leadership at USG. Thank you to everybody that I met. I'm probably going to cry at graduation, so if you see me cut the cameras. But, yes. Thank you for this amazing experience and I'm really proud of everyone.

Senate Chair Shelton: Associate Justice Jones.

Associate Justice Jones: This upcoming Saturday, Alpha Phi Alpha Sorority Incorporated is having a cookout from 12:06 specifically to 4 PM. There will be food and music.

Senate Chair Shelton: Vice President Spears.

Vice President Spears: In the coming weeks there are some finishing events for Zips Athletics. Our softball team is on a roll, this weekend they should clench up their first ever trophy period. They're going to do it. They're giving away some bucket hats, and it will be a great time. The following weekend, you can watch them play the MAC championship for a tournament win at the FireStone stadium.

Senate Chair Shelton: Former Vice President Tsige.

Former Vice President Tsige: Please enjoy SpringFest of course. But on a final note, I want to say that it has been an honor serving as your vice president. It's been amazing seeing how you guys have all excelled over the past year. I've enjoyed getting to know each one of you personally from all branches across. My time within USG has been special, so thank you all for basically joining this organization, and basically becoming my closest friends. I look forward to seeing what you all do next year. I congratulate President Shaw and your new Vice President Spears. Thank you.

Senate Chair Shelton: Associate Justice Papatonis.

Associate Justice Papatonis: Hi guys! The American sign language association is having a Chipotle fundraiser on Monday May 4th from 5 to 9 PM. It is on East Exchange street. So I

would love to see your faces there. I will be there almost the entire time. Please go support the organization and make sure you tell them you're there for the fundraiser.

Senate Chair Shelton: Nick Senko.

Director of Campus Engagement Senko: For those of you who don't know, tomorrow is Zippy's birthday so if you see her, wish her happy birthday.

Senate Chair Shelton: Former Senator Kleinshmidt.

Former Senator Kleinshmidt: For those of you who don't know, tomorrow is Logan's birthday, so wish him a happy birthday!

Senate Chair Shelton: Former Senator Roskam.

Former Senator Roskam: I think it's more important to note that we also have Fiji's foundation day on May 1st. That's it. Nothing more.

Senate Chair Shelton: Former Senator Prough.

Former Senator Prough: I hope everyone has a great summer.

Senate Chair Shelton: Alright, anything for the good of the order? No. I now say this meeting's adjourned.

XIX. Adjournment

Undergraduate Student Government

First USG Senate Meeting of AY 2026-2027

April 30th, 2026, 6:00 - 7:00 PM

I.Call To Order

II.Roll Call

III.Adoption of the Agenda

Senate Chair Shelton: I would now like to move on to the adoption of the agenda. Senator Flickinger?

Senator Flickinger: Motion to strike Executive Order 17-26-27, is that correct?

Senator Musgrave: Second

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, nay.

Motion to strike Executive Order 17-26-27 passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: The motion passes. Senator Flickinger?

Senator Flickinger: Motion to amend the agenda to correct uh.. Deputy Director of Finance...cause he's currently deputy... motion to amend the agenda to fix Djordje's name.

Senator Shelton: Point of Inquiry, Djordje is this correct?

Former Chief of Staff Kelly: Point of Order, there wasn't a second.

Senator Sterns: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, nay.

Motion to correctly spell Former Deputy Director of Finance Djordje Jovicic's name on the agenda passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: The motion passes.

Senator Flickinger: Motion to approve the agenda.

Senator Musgrave: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, say aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, nay.

Motion to approve the agenda passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: Yay! The motion passes. Onto open student expression,

IV. Open Student Expression

Senate Chair Shelton: Alright, Associate Justice Geib...Nick Senko

Former Deputy Director of Community Engagement and Outreach Senko: For those of you who don't know, Former USG office...uh...guest, Michael Telekolous's birthday is also tomorrow!

V. Branch Reports

Senate Chair Shelton: Alright, moving onto branch reports. Um. Starting with the legislative branch, OH by me. Go Zips! Go USG! Now moving onto the executive branch report. By President Shaw.

President Shaw: Hey Guys! Thank you. Thank you. Hey guys! Not much to report as we haven't really done anything yet. Excited to hopefully swear in some new people, some returning people, depending on the EOs um,

Former Chief Justice Stillion: Point of Order, you cannot amend the agenda in the middle of a meeting.

President Shaw: Um, anyways. To those who are new in the room, I want to apologize, it is usually not this chaotic I promise but we're having a great time. Good job to everybody. Go Zips! Go USG!

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Sterns?

Senator Sterns: Motion to amend the agenda to add the new senate chair Shelton to the...words.

Senator Flickinger: Second?

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, nay.

Motion to amend the agenda to add Senate Chair Shelton as the speaker of the Legislative Branch Report passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: Cool. Motion passes. Onto the..Former Chief Justice Hannah Kelly. Nope. Chief of Staff! Chief of Staff Hannah Kelly.

Former Chief of Staff Kelly: Point of personal privilege. We have an attendee that needs to leave by 6:50 PM, is there any way you can rearrange or amend the agenda to do so.

Senate Chair Shelton: I'm fine with that. Do you know what EO that is? Alright. We are going to get there. Alright next is the Judicial Branch Report by Chief Justice Reimer

Chief Justice Reimer: Hello everyone. I know that I've been up here this whole time and you haven't heard from me yet. I promise I'll go quickly. We'll get through it fast. I just wanted to express my excitement to be up here in front of you today as the Chief Justice. I spent a long time in USG and in, uh, the Judicial Branch, so it's very exciting for me to be up here. I'm looking forward to a really exciting new year with um everyone, with the same justices but with a bunch of new faces in EB and LB. Um, so yeah thank you guys, Go Zips! Go USG!

VI. Advisor Report

Senate Chair Shelton: Alright, moving onto the advisors report.

Advisor Ferguson-Mike: I honestly have nothing.

VII. New Business

Senate Chair Shelton: Alright, onto new business, starting off with EO 1-26-27. May I have a motion to blanket read EO's 1-26-27 to uh 16-26-27.

Senator Sterns: Motion to blanket read EO 1-26-27 to 1.. 1-16.. 16-26-27.

Senator Flickinger: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, no...nay. Perfect.

Motion to blanket read EO's 1-26-27 to 16-26-27 passes: The ayes have it.

The Executive Orders are read.

Senate Chair Shelton: I now invite President Shaw and Vice President Spears to speak on behalf of their appointees.

President Shaw: I will keep this very short, because I know we had somebody that needed to leave. Um, but through an extensively based application process that we had these past two and a half weeks, we feel that the applicant pool was very strong this year and we are very excited to have some returning and some external members join USG. Um, I think that everybody is extremely qualified for the positions that they applied for and therefore are being appointed to. Um, so I'm really excited to hopefully have these passed. I'm looking to.. I'm looking forward to and excited for next year, so I urge you to vote in favor of all the EO's.

Vice President Spears: I'm very proud of you all. Good Luck. I urge you all to vote in favor.

Senate Chair Shelton: Is there any debate on these EOs? Right. May I entertain a motion move to the previous question.

Senator Flickinger: Motion to move to the previous question.

Senator Musgrave: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All those in favor to move to the previous question say Aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed nay. The motion passes. Oh wait, I said that wrong but. The result of the vote is to...

Former Chief Justice Stillion: Point of order. That was a motion to close debate. You were all in favor of moving to the previous question.

Senate Chair Shelton: The vote is now to approve EO's 1-26-27 through 16-26-27. Your options are in favor, opposed, or abstain. Vice senate chair Swaminathan, please call roll.

Motion to approve EO's 1-26-27 to 16-26-27 passes: The ayes have it.

VIII. Swearing In

Chief Justice Reimer

VIII. Election of University Council Representatives

Chief Justice Reimer: Point of order. This is still an active professional meeting, please keep side conversations to a minimum. Thank you.

Senate Chair Shelton: Onto the election of the University Council representatives, I invite President Shaw to the floor to give a presentation.

President Shaw: Hello everybody. Um so university representatives and committee appointments. Um so um if we could go to the next slide. Um so every year we appoint a couple of people to the University Council and Faculty Senate. So those are the voting committees that we will be doing first. Next slide please. Thanks. So first we will be doing appointments for the University Council. So the University Council... this is also to preface...open to anybody in the organization so University Council are held the second Tuesday of each month from 3 to 4:30 PM in person. The representative...the University Council is the representative of the legislative body that deliberates and makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees and the University President. They focus on strategic planning, university policy, and other substantive matters pertaining to the strategic operations of UA like I said if you..sorry go to the next one. So there are three USG representatives that are in University Council. One of those representatives will be me, per the USG bylaws, um but we will be electing two representatives to be, like I said, elected from the USG general membership. The only requirement is that they must be available and able to attend those set university council meetings so yeah. Don't go to the next slide yet.

Senate Chair Shelton: And now..now for the election of the University Council representatives. Is there any debate or nominations? President Shaw?

President Shaw: I nominate Vice President Spears:

Vice President Spears: I accept.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Musgrave?

Senator Musgrave: I nominate Senator Shelton. Are you senate chair? I nominate Senate Chair Shelton.

Senate Chair Shelton: I...I do not accept. President Shaw?

President Shaw: I do want to preface anybody currently holding a position within USG can nominate anybody in the room that is also currently holding a position in USG. So I concur you to do so.

Senate Chair Shelton: Chief of Staff McCracken?

Chief of Staff McCracken: I nominate Director Jovicic

Director of Finance Jovicic: I accept.

Senate Chair Shelton: Would anyone like to speak on their nomination real quick? Associate Justice Papatonis?

Associate Justice Papatonis: I wanted to nominate Associate Justice Geib.

Associate Justice Geib: I accept.

Senate Chair Shelton: Would you like to speak on your nomination? You're supposed to nominate and then speak on your nomination.

Associate Justice Geib: Okay. I'm nominating Associate Justice Geib because I think it would be really good to have the judicial branch...sort of..thank you. Represent. Just good representation of the Judicial Branch and for us to be in the loop!

Senate Chair Shelton: Chief of Staff McCracken would you like to say any words on your nomination.

Chief of Staff McCracken: Yeah. Director Jovicic is very experienced and I think he would be a great representative on University Council...

Chief Justice Reimer: Point of Privilege. Could you please speak up? I can't hear you.

Chief of Staff McCracken: Yes. I think that Director of Finance Jovicic would be a really good representative on University council. He is the president of FIJI, he has been on student government for over a year. I think he would do very well in this capacity. I urge you to vote for him.

Senate Chair Shelton: Would you like to speak on your nomination?

President Shaw: Yes I would. So Vice President Spears is very heavily involved on the administrative side of campus. A lot of people are familiar with him on that end and I think he would be great in representing USG in more of a student capacity compared to I guess more administrative side of some of his jobs that he has on campus so I think that he would be a great fit in this role as well.

Senate Chair Shelton: Can I get a motion to move to the previous question? Senator Flickinger?

Senator Flickinger: Motion to move to the previous question.

Senator Musgraves: Second.

Chief Justice Reimer: Point of Order, did we enter debate? You should do that.

Senator Flickinger: Motion to enter debate.

Senator Musgraves: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, say aye.

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, nay.

Motion to move into debate passes: The ayes have it.

Associate Justice Stillion: Hi! I just wanted to remind everyone that this is something that everyone gets to vote on, everyone in this room can be nominated for, which also means that everyone in this room can participate in debate and provide their own opinions on who they think should be elected. So I encourage you all if you know someone, or if you want to run for any of these positions that we talked about, please do so. These are great opportunities. In addition, I hope that we have representation from all three branches at all of these large-scale shared government organizations on campus: University Council and Faculty Senate. Typically DLT are the members that fill those positions in University Council and Faculty Senate and sometimes that means there is a bottleneck of information, information across the university may not make it all the way down to the normal members, that is why I believe that is good to have normal members outside of DLT on these organizations which is why I think it would be beneficial for Associate Justice Geib to fill one of those positions as although he is not in DLT he is a very experienced member by far. Thank you.

Senate Chair Shelton: Associate Justice Adams?

Associate Justice Adams: I would also like to attest to Associate Justice Geib's nomination. He is extremely qualified despite not being in leadership, I do believe he would be a great addition into this. Especially also being in JB it would add...it would connect our three branches. So I would also attest to his nomination.

Senate Chair Shelton: Associate Justice Jones?

Associate Justice Jones: I also would like to attest.

Associate Justice Stillion; Point of Privilege. Could you speak up for the front.

Associate Justice Jones: Oh. Sorry. I would also like to attest for Associate Justice Geib. Though we have only been in JB for a little time, I could learn a lot from him and he has been such a great Associate Justice this entire time, and I think his representation on this council will be beneficial.

Senate Chair Shelton: Associate Justice Geib?

Associate Justice Geib: Hello everybody! I am a little nervous to talk to all of you guys, and also not to bombard you all with JB cause I know we're all talking at you but I just wanted to say like JB is such a small group of USG. We still are 1/3 branchwise of the organization and I feel like at those meetings we do a lot behind the scenes that are felt by the organization but are very much unseen. I think having a JB member on the University Council will help have more interaction between the branches. I would love to see you guys at JB meetings more, because they are open to everybody, but yeah, that's all I have to say.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Flickinger?

Senator Flickinger: Motion to close debate and move to the previous question.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say Aye.

USG: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed nay. Perfect.

Motion to close debate and move to the previous question passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: All USG members including newly appointed Executive Branch and Judicial Branch members cast your ballot by filling out the QR code or it is linked in the agenda. It is not linked in the agenda. Does anybody need more time? Alright. Your new University Council representatives are Director Jovicic and Associate Justice Geib. alright now moving on to the election of faculty senator.

X. Election of Faculty Senator

President Shaw: So we're almost done guys I promise. So faculty senate is the first Thursday of each month from 3:30 to 5:30 PM in person. So the difference between Faculty Senate and University Council is that Faculty Senate is the legislative body that formulates suitable rules, requirements, and procedures for administration, government, management, and control of the students, course of study, degrees, certificates, and other internal university affairs.

So the main difference between University Council and Faculty Senate is University Council is more focused on the strategic planning of the University while faculty senate is focused on more of the...I guess...the rules and academics side of things if that makes sense. So there are two USG voting representatives. One of those representatives will be myself per the USG bylaws and one representative will be elected from the USG general membership. The only requirement again is that they must attend all faculty senate meetings that are once a month.

Senate Chair Shelton: Now for the election of the faculty senator. Is there any debate or nominations? Associate Justice Stillion?

Associate Justice Stillion: I would like to nominate Chief Justice Reimer.

Chief Justice Reimer: I accept.

Senate Chair Shelton: President Shaw?

President Shaw: I would like to nominate Vice President Spears.

Vice President Spears: I accept.

Senate Chair Shelton: Can I hear a motion to enter debate.

Senator Musgraves: Motion to enter debate.

Senator Flickinger: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All those in favor, please say Aye.

USG: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed nay. Perfect. You can speak on your nominations too.

Motion to enter debate passes: The ayes have it.

Associate Justice Stillion: Yeah. So similar to what I mentioned for University Council. Faculty Senate, as President Shaw mentions, is a similar organization but with a different reach, and the representative to faculty senate have been in the past the President and Vice president or the president and senate chair but I do believe that this organization in particular, the connection it provides us to the faculty on campus is important and I think that the judicial branch being a smaller branch is as Associate Justice Geib stated a bit earlier, it is difficult a bit sometimes to

achieve information that other branches are able to access. I do think that Chief Justice Reimer filling this position will be an amazing person to fill this position. The information that is gained through it is something that I think is something that is important for us in an internal aspect as the judicial branch. A lot of this information is about course recommendations, things that are happening on the internal side of faculty. Where university council is much more of an external position, the judicial branch mirrors that structure as an internal branch in this organization. I urge you to vote in favor for them.

Senate Chair: President Shaw?

President Shaw: I wanted to speak on my nomination for Vice President Spears. So, faculty senate having served in of course for the whole year...sorry, Vice President Spears is serving in this role currently and has been for at least for this semester has been doing a great job at it. They have contributing a lot of meaningful input in conversations in the body and have been a great representative overall. Understanding the more student advocacy side of the two legislative bodies, this being for faculty senate, being more external focused to students, I think it is important to have some strong leadership in there. Especially as being the outward facing representatives of the student body through USG, I think that it is important that we connect with them that way so we can better advocate for any needs of the students and relay that information accordingly as I said being the external face of USG. So I urge you guys to vote in favor of Vice President Spears.

Senate Chair Shelton: Associate Justice Stillion.

Associate Justice Stillion: Yeah, I definitely agree with a lot of what President Shaw said. I do however believe that the external aspect of this position is handled by the president fairly well. Especially in terms of the information dissemination that is supposed to happen between the president and vice president. I think that having the vice president as another representative to this organization would limit the amount of information we are able to spread outside the executive branch in particular. So I recommend a person not in the executive branch to hold this position.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Flickinger.

Senator Flickinger: Point of Inquiry for Chief Justice Reimer.

Chief Justice Reimer: I accept.

Senator Flickinger: Can I still nominate people?

Chief Justice Reimer: Yeah.

Senator Flickinger: Follow-up Point of Inquiry. Can I nominate someone that is not here.

Chief Justice Reimer: I don't think so.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Flickinger.

Senator Flickinger: In that case, I would like to nominate myself, and I would like to speak on behalf of my nomination. I feel like there is little legislative representation in these votes and I think that yes it is great to have representation across all three branches of USG. It is very important. However, there is a lot of executive and judicial stuff going on right now. I feel that the legislative branch have a little more representation outside of USG while our position does require us to talk to students a meet with faculty, I also think that it is important for us to be representative nad participate high-level, ill say, parts of organization and I also think that the legislative branch is important to be present at Faculty Senate as it is another legislative body and I think that it marks sense. I also believe that it is important for, as we all mentioned previously in these nominations and elections, that it is important for people outside of DLT to be informed. Seeing that as I am not part of DLT and I am a part of the legislative branch, that I am a natural fit for this. Thank you.

Senate Chair Shelton: Any further debate? Chief Justice Reimer.

Chief Justice Reimer: Yes. I just wanted to give a little bit of information about myself and why I believe that I should be elected to this position. I actually previously did serve in this position

in the fall semester. Unfortunately I did have to vacate that position because I had a class conflict. But I really enjoy being able to interact with people that aren't just within USG. The judicial branch really doesn't get to interact with too much university leadership outside of our University partners and so it was nice to know a little bit more about what's actually going on in the internal end of the university, so I definitely would second what Associate Justice Stillion said about how, you know, beneficial it can be to have somebody who is more on the inside of USG being also more aware of the things that are going on internally in the university.

Senate Chair Shelton: Vice President Spears?

Vice President Spears: Thank you. I serve currently on Faculty Senate and in my involvements on campus, I've gotten to know a lot of our administrators and a lot of faculty members that I get to now work with in that capacity on faculty senate. It's nice to be in a room with people that you know, President Shaw and I were elected to serve as the voice of the student body and that is what these two roles are, so it would be nice to continue in that mission, advocating the students, but just in faculty senate.

Senate Chair Shelton: Is there any further debate? Deputy Chief of Staff Winters?

Deputy Chief of Staff Winters: So as a past member of DLT, I will say something that I felt was really amazing was when our Vice President and President are representatives. They thoroughly are external communications, a lot of the times, and so with them being representatives, not having those representatives in these meetings is very effective so since Scott...Since Vice President Spears will no longer be on UC because he did not get voted in, I think it is extremely prevalent that we have him as our second member of faculty, having them as our external representatives.

Senate Chair Shelton: Any further debate? Associate Justice Stillion.

Associate Justice Stillion: Yeah. I would just like to clarify for everyone in the room that both UC and Faculty Senate are meetings that are open to any student to attend on campus. Just because we don't vote someone into this position, does not mean that they cannot attend these meetings. I was not a Faculty Senate representative for last spring but I went to all senate meetings last semester just because I thought it was interesting. You do not have to be an elected

representative to attend these meetings and gain that information to disseminate to the student body. These elected positions are simply given minimal voting rights in these bodies as student representatives directly within those bodies.

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Flickinger?

Senator Flickinger: Motion to close debate and move to the previous question.

Senator Musgraves: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor, please say aye.

USG: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed nay.

Motion to close debate and move to the previous question passes: The ayes have it.

Senate Chair Shelton: All USG, those in favor...Oh, I already did that. This is a closed ballot vote. Please say I, those opposed nay...okay there we go. All USG members cast your ballot by filling out the form at the QR code or linked in the agenda. The appointment of faculty senator goes to Vice President Spears. Moving on to the appointment of University Council committees, I invite President Shaw again to the floor to discuss the appointment of University Council Committees.

XI. Appointment of University Council Committees

President Shaw: Alright, these are a little bit different than what we just did I promise. It won't take as long and I also forgot to change the date so please ignore that. This is for this year. This upcoming year. So University Council committees, there are seven University Council committees. Each provide recommendations to the University Council for actions on different things such as policy, operation, organization, and other matters related to the committee. Two

USG representatives are needed for each committee. These are not voted, these are appointed, rather than...I guess..voted on by you all. So this will not be another vote, I promise. They meet once a month, times TBD, they're a little bit different. But they are usually over Microsoft Teams. So these are the seven committees. So, I guess the next step would be to, am I able to explain the form, so the next form will not be for voting. This is for you individually. So if you are interested in any of these University Council committees. Select which ones, if any. You could do all of them, you could do one of them, you could however many, that you may be interested in. Over the summer, I will be appointing people to them and reaching out and gaining interest that way. So again, open to everybody, this is for you individually this is not a vote. This is just to gain interest whenever I'm appointing things in the summer.

Senate Chair Shelton: Please take a moment and scan the QR code. Deputy Chief of Staff Ali Winters.

Deputy Chief of Staff Alison Winters: I just wanted to make a clarification for the general members. This is completely optional. Some people didn't understand that last year. So, don't feel like you have to fill this out. You don't have to. Completely optional.

Senate Chair Shelton: and if anybody has any questions about any of them, I could try to answer them to the best of my abilities. I do not serve on any of these, unfortunately I don't have time. But if anybody has any question about what they entail or certain things like that, I would be happy to answer.

Senate Chair Shelton: Does anybody else need the QR code up? No. Okay.

President Shaw: Cool. Thank you guys!

Senate Chair Shelton: Is there any further business for the good of the order. Seeing none, the meeting is adjourned.

XII. Adjournment

