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SPEAKERS

Parliamentarian Hymel, Pro Tempore Davidson, Senator Carbo, Senator Duong, Senator Barahona, Senator Lemons, VPP, Senator Mott, Advisor Gitlin, President Charles, Senator Rodarte, Senator Abadie, VPLA Hinnawi, Senator RenÃ©, Senator Isom, Senator Fields, Senator Bauman, Senator Metzler, Senator Gillum, Senator Hunsaker

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:06
I will now take a roll call vote when I say your name please say here.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:10
If you're proxying for someone just saying here by proxy.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:13
Daniel Abadie.

S Senator Abadie 00:14
Here.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:15
Marco Barahona.

S Senator Barahona 00:17
Here by proxy.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:18
Rakeen Barnes

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:22
Ciara Bauman.

S Senator Bauman 00:23
Here by proxy.

S Senator Duong 00:25
Ian Carbo.

S Senator Carbo 00:26
Here.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:29
Dylan Davidson.

S Senator Duong 00:34
Regianna Fields.

S Senator Fields 00:38
Here.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:39
Brett Fornatoro.

S Senator Carbo 00:41
Here by proxy.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:42
Cameron Frederick. Cameron Frederick

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:49
Leo Gillum.

S Senator Gillum 00:50
Here.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:51
Daniel Husaker.

S Senator Hunsaker 00:52
Here.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:53
Jenna Hymel.

P Parliamentarian Hymel 00:54
Present.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:55
Camille Isom.

S Senator Isom 00:56
Here.

V VPLA Hinnawi 00:57
Cooper Lemons.

 Senator Lemons 01:00
Here.

 VPLA Hinnawi 01:01
Henry Mieczkowski.

 Senator Mott 01:02
Here by proxy.

 VPLA Hinnawi 01:06
Brendon Mott.

 Senator Mott 01:07
Here.

 VPLA Hinnawi 01:08
Iniya Rene.

 Senator RenÃ© 01:09
Present.

 VPLA Hinnawi 01:09
Antonio Rodarte.

 Senator Rodarte 01:11
Here by proxy.

 Senator Abadie 01:15
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Alright with 18 senators present, we do meet quorum.

S Senator Duong 01:22
Are there any corrections or change to today's agenda?

V VPLA Hinnawi 01:31
With no objections to the agenda it is approved. Are there any corrections or changes to the minutes from last week's meeting? Well, just make sure you all do review those really quickly, like when I send them out just to make sure that there's no typos or anything to make sure that everything is valid on the minutes. Okay, but with no objection to the minutes, they are approved.

S Senator Mott 01:57
Are there any senator communications or announcements?

S Senator Carbo 02:04
Just a quick reminder, the career expo is this Friday. If anyone would like to sign up and hasn't yet, I'm pretty sure you can still sign up. It'll be at the Audubon tea room and there's free shuttles available. Awesome.

V VPLA Hinnawi 02:24
Anyone else?

V VPLA Hinnawi 02:56
Does anyone else have a senator communication? Okay, are there any non-Senator communications or announcements? Okay, um, any executives report? Does the President have report?

P President Charles 03:29
President Angelo Charles here. My Report is going to be very brief. I do not have much to talk about today. The first things first is that Chloe the awesome senator and I love her. We have a great relationship. I have a great relationship with all of you and she gave me a quote today. Today's quote is fall seven times and stand up eight. fall seven times stand up eight. So you may be taking statistics exams. You may be the UNO basketball team who lost by four upsetting points, but you must fall seven times they get up to never give up. We have finals approaching. Some about to be graduating.

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President Charles 04:07

But you gotta get up like to that being said we really are consoling a better internal process here which understand, you know, is focused on having a sense of accountability. Like I said, one of my goals internally, this organization was ready to document and I feel like we were able to achieve that in some measure. But now we have to put the paper in voting. So with that being said, if someone can open up the floor to suspend Robert's Rules for discussion, in order to discuss a potential special session on our constitution.

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Senator Mott 04:49

I motion to suspend Roberts Rules for the discussion regarding the propped constitution.

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VPLA Hinnawi 04:57

Can I get a second? All right.

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Senator Carbo 04:59

Ian Carbo, College of Business Administration. I second that motion?

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VPLA Hinnawi 05:02

All right. Can I get a show of hands? All right, with that Robert's Rules of orders are suspended

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President Charles 05:13

All right, we have drafted the Constitution and the demerit system. And this the purpose of us suspending these rules is to see when will it be best to hold a special session? A special session is essentially need. Ours is a call on zoom in order to discuss specifics about a constitutional matter or any other political matter that has sole focus, meaning that it will not be a standard or regular senate meeting we will only discuss the Constitution and the demerit system. I do not expect it to take no more than 30 to 45 minutes. But the reason why I do not want to put it on a Senate floor is one we dont necessarily have the time with the other bills and I also don't want to be here past two to three hours discussing bills and in turn.

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President Charles 06:01

So I am going to call a special session, you guys are constitutionally required to be there but I want to make sure that definitely you can be there to vote on it. So I open up the floor for discussion on when do you think when do we think you'll be best to do this? It has happened before generally.

- S** Senator Carbo 06:28
Personally, Mondays are really good for me and Thursday or Friday will also work pretty good. Wednesday we have the already that meeting and Tuesday I'm pretty busy.
- P** President Charles 06:44
I will get to the point before we discuss availability I appreciate that I'm most likely gonna send out for for accessibility purposes a when to meet. I want you to be where y'all can be at so we can just have a streamlined process of it okay. Okay, cool. So, this needs to happen within the next few days.
- P** Pro Tempore Davidson 07:40
So is it going to the voting system in a special session, Executive Session, especially since this special session so we're going to try to have everyone there or is there a way that people that can't be there they can do it remotely?
- P** President Charles 07:52
Right so one we will be on Zoom is a special session is pretty much a special call meeting. So operate in a similar fashion as the senate meeting. We will go straight discussion on the Constitution in the paper. The set of rules and procedures on voting is not so it's not like any change of rules the order, we just gotta go straight into the discussion.
- P** President Charles 08:20
All right, yes. All right. I think it time to either entertain a motion to reinstate Roberts Rules.
- P** Parliamentarian Hymel 08:32
Just something to be aware of. Just because we're not in Robert's Rules doesn't mean don't you still have to state your name and college but we're still on record.
- V** VPLA Hinnawi 08:42
With that gentleman, would you like to motion to go back to Robert's Rules.
- V** VPLA Hinnawi 08:46
Brendon Mott, Graduate at Large. I motion to reinstate Roberts Rules of discussion.

P Pro Tempore Davidson 08:50
Dylan Davidson College of Sciences I second the motion.

V VPLA Hinnawi 08:53
Alright with that Robert's Rules orders are reinstated.

V VPLA Hinnawi 09:06
Alright, then on to report um, obviously as you can see, we've kind of been lacking in attendance lately. And it really hasn't been an issue because we've also been lacking in topics of discussion. I mean, open forums, great for us to bring things up. But I just feel like we haven't been doing our part in outreach to organizations in regards to bills. And I know I'm saying this and next week, I have three bills coming to the floor.

V VPLA Hinnawi 09:34
Which like in the past few weeks, kind of lulling on which I don't mind this. So I just want to make sure that like as senators like you don't forget that your job is a lot more than just coming to this Wednesday meeting like it's making sure that you reach out to your delegates you do hear their issues, and then we make a motion to actually try and help them.

V VPLA Hinnawi 10:06
Does anyone have anything?

S Senator Hunsaker 10:16
When is the finance meeting? for organizations like When should I start reaching out?

V VPLA Hinnawi 10:26
Okay, so because in most organizations can submit a budget request, you can do that.

A Advisor Gitlin 10:26
So we have set a hard deadline for March 31 for all organizations to get budget request to vice president moss who also has been sending out emails, please make sure that you are also reaching out and reminding that is a very hard deadline. So, the sooner we can get those the

better.

V VPLA Hinnawi 11:06

I would stress the importance that Jordan is a contact person Jordan and Todd like email them and make sure they're not trying to submit to you okay, just because we want to make sure that all the budgets in one place because then during the budget, we'll just be looking all over the place.

S Senator Mott 11:35

Does the Vice president of Programming have a report?

V VPP 11:37

Hello, just a reminder guys that we're gonna have that event on Tuesday, March 14, at the amp, we'll be showing Woman King starting at 7pm. Our next event that is coming up will be shortly, like in a few weeks. So just keep that in mind. And I yield the rest of the time for questions.

P Pro Tempore Davidson 12:21

Dylan Davidson. College of Sciences. Thoughts on springfest. I think it went well. How could it have been better?

V VPP 12:30

I feel like we should do more of those events. You know, to help different organizations fundraise.

V VPLA Hinnawi 12:49

Thank you so much.

S Senator Carbo 12:59

Ian Carbo, College of Business Administration. I motion for Camero Frederick to be recognized.

A Advisor Gitlin 13:18

Hey, y'all Happy Wednesday. I'm going to keep this short. First, I want to thank all of the senators here who came out for women's retreat Friday and Saturday. It was so great to see

them interact and talk to different alumni about their career path. I think y'all got a lot out of it. So I wanted to thank you all for coming out to Spring Fest. I'm so good to see a lot of students here also like Southern food. Yeah, I also just want to follow up on something that Aziza said. Your role your purview as senators is to represent the colleges to represent your student class. Please make sure that what you do as an SGA senator is behind these meetings. If that involves tabling in the building, if that involves like setting up meetings with Dean's with professors like that is within your purview and it is really important as the voice of students that you are in those meetings and fostering relationships between colleges and the students. Wow. I think it's fair to say that everyone at UNO has the same goal, which is to educate and make sure that students get the best education as possible. And one of the best ways to do that is to set up those meetings so that colleges can improve on what they do and what they offer. Yeah, that is all I have. I yield the floor for any questions and I yield my time for any questions. Thank you

V VPLA Hinnawi 15:18

All right. With that we are now moving to open forum. this is where we discuss matters pertaining to the betterment of SGA. Before we get started, there are some things that I want to mention. Next week, we're gonna have three bills and we're gonna have a proclamation on the floor which I do believe we will have a guest from athletics coming with that proclamation along with any of the athletes that want to join him or her I believe it's him I think my contacts anyways, so just make sure that you guys are here. If there's any senators that you know, might not feel like coming and they've already asked you to proxy just kind of tell them this. I would like for as many senators to be here as possible, just so it can be like a better look that we are actually attending and we're here for this proclamation. And we can actually discuss on if it's something we as a Senate, want to pass it on. Another thing I want to mention is last week we talked a lot about tabling for the galley. No one has reached out to me. So I just decided we're gonna book a table.

S Senator Carbo 16:28

What works good for me I have a free time from 12 to two. And I have free time after 3:30.

V VPLA Hinnawi 16:40

Okay, thank you.

S Senator Mott 16:42

That was in front of my availability on Tuesday during lunch time from 12 to three so honestly, I can do a lunchtime table kind of like all right outside the morning for lunch. It's perfect time.

V VPLA Hinnawi 17:01

Regianna Do you have something?

S Senator Fields 17:03
Oh yes. Regianna College of Liberal Arts. Um, I can come Tuesdays or Thursdays around 12pm.

V VPLA Hinnawi 17:14
Okay, this is what I'm going to do. reserving a table outside the caf Tuesday and Wednesday both 12 to two. Is that okay? So Brendan and Regianna Y'all will be there on Tuesday evening. We'll be there Wednesday. Anyone else can feel free to pop in and drop by.

V VPLA Hinnawi 17:31
Chloe did you have something to say?

S Senator Metzler 17:33
Um, I can do some hours.

V VPLA Hinnawi 17:36
Okay, perfect. Then we'll buddy up great Dylan. Yes, your name and stuff.

P Pro Tempore Davidson 17:43
Davidson College sciences that you said hey, look on campus for like the chart when it was like, this is here, what people who are using the cafe have to say and get their actual opinions as opposed to relying on the computer method.

V VPLA Hinnawi 17:57
So I think what we'll do is I'll set up like a comments box. And we'll we'll get something going like I'll think of the logistics and make it.

S Senator Mott 18:04
Brendon Mott, graduate at large I just thought about this but I think this is it. I think we should possibly try to do some things because I've heard from people but the quality changes.

V VPLA Hinnawi 18:17
Although I would love us tabling breakfast, lunch and dinner. It is unrealistic, but we can get

their opinion on their overall experience and their overall satisfaction instead of letting them focus just on what's in the cafe right now. I like I want to hear all of it you know what I mean? just stress that to them and like let them know like, we want to know how you feel completely. Okay. And if you have any ideas about that, feel free to email me before the time comes.

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VPLA Hinnawi 19:17

And that's all I had to say about my two things.

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VPLA Hinnawi 19:19

Daniel?

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Senator Abadie 19:22

Daniel Abadie College of Liberal Arts you're just gonna discuss information regarding driftwood?

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VPLA Hinnawi 19:29

Perfect, okay. So I reached out about the drift. When do you want to say something before I can say okay, so I reached out about the driftwood, and I was given a budget. And I was told that it will not be as simple as I believe it will be. And I was told that I should put together a task force for my contact to be put in touch with so I have decided that I am now interested in starting the driftwood as well. And so I need everyone's contacts because I will be putting together the board so start doing that so those interested can reach out to me. Um, I think I only have Leo reach out to me and initially and then someone came up to me in the cafeteria. So Daniel, you want to be on that list for sure. Okay, perfect. Because if I can get names and emails outside of Senate within Senate, just anyone who's interested, let me know. I'll set up this meeting with the task force um, and we'll get something going because I think it could be pretty neat. Yeah. All

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Senator Carbo 20:33

Ian Carbo College of Business Administration on the topic of the driftwood, I know that the students that first came to me, Leo and I really want to spearhead the issue. I feel like he'd be a board member for the task force. And he's going to try and reach out and see if you'd be interested to and come to the next meeting, to speak about like, what his vision for the newspaper is, and he's the one that came to us about it first.

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VPLA Hinnawi 21:05

I think that would be great. But I also think maybe that would be better for the meeting with Dr. Golzs. Okay, so like what? Well, that's what I'll be forming. So like everyone interested in the driftwood. I'll be setting up a separate meeting with Dr. Golz there because shes technically in

charge of the driftwood. And that would be a much better place because then that's like more proactive. And I believe honestly, I think that's the namely, as well. Well, Brendan, did you have something to say?

S Senator Mott 21:37

I actually did. And I did wonder President Charles about this before but something that popped in my head last week. And it's something that I've tried to do before previously Senate which kind of require some kind of space for us to do Senate work in Milneburg Hall and I've heard we may have actually got that space and they have not actually gotten that space, and it was backwards with a previous VPLA that it was acquired but maybe nothing ever got done with it. So can we possibly find more information about that

V VPLA Hinnawi 22:04

A space for just like work.

S Senator Mott 22:10

Because I was told by people that like previous up I requested it may have gotten it but nothing was ever done under that.

V VPLA Hinnawi 22:19

Well as the current VPLA I've not heard wind of that ever.

P President Charles 22:44

I think the issue was what that what why the space wasn't fully allocated is monitoring, right? So we can just have an open room. With items and stuff that is accessible to 30 Odd senators. We have to have some type of oversight, and I think that's the biggest issue is having staff oversight. But we can certainly look into that. I think we would allocate a space different,

S Senator Mott 23:13

Less of a storage space and just be a workspaces that it wouldn't be as much concern, I think.

P President Charles 23:20

So I think it's vice versa. It would be better for it to be a storage space because there's no oversight, but if we're going to have students in there using it as a workspace there's going to need some type of moderation or some type of oversight.

V VPLA Hinnawi 23:33
Okay. We'll dig into that. Okay. Anyone else?

S Senator Hunsaker 23:50
On our talking about recruiting more people for SGA do we currently have like tabling events with all those high schoolers come here for SGA.

V VPLA Hinnawi 24:03
High schoolers like, like you know, like, what is it? Yeah, orientation? Yes.

S Senator Hunsaker 24:09
I was just wondering if like we promote SGA during them so.

V VPLA Hinnawi 24:15
So whenever there is events like that, like get to know you and out or like the orientations and the tabling and stuff. We're usually pretty on top of that. I know like an Angelo did about jordans done a bunch. So we're pretty much on top of that, that the problem is like getting current students to get involved in government, you know, like, there's like, it's great for them to like, reach out, get emails about us. If no one's like actually signed up for this on it. But that doesn't like stop us from being able to table whenever to our students. So if you're interested in tabling, just reach out let me know I can get your table. Probably anywhere. Um, you had something.

P President Charles 25:00
I had a meeting with Dr. Golzs yesterday about the resolution in regards to our fraternities and sororities, storage spaces and Milneburg Hall. If you didn't know, that was an inequitable layout certain fraternities and sororities did not have spaces allocated to them. But Dr. Golzs and our administration has since been able to find spaces for those organizations and they should be reaching out to those people shortly. So good news, no one will lose their spaces. We will be adding on more spaces. So I think this is important that a lot of times you have to be in a room or be in places to know what is going on. Like they had a leak in the dorms. There's issues on campus. A lot of times it's about who you know, and what proximity you are in. Into those are environments where I've been saying there's work to be done. administration's usually requires a good way to SGA I know we have arbitrary sets of them, but you know, in working with them, they have been pretty accommodating. So I just want to share that

V VPLA Hinnawi 26:10

V VPLA HINNAWI 26:18

I hate to do this Leo or Ian did you have something like say something regarding the campus police Issue?

S Senator Carbo 26:29

Issue? That was a few months ago?

V VPLA Hinnawi 26:31

No. Right. Okay, well, no, it's fine. Antonio gave me something. I was gonna piggyback off y'all. Okay, y'all are gonna go

S Senator Gillum 26:45

So with me and some other friends. We're going to the baseball game. We drove up to the gate. And when we approached, the person we're investigating people went to the gate is back to start. So I slow down. But like I looked, he kind of looked at me. He was in no rush. We didn't wave he didn't speak. So we drive in. We Park. pullin, basically, they were treating us like we were intruders. And we're just like, Oh, hey, you know, we're students. We didn't know and they were like, Oh, you have to go back and pay. You have to pay for it. We were like, Oh, we're students, and he was just still continually continuously kind of like hostile. Like kind of angry. But it was very evident that we made a mistake and we didn't know. Like, we drove in and literally parked. We didn't go very far if the guy told us where to pull in. Yeah, I just don't think I spoke to the people when I went there. So there's nothing they can really do. Because those are actual like, you know, NOPD officers and there's a concert going on. But that can create like very bad vision and experiences for students who are just approached by people like that. We felt like we were like, getting pulled over for something.

V VPLA Hinnawi 28:05

Did you end up paying?

S Senator Gillum 28:07

Nobody told us we didn't have to because we were students that we said that as soon as they came up. We were like we're students here. And he went back to get the other guy to come back to us up

V VPLA Hinnawi 28:16

okay.

P Parliamentarian Hymel 28:21

I have also experienced that like, I don't really like bad experiences parking at baseball games. The people that were there are very rude. You know, police are very rude. UNOPD officers are great. Not everything is so clear like it is at the arena. It's very clear like what used to go when it's not clear at the baseball games, or possibly they can have an easier way so people are driving in or just word signage or signage or something where these situations do not happen because this is not a one off experience.

S Senator Carbo 29:05

Like Jenna said, just getting like a sign that says great for parking just so that it's clear upfront you see it everybody knows would help the situation greatly because it was a made into like a big situation for something very small that we would have seen a sign that it would have been dissolved quickly. Okay.

V VPLA Hinnawi 29:31

Thank you. And just to be clear, was it UNOPD or NOPD. And NOPD in your experience with your attendance and I guess just parking staffing in general.

V VPLA Hinnawi 29:47

It was so it wasn't necessary. I'm sorry. Yes. Make sure you say your name and college.

S Senator Gillum 29:52

It wasn't necessarily UNOPD gave us the trouble. He was trying to like mediate it was a person the parking attendant who must have said something when you drive through on another park and then that's what cop came up. We thought we were in trouble. Because why because a cop came in and he just parked he was like, Oh, we have to pay and then he calls over the parking attendant and who comes to basically berate me for not stopping.

S Senator Mott 30:22

Thank you for the clarification. Brendan, did you have something to say as

S Senator Mott 30:29

I do think it's important to say that while this was particularly about parking,, I think we shouldnt also forget sometimes UNOPD is also very rude to students. And what I've seen it like firsthand like UNOPD officers like he's been very brief to students on them being apologetic or something will be happening and they'll try to deal with something else first, or, or even myself.

I've seen them like misgendered transgender students, things like that. I've seen all that'll happen quite often and I'm not sure what we can do about that. But I thought I would bring it up just to say I've seen

S Senator Carbo 31:10

To build upon that. Months ago. I was with Leo. We had called to have like a wellness check on someone that we knew and we knew they were in like a bad place. And UNOPD told us that it wasn't their job and basically left it at that. And that was like a big issue for us because it's like this is a UNO student who we need a wellness check on why would we not call University of New Orleans Police Department.

V VPLA Hinnawi 31:54

Do they live on campus?

S Senator Carbo 31:56

Yes. They lived at the dorms at the time.

P President Charles 32:03

Police officers are not in the business of customer service. We cant expect them to be the most polite. We cant expect you know, bend over backwards for us. So they do have jobs to do. And I'm probably more militant person when it comes to that. However, I do not think they're here to provide customer service respect and dignity is one thing and I think they should always be respectful in terms of the parking lot issue. I encourage before we make this a bigger issue, let us work on it. We have campus partners our relationship with the chief of UNOPD as well as I guess I have a good relation with him. I know his name was Michael we also have great relationships with different campus partners who will I just don't sacrifice and I think just before we like our burn down the house, this we be aware but that situation is very important.

V VPLA Hinnawi 32:59

I don't feel like asking for signage is too big of a deal. And it can only be executed extremely quickly. So we'll get on that.

P Parliamentarian Hymel 33:12

This is a different thing involving UNOPD.UNOPD usually unlocks room for people and they told us that they can't do that anymore and that we have to go somewhere for keys.

P Parliamentarian Hymel 33:20

P Parliamentarian Hymel 33:30

Since we go to UNOPD because they have it. And we call UNOPD to come along to do rooms like they usually always do that they can unlock the rooms anymore. Like they aren't allowed to unlock the room for students anymore. Do y'all know what's going on?

V VPLA Hinnawi 33:55

Did they refer you to someone else? Or did they just say we can't do it?

P Parliamentarian Hymel 33:58

They said we can't do it. Okay, so I don't know where to go for.

V VPLA Hinnawi 34:03

Let's get that information. Okay, awesome. Let's do that.

S Senator Mott 34:11

We take classes in Milneburg our department has computer labs and that's the only place where we use that software. And we were told by probably the calling ability to open the building for us who wants to study at night. They have told us they don't know if they can open the doors for us now, even though our department has told us it's okay before so obviously that's an issue not just for raising stories but an issue with them. Maybe a policy change like they need more information. At least I know they used to be very easy about it. You just need to go in here at night and they open the door.

P Parliamentarian Hymel 34:38

We asked at like 2pm to come a storage locker room. And they didn't

S Senator Lemons 34:55

I'm not sure how relevant it is to the situation. I want to mention that UNOPD is no longer a thing and it's been like renamed to department of public safety.

S Senator Lemons 35:11

So I wonder if that might have some kind of issue with the key.

P Pro Tempore Davidson 35:18

Dylan Davidson College of Science. So is this purely point of inquiry? Is this a Milneburg issue? We get these doors open or is this like a campus wide access to this kind of thing? To where we can contact whoever had the key before.

V VPLA Hinnawi 35:42

So you know, UNOPD or DPS they have the key still, the issue might, somewhere along the lines of they've kind of open all of these doors for all of the students. I mean, I work in the universities center. Sometimes my key messes up and I call UNOPD. And I'm like, I need to get this building and they open it right up. No proof, no asking. It's definitely some kind of safety concern. But also like getting into an educational building, there would be no reason for them to say, How do I know you're students? Don't know so we can talk and see what we can figure out and see if maybe there's a solution and might honestly be like a security issue, like just letting everyone into all of these buildings without having any kind of you know, what I'm trying to say? I just can't think of the words

S Senator Carbo 36:43

The last time I had UNOPD Unlock a door. I had to give them my name. I had to give them the reason why I needed the moment locked and I need to show my ID and I feel like that would be a process at least keeping track of why someone may go into a building, but I do agree. There's been times where we need to get into our storage locker and I have to go and hunt down one of the custodians to unlock the door.

V VPLA Hinnawi 37:19

I agree that would definitely be a really good one. Um, let's move to Angelo to discuss about the name change of the police real quick before we get too far away from the issue.

P President Charles 37:30

I guess it was like you know, understanding the United States and, you know, racial tensions and policing. That was the reason why I was saying that. That's a negative connotation on the word in the police department. So the idea was changing to the public safety. Which is a more neutral and comfortable term for our generation.

V VPLA Hinnawi 37:58

Yeah. Okay, Cooper,

S Senator Lemons 38:09

So, this is another issue with specifically Milneburg and arts that I've noticed because I don't go into too many other buildings. They still have some of the waterfountain COVID signs, while

library and other buildings have their water running and have lifted COVID standards nationwide, whether or not agreeing with it. I don't understand why the two the two buildings still don't have access to water fountains and use the machines and we have to pay for our water. Otherwise, it's like a 10 minute walk to go get some. Yeah, just want to ask, raise this point.

V VPLA Hinnawi 38:51

Yeah, I mean, the machines are turned back on in here. And I believe that at least the bottle filling one is turned back on back and check them out one that should definitely be turned on the College of Liberal Arts.

V VPLA Hinnawi 39:19

Maybe you can use the mouthfilling one so fill up a water bottle.

P Parliamentarian Hymel 39:25

Not every building has those.

S Senator Lemons 39:33

Or it's definitely going have to be a budget request replacing good amount of them as well. We had the AC go out in Milneburg and it was very hot, sweating.

S Senator Lemons 39:52

They said that they're having issues addressed back on friday. That's also an interest of the entire IT department. Like the department or college I think to discuss when to contact them. So yeah, that was a lot of students uncomfortable and asking for class to be dismissed early.

V VPLA Hinnawi 40:31

what a good idea , I'm sorry back on the water bottles thing, maybe writing a bill to come from our reserve funding about at least one bottle water filling water machine in each building at least that could be a reserve account thing.

S Senator Mott 40:56

That actually was attempted before in years past and we were told that some buildings are too old to have the capability of even doing these types of conversions and more information was given it's just not something I really want to record in case it is inaccurate.

S Senator Lemons 41:17

Again the elevator Milneburg has been having a lot of issues in the last week or two. It has made students feel unsafe. They've been stuck in the elevator for several minutes. I've heard it go up and they go up. And it's trying, to make me uncomfortable laughing to myself, but it's very deprecating kind of way. It does sound pretty alarming. The leaks have been taken care of very well.

S Senator Fields 41:58

Milneburg can wait. Ponchartrain halls first because the girl she has been on an elevator for 15 minutes before it came back down to the floor.

V VPLA Hinnawi 42:10

Okay. Is it the left or the right, the way? It's on the left?

S Senator Fields 42:20

The right one does not work, The left one is out now but the right one allegedly was fixed.

V VPLA Hinnawi 42:36

Thank you. So also issues in south hall. Right. Okay. Now, before we continue, does anyone have any ideas for these issues? Because we have a lot of issues. I have a lot of notes. I would love to hear from y'all maybe what you think next steps could be what you think would be a good idea instead of me just like taking the charge. Alright, so we'll start with this light.

P Pro Tempore Davidson 43:14

So with the water bottle situation I mean the water fountain situation. The original issue that was brought up was there still the COVID signs and they're cut off before we try to get a whole bunch of money to get the water bottle filler. Let's take the take the paper off, get it turned back on so people have access to water. Like I feel like if we do that first and then we are approaching the problem piece by piece instead of trying to be Superman or Superwoman or super person.

V VPLA Hinnawi 43:44

That would be a great first step.



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Senator Mott 43:48

I think when it comes to the elevators, there's elevators it's all over this campus. I definitely have heard the Milneburg one referred to sorry for the sound for the record, but But um, basically, most of the elevators on campus have issues, do shake like half the time, and time out. A lot of them gets stuck all the time. So I think we do an elevator thing it needs to be campus wide. Now. I don't know if we have the money to fund fixing elevators. It's very pricey, but I definitely think some recommendations will suffice.

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Senator Lemons 44:33

Cooper lemons College of Liberal Arts. The Department of Public Safety has excess money that go towards elevators for safety reasons.

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VPLA Hinnawi 44:41

I like that like an inspection. That would be interesting. And necessary. Especially considering like, students should not be used to elevators malfunctioning or is that something you get used to?

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Senator Lemons 44:57

Sorry for the record? College of Liberal Arts. Students who rely on the elevators should not have to have issues like this. Especially the fact that you're have to refer to the scary one and pretend the dorm is concerning. Like a reputation that not being addressed over time is ignorant, I think in terms of facility services. I don't know if that is a money thing, but there. Think plenty students have mentioned issues with noticing the Department of Public Safety having rather new costly vehicles for Campus Safety. While they think that money should go elsewhere.

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Senator Metzler 45:52

It was under my understanding that recently the University took on like a new business, handle all of these things and we were uploaded. They basically spent the whole time in February looking around different buildings and surveying what needs to be done. And then we started our contract on March 1, and they are coming in and they're supposed to be fixing things up in the building.

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VPLA Hinnawi 46:19

Are you referring to us replacing ABM?

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Senator Metzler 46:24

I think they are.

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VPLA Hinnawi 46:30

Yeah, but if you're referring to that, I know we are in the process of a switch. I don't know the details, but I can ask my boss because he is in charge of contracting and stuff. I can talk to him and get you more details on that and bring it up next week with what I find. But I know we are definitely in a switch. I don't know if that will encompass a lot of the issues that were addressed today, though. I mean, even though you're assuming the company they would do an overall first impression inside. Yeah, hold on one second.

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Senator Mott 47:08

I have to go to class.

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Senator Carbo 47:27

I know that it was brought up that it might have a bit of constraints with getting all the elevators we done, but I know that I myself take the stairs everywhere but not everyone is as privileged as being able to use the same as and that the elevator is the only mode of transportation throughout the building. And elevators to get stuck by the third floor but for floor building, non shaking and other things. These are problems that must be addressed.

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Parliamentarian Hymel 48:06

The elevators are with the office of disability so they are definitely someone that we need to talk to before we go to public safety. Just because like that's the number that you call when it's happening. So just to make everybody aware.

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VPLA Hinnawi 48:24

Yes. ability issue. So same thing like with ramps and that kind of thing.

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Senator Lemons 48:32

Did you actually get to the point of inquiry whether they had any budget adjustments like several other departments this last semester.

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President Charles 48:45

But at the same time, we have to prioritize our students and safety and one and I do not want this to become an echo chamber where we just see no list out problems. Prior to this meeting, that petition needs to be there. Y'all have reached out. We are well connected with so I expect y'all to email a Rakeen Chief Brian, Dino, Amanda over at housing, there's a lot of people

involved. Make the hotline bling, call the numbers up . Let them know the issues right. Then they move with the motion and I'm using colloquial terms just for the simple fact that they did have to change that we can't keep allowing this room to be an echo chamber. We have various means of legislation that we can use resolutions, petitions, also a referendum that we want to say hey, we're having issues with infrastructure. Okay, this is sort of a pointed out so I thought this could be an infrastructure project to Milneburg Hall and do that, right. There's various means but we have to before we get to these meetings,

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President Charles 49:55

So we all have homework here to do today. But if you listed an issue I expect you to reach out to those departments and facilities and by next meeting so we can do that on next step to move forward. We are meeting with administration next Tuesday. Some of these concerns will be brought up some of them are not our realities, and I'll probably reach out to the department heads first. But do the work. Start at the grassroots level. Find out who's having issues make note of it, send emails, do not take anything when we want it paper documentation BCC CC, carbon copy, that's the purpose of it. We want an email that we were putting with legislation. That's cool.

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VPLA Hinnawi 50:37

Also feel free. If you get stumped or if you just need to work on it with something with somebody you can reach out to me I'm pretty available. You can email me we could set a time to meet I like coffee. So we can do that and just discuss our next step. I'm just because I don't want things to end here and open forum. And also it's so much easier for when I go into a room and I say hey, we have this issue. It's easier when they're like you know what? A few students have emailed me about that actually before you came in, you know it, it brings it more up as a as a major issue as opposed to just me coming in with all the problems I have. You know what I mean?

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Senator Lemons 51:25

I was wondering if any senators would be willing to work or work together work. I'm not sure how exactly go about doing it but making a survey of asking the different needs of the different colleges to like, give their own points.

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Advisor Gitlin 51:51

Advisor. That is something that the execs and I are working on. You know, if there are things that you see are affecting your constituents that need to be addressed. I know we're gonna work with the survey folks.

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Advisor Gitlin 52:25

So please, to echo what has been said please take note, make sure that like you're talking to people write it down

people write it down.

V VPLA Hinnawi 52:37

Also, I know that this might not be something a lot of students would look forward to. I do think a good idea would be maybe including in this survey, one of the questions being like, Would you be willing to do a specific fee for this Milneburg or whatever, because the school is lacking in budget. So it might be more beneficial to say, we have this referendum they want to pay to fix this building specifically or this thing or these issues we have on campus, and this is the money that has to go for it. You know, I mean, like that could be a solution. And answer one solution is no answer. No problem and the solution all in one. And I feel like the students will also see the benefits towards it. Although it wouldn't be for us, I don't mean to be as major as like past the increases.

S Senator Carbo 53:47

Ian Carbo, College of Business Administration, I motion to adjourn the meeting.

V VPLA Hinnawi 53:50

I get a show of hands. Sure. Do. I adjourn the meeting. Thank you for everyone.