I. Call to Order  
a. The meeting was called to order at 4:37 pm.

II. Roll Call  
a. Presiding Officer Reyes conducted roll call. With 17 out of 27 senators present, quorum is met.

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

IV. Communications and Announcement  
a. Senators
   i. Lee: I want to address the laptop situation for the chem lab. What’s the delay?
   ii. Reyes: My understanding of it is that the bill is at administration layer. They are looking to see if it’s for a Mac or PC, even thought that was defined in the bill.
   iii. Sipe: We’ve sent emails back and forth. We are looking for Professor Tar to provide justification for the laptops, which is under the UCC.
   iv. Lee: He said he submitted that already.
   v. Sipe: We haven’t gotten UCC permission yet.
   vi. Lee: I am presenting the parking lot bill, I am looking for support for that.
   vii. Diez: I have concerns with sway of the floor. The purpose of showing different views is what makes us giving an unbiased vote of the student body. It is not appropriate for bills or resolutions to criticize or attack senators for different views than your own. We need to represent the student body to best of our ability. You shouldn’t attack opposing views, you should entertain it. There’s a lot of controlling from the execs. I feel that a lot is controlled by the president. He seems to be running the meetings. The president is to sit in and his time is with the report. We keep yielding time to him and it turns into a show of the president. I don’t believe this is right. You should stand up for your beliefs. We ask if you can stand against that when you are appointed. You should stick up for you believe in. We represent a college and students. We are trying to make a better school; don’t get distracted with drama. We keep bringing up situations that are pointless. You all need to look at your constitutions. There’s only 4 weeks of crunch time. Remember what’s important and what you stand for and stand up for beliefs.
   viii. Hollis: Did the new senators get an email about their standing for the election, and the list of committees? I haven’t gotten either.
ix. Reyes: Those who need to run or not will be addressed by the Secretary of State in her report. Those elected in this semester will need to run. About the committees, I may have sent the e-mail prior to you being added to my e-mail list. If you are interested, email me personally.

x. Johnson nominated as temporary Parliamentarian.

b. Non-Senators

V. President Pro Tempore and Committee Reports

a. President Pro Tempore

i. Please be aware of the time given. You should avoid suspending Rules and Procedures. Moving around and changing the agenda, makes it harder for the clerk and the Pro Tempore. Also, keep quiet because it’s hard for us to hear and she has to take notes. So just be courteous and aware of the time.

ii. St. Amant counted as present.

b. Committee Reports

i. DiMaggio: I’m the chairman of Student Affairs, if you want to join, let me know.

ii. Lee: I’m the chairman of Finance, with the laptops, and the volleyball courts, since there is some discrepancies I am going to work with Tony and LeeAnne and go over numbers and look at accountability and contact senators we need to so we’re on the same page. If anyone is interested in joining, let me know. Come get my contact information after the meeting.

iii. Aucoin: I’m the chairman of Technology, if you are interested in joining, let me know.

iv. Johnson: I am the chairman of Beautification, if you want to join, let me know. We are looking at a resolution for sidewalks to the engineering building.

v. Diez: I’m the chairman of Governance, we look over proposed amendments to SG law, appointments to student courts, SG senate disciplinary matters and, other matters from the senate. It will be interesting and you should be a part of it.

VII. Executive Reports, Judicial Reports, Advisor Reports

a. President

b. Treasurer
i. The SG Operating Account: $22,506.21 The Executive Account: $17,421.06.

c. Secretary of State

We are low on senators in the College of Education and the College of Business Administration, we need to recruit for them. At Get to Know UNO, we will be tabling. It’s Oct. 22nd. I would like to have senators there. We can do shifts. The election forms are available in the SG office. I will send out a new election timeline. It’s all typically still falling on same date except for the mandatory meeting date. I have 20 copies of the petition for candidacy, notice for candidacy and the initial and final expenditure reports. I will help you fill out the forms if you need, but I’ve down everything for you. I’ve submitted a press release, just waiting for a response. The elections will be November 20th – 21st. The Notice of candidacy is due November 12th at 4:30pm. The mandatory meeting will be Oct 23rd 12:30-1:15. The initial expenditure report is due Nov 19th at 4:30pm. Everything is in the office.

1. Lee: On the website, is there an updated list of the senators?
2. Trahan: No, but working on that. We’d also like there to be one on the guidebook app.
3. Lee: What app?
4. Trahan: The Guidebook app. We helped to fund it, so after the first 6 weeks of Privateer Plunge, it’s now turned into SG’s app.
5. Lee: Will it be updated after every meeting?
6. Trahan: Not after every meeting, but periodically.

d. Judicial

e. Advisors

i. Sipe: Just a reminder about committees, please join them. If you’re looking for direction in SG, it’s in your power to direct. If I’m chatty, call me out. This is your space. As Kristin mentioned, you helped fund Privateer Plunge so now it’s completely SG. I worked hard to get that turned over. If have any suggestions let me know. For the student tech fee committee, we have 2 senators on it; Nicholas St. Amant, and Abby Diez, there is a meeting this Friday at 2:00.

ii. Paige: For the VP, for the emergency phone boxes, Richardson is safety and he checks them. They confirmed he checked them for this year. For the computers for the chemistry club. We responded back and asked him to take responsibility for them, meaning that it would be on their inventory and he hasn’t responded. We sent that the 1st or 2nd week of September. No funds have come out of the volleyball court account. I encourage you to encourage the VP to ask when it will happen. The courts are supposed to be for students. For them to be up to NCAA regulation for teams, that’s the university side of it. For the initial bill, they were only supposed to be for student use by the dorms.

1. Aucoin: I looked up the SG app, will there be the ability for events we sponsor to be on it?
2. Sipe: Yes, as we pass bills, I will add the events.
3. Mariana: If the volleyball fund hasn’t been used, has there been any progress?
4. Paige: I only monitor funds. If they did something, they would call to say how much to put in the account and they haven’t done that. I suggest the senate talk to Dr. Kemker.
5. St. Amant: If the volleyball money doesn’t get used in a certain time, does it go back into the operating account?
6. LaJana: It never was in the operating account. It’s in the reserve account until they use it. The courts will cost them more than the quotes that were gathered by facility service. That was to build them, it’s the draining they didn’t plan for. If it’s more than what we give, it’s on them.

VIII. Old Business
• B.F14I004 Nippon Japanese Wonderland
  o Mariana: I wasn’t here last week, what is it for?
  o Nippon: It’s a cultural event. We usually have 2 events, one in Fall and one in Spring, but we combined the fall and spring this year and will only have one big one this year. If we do something next semester, it will be with Asian night. We will have Japanese food, dance, and entertainment. The funds will go to a retirement home on the West Bank. We’ve done service events there before and noticed they need a new bingo set and an audio book library. We chose this because we felt they are unrepresented. It’s relatable to everyone. You can see the effects directly. The original bill was for $1758, the amendment makes it $1109.77 now.
  o Reese: The date of the event wasn’t on the bill.
  o Nippon: It’s Oct. 30th in the UC Ballroom.
  o Nippon: We tried to keep cost low so we decided the best space to hold it is the ballroom. There’s no cost and it has a stage. We want to maintain Japanese authenticity. We tried to get an exception with Aramark and it was denied so we have to go with Aramark.
  o Amendment: The amendment changed for the caterer, décor, sound and light. University Affairs donated $250. The bill is now for $1,109.77, reduced from $1758.38.
  o Carter counted as present.
    ▪ With a roll call vote of 23 yes, 0 no, and 1 abstention, the amendment is attached.
    ▪ With a roll call vote of 22 yes, 0 no, 2 abstentions, the bill passes.
• B.F14I005 CBEC Burger Bash
  o Mariana: How much is the bill for?
  o CBEC: $783.82. We do it every year. It’s free for all students. CBEC prepares the burgers. As a former senator, I appreciate your time. We give free burgers and hotdogs to anyone who comes by.
  o Diez: It’s an awesome event and it’s nice to get free food between classes.
Tran: We will have 6 tables laid out and would be happy to put out an SG banner. We will support you. It will be between MH and KH. It could also be a good way for you to recruit senators from COBA for SG.

Aucin: It’s a popular event and there’s no reason not to go.

Diez: It’s almost as cool as suchauf.

Lee: This is a great event. It’s something that’s half way through the semester, students are getting overwhelmed and this could serve as a great morale booster. From my side of campus, it will make us walk the grounds and get to know each other.

Tran: We will be keeping an eye on the food. We ordered about $400 less than last year. We’ll make sure nothing is wasted.

- With a roll call of 21 yes, 1 no, 2 abstentions, the bill is passed.

- CR.F14I006 Parking Maintenance Resolution
  - Reese: Did you make any amendments?
  - Lee: I did on the last whereas about the fees mandating the parking areas. But the maintenance of campus is taken from that fee. Facility services said that aren’t in control of that.
  - Aucin: I am in full support of the resolution. Since you aren’t sure of fees, would you be up to table it to make sure all of this is right?
    - Motion to table to Campus Beautification committee.
    - Passed.

IX. New Business

- B.F14J008 Engineering Fall Fest – Decorations
  - This is for a Fall Fest hosted by the College of Engineering. It’s going to be Halloween themed and there will be a costume contest. I want to bring more student life to campus and bring students to another place that they aren’t used to seeing. It’ll be in the engineering breezeway and auditorium. We will make an amendment next week because more engineering organizations are joining to sponsor.
    - Hollis: What are your current cofounders?
    - COE: AADE, ASCE, NSBE, SWE, and 2 others.
    - Diez: Why do you have 2 bills?
    - Aucin: Due to some timing issues, if we made it into one it would be over $1000 and would have to be in a month in advance. They tried to get funding privately and wasn’t until recently that Samantha found out that SG could help.
    - Samantha: I had sent out sponsorship letters and tried to get them to sponsor it. I didn’t know SG did this. This is my first time being a student leader.
    - Mariana: How will you promote this?
    - Samantha: I already have through Facebook. The Dean sent and email to the engineering students. Approximately 100 responded. FB has been up for about 4 days. So far there is 65 definitely and 33 maybes. We’ve gotten the word out. We just need to get permission
from SIL to post fliers other places. We can maybe set up a table and hand out fliers. I’d love to see all the colleges there.

- Aucoin: Maybe they should be posted around the dorms. So if people are there and not busy they can go over there.
- COE: I will talk to the deans of the colleges and blast it out.
- Reese: If you have 6 orgs sponsoring, are you putting forth any funding yourself?
- COE: We don’t have a big budget. We are asking for sponsors. All the proceeds will go to orgs for set up and clean up.
- Paige: You’re charging for this event? That wasn’t in the bill. We can give money to support and promote. You can’t use state funds to profit from.
- Trahan: If this is just for decorations, why is it so much? With Nippon just now they only spent $166 on decorations.
- Samantha: I had previously picked cheaper things, but then learned that I had to use Party City, so I had to try to find the same things there.
  - Motion to table to Student Affairs.
    - Approved.

- B.F14J009 Engineering Fall Fest – Food
  - We already said what the event is. We want to provide food for it. We got hamburgers and hotdogs since it’s the cheapest thing.
  - Motion to table to Student Affairs.
    - Objection, the bill should be talked about. We haven’t gotten any information.
      - Override.
        - With a roll call vote of 9 yes, 8 no, 7 abstentions
  - Diez: If we move the bill, into finance, the bills will be in 2 different committees and it would be chaotic.
  - Johnson: An override needs be 2/3 vote.
  - Hollis: Is the problem still here about using state funds to support an event in which students will have to pay to attend?
  - COE: It was an issue, but we will drop the cover charge.
  - Diez: Swampball charges a cover, what’s the difference?
  - Paige: It’s different because the money goes to fund scholarships, but it’s not benefitting the ambassadors who put it on. The money is put into an account. If there is an amendment to say that this will be a free event, I don’t see why it can’t go forward.
  - Motion to table this to finance.
    - Objection
    - Override.
  - DiMaggio: Student affairs deals with issue of the students, this doesn’t deal with student.
- Hollis: Will it be allowed to move the last one to another committee?
- Diez: We can, but we have to wait until this is complete, then suspend Rule and Procedures and move back to Old Business and switch that to the Finance committee.
- Christopher: The simplest way is to suspend Rules and Procedures and vote on both at the same time.
  o Motion is withdrawn.
- Motion to suspend Rules and Procedures to put go back to other bill and table both bills to table to the Finance committee.
  o Approved.

- B.F14J010 Unity Talent Show
  o This bill is for the Big Gay talent show. It’s out 4th annual one. We have it every fall semester. It’s a great event. All UNO members are welcome, we just put it on. You can attend or participate. In the past we had poetry, singing, dancing, and magic. This time we have stand-up comedy. Last year we went over capacity, so that’s why we’re asking for more food. It was also nominated for best event of year. This has become a tradition at UNO.
    - Johnson: How many people attended last year?
    - Unity: 110.
    - Gaeta: How many people do you have lined up for acts?
    - Unity: 3, but we’re having events this Friday and after we’re approved will get the word more out.
    - Gaeta: How many acts did you have last year?
    - Unity: 12
    - Trahan: After this year, will you get a view of your budget and try to get on the budget for next year?
    - Unity: That’s the plan.
      - Motion to table bill to student affairs
        o Failed.
      - Bill tabled until next week.

X. Nominations and Appointments
- Francesco Carmine, College of Engineering, Senate
  o He’s a freshman mechanical engineer major. He’s from Venice and moved here couple years ago. He went to high school here. He came to UNO for the engineering program. He wants to be an engineer for outer space. He wants to be involved on campus and wants to be a senator in SG. They don’t have involvement in Italian universities. He also likes government; he thinks that joining SG will open up his knowledge about government.
    - Aucoin: When you look at a bill, do you put more priority of one organization over other?
    - Carmine: No, because that’s favoritism. I look at the students as a whole and what they want, not what this organization wants. People
may think because I’m greek, I’ll only sponsor greeks, no, I want to sponsor other organizations, as well.

- With a roll call vote of 22 yes, 1 no, and 1 abstention, he is appointed.
- Marcus A. Cormier, College of Sciences, Senate
  - I’m from Lafayette. I believe people’s voices are important and not using it is a great mistake. I love politics. When everything was going on earlier, my blood was rushing. If don’t use my voice, nothing gets done. My 5 strengths are input, connectedness, include, belief, learner. Love to learn about students and on-campus government.
    - Lee: How do you know so much about government when you’re in the College of Sciences.
    - Cormier: I like debates and I’m a learner. I love CSPAN.
    - Aucoin: Do you put priority of one organization over another.
    - Cormier: Spiritual is number one, but there should never be a time conflict because their meetings aren’t until 7.
    - Bhatt: What other organizations are you a part of?
    - Cormier: Chi Alpha, Lambda Chi Alpha, and hopefully SG.
    - Mariana: If you have belief as your third top strength. Do you not think your opinion could be swayed? It sounds like you won’t be able to open your mind.
    - Cormier: I have my central core beliefs, but I do have an open mind. Everyone has a vote.
    - Hollis: You would not feel there would be issues to find a middle ground in the purpose of moving things forward? If what’s being discussed doesn’t go against your core beliefs, you can be swayed.
    - Cormier: Yes, I can see the light of the situations.
    - Trahan: SG can run into 9:00 at night. If that were to happen, would you leave a meeting to go to Chi Alpha?
    - Cormier: Chi Alpha is number one, but they have events all week so I can go to another one.
      - With a roll call vote of 10 yes, 4 no, 8 abstentions, he is appointed.
- Motion to Suspend R and P and do a secret ballot for the next portion of the agenda.
  - Approved.
- Abby Ann-Coyle Richards, College of Liberal Arts, Senate
  - Formerly a senator for the College of Engineering, she switched her major. The next day she resigned and applied for COLA. She’s now an urban planning major. The only type of organization she’s not involved in is religious and that’s just because she hasn’t joined one yet. Last semester and this fall, she wasn’t a dominate senator, she was overwhelmed with school. Now that switched majors, the schooling isn’t as hard so she’ll be able to be more dominate in the senate.
Johnson: Is there anything you did during time here that you are proud of?

Coyle-Richards: I co-sponsored some bills, but never authored any.

Diez: What do you plan on doing differently if you are appointed?

Coyle-Richards: I want to be more involved in my college, and reach out to those students and make it better.

- Motion for a quorum call.
  - Approved.
  - Quorum was met with 22 out of 27 present.

Christopher, College of Liberal Arts, Senate

- He was a senator before for 5 semesters. He’s written many bills. Some for Nippon, Theta Xi, and DZ. He’s written bills for the Tocqueville Projects twice. He wrote the smoking resolution to allow e-cigs. He enjoys SG. He had a lot going on in the beginning of the semester with moving, he changed jobs, and suffered a death in the family. Keeping up with the minutes has been interesting.

  - DiMaggio: Is there more reasons why you left?
  - Christopher: There were reasons that were behind closed doors and behind people’s backs. When there’s a situation with a lot of confrontation, sometimes it’s better to take a step back, let the air clear so you can create a better tomorrow.

  - DiMaggio: If you are back in, are you going to be old Hunter, that wanted to take part in to bills, asked about bills, and wanted to get into detail about every little thing?
  - Christopher: If you are asking if I will keep writing bills, yes, if it’s about writing too many bills, I don’t think that’s a problem. I sponsor people who I think are doing good work. I fight for student’s rights. Some people come in vote, some are in committees, chairs, or executives. This is an organization where you can put in as much as you want.

  - Diez: Before you chose to resign, you were working on resolutions for completely new constitution, is this something you plan to continue working on.
  - Christopher: Last time I was here, I remember Teagle was going to create a committee of the constitution, in the minutes, I didn’t see that was continuing. In the past they’ve treated problems as needing to be dealt with one at a time, it’s been historically damaging to UNO. To confront those issues is what I like to do. Most of you here see issues and want to fix them. Whether or not it’s simple issues or complex issues, you should always stand for making a better SG and making a better school. It’s easy to put all the problems and solutions on administration, but we need to do for ourselves.

  - St. Amant: Why do you think you deserve this more than Coyle-Richards who stayed here and never left?
Christopher: I’ve not about who’s been here longer, but being here, doesn’t mean you’re present. Having final spot was not my intention to take the final spot. I know that Coyle-Richard is wise and has delivered her opinion on legislation in the last year. The question of her or I is your judgment. You can look at the past. I come here to get things done. I sat in the front and now that’s where COLA sits. I want to change and make things better. I could have had a good summer, but spent it looking at UL policy. I love politics. If you put me into this seat I will fight to make UNO better. You vote for me and I’ll get things done. Thank you.

Motion for 3 minute recess.
- Objection.
- Point of Order: During recess can’t conduct official SG business.
- Sipe: Conducting and discussing is different. If you interpret them the same. You can’t talk on FB or anything out of the meeting.

Motion for debate of the two appointees with them out of the room.
- Objection
- Override
  - With a roll call vote of 9 yes, 11 no, motion fails.

Abby received 6, Hunter received 12, he is the appointee.
- With a roll call vote of 10 yes, 8 no, 4 abstentions, he is appointed.

LaBorde, Andrew
- He is a transfer student, English major. He’s Seen passion for the university and wants to bring that to SG. He has a voice and wants to see the voice of others. I’ve liked what I’ve heard. He wants to help any way that he can.
- Dillworth: What is your involvement on campus.
- LaBorde: I’m applying for OLs. I’m an associate of Lambda Chi. I know it’s a long shot for OL, but hopefully with time. He likes the leadership they provide.
- Diez: Sometimes meetings can be hectic and can have opposing views and get tense can you stand by what you believe in, even through attacking and maybe having execs even trying to sway.
- LaBorde: I am firm in my beliefs. I can be respectful of others and still stick my ground and not be wavering.
- Hollis: If it doesn’t conflict with your core, will you be able to work with people for a middle ground?
- LaBorde: I’m willing to compromise for development and growth.
  - With a roll call vote of 19 yes, 1 no, and 2 abstentions, he is appointed.

Johnson, member of SA
- Appointed.
• Diez, Finance  
  o Appointed.
• Aucoin, finance  
  o Appointed
• Lee, governance  
  o Appointed.
• Maccloud, governance  
  o Appointed.
• Hollis, governance  
  o Appointed.
• Payne, finance  
  o Appointed.
• Christopher, Governance  
  o Appointed.
• Schexnayder, SA  
  o Appointed.
• Christopher, finance  
  o Not appointed.
• Hollis, finance  
  o Appointed.

XI. Open Forum

a. Me: I’ve said it almost every meeting not to talk out of turn and amongst yourselves. Follow the Rules and Procedure. If you come in late, state your name so that I can hear you. If you don’t say your name, you will be put down as Senator, if I can’t hear what you are saying, you will be put as inaudible.

b. DiMaggio: Read your constitution. Don’t talk with people around you when the VP is speaking. If people that have proxies, there’s no point in proxying if you abstain. You need to find out how they want to vote ahead of time.

c. Lee: I’m proud of us, we were split on a lot and we were passionate, good job!

d. Carter: When did we get a binder?

e. Reyes: We’re out right now. It has the constitution, Rules and Procedures, and Code of Laws in it. It’s all online. I can’t do it on my own, I need to order it. Will get it sooner rather than later.

f. Payne: I also have no binder, but printed it all out for myself. We will amend our bill to say we are not charging a cover. I felt powerlessness, I just wasn’t aware.

g. Johnson: I’m happy the committees are full, don’t forget about them.

h. Sipe: If you are writing a bill and have questions, you can ask me. There’s a list of approved vendors that is online. If you have questions look at that. Mostly used Lowes and Party City. They are used most frequently and office supplies. I know it was news, but we can’t use state funds for profit. If you have a question, shoot me an email.

i. DiMaggio: When tabling bills to a committee, they should be the ones to motion for it.

j. Payne: If you have any ill will for a person, don’t let that skew your vote of ability for their job.

k. Diez: We tabled Lee’s resolution to Campus Beautification, but there’s only the chair.
I. Reyes: Once things getting tabled to committees, we need a weighed thought of what was tabled to you. Let me know how your committee felt about the piece of legislature tabled to them.

XII. Adjournment
   a. Meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.