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57th General Assembly Autumn 2024, Session 16 December 4th, 2024

I. Opening

- a. Call to Order
 - i. 6:32 pm
- b. Land Acknowledgment
- c. Attendance
 - i. 23/30 Senators
- d. Swearing in of Alternates
 - i. Roy.457 for Senator Cumming-Vukovic
- e. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Minutes Approved

II. Open Forum for the Public

III. Executive Report

a. President Bobby McAlpine and Vice President Justin Robinson

i. Hello everyone. Hopefully, everyone had a great holiday and took care of their mental health. Going into the budget, we are about 95 percent way done with that process. Before it was done in 3 weeks, but we make sure that we are fiscally responsible. I will be meeting with the senior director of allocations and the CFO to talk about the budget. JP applications will be out asap and I talked with the chief justice and he got everything together. We are going to allow people to apply during break and will close it in the first few weeks of school. We will have rolling interviews and we will have it all by the end of January. I am happy that we were able to connect and get it going. We have also made a few steps towards late-night dining



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options. Because of the advocacy we have done, the administration in student life is going to bring the food trucks on campus until midnight. We are looking to expand that with hot food vending machines hopefully by mid-semester. We advocated so hard and presented such a clear case that they couldn't say no. Also good luck on finals. As a former speaker, I am very happy with every one of you and all of the advocacy you are doing. We have been pushing for allowing students to use buckID cash at the shoe and the schott because a lot of those places do not allow it, so they are talking about it now. Very challenging loss last week and I think it was the kick in the pants we needed for the national championship.

- Braziel: Thank you for all your hard work. For our chief justice, it seems he has been ducking yourself and our body by getting things done. Has he said anything about this or anything we need to know about?
- 2. McAlpine: I cannot say that I disagree with certain parts, it has been hard getting into touch. He has been going through some things with his family and all. I think there were also miscommunications of roles. George and I meet every week or GA and that makes it easier for us. I can see how it is concerning. It will help when more justices are on the bench because there are very few right now and when things are happening it is more difficult.
- 3. Cade: Why is it that Justice is now being opened up?



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- 4. McAlpine: We do that earlier usually. The former chief justice had more capacity to do that. We have been ready for a while now on our end, but there are communication barriers and everything is a multi-sided issue. It is not all him, I could have reached out. It is frustrating, but we are here.
- 5. Liu: How many justices are on the bench right now?
- 6. McAlpine: There are 3 justices right now and a clerk

IV. Updates

- a. Speaker George Bernard
 - i. Study or don't study, have a good finals season. The only thing I have is a feedback form for you all to fill out.
- b. Parliamentarian Oliver Griffth
 - i. Thank you guys for a great first semester. I will be reaching out over the next couple of days to make sure you have everything you need.
- c. Secretary Lily Evans
 - i. Constituency reports were due today and although I received a lot I am still missing many. If you need an extension and have not already asked for one, please reach out. For those of you who got your reports in, good job, you get a gold star. Also, I will update the website as soon as my last final is over so if you check it out, make sure to appreciate my work.

V. Committee Reports

a. Allocations Committee



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- We reviewed our last batch of applications. We gave 1500 dollars to the Filipino Student Association and 51 thousand dollars to 42 different organizations, while 19 applications were rejected. Thank you to everyone on allocations and the President and Vice President.
- **b.** Oversight Committee
 - i. No updates
- c. Issue Committee Reports
 - i. Academic Affairs
 - 1. No updates
 - ii. Black Caucus
 - 1. No updates
 - iii. Health and Safety
 - 1. No updates
 - iv. Governmental Relations
 - 1. No updates
 - v. Justice and Equity
 - 1. No updates
 - vi. Student Affairs
 - 1. No updates
 - vii. Sustainability
 - 1. No updates

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business



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a. 57-R-15: A Resolution Honoring the 35th Anniversary of the Frank W. Hale, Jr. Black Cultural Center

- i. McCann: It is a privilege and honor to present this resolution to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the Frank W Hale Center. This moment marks a milestone in the legacy of Dr. Hale. Established in 1989, the center was created to support diversity and the celebration of African American culture. The center is a tribute to his legacy and the work he did. He worked tirelessly to break down barriers and his vision remains woven into the fabric of our university. For 35 years it has been a cornerstone of OSU and allows students to engage in conversations about race, identity, and social change. As we celebrate, we also renew our commitment to the center.
 - Braziel: For me, the Hale Center has been a cornerstone of my time here at OSU. There are so many things that this place has that help the campus we know today and the campus in the past. This resolution sets a positive precedent that we need to keep our history alive.
- ii. Bernard: We will move into voting
 - 1. Resolution passes unanimously

b. 57-R-16: A Resolution to Improve Pedestrian Visibility on the East Side of College Road at The Oval

i. Migliore: The crosswalks on the east side of the oval are dangerous, there are links in the region that explain why curves are dangerous. We want flashing pedestrian lights in that area. ODOT gave 300,000 to universities



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and I plan on talking to others to use this funding in areas that need improvement. This is a good first step.

- ii. Chaudhary: What would this look like and what is the timeline looking like?
- iii. Migliore: I do not have a timeline right now
- iv. Bernard: Are there any points of discussion?
- v. Braziel: I think this research is necessary and that it should be looked at around other campuses
- vi. Chaudhary: This is something I talked about when I joined and I would love to cosponsor
- vii. McCann: I would also love to cosponsor. There is so much traffic here at Osu and I have seen so many students almost get hurt. I think making sure that drivers are vigilant that they are driving through campus is integral in making it safe for everyone. I motion to the previous question.
 - 1. Second Heard
 - a. Motion passes
 - b. Resolution passes unanimously

VIII. Announcements

a. Bernard: I forgot to add that steering voted to open vacancy applications. Everyone has a great winter break!



George Bernard

Speaker 2094B Ohio Union 1739 N. High Street Bernard.306@osu.edu

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Adjournment IX.

a. 7:09 pm