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I. Opening

- a. Call to Order 6:35
- b. Land Acknowledgment
- c. Attendance
- d. Swearing in of Alternates
 - i. _____
- e. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Minutes were approved

II. Open Forum for the Public

- a. Paul Huang.4572
 - i. Everyone has had the opportunity to go through the Collaborative Workshop, which is intended to engage the legislative and executive branches to work together. Want to come in and ask if anyone has any feedback on the session (time, format, location)
 1. Roy: Liked the idea in the first place, I do wish the time was a bit longer. Also have senators attend breakouts.
 - a. We considered some collaborative days maybe once or twice a semester, but it would benefit the senators.
Next week with be the Black Caucus and we hope it will be more helpful.
- b. Emma Paterson.1230
 - i. I was the parliamentarian and am the current senior Ad Hoc committee to address the Big Ten Conference, which is when all big ten schools come together to find issues and discuss how to solve them. With OSU hosting we need to plan and book stuff. These



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committees will ensure things run well. This piece of legislation has everything broken down.

- ii. The CBRC is up again this year. It is our job to update the constitution and it requires that someone from GA serves on the committee. Remember it is a rule that if you serve on it, you can't be in USG next year.
 - 1. Khafagy: Where can we find the application?
 - a. Social media and link tree.

III. Executive Report

- a. *President Bobby McAlpine and Vice President Madison Mason*
 - i. *If you are going to cabinet next week, make sure to dress up in a costume. There will be a surprise for the best costume and committee.*
 - ii. *Emma Patterson is graduating this semester and her position will be vacant. An application will come out next week and they will need to be approved by GA. If anyone is interested, it is open to you.*
 - iii. *Supporting students and we had a meeting with Council of student affairs and they approved the funding. Since it is targeting funding, we are required to spend it on specific things. One of those things is expanding new sources to WSJ and the Economist. We have 70,000 dollars for that. We also talked about making sure professors know about it.*
 - iv. *Blew the Flu event: Thank you for approving money. Anyone who gets a flu shot between 24-31 get entered a prize drawing*



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- v. *University senate is now Hybrid now*
- vi. *Talked to Zia about late-night food options, he is working on a contract to get them in by next semester*
- vii. *Plastic Bag recycling program is in the works*
- viii. *Meeting with IT in Student Life and want to start a program for Amazon Fire Sticks at a low price.*
- ix. *Putting a pause on the safety survey due to international events and last Friday we were able to put out a resource guide. Put out a post on IG to show access to these resources with a short blurb about helping students who are hurting. The students are extremely thankful. There were two comments that were negative, but most were supporting it. Senior staff knows this was a win.*

IV. Updates

a. Speaker Alex Poling

- i. *We will have at least one vacancy application next week. I hope to get some more.*
- ii. *Smith was removed as a senator due to lack of attendance she could appeal it which she might.*
- iii. *We will have another vacancy for an off campus so please send out that application.*

b. Parliamentarian Keyanah Peters

- i. *No updates*

c. Secretary Sarah Schmidt

- i. *Constituency reports are due on Wednesday next week 11:59*
- ii. *I will send the forms out with meeting minutes tonight*



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iii. For attendance please email me only and due it ASAP

V. Committee Reports

- a. Allocations Committee
 - i. No updates
- b. Oversight Committee
 - i. Passed bylaws which we will see later
- c. Issues Committees
 - i. Academic Affairs
 - 1. No updates
 - ii. Black Caucus
 - 1. Look out for email hope to pass resolution
 - iii. Governmental Relations
 - 1. No updates
 - iv. Health and Safety
 - 1. No updates
 - v. Justice and Equity
 - 1. No updates
 - vi. Student Affairs
 - 1. Brainstorm thing on Sunday
 - vii. Sustainability
 - 1. No updates

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business

- a. Tallla.4



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- b. 56-R-11: A Resolution to Approve the Election Bylaws for the 2023-2024 Academic Year
 - i. I'm the Chief Justice and want to present election bylaw changes.
Candidate contact: Any individual is required to abstain from bullying (type 4). We thought this was important to have a safe community environment.
 - ii. Article 4 (D): the judicial panel can give important details on social media. We think this would increase participation
 - iii. Definition of financial ledger: We added this to avoid confusion.
 - iv. Outlined clear write-in policy: The candidate with most votes wins.
 - 1. Questions: none
 - 2. Discussion:
 - a. Braziel: I think this resolution is great. Hopefully this will be fairer and more effective.
 - 3. Voting: 21-0-2
- VIII. Roy: Motion to introduce an item of business
 - a. 56-R-12
 - b. Vote to introduce resolution 22-0-1
 - i. Roy: Last week Kyra Mack came and expressed concern about reporting Hate Crimes. This resolution identifies all on campus problems and provide specific solution that Black Caucus is already working on. Expanding websites reporting system and actually opening an investigation. Will allow USG to work with Public Safety to establish hotline.



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- ii. Ginsberg: Glad we are highlighting both antisemitism and anti-Islamic, protect Jewish lives were crossed out. Individuals selling bracelets were spit on. OSU is not amune to it and its important for us to vigilant.
 - 1. Questions:
 - 2. Diaz: Is there any financial burden with this?
 - a. Roy: Not that I know of black caucus is working with public safety.
 - b. Poling: Anything people work on will cost money but I doubt it will be a significant amount more.
 - c. McAlpine: Hotline will be a lot more money, they are trying to find money for suicide hotline as it is.
 - 3. Khafagy: Will this be easily accessible?
 - a. Roy: Yes we want this to be accessible and. We would not be opposed to put it in OSU app.
 - 4. Hickman: Will this link with Scarlet button?
 - a. Roy: yes I will be putting this in there
 - b. McAlpine: Yes this is a goal to put into scarlet button.
 - 5. Discussion: None
 - 6. Voting: Passes unanimously
- c. Motion to form a committee of the whole for oversight
 - i. Passes with 2/3 majority
 - 1. 56-R-13
 - 2. USG will host ABTS for the first time in over 10 years. All Big Ten schools meet at a Summer, Winter, and DC conference.



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In Winter 2024 OSU has been designated host. All leadership in the Big 10 are excited to be in Columbus. We will do Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. We have a lot of things to offer and see. There are presidency meetings every month and there will be a few for every delegation. 12 are for sure coming. Topics include safety and communication with the student body. Taskforce with be Chaired by the ABTS liaison and senior initiative counselors. Will include a representative from USG. The application process will be selected by the President, Vice President, and chairs of the committee. Will remain in effect from today to the conclusion of the 56th general assembly. There will be checks and balances in the task force. The objective is to seamlessly plan this process. Specific roles are outlined. Have been working with Jen to plan this but we need more people so this will be helpful.

3. Advisor Pelletier: We normally send only 4-6 people. A lot of it is networking and advocacy priorities. There will be some social time. All the chairmen are doing amazing work and look forward to giving them some support.
4. McAlpine: Thank you for making this happen.
 - a. Questions:
 - i. Diez: how will we be involved in this conference?



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- ii. Paul will be planning a social during this time so you can meet them. There will also be a dinner at some point. There will be 6 formal attendees.
- iii. Jen: We will need volunteers as well.
- iv. Roy: Why is it just USG students can we open it to all students?
 - 1. Only USG are allowed based on ABTS roles.
- v. Mullens: When is it?
 - 1. Jan 25-28. We do plan to do a stadium tour.
- vi. Khafagy: Will it run all day?
 - 1. On Thursday there will be a dinner at 6pm. They will be staying at the Blackwell. Sunday there will be a brunch to conclude the event
- vii. Braziel: Can you tell me who is over this whole process?
 - 1. Jack tumbalty, Tiffyny Hschies and**
 - a. What will this committee do after the date selected?
 - i. The reason it wont be disbanded after January is so we can do a lot of



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documentation and follow up and a wrap up report by the end of semester so we have help if we ever plan to do it again or for other schools.

- ii. Schmidt: Will GA approve who is on the committees?
- iii. McAlpine: No that is why we added Speaker Poling for a check and balances system. Not required to be approved.
- iv. Poling: Steering will be overseeing this. If steering has issues, we can take action if needed. If funding is needed we would have to approve it.

b. Discussion:

- i. Roy: I have served on a committee similar before and it takes a lot of work and even if we don't get to approve all of the people, a



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lot of people are making
these discussions it's not
just one person.

ii. Khafagy: We are too many
people to decide on a set of
people.

iii. Nischal: Was a delegate in
conferences and its
incredibly important to
have volunteers.

iv. Voting: Vote unanimously

v. Motion to rise and report

d. Resolution goes to the floor

i. Questions: None

ii. Discussion:

1. Braziel: I feel we should add oversight into the ability to
disband.

a. McApline: We are adding an extra check to GA,
steering can disband it but we also want to add an
extra check to Speaker Poling.

b. Poling: there is specific ways in the bylaws.

iii. Voting: 24-0-2

IX. Announcements

**a. Jen Pelliter: Associate director of student activities, and USG
advisor. Support student org committee. Been at OSU since**



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2000 worked for student life for 20 years. Current doctoral students who graduate in the Spring. I love working with USG because of the big ideas and advocacy. I want to do amazing things for the students. I will help you figure out how to do the things you want to do. My door is always open. Don't hesitate to reach out.

i. Schmidt: She can help with constituency events if needed.

X. Adjournment: 7:49