CALL TO ORDER - 6:05pm
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Sen. Kenny
ALMA MATER
ROLL CALL
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
- VP Shah: Dean Huong, Amanda, and Cheryl for being here
- Sen Nunez: our gallery
APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - Internal Smith
SPECIAL ORDER
- Dean of Libraries and University Libraries: for those who don’t know, at a very high level, we have 13 libraries, 10 of which directly report to me. The university invests about $21 million a year and there are about 135 full time employees. I know you have a full agenda so thank you for inviting us to come in. I am going to speak very briefly about some of the handouts we gave you about our strategic plan and then we have a PowerPoint about our new vision about the renovations in langsam. The black pamphlet has been a yearlong engagement; the strategic plan is made up of four strategic pillars. One is about digital innovation, one is about the people, one about the space, and one is about data information and knowledge. Every year, we create strategic initiatives to fit these four pillars.
- University Library: we want to transform the use and concept of spaces in the library. We added new seating; we invested in wardrobe cabinets for some of the collections, added new tables, and so on to make the spaces more popular. The Armstrong exhibit will be coming to the CEAS library. CECH is seeing a new entrance come in as part of the renovations. There are a lot of idea bubbles about the new spaces in langsam that are being created. We want to open the library as a 24/5 space. We are also going to renovate the service desk so its more personal interaction based. We are also bringing a café hopefully. The writing center joined over the winter break, we are going to renovate it, create some new glass spaces, open it up and make it more inviting. The classroom that is here is to take it down, bump the wall out a couple feet, and put in a glass wall to open it up as a learning center. We are currently submitted a grant to create a blended classroom. We are also going after a conferencing room with a lot of new technology and a dual use space where you can use the data visualization theater style screen where you can work with the actual screen. The largest digital wall is going to be bigger than the white board in the senate room. For the other, it’ll probably be about half size. The learning commons bubble is
similar to the café. We want to bring lots of technology to help with group conversation and group studies. Is there going to be any space for student orgs to put stuff? Yes. It’s on another slide. We are working to install an innovation bar, we are just waiting on ordering equipment and such, we are very excited about this collaboration to get things kicked off and done. Note that these projects are collaboration between the Provost, the CIO Nelson Vincent, and us. The head of the CCM Library is retiring so we are envisioning what the CCM library could look like and take advantage of this to have a global search for new leadership. One of the first things we are doing is go to IU because their library is very digitally advanced. We are planning on building a 21st century building attached to langsam to pull the library together as an international learning commons area.

REPORT OF THE SPEAKER OF SENATE
- Applications are closed for student trustee, we got 49 applications which is a lot so we have to figure out how to deal with them. We'll select interviews the Monday after spring break, they will happen right after spring break and we hope to have a decision on Friday.
- I have an excel file with all the projects that are worked on. This is a transition time, the things that you did cannot drop off. We have a constitutional change to discuss today. We will have a constitutional ratification meeting on 3/25 at 6:00pm. Old senators must be here.
- UC Airport Ride got an award from GSGA
- Executive Elections: we will take nominations today and next Wednesday, we will have new nominations so if you aren't nominated today, you can still be nominated in two weeks. Everyone will have 5 minutes to present and 3 minutes of questions.
- Questions
  - Tobi: the project portal, update the projects.

REPORT OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT
- Apologies for being late, I was on the phone with the weather channel.
- If any of you are familiar, we talked about Kroger shutting down. Here will be a shuttle during the time that Kroger is closed so students can go get groceries at the Kroger on canard.
- Yesterday, Shivam and I went to Columbus to talk about the governors budget related to student issues, specifically the states share of instruction which is 17% of the university's budget.
- Dr. Mayo, Shivam, and I are looking at some dates and have proposed an end of the year banquet on April 8 from 5-7. It should be a lot of fun.
- This is my last full meeting so I do have pins for everyone who didn't get a pin so come see me and take one.

REPORT OF THE STUDENT BODY VICE-PRESIDENT
- One of the big things is transition, I will be transitioning is the Justice Collaborative, it has to continue.
- Buy tickets for TEDx at tedxucincinnati.com
- We are planning on having a popup Findlay market come in
- Thanks for a really good year.
REPORT OF THE INTERNAL HOLDOVER SENATOR
- Hello everyone
- TLC tomorrow at 5

REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL HOLDOVER SENATOR
- Elections, let me know if you want to run, I've had two people talk to me and I'd love to give options.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE DIRECTOR
- Hopefully, by next week I will have an exact number of how much is in our budget
- Our numbers are on your agenda

REPORT OF THE STUDENT TRUSTEE
- Next meeting is on April 15 at 8:30, come early. There is breakfast.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS
- Oath of Office for Sen Handa, our new LCB Senator. Congratulations!
- Nominations for Executive positions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
- Gov Affairs: Rob Richardson is going to be at the leadership summit. It's March 30 from 6-8pm. Only have space for 40 students.
- Campus Life: staff appreciation is April 9, Calhoun/Siddaal mural and UC running path are being presented. And new projects in the works.

BOARD REPORTS
- SSB: its Safety Week! Grill out tomorrow on McMicken ad Liv is the new SSB senator so she'll be here next week. Grill out is at 11-1.
- SAB: 4 new organization approved last week.
- UFB: for new groups with events in the summer, groups can turn in budgets for the next two weeks and they will be heard the week after the week after spring break.

TRIBUNAL REPORTS
- Nursing: attendance at open meetings are low so we decided to put our meetings as an online broadcast. Also we got a new mannequin. Also we got money for some other projects like hand sanitizers.
- A&S: McMicken week is March 30-April 3. We are going to have bubble soccer on Sheakely.
- CCM: looking at new ways to attract members through incentives. Also started election process.
- CEAS: thanks for participation in e week.
- DAAP: lots of big things like tours and stuff.
- LCB: Matt Murphy is president of LSAT and we have lots of other people in new roles.

COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY
- Luci Simon: OSU did something about divesting that Luci doesn't like.
- Colin Baker: be smart be safe over spring break. Baseball team plays Friday at 4, Saturday at 1 and Sunday at 1.

OLD BUSINESS
• **S.15-E-006**
  o Bylaws
  o Sen Goldenberg: move to close
  o Sen Boggs; move to call to question, roll call vote, pass 26-0-1
• **S.15-A-032**
  o Sen Dudley: move to table, no objections

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Election results and demographics
  o VP Shah: this really isn’t too long but you should know what is going on.
  o AVP Cappel: about 19% of students voted. So we basically targeted people that we know. So questions are how we engage with students, and so on. Serious lack of voting compared to last couple of years. Obviously weather hindered process but to what extent.
  o Sen Nunez: one point was the number of voters and how it decreased. I want to talk about it. How do we get more people engaged?
  o Sen Kenny: I think the click through made a difference in numbers.
  o Tobi: people are usually apathetic about voting.
  o Pres Beer: I wanted to observe that a lot of students didn’t know elections were happening until the day that it started so maybe next year, we can do more promotion about the elections leading up to the day it starts.
  o AVP Cappel: we definitely need to think about promotion of elections. We all know the same people basically. So what about an all undergrad email that goes out, or something like that. Its also about how we can recruit students of color or minority to come here.
  o PRes beer: congrats to all the women who won, that is incredible.
  o Sen Phelps: social media campaigns through snow days, we basically got the same groups.
  o Internal Smith: yield
  o Sen Dudley: I don’t think we should ask how to promote elections, the question should be how to promote SG more.
  o Sen Kenny: I wonder if the colleges with more diversity are the ones with less turnout.
  o Sen Goldenberg: I think all information should be public. We also shouldn’t nitpick about why voters didn’t come out.
  o Sen St. John: I think its not SGs fault for the turnout, its also about recruitment aspect and we need to work on that.
  o Sen Shelton: maybe our campaigning process is wrong. Maybe they should have more time.
  o Pres Beer: it actually used to be longer, there were two weeks and then the weekend and then voting.
  o Sen Avant: I don’t think numbers have anything to do with elections. It goes back to SG, our job is to reach out to the students not the other way around.
VP Shah: we will be having an EFC transition.

Internal Smith (Actually Speaker Griggs): I think the button on blackboard didn’t help, the snow days didn’t help, the fact that we aren’t good at outreach didn’t help. People don’t think SG matters and its why they don’t vote.

Tobi: we need to challenge the concept that elections are like high school popularity contests.

Sen Goldenberg: the reason we don’t get stuff done is because of administration.

Sen Landon: I would challenge everyone to reach out to their friends on different campuses and find out how their elections were run.

Sen Morall: we all are basically on the same page in this conversation.

Sen Roberts: was there a timeline on this? No. with outreach, PAC is not known for being liked. We need to understand that as senators, we represent a different group.

Tobi: where is cabinet and exec staff in that process?

Pres Beer: Katone is right, people will respond to the president, its name recognition and it should be the presidents job to move that to someone else in SG. Maybe senators should do a midterm report.

AVP Cappel: to wrap it up, I met with Dr. mayo, we are going to set up a time to talk about this more and also, what can EFC do better, so look out for that.

Pres Beer: move to close discussion, no objections

**S.15-R-014**

Luci Simon: I was looking at the male to female ratio and realized people should be able to identify as male, female, or something else. This bill is about stepping back and letting students to identify as LGBTQAI on their application to UC. I’m not even in student government but I still did things.

Internal Smith: what will you do after this bill? I will go to admissions and show them.

Tobi: I would love to help you.

Sen Naab: we need to address inclusivity before people even stop foot on campus

Sen Kenny: clearly, this is great.

Pres Beer: is it a yes or no or a check box? OSU has a checkbox

Sen Goldenberg: I am concerned about what you do if you identify differently later on. Move to close, no objections

Sen Naab: move to call to question, online vote,

**S.15-A-033**

Pres Beer: this is for an SG alumni reunion on April 11 from 11-1pm, same day as sigma sigma carnival and alumni weekend. Money collected will go to the Bearcat Mascot Fund.

Internal Smith: can we charge students and use student money at the same time?
Sen Morall: does the fee have to be in the bill? Not really, move to friendly amend to remove it, no objections, placard vote, pass

Sen Kenny: are the tumblers for everyone or alumni? Just alumni

Sen Avant: purpose of event? The purpose of the event is for the alumni, the point of the money is to hold accountability.

Internal Smith: I support this reunion. I am opposed to charging students admission to a student function.

Pres Beer: if we have this reunion and all SG is free and all students come to this event, we are at 150 SG members which is triple the amount that it is and takes general fee money to put on. So maybe there is a first come first serve thing for students and maybe only 20 students attend or something.

Internal Smith: we have to support all of the SG branches.

Sen Kenny: my qualms are around the SACUB rules and thinking, I think its weird for students to pay for other scholarships for students. Also I don’t support the tumblers.

Sen Avant: I think we’re getting caught up on who can get caught. The majority of students who will come are SG members.

Pres Beer: the intent of this is for SG members to alumni so yes it is for SG members. Also, we need to figure this out so bring on the criticism.

Sen Morall: I think the best we can do is add more money to the food and let more people go and then charge alumni to go and get a tumbler.

Sen Goldenberg: what is the friendly amend? We struck the 7th amendment. I think a big concern is that the 50 people is not enough to allocate for, we will get more people. Is the service charge related to the number of people? What part of the budget can we get more money for? The cap of people in lindner center is 143. This would cost about $5000.

Pres Beer: we could probably wait until after spring break. We also need ot be out at 11.

Tobi: there are better ways to keep too many students from going.

Sen Nunez: this should be an event where you send out an invite to tons of people until its filled.

Pres Beer: there is a registration link for the alumni, they’re currently registering right now.

Tobi: move to close, no objections

Sen Goldenberg: move to table, no objections

S.15-A-034

Sen Naab: motion to add to the agenda, objection from Internal: did you miss the deadline? It was submitted on March 4 and I didn’t realize until now that it wasn’t on the agenda. Rescind objection. vote to add to the agenda. Placard vote to add to agenda, pass 17-4-2. Move to open discussion, no objection,
o Luci Simon: this is a co programming thing not sponsorship, for the record, it’s a misunderstanding. This is a program for students to go to an exhibit at the freedom center to see an exhibit about Auschwitz which is next week.

o Internal Smith: how does SG program this? Sorry, it’s a partnership.

o Director Waters: I think this is a co sponsorship not a collaboration so I would push for it to come out of that line item and go through the campus life committee. I know its time sensitive but that’s not an excuse to go through loopholes. Move to amend to come from co sponsorship not programming. Objection. rescind.

o Sen Goldenberg: why was I not contacted about this? I didn’t know I had to. Hillel has access to UFB funding, did they pursue it? I do not know. I don’t think it matters what line item it comes out of.

o Colin Baker: it says that it is an event, is the bussing just down and back? Yes.

o Sen Kenny: co sponsorship thing, just because we’re giving money

o Dir Waters: if we disrespect the rules, we disrespect the people who put them in place. I know our budget is fluid but still. I move to friendly amend to pull from co sponsorship line and remove the overrun.

o External St. John: move to close discussion, objection, rescind, yield.

o Tobi: friendly amend, placard vote,

o Colin Baker: we take more time going through bills and a lot of the time we find issues.

o Sen Boggs: move to close, objection.

o Sen Dudley: if we try to change how bills are made, it'll set a new precedent.

o Sen Morall: motion to close discussion

o Sen Naab: move to call to question, objection to table, do not rescind, do not rescind, vote on the objection, objection overruled, vote on bill, roll call vote, pass 14-4-3

- S.15-E-009

  o Sen Naab: this is about structure and policies of cabinet. The proposed cuts are to athletes, greek affairs, and alumni affairs. Other changes are also desired.

  o AVP Cappel: diversity & inclusion is in our bylaws and we don’t have one so are you saying if we put it here, we will have one? Yes

  o Sen Heine: why is athletics being removed? Because there is an office dedicated to it.

  o Tobi: what about research? It could be a better position under exec staff and that honestly, the position isn’t utilized or useful.

  o Internal Smith: what is the difference between gov affairs committee and the director of gov relations, since you’re splitting the two, how do they interact with the committee?
The cabinet members are complementary to committees, the committees are more deliberative.

- Sen Morall: can we change AVP of special interests to student interests?
  Sen Kenny: we wont vote tonight, I think this is kind of cool about platform and such.
- Tobi: what happens with SG website if something happens? I think research director needs to exist.
- Pres Beer: if we want to vote on it next week, we cannot change it now. The changes can come after this gets approved.
- Internal Smith: we got rid of community service because we aren’t a service organization and it doesn’t make sense for us to have overlapping positions.
- Sen Dudley: move to close, objection
- Sen Goldenberg: I have no nitpicky issues with this bill.
- Sen Heine: why wasn’t External St. John consulted? We reached out to the AVPs and then reached out to Pres Beer and VP Shah to ensure it was by the book, we knew we were on a timeline and we engaged who we thought were the right people.
- AVP Cappel: we work with directors on a daily basis. I understand why she wasn’t included but she should have been.
- Sen Naab: move to table

- S.15-E-008
  - Griggs: this is a constitutional amendment to include the treasurer not finance director and add them to exec board and nominate members.
  - Pres Beer: move to close, no objections, move to table

- S.15-E-007
  - Pres Beer: this is about honoraria, expanding the treasurer and decreasing the speaker.
  - Sen Kenny: note that honoraria isn’t to honor the people, its to allow students who financially rely on other sources of income to make the time commitment to SG and still afford school.
  - Sen Morall: what is honoraria right now? See section 1.
  - Dir Waters: its sad that only one person was nominated for this position, hopefully honoraria helps to increase that number.
  - Sen Morall: if you have a scholarship already, does the money that would be allocated to you or what happens? Your scholarship is applied to your bill so its governed by all the same rules that your scholarship is.
  - Sen Nunez: is there a reason why speaker has full tuition before? We don’t know the history, but the responsibility of speaker has lessened.
  - Sen Avant: the money is in one big pot, money is set aside for honoraria and it goes through a separate process. If we
lose less then we just have that much more money in our budget.

- Pres Beer: move to close, no objections, move to table, pass

- S.15-E-010
  - Sen Nunez: this is about bylaws of RHA to expand position of senator with more information and actually call it a senator.
  - Sen Goldenberg: to clarify, currently the student trustee doesn’t have access to exec session? Right.
  - Sen Kenny: we should do this, its aligning it to what we are already doing
  - Tobi: why didn’t you ask for voting rights? Point of info: they are in the constitution which is a whole different thing. I had this discussion with several people and I think this is an offline situation.
  - Sen Kenny: one reason they aren’t a voting member is because it’s a separate governing body.
  - Tobi: move to close, no objections
  - Sen Nunez: move to table

- S.15-E-011
  - Sen Naab: this is about rules of procedure, five limit time limit, no objections. Senate should be a student first environment. We awnt to change the set up to have things like comments from the gallery in the beginning and such.
  - Pres Beer: other universities do this and it works well
  - Sen Nunez: what about putting new business at the beginning of the day?
  - Sen Dudley: with tribunal reports, is there consequences for not submitting it? This is great, I yield
  - Pres Beer: move to close, no objections
  - Sen Naab: move to table, no objections

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sen Morall: PAC is having a speaker come in to talk about racial tension and community relations.
- Speaker Griggs: congrats to Madeline Adams, her picture got more likes than any slate on FB
- Sen Dudley: this Friday there’s a CCM concert
- Pres Beer: my schedule is packed for a couple days, if you have any questions about the reunion bill, please email or call me.
- Sen Kenny: be engaged as representatives to examine and challenge your community after the SAE at Oklahoma thing

GOOD & WELFARE

- Speaker Griggs: thank you for staying
- Sen Dudley: to the people who are shining examples of inclusivity
- Sen Goldenberg: to everyone who stayed and for putting up with me and my stuff
- Pres Beer: thank you to all of you for a great year, one of the best of my life, this was such an important position for me, if you haven’t gotten a pin, please come get one. You all deserve them. Thank you so much for everything you have done for me, you have changed my life and this has been an incredible and important role for me
Sen Hawk: to the people who did actually speak at meetings
ADJOURNMENT - 10:51pm