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48th **General Assembly**
Fall 2015, Session 9
September 30, 2015

I. Opening

- a. Call to Order
- b. Attendance
- c. Swearing in of Alternates
- d. Approval of Minutes

II. Open Forum for Public

- a. No one from the public came to speak.

III. Updates

a. Abby Waidelich

- i. You may have noticed that today you have placards with your name on them, with seating to sit with constituency to collaborate and represent your constituency to the best of your ability. We'll be rotating the seating every week.
- ii. Make sure to talk to either me or Danielle tonight if you haven't discussed your constituency events.
- iii. University Senate meets for the first time this week. It's the University body based off of different constituencies for undergraduates, graduates, professional students, staff, and is chaired by President Drake. The first meeting will be this Thursday evening. They will be discussing the Conference of Energy Project (privatization of energy), a policy update by the IPCC (intellectual property), and Title IX policy changes; Abby and I will be giving an update on our USG Student Mental Health Initiative, and Dr. J will be giving an update on STEP.

b. Danielle Di Scala

- i. Make sure you guys fill out the Google form for your constituency event plans. That will double as one of your Senator reports. Make sure to give us more than a week or two's worth of notice.

IV. Executive Report

a. Abby Grossman

- i. Next week is Mental Health Awareness Week, and USG will be partnering with CCS, IFC, PHA, Wellness Center, and other



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organizations. It was going to be a collaboration with Big Ten, but we are pushing that back a week. We will have events going on next week.

1. REACH training (suicide prevention training) Monday 7-8:30pm Campbell Room 200;
 2. Wednesday Greek Life BBQ;
 3. Thursday Recess event on South Oval 11am-3pm, will need 10-20 volunteers for different time slots. A Google form will be sent out for you all to sign up.
- ii. The Off Campus Living Expo will be on Friday 11am-5pm in the Performance Hall of the Ohio Union. Off-Campus Senators, this is a great way to get involved with your constituents, so contact Annie Greer if you would like to volunteer.
 - iii. Know Tomorrow event held by the Sustainability Committee THIS Friday 2-4pm at the Browning Amphitheatre.

V. Committee Reports

- a. Allocations – *Jenna Gravalis*
 - i. Allocations met this week and passed the new budget.
 - ii. We are moving to a paper system for USG funding. Because Jackie is making Cabinet go to a paper system, we are also going to a paper system.
 - iii. Danielle sent an email out with instructions on how to plan for an event. If you have any questions at the beginning stages of planning, go directly to Danielle Di Scala. Marketing form has to be filled out at least four weeks prior to the event, and that will be going to Erin Henry. Fill out funding form, with your exact budget outlining the exact items you would like. The funding deadline is a hard three weeks before your planned event date. Read the handout that Danielle emailed you if you have any questions.
- b. Oversight – *Daniel Marchese*



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- i. There has been an edit to the bylaws. CFO position has taken up entire life of whoever has taken over that position. We have split the duties of the position in half.
- ii. We reviewed a new appointment to the CSA, and that'll be under new business.
- iii. We will meet again in two weeks to keep the document up to date with our current procedures.

VI. Old Business

- a. 48-R-11 A Resolution to Approve the Election Bylaws
 - i. *Marsilio*: Speaking on behalf of the Judicial Panel, we met on Sunday at 5pm. As per your suggestions, the JP has more points it would like to bring up and discuss. The JP would like to take another week to review the Bylaws before submitting it to the GA again.
 - ii. *Weisman*: How will we get the new copy of the bylaws?
 - iii. **Tabled.**

VII. New Business

- a. 48-R-12 A Resolution to Approve Addition of Deputy Chief Financial Officer to the Organizational Bylaws
 - i. *Marchese*: All edits made in financial procedures and appropriations procedures. CFO handles all allocations and financial procedures on Cabinet side, and the Deputy CFO handles the Allocations Committee and the General Assembly funds. Most of the changes were made to Article III, Section C. In Article IV.B.4.a, appeals can be directed electronically. The last significant thing that was changed is in Section C of Article IV. The former used to be twenty-five dollars rather than the new seventy-five dollars. The rationale behind this is that we don't foresee many people requesting this funding, and getting the full seventy-five dollars twice a year, and most of these
 - ii. *Cramer*: Reason why Article III.C.1 and 2 indented differently than others?



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- iii. *Marchese*: Are you looking at the Google document or the document that was sent out? They look different.
 - iv. *Cramer*: Got it. I was looking at the Google document.
 - v. *Singh*: How does the Deputy CFO get appointed and approved?
 - vi. *Abby Waidelich*: The General Assembly has oversight over that.
 - vii. *Singh*: Does it have to be in writing anywhere?
 - viii. *Abby Waidelich*: The only things that have to be approved include the President's Operations team, including the Chief of Staff, Counselor to the President and Vice President, et cetera. The GA approves the Operations team and the Senior Staff.
 - ix. *Marchese*: Article II of the Constitution outlines the Executive Branch. The operations team consists of the Chief of Staff, Internal Affairs, Marketing Chair, etc. We didn't need to approve Jenna, but we did.
 - x. *Bock*: So both the CFO and the Deputy CFO are on Senior Staff?
 - xi. *Abby Waidelich*: Correct.
 - xii. *Bock*: Is the outreach committee technically an ad-hoc committee?
 - xiii. *Abby Waidelich*: Yes. There are certain committees set in stone, and others can be made or taken away. This year, we felt the importance of adding an Outreach committee.
 - xiv. *Kennedy*: Can we put a V before the Undergraduate Student Government on line 17?
 - xv. *Marchese*: We discussed this in committee, and decided to use the original grammar. I'm not changing that.
 - xvi. *Frank*: Can we make changes to the bylaws themselves?
 - xvii. *Marchese*: Section H we can't decide what the indentation is, so that's one of the things that Oversight will oversee later on.
 - xviii. *Kennedy*: Can we capitalize the "T" in "The Ohio State University" in line 11?
 - xix. APPROVED with 0 abstentions.**
- b. 48-R-13 A Resolution to Approve Mary Honaker's Appointment to Council on Student Affairs



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- i. *Abby Waidelich*: Mary was one of the original applicants to the Council on Student Affairs, and we want to make sure we continuously build up that committee, especially since she is a sophomore this year. Looking at the current council, there aren't a wide variety of interests and activities represented by the Council, so we think that her involvement in ROTC and the University Rowing team are important for expanding the diversity of said Committee. Also, someone not currently in Greek Life needs to be placed on that committee. She's very professional in the way she acts and that's very important in these types of appointments. The way she presents herself and represents other students is very impressive, so that's why I am appointing her to the Council on Student Affairs.

ii. **PASSED with acclimation.**

VIII. Announcements

- a. *Abby Waidelich*: Applications for the CBRC are online, so please apply for the committee online, and encourage your friends to apply as well. Applications due a week from today at midnight.
- b. *Jackson*: If you're on the CABS committee, please look out for my email tonight.
- c. *Abby Waidelich*: We are not planning to meet on the Wednesday of Fall Break. Seeing as there is nothing pressing currently, we are not planning to meet that week (10/14/15).
- d. *Stross*: If you're on the Outreach Committee, we will be working on the resolution right after this.
- e. *Gravalis*: Natural and Mathematical Sciences Senators need to fill out the form.

IX. Adjournment