Call to Order/Roll Call
- The senate meeting was called to order at 4:32 pm. Presiding Officer Hukins conducted roll call. Quorum was met with 20 out of 24 senators present.

Approval of Minutes
- The minutes were approved with 0 corrections.

Communications and Announcements
- Senators
  - The Tochville project is having a seminar from 12:30 to 1:00 in Liberal Arts on Tuesday, March 11th.
  - Career week is approaching, there will be a resume building workshop in Kirschman Hall room 214 at 12:30. They will provide free lunch to help students have resumes ready to bring to career week.

Non-Senators
- Presiding Officer Communication and Announcements
  - Steve Koltz from the bookstore advisor committee is looking for 2 students to be on the committee. He asked for recommendations from the presidents. The students will look at custom bookstore to review it. In the past, the committee was less students and more faulty. They want to find passionate students about bookstore options. Sample bills are on the website, but when we updated it, the bill template is a pdf and difficult to edit. If you need a template, tell Hukins and he will email it to you. April 10th is the UL system day at the capital so the executives will be attending that. Hukins will be proxying for Bonds at COSPB. Dr. Woody is looking at offering remedial courses at the university.
    - Christopher: What will be the requirements for remedial courses?
    - Hukins: We used to have them, but Fos just talked about getting them back recently, we will have more info coming.
  - Bivens recognized as present.
  - Senator: What is UL day at the capital?
  - Hukins: It’s a day to speak with state legislature we go and lobby about the university.
  - Reyes: Can only executive members attend?
  - Hukins: I’m not sure, we’d have to talk to the advisors about it.

Pro Tempore and Committee Reports
President
- I appointed Senator Reese to the budget committee. The provost resigned, but it will not take effect until June 30th. An association will be coming in as interim. Payne will be working on SACs.Dickerson spoke about quality plan at the forum, she really wants student input. She wants people to come up with ideas to come up with something to improve student learning. There are already ideas floating around. If you need more info talk to Teagle.
- There was a University Council meeting this morning. Fos talked about remedial courses. They are looking to push that through. About day at legislature, we would love it if more people would come and show that care about education. We will look at the logistics about transportation. If you are interested e-mail Bonds.
  - Bingham: What are the specifics of who is remedial?
  - Bonds: I don’t know specifics, I know it’s people who aren’t sufficient in English and Math.
  - Teagle: For years we weren’t allowed to offer zero level courses. They will offer classes like Intro college algebra or classes to learn to read and write.
  - Bonds: They are looking into allowing that. We could possibly get 600-700 more students if we allow it.
  - Bingham: About the provost, are we anticipating having a permanent fill-in in June.
  - Bonds: I don’t now, the interim will start in March.

Treasurer
- The executive account sits at $13,487.76 and the operating account sits at $24,621.04. We had the first session of budget training meeting. We had 2 people show up. They had good questions and I helped them. No one showed last year so it’s an improvement. We are working with SIL to advertise the next meeting. We will cover how to get money from SG and how to write a budget. The newer requests will go to the Senate and the more concrete ones go to the budget. Also, smaller organizations and smaller requests go to the senate. We do that because it’s old executives budgeting for someone else and it doesn’t always work out. Every year the budget committee changes and it’s just how they feel. The deadline to get requests in is this Saturday at 4:30. It must be e-mailed to Nick and LaJana. It is stated in the packet. We have a budget guideline. I haven’t heard back from LaJana about the reserve account.
  - Trahan: When will the budget committee get meeting days?
  - Saybe: Now that we have Reese, we will iron out the schedule tonight about meeting times. My method is to make an excel sheet with everyone’s schedule and find meeting times. If you can’t make it, then proxy until you can.

Secretary of State
Srofe passed out the time line. The candidates have to come in on Monday March 17th, either at 8:00 am or 4:30 pm, if you can’t go, shoot Srofe an e-mail. Srofe listed the senators that have to run if they still want their seats. Notice of Candidacy needs to be turned in in March 11th and 12th, that’s the week after spring break. You have to turn it in then if you are running in the elections.

- Rault: Last year you had trouble for the press release. Do you have a plan to avoid that?
- Srofe: I am talking to Kemker about getting out an email blast.

Judicial Report

SG Advisors

- The day at the capital is on a Thursday this year. I used to be the transportation. If you are interested, let Bonds know, the challenge is that it’s in April and not May so you have to check your class schedule. We may be able to get a van. We don’t know logistics yet, but we will find out more.
  - Christopher: Do we have to wear suits?
  - Rault: The executives last year wore suits, but you should dress nice.
  - Teagle: Will we get the legislative agenda?
  - Rault: Depends. Some years they the gave officers room numbers to go and talk to them or just talk to people they recognize. Other times they just show up and upper admin for talking and lobbying.

Old Business

- B.S14B025 CBEC Career Coaching Center
  - Reyes: You were looking to have Liberal Arts businesses, did you get any?
  - CBEC: I talked to businesses I got from senators, but we have more for political science. We have a law firm coming for political science. We contacted United Way and are still waiting for a response.
  - Christopher: Do you have any film industry companies coming?
  - CBEC: We talked to City Park and Audubon, not film, but we contacted NOVAC, if you know of any you can write down suggestions.
  - Forneir: Do you have a percentage of this that the University is funding or is it just from SG?
  - CBEC: It’s just SG, we used to have the career center to help find businesses. We based it on previous events.
  - Christopher: Why are you having it in Kirschman Hall instead of the UC?
  - CBEC: Recently it’s been small and we’re trying to make it grow. If we did it in the ballroom it wouldn’t be full and it would look bad. We’re trying to look good and impress students and business. It’s about prospective.
  - Teagle: How many businesses currently that have responded and confirmed?
  - CBEC: Out of over 200 businesses contacted, 18-19 have responded.
  - Reyes: Did it occur in the past and is it different, how many companies showed up in the past?
  - CBEC: It’s better quality, but people will show up the week of. We had 20 companies last year, and looking to have more this year.
  - Walsh: Have you thought of contacting parties?
  - CBEC: We haven’t, but we can. I wouldn’t know who or how far up to contact. If there is specific group anyone would like us to contact we will. We went
through and picked about 10 businesses from each college and if we didn’t have luck, we went and picked more.

- Bingham: You named another co-sponsors on this brochure who else sponsoring this year?
- CBEC: Innovative, Documart said no this year.
- Teagle: Do you plan on putting the SG logo on it?
- CBEC: It’s already done.
- Avila: Who is presenting stuff on the agenda?
- CBEC: Career coaching is having someone come in to talk about social media about over-all image that UNO students stand out. They are getting a lot of professional people come in. I don’t know the actual people. We initially contacted to get people to show up. They are getting the specialist in. Come to career week. It’s Thursday in Kirschman Hall, bring your resume. If you know of any companies, please let them know.
- Rougelot: When coming out of the Marines, they have a seminar about resumes and applying for jobs, recruiting to get military personnel. They pushed for vocational schools, because when you come out, you have a job in hand. Any kind of active pushing we can do to get students jobs only makes us look good as the job market is more competitive.
  1. With a roll call vote of 21 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, the bill passes.

- B.S14B026 Mini Baja
  - Reyes: What problems did you face that you needed to come back to SG?
  - MB: We underestimated what was actually required.
  - Reyes: Looking at the bill from the previous instance, I see parts and I looked over them, a lot of the things are more metal. Also other things being requested. Did you buy half of a car? You are asking for a lot of components that seem common sense.
  - MB: The new bill has aluminum that we designed. The full design wasn’t designed last time.
  - Fornier: Is anyone on team not from engineering. Have you asked anyone?
  - MB: No, and no. We have worked with them in the past. I thought about talking to art major to paint it.
  - Rougelot: Last semester, I think Mini Baja said that some students walk by that see welding and want to learn. Is there any advertisement that you can do?
  - MB: We can, but they would need a lot of training. We would be willing to have people learn.
  - Trahan: If this bill doesn’t pass, do you not go to competition?
  - MB: If this doesn’t pass, it is still happening I will just be covering it out of pocket.
  - Bingham: Why did you choose Mini Baja?
  - MB: The engineering department chose it in the 80’s. It’s the cheapest one. Others are $100,000 to compete in. We budget at $15,000.
  - Reyes: What skills do you need to do this?
  - MB: Fabrication. We will learn business, learn to manage people, learn to run mills and weld and eventually we’ll tell other people to do this.
  - Teagle: Is it safe to say that in the future, it would be easier to get funding the more that you involve other colleges. Can we see we need that?
• MB: Yes.
• Forneir: how many people are working on it?
• MB: 20.
• Reyes: The bill states Mini Baja placed well only it was 16 years ago. How have you done recently?
• MB: We came in the 20’s, 30’s, 40’s, then 98th because couldn’t pass breaking that’s why we have all new breaking system.
• Rice: So you’ve been going lower because of lower funding?
• MB: It definitely makes it harder.
• Bingham: When you win the mid-west division, what happens? Do you compete higher.
• MB: No, there’s only 3.
• Reyes: Besides bragging rights what do you win?
• MB: Money.
• Bonds: When you win money, where does it go?
• MB: We’ve never run into that problem. We would’ve gotten $500 if we got in 2nd place.
• Tran: What happens to the car after?
• MB: We’re allowed to carry over anything we want.
• Jahardanan: This puts UNO good in the job market and allows students to get in the job market and network. If we have the chance to win, it shows the good students we produce and places will come here for students. It’s good for all students, in engineering or even other colleges. This is good for everyone to go together.
• Teagle: Since this is engineering centric, it may feel like we’re spending money on one college, but any time we can put UNO’s name in a competition it helps every college. It can even help in other colleges. Every time UNO flashes across anything it betters everyone.
• Christopher: I want to fortify Teagle’s statements. This support students. I hope this helps the amazing work you’ve already put in. I hope you place high.
• Tran: We are not known as the fun school. This helps to show cool things at UNO and recruit students to come here. It’s great advertisement and shows what students have learned and is valuable for everything.
• Rougelot: We don’t really have a choice. We already invested $5,000 so we’re forced into voting yes. Hoping you take care of this because I wasn’t to see it in the parade.
• Walsh: I believe this is a good bill. Anytime we can put money toward education, we should. This is the future of bounty.
• Senator: This is a good opportunity to support other students in a good way. We can attract more companies to UNO and let people know about the university. It will help the university in a good way.
  1. With a roll call vote of 22 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, the bill passes.

New Business
• B.S14B027 Unity Gay Prom
  • This is the 4th annual one. It’s a big dance for the members, UNO, and the public. We are offering people to do something they couldn’t in high school. It’s a celebration of being who they are.
1. Rougelot: Will you be inviting high school students?
2. Unity: That will not happen.
3. Teagle: What do you plan on doing with large amount of stuff from party city?
4. Unity: We plan to recycle everything but the balloons.
5. Christopher: Why haven’t you done that before?
6. Unity: I am new to the e-board. I don’t know, but I plan on being in Unity for long time and it will happen this time.
7. Reese: Can you give more detail on what it is and why anyone over 17 would want to go to prom again.
8. Unity: We used to give invitations to high schools, but no one came and it upset people.
9. Reese: Why not do like a normal prom and charge tickets?
10. Unity: We just want it to be a public event and more accessible.
11. Tran: How many people usually show?
12. Unity: Around 120 people. We’re expecting 115-130 this year.
13. Teagle: You got about a pound of tortilla chips? Is that enough? It seems like a low estimate for food for a late event. If we are spending money on food and putting our name someplace, I don’t want it to look like SG is skimping.
14. Unity: In the past it’s been more about dancing than the food. We didn’t run out of food last year.
15. Christopher: This is in a month, why didn’t you come earlier. Historically, you don’t get money quickly.
16. Unity: We had scheduling issues with the ballroom and trying to get a date.
17. Christopher: I have written a bill with Unity before, organizationally that was challenging, have you improved on your organization.
18. Unity: That’s why we added the reservation in the ballroom to show that won’t happen. It’s a set date.
19. Time extended.
20. Forneir: How will you be advertising on campus to people?
21. Unity: We put out flyers in the past, we table in the UC, and team up with SAC. We also plan on going to the campus in Metairie to talk to classes in there. We will also post the posters on the kiosks.
22. Tran: Is this open to other colleges?
23. Unity: Yes, we have teamed up with Tulane.
24. Bonds: If its open to the public, how will you keep high school students out?
25. Unity: We can ID at the door.
26. Christopher: Have you done any fundraising outside of this.
27. Unity: We have been doing bake sales. And have put down a deposit ourselves.
28. St Amant: Do you have funds for advertisement?
29. Unity: Yes, we are not asking that.
30. Bingham: For the photo-booth, you have $500 and $150.
31. Unity: We paid the deposit, we are not asking for that back.
Open Forum
- Teagle: I need to remind the senators that when speaking for procedure, you have to stand and say who you are and your college. It sets a professionalism and also a reminder that you must sit in your colleges.
- Rice: Some PhD students are interested in a community garden on campus. They are making a packet the shows the budget they are finalizing it then will come speak to us.
- Hukins: If interested in the bookstore committee email me.
- Christopher: Happy Mardi Gras.
- Johnson: Pinkberry will be on campus from 10-2 tomorrow and a percentage will go to the OLs.
- Teagle: I've noticed a lot of events on campus that I had no idea of. Which means that people aren’t coming to SG to tell us what’s going on. If want SG wants organizations to treat us different than just a bank, we need to invite them to make announcements. To put a face to an organization, it’ll make it more likely to go easy on you if you do. If you can get them to come in and say they will be having a bake sale.
- Bonds: I want to extend an invite to the men’s basketball game Thursday night. And they also have a game on Saturday. Come out and support.
- Trahan: This Thursday, Zeta will be having a bake sale.

Adjournment
- The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.