I. Call to Order
   a. The meeting was called to order at 4:44 pm.

II. Roll Call
   a. 6 out of 11 senators present, barely met quorum.

III. Approval of the Minutes
   a. Minutes approved with 0 corrections.

IV. Communications and Announcements
   a. Senators
      i. Senator Lee
         1. Hosting Mardi Gras with breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Come by to check out science.
   b. Non-Senators

V. Presiding Officer Communications and Announcements
   a. VP Willis presiding report. There will be 10 school days to meet with committee and to turn in committee report, please CC email to Pro Tempore. Please don’t use cell phone and laptops during the meetings. For roll call vote, ya or na, write report for just yes or no. Dan, will need to use Facebook more for senator spotlights.

VI. President Pro Tempore and Committee Reports
   a. President Pro Tempore
      i. Christopher: Reform for great ideas, the going committees are senate, rap committee is not chair, Aucoin technology, Christopher, Johnson-beautification, Lee finance, send hcchris1@uno.edu for getting chairs filled. Use these events for absences.
      ii. Government chair
           1. Two seats open for governance.
   b. Committee Reports
      i. Hollis: I did a lot of work over break. I will present final draft of document in middle in February. I will be meeting twice a week to finish it up - too large to completely read document in meeting. The meetings are public,
but the meeting time still needs to be arranged (brief one before every senate meeting- as last time). Maximum seats on senate is 5 and there are a limited number of seats. ACT NOW!

ii. Johnson: beautification chair. I would like for people to join. This position is awesome!

VII. Executive Reports, Judicial Reports, Advisor Reports

a. President

i. Teagle: REMINDER to those who have forgotten to wear Blues on Tues. The reason for this is because of limited factors of UNO Pride. Student success meeting with alumna tonight. Tuesday International Center is being opened across the street, there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony. Don’t forget that I am running for Homecoming King and was nominated by SG. An awkward family photo needs to be taken of SG. SG needs to participate more as a group even though there is only 23 members now. If attend Homecoming events, wear SG t-shirt. In March, I will be attending a conference in Washington DC with 27 other student body presidents. Also, in February I will be meeting with Cox, and I am currently working on weekly meetings with Dr. C. and hoping to get open forms with UNO President. I was asked to start having lunch meetings/ picnics for students to voice concerns to me. I am meeting with Director of Athletics, but they are less excited about concept of UNO hockey. In order for an anchor sport to happen there must be a reformatting of sporting fee which has to be headed by SG.

ii. Hollis: Any power over percentage increase, or yes or no to whatever number they say?

iii. Teagle: Possible to create without SG, but highly unlikely to success without SG. SG has to do approval process and without the process it won’t go anywhere.

iv. Lee: The athletics can set up a fee? What about each individual colleges?

v. Teagle: Unsuccessful fee, no more fees from a college or university but we can set a self-asset fee which the student body decides if fee is necessary- 98% pass rate, student say we want a fee for and voted and pass, then pass to president of UNO which is pretty easily.

vi. Lee: College of Science wants the fee then it goes through?

vii. Teagle: It goes through the senate, which is the only legal body is the SG.

viii. Aucoin: There are a lot of students in College of Engineering which can have a favor of having fee. Does this go through university?

ix. Teagle: This is why student self-asset fees are popular. Only applied for fee that it is assigned for. The student services fee is where SG budget
comes from. If college did it themselves, then it would go to university’s general budget, this is a disappearing money. Thank you for time.

b. Treasurer
   i. Willis: The treasurer addressed us that he was resigning at 4:30 affective.

c. Secretary of State
   i. Not present

d. Judicial

e. Advisors
   i. LeeAnne: There needs to be a little more work recruiting and/or writing bills. Please stay in touch with Jessica. I will be focusing on homecoming the rest of the week and next week, due to this I will not available as much this week because SAC plans homecoming week. Please be at Homecoming, as students and SG, and wear your Blues on Tues. If you can’t it to Homecoming events, just pop by if you can, doesn’t matter the total amount of people in group just the spirit. The awkward family photo is a lot of points. We can use cats and lasers to decorate the photo. SG board was invited to staycation and SG was talked a lot about representation which was that SG was cold, not funny intimating. As of right now we have a big image issue and participating in homecoming will set a different tone. Kristin discussed the office can be very heated since a lot of people know each other. Let’s be more welcoming others.

VIII. Old Business
IX. New Business
a. B.S15A023 – ISO Annual International Night
   i. Every year SG is very kind to help out with International Night. We usually get 600 students to come to our event. Important for supporting UNO diversity. The money we are asking is for booking HPC, renting sound systems, hiring staff, food, stage. This event is very beautiful event with cultural organization, photo booths. This event is to get to know other cultures. The event will be on March 21st at 6pm. We were turned down by budget committee due to formatting of our bill.
      1. Aucoin: Why are you using the HPC?
      2. Committee: We can’t to use ballroom because we can’t fit enough people and food because the food comes from outside sources.
      3. Lee: HPC doesn’t make y’all carter from Amrack?
      4. Committee: Special request/approval from President of UNO.
      5. Lee: If y’all are sharing a fee, how you get props?
      6. Committee: We are responsible for own props.
      7. Lee: Advertise at International building to help promote the event.
8. Committee: the GA in the office is giving funding from, and we charging $5 for ticket to go towards other things.
9. Lee: How much funding have you gotten?
10. Committee: Not a lot, SG is the bulk of it.
11. Teagle: Several building on campus are included to Armrack

X. Nominations and Appointments
a. Chenevert, Anissa; Clerk of the Senate
   i. President: I am nominating her I have already changed her she did last meeting’s minutes.
   Anissa: I am a sophomore transfer from LSU. Treasurer for Delta Zeta
   Hunter: Do you have organization skills?
   Anissa: Yes
   Hunter: Can you stay late when meetings run late?
   Anissa: Yes
   Hollis: You are treasurer for a sorority can you balance both?
   Anissa: Yes
   Roll call vote: Unanimous 7 yes 0 no she is appointed
b. Deason, Derrick; Treasurer
   i. Deason: I am a senior, originally working at Delgado by managing budget, committee member for many.
   ii. Lee: Why involved in SG?
   iii. Deason: Transfer from Delgado 2+2 program. Senior here at UNO, planning in urban studies.
   iv. Hollis: Currently a justice?
   v. Deason: Yes and final semester. Grad school here in the fall.
   vi. Hollis: Any change in requirements?
   viii. Roll call vote: unanimous 8 yes 0 no he is appointed
c. Early, Christina- senator for college of liberal arts
   i. Early: I am a music major, past semester severed on Elections committee, and I want to be more a part of making decisions for school. I have always had a class on Tuesday at meeting time due to why I was not involved in SG before but now I do not have a class at meeting time. I would like to be senate in Student Government.
   ii. Hollis: Mentioned, nevermind…
   iii. Roll call vote: 7 yes 1 no 1 abstention she is appointed

XI. Open Forum
a. Johnson: Apologize for being late, my car was having problems.
b. Lee: Where is my polo?
c. Willis: I have the excel sheet ready to go, but I just need a quote and find who we are doing it through.
d. Teagle: Ran into stance, the process has to be sent through a couple of people, but it is really no one’s business how we spend our money. Even Delgado has uniforms for Student Government, but I was informed that we can’t have uniforms for students which I called BS on. First, we still need to find a vendor for shirts and screening printing or embroidery, and get it approved. This can be a reward for people who have stayed and also for the new executive board.
e. Lee: What happened about gravel in my parking lot? And the laptops?
f. Teagle: Laptops have to be appointed within 3 months but it has 10 months into process. Last May SG gave money to Chemistry department for laptops but the problems was one of the quotes have been expired, 3 months within the quote period, the faculty contact person that was part of the bill but is no longer there to do faculty part, and we have yet to get a new person.
g. Lee: I am just in the middle of this.
h. Teagle: We can only do what you are doing, going to and complaining. We don’t have any control over chamber.
i. Lee: My department has lost faith in SG, I will be presenting bills soon.
j. Teagle: We paid and agreed to pass bill, and purchasing hasn’t paid out a vendor, but this is not SG’s fault we can’t do anything to make process go by faster. Dr. L. has put something restrictions and SG has been put under them.
k. Lee: I am just doing this as a buffer for angry emails and phone calls, nice if I’m involved and know what’s going on.
l. Teagle: Just purchasing. All these new policies comes down on to us.
m. Lee: But I can’t keep saying the same tune.

n. LeeAnne: This is entirely different with computers, it is overly complicated, but don’t be discourage for passing bill.
o. Aucoin: College holding fee, is this passed by college or students?
p. Teagle: This fee has to be passed by university as a whole, even it is just a college only fee, and it still needs to be passed by the entire student population.

q. Christopher: Fee can be dictated on how it is allocated to different services, want to create a student budget committee, want to have student majority control, to get a better picture. Because this needs a student body vote, I would advise to do it with multiple colleges because they all need money too. Deans say if they had money they can do so much. There is going to be a state higher education cut, and we will be losing money. This is going to hit us harder and heavier, UNO may have another budget reduction this semester.
r. Teagle: Students are negative about fees, but fees are untouchable by state. With the budget cut no one can touch fees because budgets are restricted. We will be doing this when creating fees. Those fees can be spent even if the cuts happens,
fees will legal money to spend. I think we should have fee for everything! ULL’s clubs, SG, etc. are growing, and ULM is growing. They started fee program years ago and that’s why they are growing as a whole.
s. Lee: I know enrollment is down.
t. Teagle: Enrollment is actually not down, we just are at a plateau. We are approximately where we were last year.
u. Lee: I added up all of my total fees which came to $1500.
w. Teagle: But those are not student excess fees.
x. Teagle: The difference is the majority of fees are general budget fees, these fees doesn’t go to anything- no mandate. The only fees that are granted are bonds fees for parking, student services and athletics fees are put into different budgets. Majority fees go to a different fund. You wanted pay the only college that you are in.
y. Lee: Also why would we have to pay maintenance fee and it doesn’t go anywhere.
z. Christopher: You have fees that are system level, state, self-asset fees, bonded fees, the only one that will have real benefits. The other ones are designed by state to get more money. Parking lots should be last and Liberal Arts’ building has cracks in walls. Everyone is feeling the hurt of the maintenance fee. We are all on the same page that we want UNO to be better. Students want better service, UNO students pay less, we are getting what we pay for.
aa. Hollis: Senate elect to talk
bb. Early: The reason why nothing will get done is because students don’t understand this stuff that is happening. Personally learned so much about fees and where they are going by being in this room right now. Students don’t know about fees and what is happening. If they don’t know how to make more money they won’t give more money. We have to tell students about this type of stuff.
cc. International Night committee: Would ULM start to talk about our fees?
dd. Ballard: As a graduate of ULM, I can say first of all UNO is the cheapest paying university. I paid less for master’s degree than for undergrad. I don’t think it would be a problem to add fees if we explain. If we explain to students what they are doing people would vote for more fees. I personally knew SG at ULM without being involved with them.
e. Teagle: State budgeting works through board of regions, every 5 years are required budgeting form, pass one then start working on another one. They determined how much money each school needs. Formula has never been filled to work appropriately. State gives percentage on how to work. Even if increase fees, it would be a lot of work to take away our more. ULM and ULL have not suffer. ULL receives the less.
ff. Christopher: If they did it would be timeout. We need to jump on horse.
gg. Willis: I noticed some of you were late, if you have class that gets out at 4:45, let me know. If not, 3 tardies = absence. Chance and Nischal and Pradip are excused. Everyone needs to remember, I am running the meetings, I get to decided who talks. It is in the rules if you will like to look it up. Also, look around before talking.

XII. Adjournment
a. 5:56 pm