



Undergraduate Student Government
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Senate Agenda
September 11th, 2025

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Roll Call**
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance**
✎ Guest Speaker
- IV. **Adoption of the Agenda**

Scott Campbell

Senator Moore: Motion to adopt the agenda

Senate Chair Kasik: Is there a second?

Senator Shelton: Second

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

Adopting of the agenda passed

Senate Chair Kasik: Now moving on to the approval of the 9.4.25 minutes.

V. Approval of the 9.4.25 Minutes

Senator Shelton: Motion to approve the 9.4.25 minutes.

Senator Moore: Second

Senate Chair Kasik: All in favor of approving the 9.4.25 minutes please say aye

9.4.25 minutes approved

Senate Chair Kasik: Now it's onto open student expression

VI. Open Student Expression

Senator Shelton: If you want to go see me and Megan play some flag football, we're doing that at 8:30pm at Infocision? Yep at Infocision, it'll be really fun!

Senator Moore: So, there is club for like sociology, they have a name. I can't remember what it's called. Their meetings are currently scheduled for Thursdays at six for anyone that's interested. I know we're here during that time. They're trying to move that because I know a lot of us would be potentially interested in that. They're interested in allowing students to like submit like buyers to their organizations to have it kind of promoted so umm yeah.

Director Damson: Hello! So, the Francophone Association is having our next meeting, next Wednesday if you guys are interested, I know President Shaw had a lot of fun last night. We'll have a game night. It's in room 310, student union at 6pm.

Project Coordinator Mueller: Um, so, two things. The Barker center is having another event next week. This one is the history of capitalism. Remember, last time I talked about this, it was just a regular, like, talking about capitalism. Now it's history, pretty cool. Dr. Wainwright's gonna be doing it. He's the chair of the history department. and I ordered the catering for it, so you know it's gonna be good snacks. Secondly, Monday's at 6:30pm not 7:30pm, meeting in the history lounge, which is 210 of CAS, for any of you guys that are interested in history and, we're always there so you should come hang out. For the Barker Center, that's next Wednesday, 4:30pm in 241.

Senator Spears: There is an EDM concert tomorrow. I know there is a DJ that's a U.A. student and then a DJ, I think, from Boston coming in, and the Rowdies will be there tabling and selling stuff. And then maybe Vice senate chair and I will be throwing out. Well, I definitely will be throwing out T shirts on stage, so if you want to practice your football catching, be there tomorrow. It's at 6pm. Free food.

Advisor Ernst: Adding to that, it's in Lock 3 so the brand new stage that's built, super nice down there, please go down there if you haven't yet. We got glitter tattoos. We got glow sticks. We got

food-trucks, we've got drinks, if you're of age, and Boba tea, if you're not. And fun cups, giveaways, students down there with the Rowdies, so please help if you can.

Senate Chair Kasik: Now onto the Branch Reports starting with myself and the Legislative Branch report

VII. **Branch Reports**

⌘ Legislative Branch Report

Senate Chair Kasik

Senate Chair Kasik: We have officially offered the position of college of business to a candidate. He has not yet been confirmed though, probably next week, hopefully, we'll see. Next week is mock debate. So please be ready next week for a fun debate. We' all practice Robert rules on our debate skills. And after this meeting is the first fab five meeting of me, Vice Senate Chair McCracken, and the three committee chairs. So please stick around after that for that. It shouldn't be that long. Moving on to the Judicial Branch report given by Chief Justice Stillion

⌘ Judicial Branch Report

Chief Justice Stillion

Chief Justice Stillion: Last week we had a shorter report because we didn't meet, definitely made up for it this week. The fall election cycle, the application does close tonight. I'm not gonna yap too much about that because I have a whole other report about that later on. But in terms of records coordinators, the Judicial Branch does all of the records coordination in the organization, we have all of those positions assigned to our justices, so essentially what that means to you as a Senate is the committee chairs will be receiving an email or have received an email from associate Mrs. Howell already asking to set up a meeting to sort of discuss what we require in terms of records-keeping from these committees, as well as from the branch in general, but that process is going to be mirrored across other two branches as well as with our events and historic records or election records. But we did vote on the bylaws in JB and they did pass in our Branch

so they are now officially official for real, even though they were already official. We also approved the two advisors in JB. We were able to be the first branch to do that, You guys will be the second to the to vote on it, who knows what happens. Well find out. Today and yesterday, we presented alongside the Department of the Student Conduct and Community Standards at their first-year seminar courses, so we just gave a film and a Kahoot going over code of student conduct in a little bit more detail than the code presentations or the code module that's on bright space. We met with UAkron Park this morning. It was a beautiful and amazing meeting we went down to their office. We said hi. We talked about some other upcoming projects. They are shifting the parking software from IPark in the spring.. That's great for you. It would be a new system that they have claimed is sleek and cool. I haven't seen it yet. I won't, because I'll be gone by that point hopefully. We also finished the DLT newsletter this Monday, so it was sent out in the president's email this Monday. It was just an overview about what the directional leadership team has worked on over the summer in a fun and hip format. So, if you're interested, please take a look. Some more editions of the newsletter will be coming in the future, and they won't be DLT focused, they'll be focused on the work that all of you will be doing. And the records projects, so this project is an offshoot of the records coordination responsibilities we have in the judicial branch. It's something that we picked up last year, continuing into this year, so I don't really know how many of you have looked, but if you go past kind of five years ago in the teams, it gets really messy. And most of the time, the records coordinators don't really focus on organizing records outside of the year we're currently in. We put them in the teams, we don't look back, but what we're trying to do is go back to past years, organize things, figure out what's there, essentially. We create a fun little overview document in each of your folders that says, what's here, this is what's missing. These are a couple interesting things if you're trying to search

for something. specific. We finished the judicial branch records last year, and now we're working through the beautiful legislative branch records. So maybe every now and then I'll come up here with the fun fact about what your predecessors have done. Who knows? Are there any questions before the meme?

Vice Senate Chair McCracken: I had a meeting with the UAkron Park last year, and they told me for the new system they were planning on holding a town hall for students. Do you know if that's something they were still thinking about doing?

Chief Justice Stillion: They didn't mention a town hall specifically because the change isn't occurring until, like it will be this upcoming summer that will actually be the parking passes on the new system. So as far as I'm aware, if they are having a town hall, it will be the end of spring. They didn't talk to us about anything like that. They want to work with us for like, they have to do a yearly customer satisfaction survey. So, we're going to help advertise that with that. Any other questions? All right. I did not make the meme, but there is a meme. It was made by the amazing Senator Pence. and I didn't even ask. He said, "I've been cooking up a meme." I said, please. Thank you.

Meme:

✎ Executive Branch Report

President Shaw

President Shaw: Okay, just a couple of reminders. Please keep completing and submitting your office hours weekly. That submission form, like, we've had a couple questions. If you have your office hours split between multiple days, don't feel like you have to submit that form every day that you have office hours. You can wait till the end of the week, wait till the end of your office hours and then just complete it then. But we do ask for at least one submission per week. So, keep completing those. Happy to see everybody's faces at lovely meetings, lovely committee

meetings in the office. It's been great. If you need to change your hours, please do so ASAP and let us know. just so we can keep account of when everybody's is for the week. If there's one week where you have an appointment during your office hours or anything, just let us know that as well. And if you'll make them up later, we'd prefer that you do that. But moving on, of course, all USG email, answer the hidden question, as well. It's very hidden this week. I almost forgot where it was, but yes, please look through that, answer that question. Some pretty good responses in the off topic channel of the teams. So, I recommend you read through those as well. And then Homecoming nominations, the results, USG is nominating Vice President Bethel Tsige and deputy director of Community Outreach Nick Senko. So, congratulations to those guys. Very exciting. There's also some other members within USG who have been nominated, but not by our organization, but by other organizations. We are working on getting a post created with all of the USG members who have been nominated. just so we can highlight them and encourage you all to vote for them. Which Homecoming nomination or sorry Homecoming court voting will be coming out. Wednesday. So, support some of your fellow USG members, highly recommend doing that. Additionally, some different events, Student Leadership Summit is this upcoming Monday from 5:15pm to 6:30pm in the student union ballroom. You can join USG and other student organizations to learn more about how we operate our internal finances and external finances and how organizations can obtain different forms of funding. If you are going, though, we would like you to sign up. So, I believe the sign-up link is in my all-USG email and then it is linked on this document as well. This is also not required for all USG members, so don't feel like you have to go to this, but we highly encourage you to attend. It's a great networking event as well. So, Deputy Director Senko asked me to put this on here. There's a men's soccer game against UCONN. Wednesday, September 19th, starting at 8:30pm. He wants everybody to fill

the hill. We are ranked third in the country for men's soccer, so, definitely come out and support your Zips. Yes Scott.

Senator Spears: The 19th is a Friday.

President Shaw: He told me the 19th, oh my gosh is it on a Wednesday though?

Senator Spears: It's a Friday

President Shaw: Oh, Friday September 19th

Senator Spears: Sorry.

President Shaw: No its okay. Thank you for the correction. I appreciate it. So, Friday, September 19th, not Wednesday, so, still, its the end of the week. Come celebrate, don't celebrate. Come cheer on your zips. Soccer games are super fun. I went to my very first one a couple weeks ago. I highly recommend.

Senator Spears: I also believe its at 7pm

President Shaw: Oh my gosh, Friday September 19th at 7pm. I did get the third ranked in the country right though. We're still ranked third in the country, so perfect. Good, good, good.

Moving onto the EB retreat, we are in the process of being planned for the Executive branch for early October... Yes.

Project Coordinator Muller: I think we have a date the 26th of September, actually.

President Shaw: Thank you. Guys, I made this earlier in the week. Some things have changed.

So, ignore early October. 26th of September, of course, and is only required for EB members.

Just wanted to keep you guys updated as hopefully a legislative branch retreat is coming soon?

So cool. And then, lastly, the all USG retreat, it is tentatively planned for Friday, October 24th.

This is required by everybody. So, unless you have an additional conflict that you cannot avoid, or you have to go to something else, please let us know as soon as you possibly can.

Senator Moore: Do we have like a time of day?

President Shaw: It is in the evening I believe at 4:30pm. Yes, starts at 4:30pm as we solidify planning that, our membership development coordinator, Maggie Mahaney is working on that currently right now. On getting that planned, on getting a room solidified, so as things come forth with that, of course, I will update everybody on that. It'll be on all USG calendar once it is decided. And yeah, one more thing that is not on here. Chief Justice Stillion reminded me. We had our first virtual vote, in the executive branch, which has not happened in a long time. It used to be historically voted on by the legislative and judicial branches only, since you only need two out of the three branches. But I was kind of upset with that, and I wanted EB to have a voice as well. So, we had our first virtual vote for the bylaws last week, and the bylaws passed in the executive branch too. So, they passed in all three branches. So, yes, yes, yes, yes, so good. And then online voting for the advisors will be held tomorrow for the executive branch as well. So hopefully we can have three out of three branches for that as well, along with the Bylaws. So, some fun things we're doing. Does anybody have any questions?

Senator Moore: Back up to the Student Leadership Summit, what is the dress code for that?

President Shaw: Hannah can answer this.

Chief of Staff Kelly: I'd say dress your best, whatever that looks like for you. Please don't come in with the lowest of your closet attire. Come in moderate to high dressed. Whatever that looks like. I will ask regardless of what you do decide to wear that if you're there on behalf of USG or on behalf of another org that you please wear your name tag that's in the office. We're figuring out if we are giving everyone name tags or if we give everyone plaques, I'm counting the role right now. How many people are going to be in attendance., But for USG I think it would be good for you guys to get interface time as representatives if you were wearing that name tag.

President Shaw: Thank you. Yes.

Senator Sterns: Will there be like chipotle?

President Shaw: I don't want to say but perhaps. There will definitely be food so you guys will be fed at the USG retreat. But chipotle? Potentially. Any other questions? No, okay thanks you guys.

€ Finance Report

Director of Finance Damson

Director of Finance Damson: Hello, hi, everyone. How's everyone adjusting to the third week?

Good? So, for finance, we had a lot more allocations last week from our Student Organization.

So, we have several allocations for travel from engineering associations and for example, society of Human Resource Management, and for non travel several organizations are requesting for first event and also requesting ahead of time. So, we had a total of about, if you scroll down. We had a total about \$5,000 that we approved. And for USG expenses, the student leadership, that we just talked about, we ordered for that. And we also had the USG annual report that's in the office, and we spent about \$500. And no SA expenses. Any questions? Thank you. Oh, there we go.

Senator Shelton: I don't know if you noticed, I was reading some of the names. What is the meta coffee club?

Director of Finance Damson: It's a club that basically tastes coffee and then they rate them.

Advisor Ernst: The meta coffee club cultivates a space where students can enjoy, discuss, and engaging in the cultural and scientific aspects of coffee. Create a relaxed environment where members can develop their appreciation for coffee through tasting sessions, discussions on brewing techniques, exploration of coffee origins and educational workshops.

Director of Finance Damson: Bethel is having a project about coffee for chemical engineering project management class. But crumble cookies, okay. You know what? We should add that. If

there's anything interesting, I'll take you place about it and you go,. So crumble cookies, they meet. Im kind of scared to tell you guys, because I if there's no space now. But it's every Monday, they meet at 7 p.m. It's in the USG office. I wait at like 6 and then around like 6:30pm, I'm already, like, you know, there. But by 7:03 last meeting, it was done. Like, they have 48 members they were like, we have to go. And I remember some people were like, we close to the door. They were like, like, knocking on the door. It was so loud. But yeah, you guys should go, very good. I think it's a nice way to relax too, I love the the purpose of the organization. You eat cookies, you rate them, and you just meet other cookie lovers. So, I recommend it to you guys. Any other questions or any references for any other organizations? No? Okay, thank you.

Senate Chair Kasik: Thank you director Damson. Someone should make a cookie committee.

∉ Direct Leadership Team Report

Senate Chair Kasik

Senate Chair Kasik: All right this is just what we went over in the DLT meeting earlier this week, Monday. Just remember the office hours have begun and submit those. Also remember to submit shout outs and fill out people for the midyear awards. They should be given around the end of the semester. Branch reports. Applicants for all of the vacant spots have been interviewed, and we're in the process of getting through all that for all our branches, for the EB committee chairs, we decided for the campus dining experience. It is Julia Cunha Dos Santos. For the mental health task force it is Jessica Greene, and for diversity, it is Harold Eshun. For the USG shirt call survey, it is still going on, so if you have not decided, or not voted on what shirt you want, you got to go... Yes, sir.

Senator Prough: Where is the forum loctaed?

Senate Chair Kasik: Off topic-10

Senator Prough: Thank you

Senate Chair Kasik: That's where it is, so please fill that out. if you want a shirt color you want.

So, Leadership Summit is September 15th. It's from 5:15pm to 7pm, led by Chief of Staff Kelly.

The OSGS Committee, if you want to hear more about it, please, once again, reach out to Chief of Staff Kelly. She'll let you know more about it. Membership Development Coordinator is

planning the USG retreat, which should be October 24th still, and the possibility of having

Brandon, who was our advisor for the last couple of years, he might be there, and be a speaker.

So, we'll see. The election cycle has also begun. It opened last Thursday. It closes this Thursday

at midnight. That which is today. So, yeah, it closes. We'll be using Zipmail tomorrow. If you

guys know anybody, any freshmen, who want to be senators, please let them know that this is

going on, so that we can have a full branch. For upcoming events, the next all USG meeting is

this October 2nd from 5pm to 7pm. Make a difference day, is coming up, it is October 25th, 9am

to 12pm. The second safety grant event is coming up, October 28 through 7pm to 9pm, and the

tentative all USG retreat, October 24th, which is. up there already. So yeah, any questions? Yes,

President Shaw.

President Shaw: I would like to add on to the committee reports, the three committees are CDE,

Mental Health Task Force, and Diversity Those times are being solidified this week, by the end

of this week. And the times for this committees, if you are interested as you are all able to be a

part of or any of your friends, if they're external to USG as well. Those times and dates will be

posted on our Instagram. Plus, we get solidified dates and times, so keep on the lookout for that.

Senate Chair Kasik: Any other questions? All right then. Onto the committee reports

VIII. Committee Reports

€ Election Board Report

Chief Justice Stillion

Chief Justice Stillion: So, the reason I'm giving two separate reports is I've mentioned, in the past, the Judicial Branch becomes the elections board during an election cycle. Last year we started this, we started splitting the judicial branch meeting and the elections board meeting into two separate meetings that just happened at the same time that we just adjourned the judicial branch and then readjusted for the elections board. We did that primarily for minutes purposes, because a lot of the elections stuff that we talk about in a regular meeting can't go into public minutes. just accessible in the teams, so we didn't just want those things sprinkled out throughout the regular judicial branch report, or judicial branch minutes that have to be public, so we we're gonna have a separate separate minutes for the judicial branch, separate minutes for the elections board, but that's also going to apply to regular branch reports and elections board reports because also I don't have to be the elections chair. Any member of the judicial branch can be the elections chair, so it wouldn't make sense for that to be one report by one person, when it can be two people. But that's what that says there. We worked on task and event assignment this week in the elections board meeting, which essentially means we just had people sign up for our upcoming tabling events before the election cycle, which is essentially going to be tabling to advertising, advertising voting, and then tabling to to help Proctor our candidate meet and greet. events. So that's on there. As I and Ryan mentioned, the election application is open, it closes tonight at 11:59 p.m. Raise your hand, this is the interactive part. If you're a first-year student. Awesome. Raise your hand if you're in this room and you've seen elections board advertising material on campus somewhere in the past couple days. Interesting. Raise your hand, if you read the Zip mail. It was the second line. It was the second line, guys. Interesting. Interesting. I'm trying to gauge it. I'm sorry. I should have specified. Raise your hand if you thought when I said, around campus, you didn't include the zip mail in it. Okay. Awesome. Raise your hand if you saw the

election advertising. It's in the zip mail. Beautiful. Okay, we've recovered. I'm gonna admit. The numbers are where I want them to be at in terms of applicants. So, if you're a first year student, you know, you got friends. Tell them how much you've enjoyed your experience so far in this organization. Push the application out to them, recommend that they apply. It's a great opportunity. Raise your hand if you've enjoyed your time in Senate. There you go. Why not spread that joy to other first year students if needed. That's everything I had to talk about. Yes.

Senator Sterns: How much advertisement did you guys do? Just the zip-mail or more around campus?

Chief Justice Stillion: So, well, we only advertised in the zip mail for one week because the application has only been open for the tenure of one zip mail, but we have flyers up on bulletin boards in the union and in Bierce, we have digital signage up on the TVs in the union and the TV's all across campus. TVs in the college of business. TVs in Bierce, I think maybe. I think that's it, but if there's a TV that does University of Akron advertising, we have flyers up on them, we reached out to RHC, RHPB, we have flyers, hopefully. Not in the residence halls, but there should be flyers up in all the residence halls. Maybe not, judging on your faces, but that's okay. We've reached out to... I'm blanking here, I'm going to throw it out to Executive Justice Reimer. What am I missing?

Executive Justice Reimer: We did outreach just today and yesterday for first year seminar classes which are just for freshman. And went out to talk about the upcoming elections coming up for first year senators.

Chief Justice Stillion: So yeah, we've done a little bit of work but the numbers still aren't where I want them to be, so I'm calling to you as my last reserve. As the last and best option. Push the application if you want to.

Senator Moore: You said you guys aren't tabling, correct?

Chief Justice Stillion: Not for the application, but for candidate meet and greets, which are events are proctored by the elections board for candidates to advertise, openly campaign, or tabling for voting and then we do feedback tabling. Just sort of get a gauge on how the election cycle went for students.

Senator Prough: So just to be clear, the application to be considered a first for a first-year senator closes tonight?

Chief Justice Stillion: Yes. So, they are applicants. To become candidates, they have to pass a good standing check, which is just what you have all done, just saying you've complete hazing training. Do you have the minimum GPA requirement to be in student org. Which is like 2.5, which I think all first-year students automatically have that because they don't have a GPA yet. So, we kind of wave that requirement. Any other options? Okay? I'm relying on you. There isn't a meme for this one. I'm sorry.

Senate Chair Kasik: Thank you Chief Justice Stillion. We will now move to Senator Shelton going over the F.A.S.T committee.

- F.A.S.T. Committee

Senator Shelton

Senator Shelton: Okay, so, I was a bad senator and left some things out of the report, so forgive me. we had our first meeting Tuesday at 5pm, so if you ever want to come join the F.A.S.T. committee, be a special guest, that would be great. We have a special guest today, not today. When we had our meeting, Brian, and he was very informative and very helpful as any of you would be if you were a special guest for a meeting. We dealt with, we talked about some issues and some meetings that we've already had because we're already working hard and doing our best. We also have some specific interests for the members of F.A.S.T. committee, so we're

interested in car legislation, food legislation, sidewalk legislation. We're interested in a lot. So, if that tickles any of your fancies, come talk to me and I will put you on the right path of who can collab with. Um, as for the Leigh Hall Elevators, I've been notified multiple times, I've already been in communications, I had a meeting about it on... some day of the week, this week, with our lovely, almost advisor, Brittany, and things are happening. It's out of my hands, but what else is up there? Fast accessibility tour, gates and times are going to be ready and available. As early as Tuesday next week. So, keep an eye for those. It'd be really cool if you guys joined us for one, it is a USG sponsor event. They're a lot of fun, you get to see me, which is always a perk. So, yeah, we're always looking for a project, so let us know if you see anything or want anything done, that's all. Any questions? Dang it.

Senate Chair Kasik: Thank you Senator Shelton no onto Senator Gnap and the A.P.S.S committee.

- A.P.S.S. Committee

Senator Gnap

Senator Gnap: All right, um, so we decided to have our meetings on Thursdays at 12:45pm to 1:45 p.m. So, you're welcome to come join us whenever you have time. And this week, in our meeting, we did introductions to like the members and just committee agendas, and then we selected our vice chair, Senator Shri. and then for the future, we just, we're brainstorming ideas and we wanted to reach out to the past A.P.P.S. committee, Senate chair, or committee chair, sorry about that, just to figure out, what other projects we could do and then potential projects and proposals we went over, the printer money initiative, just working to see if we can survey some students to figure out if we need to do more printer money and like, push that. And then we had internship opportunities. We're working to provide more opportunities, especially in the College of Business if I'm correct. And then, we also were talking about Brightspace additions,

just working to be more consistent and show grades and percentages to students to help figure out your grade, so that's what we want over, so. Any questions or anything? Thank you

Senate Chair Kasik: Thank you Senator Gnap. Now onto Senator Spears going over the S.E. committee.

- S.E. Committee

Senator Spears

Senator Spears: Hello, our meetings are on Wednesdays at 3:30pm. We now have an S.E.

Committee Vice Chair after a hard fought election. Senator Simas ran away with the one vote that was cast. and we talked about USG to reminders, checking your email stuff like that. We talked about what we're working on. Senator Simas and I are tackling a project about summer parking for our summer employees here at the university, orientation, summer conferences, and kind of miscellaneous employees. I know some of our branch leadership, our employees over the summer and kind of feel that library employees as well. And then Senator Kleinschmidt had a great initiative about making sure that consent education is just fully applied to that, and so people have robust training on that before they become students, at the university. Two potential projects, there's that lot of land behind university's edge. That's kind of the Wild, Wild West of campus, and it seems to be, from what I hear in disrepair or some sort of not pristine look, and we would love to look into that, actually take a trip over there and look into it. And then, actually sitting in the office for the first time ever, I've had like an actual student concern. Some student came in and informed us that downstairs in the international lounge, there is an improper flag that represents Syria and is the old Assad regime, which fell over the recent months and that we do not have an updated version of that. So, if that's not fixed in due time, stuff like something that we'll look into as a student engagement committee to make sure that they're represented on campus. Talk about action items, basically just what I said, assigning who's going to look after what. And then Q of the D. It's an orientation thing that I think that each committee kind of

has their own thing to get to know you, games or Rosebud Thorn. Ours is Q of the D, its a get to know you question. and it makes sure that since we're going to be serving in this committee for the rest of the year, we get to know each other some more. Garin, what's up?

Senator Prough: What was the Q of the D?

Senator Spears: The Q of the D this week was what is a movie, tv show, and books that impacted your life. You know get a little taste of TV, Movies, and Books from my committee members and myself. Any questions? Senator Simas.

Senator Simas: We also had two special guests as well.

Senator Spears: Yes, we had special guests as well. Senate Chair Kasik, thank you. And Vice Senate Chair McCracken were there as well. Any other questions?

Advisor Ernst: Not a question but I just wanted to say that the flag is being fixed.

Senator Spears: Good. So, we have one potential project. All right, thank you.

Senate Chair Kasik: Well now moving onto... yes Senator Shelton

Senator Shelton: The vice Committee chair is Brooklyn Moore, and so I'm really sorry I forgot that.

Senate Chair Kasik: All right. Now onto New Business.

IX. New Business

✹ Advisor Appointments

Senate Chair Kasik: Is there any debate? Seeing none, can I get a motion?

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

Senator Shelton: Second

Senate Chair Kasik: All those in favor of closing the debate and moving to the previous question please say aye

Motion to close the debate and move to previous question passed

Senate chair McCracken calls the role

Senator Gnap: In Favor

Senator Kleinshmidt: In Favor

Senator Messmer: In Favor

Senator Moore: In Favor

Senator Pence: In Favor

Senator Prough: In Favor

Senator Shelton: In Favor

Senator Simas: In Favor

Senator Spears: In Favor

Senator Sterns: In Favor

Senator Swaminathan: In Favor

Advisor Appointment Passed: Vote is Unanimous

Senate Chair Kasik: It only took three weeks thankfully. So now we'll be moving onto the student representative elections. We'll have a presentation by President Shaw.

≠ Student Representatives Election

President Shaw: Okay, so the reason that we're doing this, is that at the university, there is

University Council and Faculty Senate, you may have heard me talk about it a little bit.

They are the governing bodies for faculty and staff on campus. And as USG members, we

have the opportunity to be voting members on those, which is super exciting. So, like I said,

they're voting committees. So, starting off, University Council is the second Tuesday of each

month from 3pm to 4:30pm in person. They are the representative in the legislative body

that deliberates and makes recommendations to the Board of Trustees and the university's

President. The University Council mainly focuses on strategic planning, University policy, and other substantive matters pertaining to the strategic directions and operations at the University of Akron. So, within University Council, there are three USG voting representatives. One of those representatives will be the USG president or the USG by laws. So, what we will be voting on and please, someone correct me if I'm wrong, this will be everybody in the room, correct? Yes. Everybody in the room will be voting on this. It is a closed ballot. So, yes, two representatives will be voted on and elected from the USG General membership. And these members must attend all university council meetings, which are, again, once a month. So yeah, a little bit more about university council.

Senate Chair Kasik: Are there any nominations for University Council?

President Shaw: I would like to nominate Director of Finance Karina Damson

Director of Finance Damson: I accept

Senate Chair Kasik: All right, anybody want to speak on the nominee?

President Shaw: I can. So, Karima has gone to University Council with me once already. And participated in discussions regarding things that were brought up, and seems very engaged in the conversations that we had. And seems very interested in helping represent the student body within that respect. I feel like Karima would be a great fit to be one of these voting representatives as well

Senate Chair Kasik: Are there any other nominations? Yes President Shaw?

President Shaw: I would also like to nominate Senate Chair Kasik

Senate Chair Kasik: I accept

President Shaw: Perfect. Same goes for Senate Chair Kasik. Ryan went with me last Tuesday as well to University Council, same deal. We had great conversations, lots of great

connections with that being his first meeting attending. Got to meet some new people. and I highly recommend Ryan in this respect as well as Karima.

Senate Chair Kasik: Are there any other nominations for University Council? Seeing none.

Senator Moore: Will we be able to attend the University Council meetings?

President Shaw: Yes. You won't be able to vote but you can definitely go if you're still interested. Please let me know, I'd be happy to take students with me. They love seeing students there. We're one of the only, I believe, two student groups who have voting representing this, so the more students they like to see, the better. So highly recommend.

Senate Chair Kasik: Yes Senator Spears

Senator Spears: Motion to end debate and move to previous question.

Senator Shelton: Second

Senate Chair Kasik: All those in favor of moving to previous question and continue voting on our confirmation please aye.

Motion to move to previous question passed

President Shaw: This voting is for everybody in the room, even DLT, so please vote.

Chief Justice Stillion: Point of order,

Senate Chair Kasik: All right, so, the votes for Karima Damson are 21 to 0, so congratulations. The votes for me, are also 21-0, so congratulations.

President Shaw: Okay, almost done. So, moving on. Faculty Senate. Um, so Faculty Senate meets the first Thursday of each month from 3:30pm to 5:30 p.m. in person. So, we apologize if it runs over into Senate. We may be a little late every once in a while, but, just the Faculty Senate is the legislative body that formulates suitable rules, requirements, and procedures for administration, government, management, and control of the student's

courses of study, degrees in certificates, and other internal university affairs. So, they mainly focus on the academic sort of course, port portion of the university, any course proposals or any course changes goes through Faculty Senate. Additionally, there are two USG voting representatives. One of those representatives will be the USG president, so myself, per the bylaws, and there will also be one representative elected from the USG general membership. These members must attend all Faculty Senate meetings once a month.,

Senate Chair Kasik: Opening the floor up to nominations for Faculty Senate. President Shaw.

President Shaw: I would like to nominate Executive Justice Reimer.

Executive Justice Reimer: I accept

Senate Chair Kasik: Any other nominations for Faculty Senate?

Senator Spears: Motion to end debate and move to previous question.

Senator Shelton: Second.

Senate Chair Kasik: All in favor of moving to previous question and voting on the Faculty Senate Nomination please say aye

Motion to move to previous question and end debate passed

Senate Chair Kasik: All right. So same as last time. Just scan this and fill out the ballots...

All right, does anyone need any more time? All right, votes are in. It looks like for representative one Audrey Reiner has achieved majority of the votes so congratulations.

President Shaw: Thats all you guys thank you

Senator Spears: Motion to strike swearing in from the agenda

Senator Shelton: Second

Senate Chair Kasik: Motion to remove swearing in from the agenda please say aye

Motion to remove swearing in from the agenda approved

XI. Adjournment

XII. Discussion

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