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#### ASUM SENATE AGENDA WEDNESDAY MARCH 2, 2022 University Center (UC) – 6:00 P.M.

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#### ASUM SENATE MINUTES WEDNESDAY MARCH 2, 2022 University Center (UC) 225 – 6:00 P.M.

To view a Zoom recording of this meeting, please click here.

#### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting Called to Order at 6:02 pm

### 2. ROLL CALL

Present: Business Manager Rinck; Senators Bell, Birdinground, Bowles, Curry, Glueckert, Gudmundsson, Hawes, Hawthorne, Heaton, Jolly, Kayne, Kiefer, Kuney, McKenzie, Northey, O'Neill, Salyards, Shaver, Ververis, Wickum, Williams.

Excused: President Durnell

See roll call <u>here</u>.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Approve the February 23, 2022 Minutes by **Gudmundsson-Birdinground**; UC Called

Motion to Approve the February 27, 2022 Special Session Minutes by **Birdinground-Hawthorne**; UC Called

See the approved February 23, 2022 minutes <u>here</u>. See the approved February 27, 2022 minutes <u>here</u>.

#### 4. VICE PRESIDENT APPOINTMENT

a. BM Rinck: We will take nominations. We will need a motion, a seconder, and the nominee will have to accept the nomination to be considered. That will create a slate

of nominees and I will entertain a motion to approve. We will then go into nominee testimony, with each nominee having five minutes maximum to speak on their nomination. When the nominees have had their time, I will begin with President Durnell and go around the room and yield to each Senator, and everyone will have one minute to speak on the slate of nominees. We will then move into a rank choice voting system, which will inform my motion. You will rank candidates on a note and pass it to me. We will move into a recess and Advisor Reed and I will total the rankings for each nominee. I will motion to approve the nominee with the most votes, and I suggest you call unanimous to respect the democratic process. Broadly, I want the Senate to focus on why individual nominees will be good as interim VP. We are seeking a replacement, but truly we are seeking someone to chair our meetings. In the case President Durnell needs to delegate work through the rest of the year, that will be a conversation we can have in the coming weeks.

- b. Ververis: Are you allowed to make a motion as the chair?
- c. BM Rinck: I can also entertain a motion if we feel that is most appropriate.
- d. Ververis: I would suggest entertaining a motion.
- e. Motion by **Ververis-Birdinground** to nominate Senator Glueckert; Nominee accepts the motion.
- f. Motion by **Wickum-Hawthorne** to nominate Senator O'Neill; Nominee accepts the motion.
- g. Motion by **Williams-Heaton** to nominate Senator Kiefer; Nominee accepts the motion.
- h. Motion by Bell-Heaton to nominate Senator Williams; Nominee accepts the motion.
- i. Motion by Ververis-Birdinground to approve the slate of nominees; UC Called
- j. Glueckert: Senators and Executives- I want to start off my touching on a conversation Senator Williams and I had earlier this week. In that conversation, we agreed about how that we as women grew up in a society that perpetually told us that we needed to minimize our accomplishments. A society that told us that if you were going to talk about your accomplishments, we would be seen as full of ourselves or narcissistic. However, despite these deep seeded beliefs and thoughts, I am going to do that very thing. When I came to this body as a Senator in 2018, I never thought I would have this much passion for this organization as I do today. I am not going to lie, I was very intimidated to join this body for a very long time. In fact, a former VP of ASUM told me when I stepped foot onto this campus to get involved, but it was not until my junior year of undergrad that I really considered taking on the role. I remember being so overwhelmed and intimidated by ASUM and I knew that was something I wanted to change for others who join Senate. I sincerely hope I have acted in a warm and welcoming way to everyone who has joined this body. I am the longest serving Senator in this room, and although I would like to say that is what makes me a great VP candidate, I do not think it is that black and white. I think there are so many other

factors that encompass my work on this body that do not come down to that time. My first year on Senate I had a very exciting accomplishment- while serving as a mentor, I was made aware that veterans applying to UM were being charged fees, and the enrollment office would not update their billing process. After a few weeks of me pestering them, the Vice President for Enrollment, it was resolved. Within that year I also played a vital role in SPA during the legislative year. I helped to seek out bad legislation that would negatively affect our students and I showed up to the legislature. My second year as a Senator, I was the Chair of SPA, and although I did not do anywhere near as good a job as Senator McKenzie is doing this year, I am glad to say this committee helped me write and pass my first resolution regarding the city council liaison. I helped to direct a survey to students interested in developing legislative priorities for the year and I directed a joint program with MontPIRG. This was also the year that I served a vital role in a very contentious election between three Executive teams. I wanted to make sure the teams were being treated fairly. This year is by far the year I have made my proudest accomplishments on this body. I have written 40% of the resolutions that have passed through the Senate, 35 to be exact. These have been primarily focused on elections, a process that has long needed to see reform, as well as fiscal policy amendments, advocating for a living wage for graduate students, advocating for a COVID vaccine mandate, promoting items to the university regarding Title IX issues and practices, proposing more equitable fees, and encouraging faculty to include mental health and wellness resources in their syllabi. I updated the Constitution to make sure the language passed by the student body in years prior were reflected in our current documents. I have also written resolutions to help our internal processes function better, including creating a deadline for committee minutes and advocating for more student participation in our basic needs organization. Additionally, I helped to propose ASUM values that accurately reflect our body's vision. I am not saying that writing resolutions makes a good Senator, but I do want to outline that I actively made this body and university better by the work I put in. In my three years on ASUM, I served on nearly every internal committee we have, chaired SPA, Interview, and Basic Needs. This year I sit on seven ASUM committees, and I can guarantee you that I am very aware of what is going on in committees I do not serve on. Not only do I know ASUM inside and out, I am also very knowledgeable of the administration and the university as a whole. I have well respected relationships with many administrators and take time out of my day to meet with them about student-facing issues. I work to hold them accountable and make the campus better for students, because at the end of the day, students are what make this university function. I want to outline what I can promise you if you appoint me as the Vice President. I promise to approach this position with empathy and grace, especially in instances that involve sensitive matters. I will work hard to make sure everyone on this body feels their voice is being heard, and that their thoughts and

feelings are valid. I will approach difficult situations with grace and be open to perspectives different from my own. I promise to foster the culture that we have created this year. Noah, Canyon, and Jack have done a hell of a job working to create a positive and cohesive environment where everyone feels welcome. I will work as hard as I can to continue to have that culture, even in times of stress that we find ourselves in. I promise to warmly welcome criticism; I truly believe that leaders cannot grow unless they know where their faults lie. Lastly, I promise to make mistakes. That might be weird to outline in a speech that is meant to convince you that I am the best candidate for this position, but I think it is important to acknowledge that as a human I am not perfect. I promise you that when I do make mistakes, I will be the first to acknowledge I was wrong. I feel like I can faithfully executive the position of Vice President, and I hope you consider me in your top choices tonight. Thank you.

k. O'Neill: I am going to begin by thanking you for this nomination. I feel incredibly privileged to be asking for your support in this process and I recognize that this comes from a very sobering series of events. Regardless of outcome, I am genuinely not only hoping, but fundamentally believe that this body will heal through collaboration, thoughtfulness, and a shared passion for our community. With that, I would be amiss to not address the potential concern of my candidacy, specifically pertaining to interpersonal relationships that I had at the beginning of the semester. We as a body value accountability and transparency, and I regret not conducting myself and being more forthcoming in that specific instance when I had concerns. However, I do believe it highlights the fact that that this role requires a high level of accountability and maturity, and I have and will continue to demonstrate that. I want to underscore how demanding the position of executive is. On this front, I will assert that I more than measure up to the demands of this role. I can truthfully extend to this body that my mental health has never been better, in large part because of how this body contributes to my life while I balance outside priorities as well. I can confidently assure you that I have not ever taken on anything that I could not fully take on. I will not need to rearrange the priorities of my life if this body chooses to support my nomination. Good will and mutual work in this body has consistently been my priority. I do not have a job and my co-curriculars are extremely limited, and in them I am supported by an incredible community of peers, colleagues, and friends. My nomination, should you choose to confirm it, would be least disruptive to the functions of this body. We would not need to significantly change or rearrange committee assignments. I handle conflict well and invite dissenting opinions to the table, as it does create a robust and thoughtful conversation. I find myself to have an incredible ability to remain objective and seek information on every issue from issue conversation I take part in so I can make the most informed and fair decisions, which is important as a committee whip and chair. Being a law student as given me practice

to see both sides and do the aforementioned well, and this translates to the floor and other professional spaces where I am able to support and challenge my peers so we can continue to make the best choices for our campus community. While I may not have the most experience on this specific body, I do not necessarily see that as a bad thing, nor does it reflect a lack of understanding of standard business operations. I served as a senator under parliamentary procedure for nearly two years and in that time I have not only digested Robert's rules, but also gained a robust understanding of how the MUS operates as a whole. I have documented experience lobbying the regents and OCHE on various issues and I also assert to my credit that in a semester I have far exceeded expectations of serving as a student senator on this body. I understand our governing documents and firmly believe in upholding them and making improvements as necessary. I worked every day in this office under ASUM Legal Services and as such, I am fairly astute about the legal practices and decisions of this body. Ultimately, this blend of experiences within our systems and freshness to this specific body offers me the unique ability to bring a combination of familiar yet thought-provoking ideas to this body as a potential leader. I am confident in my ability to do this job well. I have a positive rapport from engaging with many of you in the office and I am always incredibly visible in those common spaces. I consistently am candid and sincere about knowing the duties that this role requires and the systems of operation near it, and perhaps most importantly, I concede a point when I am wrong. For all of those outlying reasons, I do hope you confirm my candidacy tonight and encourage you to consider me a close second otherwise. I appreciate you all.

1. Kiefer: Thank you for the nomination. I would be awesome to be your Vice President. I would love to be able to serve this campus during my last semester here. ASUM is an incredible experience and being around this group in particular has really been a highlight. ASUM has by far been the biggest factor in me breaking out of myself to be better for myself and the organization. ASUM helped me develop interpersonal and communication skills. I was always the quiet kid in high school, but I feel much more confident now in making and arguing points. The thing I love most of this body is that we can come here and disagree with each other and still be friends at the end of the day. I do not know how many student governments can say that. I want to recognize the work coming up for the Vice President. I have faith that we will get through this work together. I genuinely have faith that everyone in this body could carry out the duties of the Vice President, and I will not hold resentment toward anyone for their decision; I want everyone to get along. The Vice President in my view is not only here to serve as committee whip and chair meetings but is here to help us work together and resolve conflicts so we can get things done. The main reason I would be honored to be Vice President is because I want to give back; I want to be there while we study, cry, laugh, rant, whatever it may be. I will be there with

you all. I have seen so much incredible work from all of you. I ran for Vice President two years ago and I am just as ready to serve now as I was then. I cannot promise that I will have all the answers to questions that you may have, but I will be by your side to help. No matter what happens tonight, I am excited for the appointment of a Vice President.

m. Williams: Hi everyone. Thanks for being here tonight. I want to start by expressing how honored I am to be considered for the Vice President position alongside such qualified and inspiring nominees. In an effort to practice self-awareness, I have thought long and carefully about my motivations in accepting this nomination. I want to be very clear and candid with you all that I am not here out of an interest in self advancement and power. In fact, I am very wary of taking on the power that comes with being chair of the Senate without a high level of self-awareness. We have all experienced the amount of influence that a chair can have over a governing body, but a chair is supposed to be neutral in order to empower your voices, so I want to express my commitment to never intentionally sway how you, the Senate, votes. Beyond committing myself to never actively trying to sway your opinions, I recognize that the Vice President has a responsibility to ensure that they do not inadvertently influence you. Here are some tangible steps that I will take to remain neutral and to empower your voices on the floor: I will be slow and methodical in my chairship. One of the ways in which ASUM meetings can be rather inaccessible for Senators on the body is the speed with which we move through parliamentary procedures. It can be really easy to get into a rhythm and hear a motion, a second, unanimous consent, and then breeze through a very brief window of opportunity to call discussion. But that window is crucial. I want to address that neurodiversity is present everywhere, including in this room, and different people need different amounts of time to take in and process what is happening. I emphasize to you that needing time to process is not a bad thing. In an effort to be inclusive of everyone and make our procedures accessible, I will take my time as a chair to allow for intentional, deliberate pauses to give you the opportunity after a motion or amendment is made to speak up or ask a question if you are unsure. Under my chairship, that will be welcomed and encouraged. On that note, I would also like to see "unanimous consent" used with more discretion. As a friendly reminder, we will automatically enter into discussion on a motion unless unanimous consent is called, so we do not have to call UC in order to have a discussion. We can take our time. I want to address why I nominated another Senator for this position. It is not because I think that I am unqualified or unable to do this job and do it well. I am considering you, the Senate, in doing this. I want you to have as many options to choose from as possible. I think each of us nominees bring unique strengths and skillsets to the table, and I truly believe. It will not speak to any of our individual abilities or worth if you choose one person over another, and I would be comfortable with any of these

amazing people leading our Senate. This is a matter of you choosing the leadership style best fit to you and your needs. Regardless of who is chosen to be our Vice President, I ask of each and every one of you on this body to have grace and patience with that person. We have all been through a lot, and I don't wish for us to be in the position of needing to replace an executive more than halfway through the year. But this is where we are, and there is a responsibility to be filled. The people who have accepted nominations are doing us a huge favor by opening themselves up to a big responsibility that they did not run for in the last election. They are going to face a learning curve entering this position. It is so easy to observe someone and nitpick and see how you could do it better. It is a lot harder to actually BE in that position of responsibility. So please be patient as our next VP learns the ropes. With all that being said, if it is the will of the Senate, I would be honored to accept this responsibility and I will do my best to do right by you all.

- n. President Durnell: The Senate's decision here should be easy. Melissa Glueckert is singlehandedly the most qualified person to take on these demands. Her committee experiences, chairing expertise, knowledge of the administration, years of service, and demonstrated work ethic are on their own compelling. What truly distinguishes Melissa as a nominee is her love- her love for the university, her love for the organization, and her love for each one of you. Her character and compassion have always led her efforts. Lastly, I ask the Senate to consider my wishes. I work directly with the Vice President every day. While I am at the will of the Senate, your collective decision significantly impacts my capability to represent the student body. There is a reason that the President and Vice President run in a slate; they must be a team. I work exceptionally well with Melissa. She would not even need to be trained. Melissa, as a Senator, has already done the work of an Executive, and even if she is not confirmed tonight, she will continue doing that work. She is the best pick to take on ASUM Executive responsibilities. I sincerely ask that you consider my first pick, Melissa, in your first pick as well. If she is not your first pick she should be your second.
- o. Birdinground: I have full faith in this body to choose the best representative for the job. But I send a bold message to the Senate. Let this be a democratic process and let's not get bogged down reminiscing in the past but send a message to the student body on the future of this student government. Let's move forward together. This is the beginning of a stronger Senate, a Senate that will stand up to Racism and stand by students while also upholding our governing documents. Tonight, we send one of our colleagues into the position of Vice President with hopefully little debate and with the full Senates support behind whomever is elected to the office. And hopefully I will be saying this when they take the Oath "Congratulations Madam Vice President."
- p. Bowles: We have four great candidates, and whoever we pick tonight will do a great job.

- q. Salyards: I am honored to be part of this body. Every person here has brought a smile to my face and whoever our VP is I am sure they will do a great job.
- r. Northey: Being a new Senator, this has been an interesting experience. I am considering who the most capable candidate is here, and I encourage you all to vote your conscious on this.
- s. Bell: I nominated Cassie because I feel Cassie is the most neutral of the nominees. She is so enthusiastic and when I think about who I would feel comfortable coming to with concerns I think about Cassie. I hope you all consider neutrality in your vote.
- t. Jolly: We have four phenomenal and qualified candidates. I feel unbelievably assured than any of them could seamlessly move into this role. I encourage everyone to vote their gut. Their job as the VP is to serve the Senate, so vote with who you honestly believe will serve you best in that role.
- u. McKenzie: I think all of the candidates are exceptional women and I hope everyone votes with their conscience and understand that the role is a tough position, so vote for who you believe can handle all of the scrutiny and pressure. I hope that everyone can accept that person with grace. I am excited to move forward.
- v. Kayne: This is a tough decision- it is a blessing and a curse. There is no bad choice. I am very excited.
- w. Hawes: I agree with the sentiments that we have incredibly qualified candidates. I appreciate the self-awareness fulfilled by all of them. They can serve this body and the students at large, so I look forward to seeing what we decide on.
- x. Kuney: This is such a cliffhanger, but I hope we are all excited about this. The three biggest things impacting my voting are impartiality, respect, and honesty. I am very excited to see how this goes. All four of you are amazing candidates.
- y. Shaver: We have four wonderful women in this position right now. I urge everyone to vote based on experience and past energy given to the Senate. The amount of support I have received from each of these candidates is amazing.
- z. Curry: As a new Senator it is very empowering to see four amazing female candidates accept these nominations. They are all so qualified and I am excited to see how we move forward as a Senate.
- aa. Wickum: I think that each of the nominees are amazing and well qualified in your own way. I have found all of you to be role models. I came in here today knowing where my first rank would go to based on their institutional knowledge, their relationships, and I can confidently stand in ranking Senator O'Neill as my first choice.
- bb. Hawthorne: I am extremely excited to see four incredibly strong and incredibly intelligent student. I will stick to my own preferences based on who I think I would work best with, and I would be honored to see any of these women as chair.
- cc. Heaton: Neutrality, experience, and proven love for this body will inform my ranking. I am excited regardless because they are all amazing candidates.

- dd. Ververis: I am happy to put my full support to Senator Glueckert. We have served on this body this year together and have accomplished to much to make this body better and be more accessible to students. She has served on many committees including high ranking ones, has spoken with higher education officials to support students. Her work permeates each and every one of our personal lives. She has had a great effect on me and my ability to advocate, so I hope all of you place her as your top pick. She has nothing but love for this body.
- ee. President Durnell: I will be ranking Senator Glueckert as my first choice. Of course, every candidate is very qualified, as are a number of senators who were not nominated. This is a very capable body, and we will respect the Senate's decision. It is important to consider the executives recommendation in this case. I have served on three separate bodies with Senator Glueckert and her capabilities are profound.
- ff. Motion by **Ververis-Birdinground** to approve Melissa Glueckert as ASUM Vice President; UC Called.
  - a. Melissa Glueckert was sworn-in as ASUM Vice President by Advisor Reed.

#### 5. PUBLIC COMMENT

a. Elections Coordinator Ethan Hanley: The timeline is not publicly available yet, but we will make it so soon. We are in the process of planning the documents and registration forms. The forms will be available March 14 at 9:00 am on the ASUM website and you can fill it out over Word, paper copy, or over Qualtrics. That week and the week after Spring break is when we will hold information sessions. If you plan to run, you have to attend an information session: Thursday March 17 at 7:00 pm in UC 225, March 27 at 8:00 pm in UC 225, March 30 at 7:00 pm in UC 327, and March 31 at 3:30 pm in UC 225. On March 30, right before the information session, we will do the mock election. On April 3 at 11:59 pm, the candidate registration forms are due for candidates. You can turn in the physical forms in to the ASUM office or email it to me. If you do a physical form, you must email me. For those running, you will be getting assignments for the window lottery. I will randomly pick, and you will randomly be assigned a window. April 4 at midnight is when campaigning begins for three and a half weeks. If you are not sure what early campaigning entails, I encourage you to read the definition in the Bylaws so you can understand what is and is not an allowable activity before campaigning officially begins. There should be no excuses for early campaigning because there are no more petitions. One debate has been scheduled and we are trying to schedule the other, so I tentatively have reserved April 4 for the ASUM forum. I will try to find a better date for that because there is a two week hold on the atrium. The campaign expense reports and receipts are due April 18th at 5:00 pm. We will have the executive debate in the UC theater Tuesday April 19 from 6:00-10:00 pm. Having a day and night debate will diversify who gets to view the debates. On April 20th, the primary election will occur if we have one. The only time we have a primary is if there are three or more candidate teams for President and Vice President and/or three for the Business Manager position. Monday April 26, we will publish the expense reports before the general election. April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> will be the general election and we have secured three voting booths. The following Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 pm, expense reports are due for write-in candidates. If you are a registered candidate, your second expense report is due then as well.

- a. Williams: Does announcing a candidacy constitute campaigning?
- b. Hanley: Yes, because in my opinion, that is for the purpose of advertising for getting votes.
- c. Hawes: What are the dates for the debates?
- d. Hanley: Tentatively April 4<sup>th</sup> and April 19<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Hanley: As typical, you are required to read the Bylaws if you run as a candidate. We have a supplemented campaign finance and general rules and regulation sheet for candidates. One of the elections information sessions will also be recorded if you would like to watch that. The Elections committee is vigorously planning for engagement to diversify candidates. Competitive elections are fun and lead to higher turnout. Class raps is another thing that we are planning, and part of the problem is that we cannot always get into classes to do class raps, but we might make a video to send to professors to encourage people to run and these videos can be shown to students. Encourage others to run that you know. If you are running, do not come to the campaign night if you are planning on running. We want this to be an open space. Monday and Wednesday office hours from noon to 2:00 pm are my office hours. I am happy answer your questions and am happy to help you with general Senate things like writing resolutions as well.

#### **Online Public Comment**

#### Lane Arthur

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I, unfortunately, missed the public comment period on Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022, discussing the handling of SB89. I am deeply disappointed in student leadership over this matter and the events that transpired should never have happened in the first place. If ASUM truly valued urgency and student body values (especially BIPOC) on this issue it should have been handled in the right way the first time around. The events that transpired Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2022, should have never taken place nor should the resignation of VP Lock that happened after. Due to what happened, many in the student body will not feel like their voices will be heard and will not be confident to offer their voices. An already marginalized BIPOC community was further marginalized by the events that

transpired and there will be negative repercussions to student involvement in student government because of it. If ASUM wants to promote JEDI, they should have handled this issue more professionally and it should not have been spun out of control like it was. I stand in solidarity with the student representatives present on Wednesday night, other students who will now feel their voices do not matter, and the larger BIPOC community regarding this matter. An important topic like this should have been handled with grace in the first place and should not have come with the outrage that took place this past week. This was ineptly handled by ASUM leadership and will spur the distrust of many students because of it.

#### 6. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

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- a. Committee Assignments
  - a. Glueckert: When we do final budgeting next week, can there be a change to approve committee assignments?
  - b. BM Rinck: We can do that or unofficially approve for the time being.
  - c. Shaver: When does the dean search take place and what does that entail?
  - d. BM Rinck: I can get that information out to you so we can fill that spot as quickly as possible.
  - e. Williams: Can we have Senator Glueckert announce what committees she is currently sitting on?
  - f. Glueckert: I am on Relations and Affairs, Board on Budget and Finance, Equitable Education, Basic Needs Agency Oversight Board, Experiential Learning and Creative Scholarship Fund, and Elections, and Student Political Action Committee.
  - g. Motion by Salyards-Ververis to remove herself from IPG; UC Called
  - h. Motion by **Salyards-Ververis** to appoint herself to International Council; UC Called
  - i. Kiefer: The job search committees are very valuable, especially if you are interested in staying in higher education when you graduate.
  - j. Hawthorne: To Salyards- When does IPG meet?
  - k. Salyards: They meet on Thursdays at 11:00 pm.
  - 1. Motion by Birdinground-Glueckert to add himself to DAC; UC Called
  - m. Hawes: Do you know when the Humanities and Sciences Dean search meets?

- n. BM Rinck: I do not but get in touch with the executives and we can work that out.
- o. Williams: I am interested in sitting on that search committee, I just want to learn more about when they meet.
- p. Motion by **Gudmundsson-Ververis** to approve committee assignments; UC Called
- b. National Survey of Student Engagement
  - a. Reed: We are looking at high impact practices to give us an indication of how engaged students are. We would like to have student involvement.
- c. Equitable Education Task Force
  - a. BM Rinck: This is in line with recent ASUM initiatives, and anyone interested in getting involved in that, please get in touch.
- d. Final Budgeting Updates: We finished student group lobbying last week. We will move into category boards, and I am working on scheduling those. I aim to have our first board meet on Sunday depending on availability and continue to meet over the next two weeks. We need to meet and confirm the budget on March 16 as a body. It sounds like each plan has good internal plans for recommendations on the budget, which I think will make the boards go much more efficiently, so please stay in touch with those who serve on each board with you.
  - a. Ververis: I am creating spreadsheets and will send those out to you shortly if you serve on a board with me. The motions alone will take a long time, so please check for my email this week.
- e. Other
  - a. For those Senators attending BOR, you need to respond to President Durnell's email before the end of the week or get in touch with Gwen with that information.

# 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

# Senator Bowles Relations and Affairs

The Relations and Affairs Committee met on Sunday, March 1st, to discuss two resolutions: Resolution Adding the ASUM Bear Necessities Agency to Personnel Policy and Resolution Amending the ASUM Constitution Clarifying Ballot Referenda and Initiatives. The first resolution went through points of clarification about associated colleges and what that meant, as well as minimal line level edits before being forwarded to the Senate. The second resolution went through a lot of line level edits before being forwarded to the Senate.

a. McKenzie: SPA will be meeting this Friday at 11:00 am.

# 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB90-21/22: Resolution Adding the ASUM Bear Necessities Agency to Personnel Policy
  - a. Glueckert\_RA Authorship: This adds in the Bear Necessities Agency to Personnel Policy. It talks about putting the food pantry under it and the new positions under Director Cowley's leadership. There were some questions that arose in RA but we fixed them during the meeting.
  - b. Gudmundsson: I am enthusiastic that it strikes a great deal of dilatory language out of the Bylaws, and it is great to have the agency properly included in Personnel Policy.
  - c. Motion by **Heaton-Gudmundsson** to add Jack Rinck, Interim Chair of the Senate in the signature line; UC Called
  - d. SB90-21/22 Passed Unanimously.
    - i. See the approved resolution <u>here</u>.
- b. SB91-21/22: Resolution Amending the ASUM Constitution Clarifying Ballot Referenda and Initiatives
  - a. Authorship (Wickum): This takes the public comment made by Elections Coordinator Hanley and clarifies these sections regarding referenda. I based it off of what I thought coming into this and looked at how it can affect voter turnout in the future. I know tonight we cannot vote on this, but I am open to any questions or comments.
  - b. Heaton: To Wickum- Why do we have to table this for a week?
  - c. Wickum: That is the procedure for referenda.
  - d. Motion by **Gudmundsson-Birdinground** to table SB91-21/22 for one week; UC Called

# 9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Glueckert (Authored by SAL Pease): Resolution Establishing a Preamble for the Constitution; to RA, SPA, DEI, and EE
- b. Glueckert (Authored by SAL Berna): Resolution Amending the ASUM Bylaws to Create Consistent Language and Definitions for Boards and Committees; to RA
- c. Hawthorne: Resolution Regarding Referenda Advocating for an Additional Fee Expanding Mental Health Services at Curry Health Center; to RA
- d. Birdinground: Resolution Revising Article 4 Section 18 of the ASUM Bylaws; to RA and DEI
- e. Hawes: Resolution Instituting Trigger Warnings in Classes; to RA, EE, and DEI
- f. Williams: Resolution Clarifying the Resolution Process in ASUM Governing Documents; to RA
- g. Shaver: Resolution Establishing First Aid Kit Infrastructure on Campus; to RA

- a. Glueckert: I want to thank everyone for having faith in me to pursue this office. I know it has been a really hard week and I do not think there was a wrong choice tonight. I am really proud to be representing as VP for the rest of the year. I have gotten a lot of notes asking questions about committees and otherwise, and I would love to have you stop by or email me so we can chat. Feel free to reach out to me and thank you all.
- b. BM Rinck: I encourage you all to start using the VP email to organize those questions. Luckily, we have a few weeks off from Senate meetings to get acquainted.

# **10. ADJOURNMENT**

- a. Motion to Adjourn by **Ververis-Hawthorne**; UC Called; Objection Noted by Gudmundsson and BM Rinck
- b. Meeting Adjourned at 7:58 pm