



Legislative Branch

Undergraduate Student Government

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2026-2027 All-USG Agenda

September 3rd, 2026

I. Call To Order

Senate Chair Shelton: I'd now call this meeting to order. Vice Senate Chair Swaminathan, call the roll.

II. Roll Call

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Adoption of the Agenda

Senate Chair Shelton: Now moving onto the adoption of the agenda

Senator Prough: Motion to strike the elections board report

Senator Simas: Second.

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor please say aye

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, nay. Perfect

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

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Sterns

Senator Sterns: Motion to adopt the agenda

Senate Chair Shelton: All in favor please say aye

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, nay. Perfect

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

V. Approval of the 09.03.26 Minutes

Senate Chair Shelton: May I have a motion to adopt the 09-03-26 minutes.

Senator Prough: Motion to approve the 09-03-26 minutes.

Senator Musgrave: Second.

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

Senate: Aye.

Senate Chair Shelton: All opposed, nay. Wonderful.

Motion to approve the 09-03-26 passes: The ayes have it.

VI. Open Student Expression

Senate Chair Shelton: Now moving on to open student expression. Vice President Spears.

Vice President Spears: *Unintelligible on recording* (Discussed the upcoming football game).

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Simas.

Senator Simas: Great News. If you're worried, like, I'm not gonna get to the JAR that early, all right? You can sleep over. There's Jammies at the Jar, Friday night. All the details are on the Instagram, the AKRowdies if you're interested. Um, afterwards, there's,

of course, NFL College game day. There's a volleyball game going on that morning. After all that, Zips fill the weekend. There's the party on Vine street. Big thing with athletics. We'll also be there. You'll have a chance to meet the men's basketball team. Meet the MAC champs, after we'll have a tailgate there will be a lot of zippy cookies. That's big. But yeah, after that, our meal. After that we'll beat Johnny R, better than Bobby Mo (Robert Morris).

Senate Chair Shelton: Senator Kleinschmidt

Senator Kleinschmidt: Keeping with the sports team, um, I also heard about a university council that at a football game, they will be picking a random student before the game and then with four minutes left they will announce the name. And if you are at that game, you have those remaining 4 minutes of in the game to go claim your prize, which will be \$4000 for an academic scholarship. But you have to be at the game.

Senate Chair Shelton: Executive Justice...Chief Justice Reimer

Chief Justice Reimer: Ignite is having another club meeting. Ignite is a women's focused political group, but it's not political in terms of parties but its rather for poli sci majors. *Recording is unintelligible.*

Senate Chair Shelton: Alright moving on from open student expression. We would like to welcome up Dr. Allison Doehring.

VII. Speaker: Dr. Allison Doehring of ZipAssist

VIII. Advisor Report

Senate Chair Shelton: We are now moving onto the legislative branch report given by me.

Chief Justice Reimer: Point of order. Does it not start with the advisor's report?

Senate Chair Shelton: It does start with the advisors report. After you Brittany.

Advisor Ferguson-Mike: I don't really have much. I think I wanted to just remind you about, we just have light up the night, but I mean, uh, 2 weeks from today. Out on Coleman Commons, there will be uh, festival, free food, giveaways. So, there's that, and then at 8:30, we'll have a drone show, for students and staff.

IX. Legislative Branch Report

Senate Chair Shelton: Moving onto the legislative branch report. If you have a friend who are in the college business or an international student, hopefully make them apply. Uh, for the emails, please CC us!

Vice Senate Chair Swaminathan: Every week please submit your office hour forms. So you guys should have 4 office hours, except for three, committee chairs who submit 5 office hours. And how you submit the form For example I work Monday, like 9 to 11, Tuesday, 11 to 12, and then, like Thursday, 2 to 4. Okay. So you type up the times and days and you have to submit it. So I haven't given a lot of submissions from our senators. So make sure to do it you do it for week 2 last week, and week 3 this week.

Chief Justice Reimer: There's also a question asking what they did during those office hours.

Vice Senate Chair Swaminathan: Yep so there will be a question talking about times and another question talking about what you guys did.

X. Judicial Branch Report

Senate Chair Shelton: We are now moving onto our judicial branch report, given by Chief Justice Reimer.

Chief Justice Reimer: Okay so we didn't have our meeting this week since our meetings are usually on Monday's. The justices have personal projects which they will be conducting. I got a couple of responses on what people would like to do. *Recording is unintelligible*. New student organization application opens this Friday on the 11th so we will be looking through all those responses. *Recording is unintelligible*. Finally we've been working on our record coordination meetings. *Recording is unintelligible*. Any questions?

XI. Executive Branch Report

Senate Chair Shelton: We are now moving onto our executive branch report, given by President Shaw.

President Shaw: Just a quick little update, we didn't have a DLT meeting so no DLT report this week. So, um, of course, not very involved this week. Make sure, of course, my USG email, you should read that. Um, there's a lot of important information in it. The office hour submitting form that, vice senate chair Swaminathan talked about earlier is also on the the bottom of that, so it's easier to access. Additionally, something that was in that this week's email, if you read it, um, we are collecting um, t-shirt and crewneck info. So, please submit the form. It is linked in the report here, you don't have to open it, but it is linked to the report there. It asks for your shirt size. So we are getting shirts for everybody. Um, and then, crewnecks is something that we are starting to do. Um, So we've been talking about this for about a year. It's special and we did it my freshman year. Really cool. Um, So, that would be like an additional cost, but we'll be like too, too much, maybe like 25-30-ish dollars. So if you're interested in maybe getting a crewneck as well, you get to submit your size on there. It's not like a, if you submit this, you're getting one, it's kind of like a interest from everybody. Um, anyways. Please submit that as soon as you can. Um, and then the last thing that I have for you is, you know, the University Council report. So similarly to how I did my account on the Faculty Senate report. Last week. um, I'm just reporting back on what was discussed in the University Council, which is awesome. So, um, to make this quick, university council. Um, there's a new chair and a new secretary, which is exciting. Um, Provost Price went over some enrollment updates for the university, which is exciting. So that this is complete. Um, So enrollment, overall moment is, which is very exciting. Second year in a row, that enrollments been up. Um, so pretty much everything is up, um, 1st year admissions are up down a tiny bit since last year, but we also had a great increase last year. So, on the up and up, um, additionally, there is a new BCAS dean. There's a new vice president of enrollment management, um, in the admissions office, which is fun. Um, and the CEPS dean search is also underway. They're having interviews in October, and hopefully we'll have an dean by the beginning onext year. Um, so let's see, something fun. Okay, this is really cool. Something fun that's happening at the law school this week that they're their telling undergrad students to go to, is they're having a fireside chat with Lynn Tracy, who is the former U.S. ambassador of Russia. She will be on campus. We have the accreditation commission visiting. I think I talked about that last week as well. Basically, just the university has to be accredited. The commission comes in to make sure that we're doing what we're supposed to be doing at the university. Um, they will be here next week. Um, but something that they wanted me to promote is they have like a student forum with the HLC. Um, on the 14th, which is I believe Tuesday, from 4:20 to 5. Basically, I honestly don't know what's going to be going on here. I don't know, but it's just, um, I guess the HLB getting a perspective on students about how they're doing. Um,

additionally, we also had a guest speaker. We had, um, Dr. Andrew Goodrich, the athletic director at the meeting. Talked a little bit about he submitted a balanced budget for athletics this year, which is huge. Um, talked about hiring a new academic support person. Um, the last thing I wanted to mention was from these, um, the IT committee, um, I don't know exactly which classrooms. They're getting interest back on that. So seeing how that goes, that might be a bigger institutional change.

Chief of Staff McCracken: OSGS committee is starting up. *Recording is illegible.*

President Shaw: For those who do not know, Ohio Student Government Summit is what our student government hosts annually to invite other students from the surrounding universities and surrounding states. Um, for a weekend, at the university. Um, we do a lot of programming, um, we do some service opportunities. We have keto speakers, we can breakout sessions. Um, So that is the end of February. Um, I believe we want at least one person per branch. on the committee, but it is open to literally anybody. So, I've been on it every single year. I always love to see the behind the scenes. Anybody have any questions?

XII. Finance Report

Senate Chair Shelton: Now moving on to the finance report given by Director of Finance Jovicic.

Director of Finance Jovicic: No allocations going out to student organizations in the past week. Uh, with the recent changes in funding regulations, which just means that a lot more folks are not submitting uh, funding requests. in terms of USG you've got some up supplies and some account transfers, and then in terms of other expenses, we gave \$2000 to the office orientation 1st year programming for the Wes Woodson Speakers series. Usually we do this in every 5 years in \$10,000 chunks, but we're changing it every year, \$2000. Kind of easier on the waller at times. Any questions about finance report?

Chief Justice Reimer: Point of order, there was a question.

President Shaw: Not really a question. Um, that was something that I do want to mention as well. If you are a first year we bring speakers. I usually, we have, for 5 years, we've been Wes Woodson, so if your a honors student here you could attend, I could be wrong. Yeah.

Vice Senate Chair Swaminathan: I'm pretty sure it's all first year students

Director of Finance Jovicic: Yes. Anybody in one of those first-year seminar course. Any other questions?

XIII. F.A.S.T. Committee Report

Senate Chair Shelton: Now moving onto our F.A.S.T. Committee report given by Senator Flickinger.

Senator Flickinger: So we did not have a meeting this week, like a lot of other groups because of Labor Day. Um, We are going to our 1st meeting, next week on Monday, as you see, on the report. Um, we are planning on having 2 speakers at our meetings. So I've reached out to the PFOC, to see if they're able to cover things and talk about some things that are kind of specific to the fast committee. So I'm working on a couple things. I am working with, um, the bookstore to implement a umbrella rental service, um, We discussed it last year, so I was kind of actually doing it. Hopefully, also working with the office of accessibility, talking about the disability, awareness week events, so hopefully we'll be able to help out other community organizations with those. Also looking at ways to increase accessibility during the snowy season. I know it's been a big issue with a lot of, um, people that have accessibility issues, like wheelchairs and things like that, but it's, So kind of brainstorming what I would do about that. Um, and then Oh, yeah. Um, with the personal projects, I have actually spoken with associate justice Geib to create a resource platform for students, so that'll be. hopefully, will be his personal project and I have also some items with DLT. I'm sure next week they will mention that if it becomes something in their DLT report next week. And Senator Musgraves is off to a great start as well. He'll be updating the campus map, so it's actually correct. It would be great. So, I thought that was a really awesome idea. He's already started kind of mapping out, what's outdated, things like that. Also, looking at outdoor spaces, um, kind of just gauging some rough ideas of what people with somebody outdoors based on campus. Um, Senator Pastoria is looking at how to improve the facilities, in the rec center, kind of brainstorming up. Just things about the rec that are in general. And Senator Mitchell, um, as I mentioned last week, is kind of looking at bright space and some of the other educational things that are going on to improve them. Also, of course, working with Senator Pastoria, looking at the rec center, looking at water refill station replacements. So that's what... that's what we've been talking about and working on.

Senator Musgrave: *Recording is unintelligible.*

Senator Flickinger: Yes. Any other questions?

XIV. A.P.S.S Committee Report

Senate Chair Shelton: Now moving onto our A.P.S.S. Committee report given by Senator Sterns.

Senator Sterns: Good evening everyone. To go over what we did last year me and senator Prough, went over that. Um, so last year we, APSS, we did a video series on having brightspace and workday. Apparently it was recorded. And finished but never was sent over. Um, there was Jay something, he graduated. So, Jay Ellington, his name was he graduated. So, um, I have to talk with the social media strategist, on how I can get that. But, uh, I'll let you all know when that'll happen. So hopefully we'll get that back. Um, outdoor courts project. Um, Senator Prough is still working on that and that'll be his, um, What is it? Passion project. Knight Chemical. I have to talk to my contacts there. I don't know if it's still needed. Talk to them about that. Um, but new projects this year. So, Senator Kleinschmidt from SE talked with us about doing a joint project, which me and my committee were very enthusiastic about working with you guys. However, we decide to wait until we get our new Senators just to have a little introduction area. Experience for them to get some work under theirselves. Um, We brainstormed a bit, we talked about doing some sort of mini whiteboard table event, where, well, I was told by Senator Prough that orientation actually did that a couple years ago or last week.

Senator Prough: Um, so orientation, um, every 2 weeks of orientation, we used to give out whiteboards. We don't anymore, but the office still has like 2 boxes.

Senator Sterns: Okay. So that would probably be in Bierce, and hopefully that'll go to students who need it. And then, Another, a committee project that would be a long-term APSS project would be a student resource master list. So, there's a lot of like hidden stuff on campus that, uh, are just hidden, that students can use. Um, other stuff that, for example, uh, USG worked on, I'm pretty sure we have New York Times, including games. I'd love to have a huge list, but you know, people, can use too. It would be great. Inform them that they have access. And for individual updates, I'm looking for new projects, mostly still working on these big projects, et cetera. Senator Prough is going to be working on that courts project. Um, we're talking about him doing stuff with employees at the rec centers. He's looking at UA app weather data. Um, That'd be a weather data performance from like 2013 and that is not how the weather works these days. So that really helped everyone. That's all.

Senator Prough: Point of Order. There's more to the report

Senator Sterns: Here's our meme. The rest in peace. Former. Former Chief Justice, uh, Sam Stillion.

XV. S.E. Committee Report

Senate Chair Shelton: Now moving on to the Student Engagement Committee report given by Senator Kleinschmidt.

Senator Kleinschmidt: I left student expression up there because of Jammies at the jar and the, uh, \$4000 for tuition. So we can see that. Um, so for, uh, old business, we went over Senator Marshall's project, so related to sexual assault events. And then, uh, Senator Simas's compost and AI manipulation of university technological property. They both have some updates on finding dates for those things, getting email back, and being set up. Very cool. And then for new business, uh, kind of bringing something back, that's senator Simas brought up last semester, which was, um, kind of localizing all of the information about what and where you can publish things, that is true of communication. A lot of that information is different, varying, uh, by building and kind of we would like to just get that all together. *Recording is unintelligible.* And then for individual updates, Senator Marshall is waiting for email responses. Senator Simas. I mentioned is waiting for an email back about composting and is setting up meetings. Um, Senator Bass is working on organizing the campaign materials, uh, bringing back the idea we had last year as well as coming up with new ideas. Um, I am currently working on getting organizations in USG to come to SE meetings and continuing to brainstorm consent campaign ideas. Um, and then Senator Dobson is looking for projects and brainstorming. Can you go back up? And then our Q of the D was, could a vampire police officer enter your house if they have a warrant? Some food for thought.

XVI. New Business

A. Voting on EO 21-26-27

Roll is called. EO 21-26-27 Passes.

B. Swearing In of Nick Finnegan

XVII. Adjournment

Senate Chair Shelton: Do we have any further business? Seeing none, we are adjourned.

