# SGA Meeting 9/28/22

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# **SPEAKERS**

Senator Carbo, Senator Peters, Senator Lemons, Senator Sorlin, Senator Brown, Senator Deffendall, Appointee Abadie, Advisor Courseault, Clerk of Senate Lancaster, Brett Fornatoro, VPLA Hinnawi, Advisor Gitlin, Election Commissioner Talbot, Ivan Amari, Senator Fredrick, Appointee Morales-Ramirez, Senator Mott, Senator Crout, Appointee Lemons, Senator Plasse, Vice President Moss, Senator Hunsaker, Parliamentarian Hymel, Senators, Pro Tempore Davidson, Senator Martinez, Senator Nguyen, President Charles, Appointee Struiken, Senator René, Senator Wilson, Senator Raihan

# VPLA Hinnawi 00:07

I call this meeting to order at 5:05 pm the Pro Tempore and Parliamentarian are both present. I will now take a roll call vote. Rakeen Barnes?

# Pro Tempore Davidson 00:21

Present by Proxy.

# VPLA Hinnawi 00:23

Michael Brown? Michael Brown? Ian Carbo?

# Senator Carbo 00:36

lan Carbo, College of Business Administration, here.

# VPLA Hinnawi 00:48

**Christian Crout?** 

# Senator Crout 00:49

Here.

# VPLA Hinnawi 00:50

Dylan Davidson?

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 00:52

# Present.

# VPLA Hinnawi 00:52

Lukas Deffendall? Cameron Fredrick? Cameron Fredrick? Daniel Hunsaker?

# Senator Deffendall 00:55

Present.

# VPLA Hinnawi 00:54

Cameron Fredrick? Cameron Fredrick? Daniel Hunsaker?

# Senator Hunsaker 00:55

Here.

# **VPLA Hinnawi** 00:55

Jenna Hymel?

# Parliamentarian Hymel 01:08

Present.

# VPLA Hinnawi 01:09

Cooper Lemons?

# Senator Lemons 01:10

Present.

# VPLA Hinnawi 01:12

Oscar Martinez?

# Senator Martinez 01:14

Here

# VPLA Hinnawi 01:16

Chloe Metzler?

# Senator Martinez 01:17

Here by proxy

# VPLA Hinnawi 01:20

**Brendan Mott?** 

# Senator Mott 01:41

Present.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:42

Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 01:43

Present.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:44

Adam Peters?

Senator Peters 01:45

Here.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:47

Linda Plasse? Linda Plasse? Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 01:49

Present.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:53

Gazi Raihan? Gazi Raihan? Matthieu Riccardo?

Senator Deffendall 01:54

Present by proxy

VPLA Hinnawi 01:56

Iniya René?

Senator René 01:57

Present

VPLA Hinnawi 02:00

Xavier Wilson?

Senator Wilson 02:04

Here.

Senator Brown 02:06

Michael Brown, College of Arts, motion to be recognized.

Senator Hunsaker 02:10

Daniel Hunsaker Senior at Large, I second that.

VPLA Hinnawi 02:14

With 19 Senators here, we do meet quorum. Are there any corrections or changes to today's agenda? I have one correction to the agenda, we will be hearing the Vice President's Report immediately after the approval of the minutes. Are there any objections to my amendment? With no objections, see agenda is approved. Are there any corrections or changes to the minutes from last meeting? With no objections to the minutes, they are approved. Does the Vice President have a report?

# President Charles 03:04

Yes she does, I will be giving her report.

# VPLA Hinnawi 03:11

She's on for questions, but Angelo's giving her report.

# President Charles 03:22

Hey, everyone, I apologize for not being here today, physically here. My report has a lot of information, so feel free to ask me if you have any questions. I'm here via Zoom, so Jordan is here on Zoom, if you have any questions for her. First, I would like to update you guys on the information from Tim Duncan, the Athletic Director. Currently the plan is to be as follows, the townhalls are set to take place October 5 through October 19 and will be closed for specific student groups on campus. So for those of you who do not know, there will be a student referendum to vote whether we have different athletic venues. The last two townhalls will be open to all students. The format- this report is very long, so bear with me, I apologize. The last two townhall days will be open to all students. The format of townhalls is to be presentation style. Regarding homecoming, the athletic department is working on a homecoming tailgate village, which is set to feature food trucks, bounce houses, and will be hosted by a radio station. There is a section for students, however tailgate spaces will be \$50 per space, which does not include anything. There's also no current plan for student transportation. However, Tim did mention they will look into transportation options. And I'm also looking into student transportation options that I will bring before the Senate to decide if you would like to sponsor the transportation. As far as the update on the athletics fueling station, Kim Gallow let us know that they are in a process of revisiting numbers working with public health interns and with Allie Louis, who is now a graduate assistant. The plan is to have it launched in October, with the main fueling station in the HPC and additional fueling stations located at the lakefront. Senator Hunsaker will be our athletic rep moving forward, so I'll be putting you in contact with the athletic department and he will be included in this moving forward. Moving on to meetings with the dean. I tried my best to coordinate with everyone's availability. The times chosen are those in which most of the senators from that college were available. The College of Liberal Arts, Education, and Human Development will meet with Dean Samuel Gladden and Assistant Dean Dan Hernandez on October 5, 12 to 1 pm, so if you are a Liberal Arts Senator, please write this down. I'm sure Jordan will send you an email, but again you will be meeting with your Dean on October 5, 12 to 1. Jordan did not say this, but I'm gonna say this, this is a very important meeting, so if you're gonna be there, I'm gonna need y'all to show up on time, and you know, professionally. That being said, the College of Sciences will meet with Dean Steven Johnson on October 4 at 12, the location is pending. The College of Engineering will meet with Dean Lizette Chevalier October 10, 12pm, in their office in the engineering building, it's on the ninth floor. I will reach out to the Senators in the College of Business Administration to further coordinate with y'all. So, the Dean did not reach out. I will also send everyone an email with a general template for discussion for the first week. The template is not meant to be followed exactly onon every guideline, but it is very important for you guys to set the tone moving forward as well as in terms for communications between the Dean and yourself, based on everyone's comfortability. Also, more important, reoccurring meetings are to be set and scheduled by each college. As far as our Senate Retreat, I emailed everyone a Google Form that I need everyone to complete as soon as possible. Please let me know if you didn't receive an email from me. Finally our budget numbers. The current senate operating account numbers are \$22,743.25 This is the money that we have for both semesters, so we can do- so we- when we do have bills come to the floor, please do not be afraid to ask questions. Agree, Disagree, or make amendments, as you are not obligated to fully fund every bill that comes to the floor. I also have the numbers everyone has been waiting for on our reserve account. The numbers are \$241,854.69. Unfortunately, I cannot attest to the accuracy, nor do I have further information but we do finally have numbers. If you have any questions I will take them and get back with you all. Thank you, and she yields the rest of her time for questions.

# Senator Hunsaker 07:39

Daniel Hunsaker, Senior at Large, What do at large senators do? Everyone else has a Dean. Do we not have a Dean?

# VPLA Hinnawi 07:50

You can you can also go to the Dean meeting for your college.

# **Senator Hunsaker** 07:53 So I can go to Liberal Arts?

# VPLA Hinnawi 07:53

Yeah

# Senator Peters 07:58

You said the reserve operating budget was?

#### President Charles 08:02

\$241,854.69

#### Senator Peters 08:06

And that was, for the record, Senator Adam Peters, College of Engineering. For access to that, is it the same level as access to the operating budget?

# President Charles 08:17

Jordan?

# Clerk of Senate Lancaster 08:27

Sounds on. Jordan's muted. Jordan, you're muted if you can't hear.

# Vice President Moss 08:33

Sorry I apologize, I was as far as access are you referring to who has access to see those numbers? Or accessing how we spend those?

# Senator Peters 08:44

Accessing how we spend it? Is there like more restriction on the reserve budget than the operating budget? Or is it sort of in the same vein able to be used like the operating budget?

# Vice President Moss 08:57

Tiffany can correct me if I'm wrong, but I believe the reserve account is usually reserved for projects like- what's the word I'm looking for? Like sort of building use, I believe, Tiffany, is that correct? Because the reserved account is not used to fund student organizations, correct?

#### Advisor Gitlin 09:23

Todd Gitlin, Advisor, the reserve account is restricted funds used for projects lasting five years or more. So there's more of a restriction on what it can and cannot be used on.

#### President Charles 09:37

But, I think your question was in terms of consent, it will follow the same guidelines. I know a lot of times they reached out to me for that spending but if one, you guys have to approve of it and also us, just talking about consent. Any more questions for the Vice President?

# VPLA Hinnawi 10:10

Okay, we will now move on to Senator communications and announcements. Do any Senators have any major announcements?

#### Senator Fredrick 10:21

Cameron Fredrick, College of Business Administration, I'd like to motion to be recognized.

# Senator Carbo 10:28

lan Carbo, College of Business Administration, I second the motion

# Senator Raihan 10:35

Gazi Raihan, College of Engineering, I motion to be recognized.

### Senator Peters 10:40

Adam Peters College of Engineering, second

# VPLA Hinnawi 10:45

Are there any other Senator communications or announcements? Are there any Non-Senator or communications or announcements?

# Clerk of Senate Lancaster 10:57

J Lancaster, Clerk of Senate. Just a reminder for you guys. The mic doesn't pick up all the way back so if you guys can please speak up during these. It makes my job easier, and it makes sure that you guys can be heard as best as possible. Thank you.

#### **Brett Fornatoro** 11:15

I have a bill, Brett Fornatoro, student. I have a bill that's from last semester that would tap on the reserve account for benches. And if any current senators want to be the sponsor of that bill, feel free to reach out to me. Or coming up to me after the meeting.

# VPLA Hinnawi 11:40

Are there any other non-senator communications or announcements? Does the President Pro Tempore have a report?

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 11:57

My report is very brief, just a quick update. I'm not trying to call anybody out, but Michael Brown, Gazi Raihan, and Lukas Deffendall, please check your email so we can get our schedules worked out and start our weekly meetings. That's pretty much it. Thank you.

# VPLA Hinnawi 12:20

Do any other committees have a report?

# Senator Hunsaker 12:34

Daniel Hunsaker, senior at large student affairs committee head. So yeah, the delegates list is gonna come out tomorrow, already decided to do delegates for myself. So I'm going to be IFC and Athletics which we kind of- just open it those. Tomorrow, I'll come out with, you know, the rest of my committee's delegates and then Jordan and I are going to look through the organizations of all the actives and inactives. Because, for some reason, the UNO website is inaccurate. If you look at the UNO website, it has all of the organizations listed, and I've never heard of some of them and then look at it, it's like, it hasn't been inactive since 2018, I think. So- So yeah, when me and Jordan get that list of all the active stuff, then we'll be able to move it around out to delegates, then we'll email people about- get people join the SGA, promote it that way. I do want to do one tabling event, kind of like, per month kind of thing. Because we definitely just need to promote SGA as a whole. Like I said every week, you know we have to fill these seats and get to a point where it's too small for the entire Senate. That's my goal, and we'll reach it by the end of the semester I think.

# VPLA Hinnawi 13:52

Does anyone have any questions for Daniel?

# Senator Carbo 14:07

lan Carbo, College of Business Administration, with a lot of people who are going to be running for Senate position soon. With monthly tabling, would there be any events where like people running for their positions can talk and speak to students about voting for them?

#### Senator Hunsaker 14:26

I would be very open to that talking to people running.

#### **President Charles** 14:31

Point of Order, that decision would need to be made by the election commissioner. Her name is Talia Talbot and she can decide whether campaigning can be done at these specific events.

# Senator Plasse 14:55

Linda Plasse, College of Liberal Arts motion to be recognized.

#### Senator Mott 15:00

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I second the motion.

# VPLA Hinnawi 15:13

Does the President have a report?

# **President Charles** 15:15

Yes. All right, so today is a very special person's birthday. It is J's. They did not want me to tell y'all, but we're gonna sing Happy Birthday for 30 seconds, and then my report. It's not Long. Alright.

#### Senators 15:40

[Sing Happy Birthday to J]

#### Clerk of Senate Lancaster 15:53

Thank you all.

# President Charles 15:54

Happy Birthday J. I really appreciate you and your service to the Student Government. [Applause] With that being said, for those who are new here, I always begin with a quote. So today's quote is going to be "Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars, to change the world." Harriet Tubman Alright, today's first report will be that we're going to have a voter registration drive. That is Tuesday, October 4 at 11 to 1 pm, our Student Government workers will be tabling this event, if you're interested in stopping by and helping people register to vote, please do so. As you know, we're gonna have our first- I don't want to say first ever, but ever since I've been here- Inauguration on October 26th. Next week, we'll send out those invitations. All this is going to take place in- in place of the Wednesday Senate meetings so there won't be too many accommodations, however the location will be in the Homer Hitt Alumni Center, right in the bank across from Kirschman Hall. With that being said, this Friday and Saturday I will be going to Baton Rouge to represent the University of New Orleans at COSBP. For those of you that do not know what that is, that is the Council of Student Body Presidents, along with the other members of the UL Board System, and we just meet and have a conference and discuss legislation and moving our student government forward. So, if is there anything you would like me to mention on your behalf or any ideas for them, I'm interested in doing so. I have not signed any executive orders within the last week. The only one I did is to finalize the purchasing for "Meet the SGA" event, that did come out of the Operating- Executive Operating account. And I do plan to continue to spend that money for student

events, Sponsored by Student Government. With that being said, I appreciate all of you. Please reach out to me if you have any questions and I stand open.

# Senator Hunsaker 17:53

Daniel Hunsaker, Senator at Large, So you mentioned that you're going to this big meeting and meeting all the people from other colleges, so do you want me to like send you an email of questions to ask or?

# **President Charles** 18:06

I can give you a little bit more content as to what COSBP is. So it is the President of Nicholls- Each UL system, the University of New Orleans, is a part of the UL, system board of supervisors, and it's the nine schools, I want to say and all the presidents. We meet and we just- it's part of the ULSAC. It's a lot. I probably think it's best if I talk to you after but if you have any questions or ideas pertaining to like, what are other schools- schools that, I'm gonna ask their SGA? That is something I can certainly ask.

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 18:38

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, So for the tabling event, for the voter registration, is that eligible for service hours?

# **President Charles** 18:46

No, it is not eligible for volunteer hours, because we're not contracting, we're not getting an external party to facilitate that, we're just going to have our SGA Workers facilitate that. But I do encourage you to stop by if you are not registered to vote in his office- I mean in this room- please register to vote. Your right to vote is very important. And also like- I'm about to a speech today and I'm sorry, I'm not going to do that- just vote. Any more questions?

# VPLA Hinnawi 19:23

I will now move to my report. I don't really have much to say, we haven't had really a lot of action in the past week. So I will mention there's one thing I kind of want to start doing is I want to make myself available for Senator check-ins. It's not something that I want to force anyone to do. But if you feel like maybe you're just not in a good place or you are writing some bills and you just need some help with it, some one-on-one time just let me know, we can definitely schedule some time, I have a lot of office hours. I really- eat a lot of Chick fil A and go through y'all's emails so if you want to stop by, it's nice to see some faces and just email me and let me know. I'll yield the rest of my time to questions if y'all have any for me.

# Parliamentarian Hymel 20:09

Jenna Hymel, Parlimentarian, what are your office hours?

#### VPLA Hinnawi 20:12

Beautiful question. Yeah. Okay. So it's Monday 12-3, Tuesday 12:30-4:30, none Wednesday, none Thursday, Friday 12-3. But also like, if those don't work for you, and it's like urgent, email me and we can work something out. Any other questions? All right. Does the vice president of programming have a report?

# President Charles 20:49

Oh, yes, I'm the Vice President of Programming today too. So, if Maggie was here, she'd say "Hi guys, I'm Magdalene. And we have a casino night tonight, so please be there." and that's is what she would say. So Casino Night is tonight, what time is it Tiffany?

# Advisor Courseault 21:04

It is at seven o'clock.

# President Charles 21:05

Seven o'clock, if you don't have anything to do, I expect to see your face. That's it, I stand open for questions for Maggie. Cool, thanks.

# VPLA Hinnawi 21:21

Do we have a Judicial Report?

# **President Charles** 21:23

I forgot, I'm the Chief Justice tonight as well. [Laughter] The Judicial Report is going to be very brief. As you know, matters of the court- pertaining to the court is confidential. And I cannot elaborate too much on that. But there are two cases before the court. And that's all I can say. I stand open for questions for the Chief Justice. Thank you very much.

# VPLA Hinnawi 21:36

Do the advisors have a report?

#### Advisor Courseault 21:54

No we don't have a report.

# **President Charles** 21:56

I'll do y'alls report. [Laughter]

# VPLA Hinnawi 22:04

Since we have no old business, we will now move to new business. Do I have a motion to hear new business?

# Senator Mott 22:11

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I motion to hear new business.

# Parliamentarian Hymel 22:15

Jenna Hymel, Parliamentarian, I second the motion.

# VPLA Hinnawi 22:17

The first piece of new business is the Encore bill. There's a copy for each of y'all in front of you, attached on the second page is a budget that goes with the bill. Will the authors and sponsors of the bill please come forward and state your name for the record?

# Ivan Amari 22:50

Good evening, everyone, I'm Ivan Amari, I'm the president of Encore.

# VPLA Hinnawi 22:57

You have six minutes to introduce your bill.

# Ivan Amari 22:59

So this bill is for a new New Orleans haunted attraction called "Ghost Town", which will showcase from October 28 to October 31, 7pm to 12am. The biggest objective of this event is for Encore to One be able to self-finance it's own events moving forward. This is our third bill and usually our bills come with a hefty fee, so we want to be able to start funding our own events without having to get money from other organizations to be able to do what they have to do throughout the school year. In addition to that, we want to be able to show all of the high schools that, you know, this is what UNO can do. You know we're not just doing this little events here that only students can go to, even certain events or just shifting to the local community, but we want to show that you know there are a lot of creative people here, not just in the arts but also in sciences and so our- this event will utilize Augmented Reality to enhance the scares of the attraction. And of course, thirdly we want to be able to reimburse the money that we get from this event back to SGA. Because we know the money- well I do- I do understand that you know it's not required. It can be even be in the form of a donation, but the whole point I'm trying to make with that is that there are other student organizations who want to get their events funded and it becomes a bit of a conflict where, you know, you may have one event that has you know, a certain fee that comes from other clubs. So we want to just like balance it out somewhere. You know, I don't know how they would do it. I'm not giving up on that because, I'm the president of a student organization, it would be kind of unfair that "hey, look we want to do this event, but there's no resources or money for it." So we're going to just try balance that out as much as possible. Any questions?

# Senator Wilson 24:54

Xavier Wilson, College of Liberal Arts. Um, so you have advertised this as being some elaborate production. Is that correct?

# Ivan Amari 25:04

Yes.

# Senator Wilson 25:05

Okay. Just in terms of security, what's the plan for that?

#### Ivan Amari 25:09

Yes, we will have five to eight UNOPD officers that will be available on that night they will obviously be paid. We're also going to be trying to get NOPD officers as well, because we are projecting on average 1200 visitors per night. So we want to make sure this is as secure as possible.

# Senator Wilson 25:30

Okay. And I have a follow up question if I can. It's quick.

# VPLA Hinnawi 25:35

Okay.

# Senator Wilson 25:36

Okay, and in terms of the flyers you have listed on here 30,000 flyers for the amount of \$584.19. How do you plan to pass those out and who is going to pass those out?

#### Ivan Amari 25:49

Well, there will be a hired crew, that'll be passing those out, but it will be done in a very creative way. We're going to target the locations that are the key demographic. Okay, so the two key demographics that are biggest in haunted houses are 18-25 and 25-34, so you're looking at high schools, colleges, bars, restaurants, things of that nature. We're going to target all those different specific areas as much as possible repeatedly. So with those thirty thousand flyers, it's not going to be 30,000 on that one day, you know, we're going to spread it out so that way it is repeated and the people that are gonna be passing out of course, it will be the crew, but it will be creative they will be you know, in costume, you know, it will be pretty much bringing the spectacle to you to further entice you on the whole event.

# Senator Carbo 26:36

Not so much a question, but a point of order. Ian Cabo College of Business Administration, when we were doing the Financial Committee calculations, the total came out to be wrong. It's about 200 bucks off the total is \$5,187.09

#### Senator Lemons 27:01

Cooper Lemons, Head of Finance Committee, I'd said that those will be corrected and they have, so it's not an issue anymore.

# Senator Carbo 27:09

Okay.

# Senator Lemons 27:10

No, the one that you sent me but

# VPLA Hinnawi 27:16

Azizah Hinnawi, Point of Information, I let Ivan know y'alls corrections and fix them and then I just confirmed it with the head of the Committee.

#### Senator Wilson 27:25

Okay. Okay.

#### VPLA Hinnawi 27:29

# Any other questions?

#### Senator Mott 27:33

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, My question is um, so this is a very hefty event. Do y'all have experience doing an event like this, were to bring this many people in, do you actually know this many people would actually attend?

# Ivan Amari 27:43

Yes. So let's start with the experience part. So in 2014 and 2015, I produced small haunted houses back in my high school, you know, just pretty much with me and a group of friends starting from that level. And then after that, I was you know, I was an actor short term with 13 Gates in Baton Rouge, which I'm originally from Baton Rouge.

#### VPLA Hinnawi 28:05

That's time is anyone gonna motion to extend?

# Senator Mott 28:08

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I motion to extend time by six minutes.

# Senator Martinez 28:17

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, I second the motion.

#### Ivan Amari 28:20

So yes, and the stage manager who's going to be over this thing, his name is Kevin McMullen. And he has experience working on theater productions and Haunted Houses, he used to work with Mortuary. So I'm very, you know, aware of, you know, what, we have to offer in a nightmare house and the Mortuary and through that, with those challenge- set ups and attractions gonna be something you won't expect.

# Senator Martinez 28:43

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, So I see that you have "to start a palliative care research project with the American Cancer Society" can I get some more information on that?

# Ivan Amari 28:51

Yes. So I am the athlete for the Second Congressional District of the American Cancer Society, Cancer Action Networks- sorry, long title for it- and I just came back from Washington DC where we met with all state senators and representatives to further the advancement of cancer legislation and bills that way more things can happen and I talked with my grassroots manager here in Louisiana about what can we do more than just, you know, going towards the legislators and we came up with the idea, "how about we do a cancer care research project. Okay, well, that requires funding and well, why not be able to use this event to fund that as well."

# Senator Hunsaker 29:31

Daniel Hunsaker, Senior at Large I guess I'll just point out the elephant in the room. Where does this number come from- the field reservation, the \$2,000 number, the reservation and grounds deposit?

#### Ivan Amari 29:45

Okay, so I sent a quote to the email, I don't know if that was attached in it. But that quote comes from the school's administration to utilize that field and forest right there by the liberal arts building, as well as covering the ground deposit for any damage that may be made to it. I see it oh no that's attachments. But yeah, that is a part of the quotes with the bill.

# Senator Hunsaker 30:07

Was there- is there any other location that would be cheaper or something like that?

# Ivan Amari 30:11

We're looking at time versus the cost with ticket sales as well as how many visitors we can get per hour. So you have a huge field right there by the Human Performance Center and that's massive, but the closest parking lot only fits roughly around 200 cars, right? So you're looking at 200 guests maximum at one time versus by the liberal arts building, it's around 600 cars. If you go down a little bit further, it's another parking lot on the left side of the Cove that fits around 400 cars. So you're looking at 1000 compared to just 200 at any given time, which would give us more traffic.

# Senator Mott 30:44

I actually have a parliamentary inquiry. Are we- is SGA allowed to fund events that have a cost to go to?

# VPLA Hinnawi 30:55

Okay, this was also a question we had. The thing is, we are not allowed to fund something that is being directly sold. For example, if we funded T shirts and they were selling T-shirts, we could not fund that. Being that this is a fundraiser. We have funded fundraisers before and we're not doing anything direct. Does that answer your question?

# Senator Mott 31:19

Yes. Thank you so much.

# VPLA Hinnawi 31:21

Are there any other questions for Ivan?

# Senator René 31:24

Iniya René, College of Business Administration. I see that you all are wanting to make like an event that suitable for children as well as adults. How do y'all plan on enforcing that, making sure like no alcohol, no drugs, and like no firearms make it into the event?

# Ivan Amari 31:42

Well, this comes with the people we will hire as well as UNOPD officers and NOPD officers who will be around and making sure that they've maintained the safety. Now as far as inside the attraction itself,

you know, I you know, pursue Film Arts here and I'm very familiar with the idea of suspense when it comes to horror movies. While you don't always need a curse word or show nudity or something you know to it just to scare someone. You can just have anyone even an 11 year old to a person that's 100 years old in a dark hallway with no flashlight and that can generate some scares. So that's the key idea that suspense doesn't always have to equal something rated R. It can be something very simple.

# Senator Carbo 32:24

lan Carbo, College of Business Administration, I know that it says that the grounds is a deposit, is there any chance that would be returned towards y'all which would then be returned towards us?

# Ivan Amari 32:40

Exactly, yes. So that deposit is on the grounds are not damaged at all. Of course, that deposit will be returned.

# Senator Plasse 32:51

Linda Plasse, College of Liberal Arts, you said that you estimate about 1200 visitors per night. Do you have any data backing up that estimate or is it just a hopeful estimate based on the amount of flyers and time going into this?

#### Ivan Amari 33:03

So we were able to try and gather some research on small scale haunted houses versus large scale haunted houses and then especially first year haunted houses. So usually small scale haunted houses will generate anywhere from 800 to around 1800 visitors you know, in a given night, as far as ticket sales, small scale can generate anywhere from 50,000 to large scale round 2 to 3 million throughout the Halloween season. So going up and down and then we did research that so we arrived at you know, at 1200 a night. That doesn't mean 1200 At one time because usually people will come, enjoy the attraction and go home and they will kind of the next day.

# President Charles 33:42

President Angelo Charles, so as far as sustainability last year you guys had an event, I forgot what the name was, as far as the clean-up processes what is going to be done after the event? Because last-you know- last year there was an clean up that way it should have been done, so what are we done to rectify that this doesn't happen again this year.

# Ivan Amari 34:03

All the hired crew what- the part of their duties and responsibilities will be to clean up.

# President Charles 34:10

Who did y'all hire?

#### Ivan Amari 34:10

We're pretty much hiring people- on Indeed.com who have experience in maintenance and customer service

# President Charles 34:15

For both the requisition, is it posted on Indeed?

#### Ivan Amari 34:15

Yes, I have posted it on Indeed.

# Senator Mott 34:25

A follow up question to what President Charles just said. Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, so do we also have approval that all these items are allowed like outdoors on UNO's campus? I assume they would be because these are not very like dangerous items or anything like that. But it's something that has happened before organizations have done things they thought something was okay, but it actually wasn't so- So can you elaborate if you know for sure?

#### Ivan Amari 34:45

I communicated with the university's administration sent us a quote for that roughly \$2200 and went over the head we plan to have no fog machine and not have these electrical wiring. These are the plans in place that we want to make sure everything's secure. So everything that would be deemed a bit dangerous will be blocked off from visitors. So they will not have access to any of the wires on the ground and stuff like that. So when you come to the attraction, you will pretty much only see the walkways and the entrance and that's it you won't be allowed to you know any of the lines.

# VPLA Hinnawi 35:21

Time is up. We're about to move to debate. So the first three minutes will be controlled by the principal sponsor or the first senator to rise in support so you can either speak or you can let a Senator rise in support, that's up to you.

# Parliamentarian Hymel 35:48

Jenna Hymel, Parliamentarian, and College of Liberal Arts. I am the sponsor of this bill. And I really do think that this is going to be a good event because not only does it bring attention to the film and theater department, which I'm a part of. But it also brings a lot of recognition to campus. You are going to be on campus you are going to be experiencing us. And frankly, it's been said in this meeting, but we do have retention problem. So if people who are not the student body can come into campus. It's pretty much a free open house for this campus. That can possibly turn in a lot of people also, the age group that they're looking at is college age people- sort of college age people who may not be attending campus or maybe going to another school- come here and so that is another thing. Also, it is a philanthropic event. It's not just us giving back money or them giving back money. It is going to an actual charitable organization. I yield the rest of my time for anyone else.

# Senator Hunsaker 36:58

Daniel Hunsaker, senior at large I think there's a question more for exact- do we currently- do we currently give- Do we currently give Encore a budget? Did we give them a budget last year? Did we give them any funding?

# **Advisor Courseault 37:11**

Encore submitted a bill back in April and I think it was for \$4000-5000 I can go back for more accuracy. And they also submitted a budget request by the Budget Committee, they denied their request.

# Ivan Amari 37:30

If I can add a little bit of context to that, so yeah, we did submit the- sorry, Ivan Amari. So we did submit a budget request for \$5,000 that we could use toward this semester. However, there wasn't a- an itemized bill submitted with all the items that will go along with those different events. So it was rejected.

# VPLA Hinnawi 37:51

Does anyone else rise in support this bill?

# Senator Hunsaker 37:57

Daniel Hunsaker, Senior at Large, Ivan has convinced me so yeah, I rise anything that's supporting our campus, promoting our campus to high schoolers around here. I mean, obviously, we have a problem with enrollment. I think it's, you know, part of fixing that problem is bringing more students to campus and seeing what campus is like. So I rise in support.

# Senator Carbo 38:23

lan Carbo, I have more kind of like a question that would go- that would help me in making my decision. Can I pose the question during this time or?

# VPLA Hinnawi 38:34

The Questioning period is over.

#### Senator Martinez 38:47

Oscar Martinez College of Sciences, unless anybody has any objection, I would like to move to voting.

# Senator Wilson 38:53

Xavier Wilson College of Liberal Arts, I object to that motion.

# VPLA Hinnawi 38:59

But we will end that initial debate, I will let you guys know that when a bill comes to the floor, we do not have to fund all of it. There is a period of time for us to make amendments. If you look at itemized list and you feel like there's something that we don't need to fund or you don't feel like we should fund. It might just be too high or might be too low. This is your opportunity to make an amendment for that. So are there any amendments?

# Senator Fredrick 39:43

Cameron Fredrick, College of Business Administration, I wanted to see if we could make an amendment regarding the field reservation if we could, potentially, except a certain amount of those funds, given that we are guaranteed to get some back because it's just a reservation, putting money in place in case of damages. So it's not like we should be forced to fully pay that like- we should have some kind of you know, give back to us.

# Advisor Courseault 40:15

Point of information, this is out of rules, but what happens- what happens if something happens and we don't get our deposit back? So who's responsible?

# Senator Carbo 40:33

Ian Carbo, College of Business Administration, I would support putting an amendment that the amount of the deposit should be returned but if the grounds are like- any amount that's deducted from the amount should maybe be covered by ticketing costs, maybe since the event is trying to make a profit?

# Senator Mott 40:56

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, point of order Unfortunately, we cannot accept any kind of like ticket type of sales unless it's for fundraiser and addition, whenever you write a bill there is also a process that money not used gets back to the SGA immediately. Organizations do not keep the money so that's not necessary

# VPLA Hinnawi 41:15

So if you look at the first two pages of the document underneath the second line says "all of these funds shall revert back to Student Government Association at the end of the fiscal years."

# Parliamentarian Hymel 41:32

Jenna Hymel Parliamentarian, Motion to make Christian Crout my proxy?

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 41:39

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, I second the motion.

#### VPLA Hinnawi 41:42

Alright, so do you still want to go forward with that amendment?

#### Senator Carbo 41:47

No. I don't.

#### VPLA Hinnawi 41:48

Okay. Are there any other amendments to this bill? Anyone else want to suggest any other amendments before we move to final debate?

# Senator Lemons 41:58

Can I ask a question about the value of the deposit? Like how that works?

# **President Charles** 42:08

This is a very structured process, how we debate and vote on things. So you will need to do a point of inquiry. However we had in the middle of debate. So it's kind of- you can't kind of do this, we want to make sure that everything passes legally so we don't have to go to the courts for them to deliberate this. So Azizah can allow you to ask the question, but you need to do a point of inquiry

# Senator Lemons 42:31

Cooper Lemons, College of Liberal Arts, point of inquiry, with the deposit. If there was an amount deducted from damages to the field, would the amount returned to us be- still the \$2250 Or would we be cut- like would we be covering whatever damages would be happening to the field?

# Advisor Courseault 42:54

To answer Senator Lemons' question, this is actually new territory for us. Um, this is one of the first times that an organization's come to ask us to make a deposit if the event is being held here. So to be honest, I would have to consult my- our supervisors, because if something were to happen, who is liable is the bigger question so

#### Ivan Amari 43:24

Ivan Amari, Two things when it's concerning liability? There will be a two step waiver process for all visitors including students as well. When you go to purchase a ticket online, you will be able to sign a waiver online and even when you arrive to the event, with your tickets there will be a waiver as well.

# VPLA Hinnawi 43:44

Okay, so we're not discussing liability of guests. We're discussing liability of the land.

# Ivan Amari 43:50

Yeah. Because that's kind of factors into the whole legal process. So when it comes down to the financial aspect of okay, if the fields are damaged, that money would still come back to SGA, whether we have to take a bite out of it. because we're still committed to that-

#### Advisor Courseault 44:04

Point of Information, do you have that in writing?

# Ivan Amari 44:09

Yes. So the- I can send you this email, who's in the administration drawing up the agreement that will have all that writing and

#### Advisor Courseault 44:15

This is not drawn up yet?

# Ivan Amari 44:17

No, because we were waiting for the meeting with SGA.

# Senator Mott 44:24

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, since the information is not readily available, I say motion to table this until that information is available.

# Senator Carbo 44:32

Point of information, that information would not be available because they're waiting for this meeting to conclude meaning we would both be waiting on the same information from each person.

# VPLA Hinnawi 44:46

Thank you.

# **Senator Martinez** 44:48

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, I second Brendan's motion.

# VPLA Hinnawi 44:51

Okay, so here's the problem with motioning to table this bill specifically, for any bill that we get that we're funding and it's less than \$5,000. We have to have it submitted 30 days prior to the event and their event- after this meeting will reach the thirty days and we will not be able to see this bill again. Okay. All right. Are there any other student amendments if not, we will move to the final debate.

# **President Charles** 45:16

Point of Order, Brendan is allowed to motion to table it, but that's up to them. So they need to vote if they want to table it.

#### Advisor Courseault 45:34

Point of Information, you do have to vote on this motion to table this.

#### VPLA Hinnawi 45:38

But if it's tabled to next week-

# Advisor Courseault 45:40

Then, like Senator Hinnawi said, if you table this then you're preventing them from going through the process of completing- receiving funding as events have to be 30 days out or 60 days depending on how much you're requesting.

# Senator Mott 45:55

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I rescind that motion.

# VPLA Hinnawi 46:00

All right, we're going to move into final debate, the next three minutes will be final debate. Does anyone rise in opposition of this bill?

# Senator Wilson 46:09

Xavier Wilson College of Liberal Arts I rise opposition of this bill. So I really just want to start off by saying you know, if we look at the numbers of this, we're looking at maybe a fourth of the current operating budget, and entirely that's just too much for what this is. Now if we go through this line by line, we can go to furthermore on line two, it says increased population by showing local high school students, you know, just what we have to offer. And I think we can do that without having to spend almost a fourth of the operating budget. And I don't think that a haunted house attraction is the place to

do that, just given the nature of it. Line three says to start a Palliative Care research project, I would prefer that this project already be in the works instead of having to start something because it just creates this bill as being something that's more imaginative and more of an idea than something that's concrete. Now if we go to the first whereas where it says "the ghost town will be advertised to the public of New Orleans, Metairie, Harvey, Gretna and all across the Lakefront campus," I did ask my question in regards to security. And I would like to say that, UNO is not an open campus, it is not a closed campus, nor is it- it's not the most isolated place, but we are inviting people all across this area to come to this campus. And that poses a big concern for security in terms of alcohol, firearms, and just you know what we want on this campus, especially because this is occurring during the later hours of the night. And with the age demographics, you know, this city is already not the best place to be. So next, and then I also want to point out in the budget, we're looking at a field reservation of \$2250 is there-I know that it was mentioned that there wasn't really other another place that this could have been donebut I think with some more research, we could have found a more suitable and viable option than having to rent a patch of grass for 2250. And also I want to point out, there's some discrepancies within the bill. Because if you look on the first page we're looking at back at the first whereas it says, "there will be flyers, banners, stickers, radio ads, newspaper ads, social media ads." The only thing that's listed in the budget is 30,000 paper flyers and again, I asked the question who was going to pass these flyers out? And I just- I just- it's a great idea, to say the least, but it's more audacious and- and bold then seems to be realistic.

# Senator Peters 49:12

Adam Peters, College of Engineering. I do not believe this is an exhaustive budget for this program. I believe this is just a helpful budget for this program. This is what they want help with. This is not things that they need, like this is not their entire budget. This is not all they have. This is not all they're doing. From what I gathered from his previous explanation, this is just they would like help with this. They are not asking to fully fund their entire event. They're asking for help funding a good event.

#### Senator Carbo 49:47

Also Ian Carbo-

# Senator Mott 49:50

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I motion for Linda to be my proxy for the rest of the meeting, I have to go.

# **Senator Martinez** 49:57

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, I second that motion.

# Senator Carbo 50:02

lan Carbo, College of Business Administration, also we wouldn't be renting the land for the \$2250. Like Mr. Amari said, we would be getting that amount back. That's not in writing yet, and I would like that to be put as an amendment on the bill, if that's okay. That we would be receiving the whole \$2250 back if we pass it

# President Charles 50:27

Point of Order, I love y'all, I promise you, but y'all have to do this right. This is a time for opposition. We did not have opposition and you cannot stay. That's not the time for discussion. Time for that has passed.

# VPLA Hinnawi 50:41

The amendment process has passed. Okay. Does anyone rise in support of this bill? For this final debate?

# Senator Peters 50:53

Adam Peters, College of Engineering, motion to vote.

# Senator Martinez 50:57

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, I second that.

# VPLA Hinnawi 51:01

All right. We will now conduct a roll call vote on the bill. When I call your name please vote yes no or abstain. Rakeen Barnes?

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 51:12

Yes by proxy.

# VPLA Hinnawi 51:13

Michael Brown?

# Senator Brown 51:14

Yes.

# VPLA Hinnawi 51:16

Ian Carbo?

# Senator Carbo 51:17

Yes.

# VPLA Hinnawi 51:19

**Christian Crout?** 

# Senator Crout 51:19

Yes.

# VPLA Hinnawi 51:21

Dylan Davidson?

# Pro Tempore Davidson 51:24

Yes.

# Yes. VPLA Hinnawi 51:29 Daniel Hunsaker? Senator Fredrick 51:30 Yes. Senator Hunsaker 51:34 Yes. VPLA Hinnawi 51:34 Jenna Hymel? Senator Crout 51:34 Yes by Proxy. VPLA Hinnawi 51:35 Cooper Lemons? Senator Lemons 51:36 No. VPLA Hinnawi 51:39 Oscar Martinez? **Senator Martinez** 51:40 Yes. VPLA Hinnawi 51:42 Chloe Metzler?

**VPLA Hinnawi** 51:24 Lukas Deffendall?

VPLA Hinnawi 51:27 Cameron Fredrick?

Senator Fredrick 51:28

Senator Martinez 51:43

Yes.

Senator Deffendall 51:24

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:46

Brendan Mott?

**Senator Plasse** 51:47

No by proxy

VPLA Hinnawi 51:49

Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 51:50

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:53

Adam Peters?

Senator Peters 51:54

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:55

Linda Plasse?

Senator Plasse 51:57

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:59

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 52:00

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:02

Gazi Raihan?

Senator Raihan 52:03

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:05

Matthieu Ricardo?

Senator Deffendall 52:06

Yes, by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:09

Iniya René?

Senator René 52:10

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:12

Xavier Wilson?

Senator Wilson 52:13

No.

# VPLA Hinnawi 52:18

With 15 yeses, six nos, and one abstention. The bill passes. [Applause] We will now hear nominations and appointments. We're going to start with Senator appointments. So will Daniel Abadie, please come forward? Alright, you will have three minutes to introduce yourself followed by three minutes for questioning. Please start with your name and what college you're running for.

# **Appointee Abadie** 52:57

My name is Daniel Abadie, College of Liberal Arts, and my major is History and I wanted to get involved in SGA in high school, but I was very disappointed by the responsibilities and the just goings on in SGA. It seemed it was it was very fake. It was not, there's nothing real to it. It was menial tasks that like if anyone could have done. So, when I came to UNO, I was very interested in looking into the SGA here because I wanted to see if it was different. And I was very pleasantly surprised to see that it was, just sitting in the meetings and going to the table events, and meeting you guys, it was very enjoyable. And I'm excited. I want to get involved and I want to participate in. I was not involved in SGA in high school, but I was in Model UN and the kind of demeanor and/or decorum that went on in that was very enjoyable. It was very professional. And I just- I want to experience more of that, so I'll be brief and that's the end of my schpeel I yield the rest of my time for questions.

# VPLA Hinnawi 54:27

Thank you, does anyone have any questions?

Senator Carbo 54:32

What is your major?

Appointee Abadie 54:33

History

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 54:34

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, so I don't know what your classification is- but what are organizations that you're currently in on campus?

# Appointee Abadie 54:34

The organizations I'm in are Model UN for UNO, and SGA because those are the two that I'm attempting to get to or SGA, because those are really the ones that I'm interested in participating in.

# Senator Hunsaker 55:06

Daniel Hunsaker, Senior at Large. What would you like to see be done in SGA? Compared to your high school experience?

# Appointee Abadie 55:13

Um, one thing that I want to see is actual change, because that was a thing in high school where it was, things would change for the worse in terms of student involvement and activity and roles. And stuff like that. And a students would complain to SGA reps and they're like, "oh, no, we'll talk to administration" and nothing would get done. Like it was just it was completely fake, but just seeing this and going to Deans and talking to organizations to actually attempt to bring forward these problems and various sensitive people who, like, have an obligation to listen to what we have to say a very real obligation for paying to be here. In terms of programs being dropped, classes being dropped. And just general quality of life. You know, being if it changes for the worse- that's what I- that's what I want to see change.

# Senator Martinez 56:12

Oscar Martinez College of Sciences, did you go to any of your high school's SGA meetings?

# Appointee Abadie 56:19

I did for my 11th and 12th grades, I went to the first months of them, and then I really- it was- the way it was- it was not professionally organized like it's here. It was mainly going over events that were going on. And that was it, it was not in the way of as far as voting or hearing of bills. There was nothing like that. So I was- I it was [Audio Issues] -it was during my entire lunch period instead of after class hours, so I just saw that there was nothing, like going on, like, it was not worth my time to attend after the first months of those

# Senator Fredrick 57:10

Cameron Frederick, College of Business Administration, what are some of your strengths and how can that help SGA grow to appeal to the needs of the students?

# Appointee Abadie 57:18

I think that I have a very realistic understanding of how things operate. How, like, as far as- let's say budgeting, yet, like we've seen today he was you have to be realistic with your expectations and you have to understand that things don't you know, always happen the way you want them to happen and being able to accept that, as well as compromise with your expectations. I also believe that I am able to grasp rules of having proceedings and how we just continue on with business in SGA. Going through it and being professional about it. I think I'm fairly competent in that regard.

# VPLA Hinnawi 58:10

And that is time for question. Do you want to go ahead and step into the hallway for a minute? We're going to discuss and then vote and we will let you back in when we're done. Now it's time for discussion does anyone in support or opposition of this appointment.

# Senator Peters 58:35

Adam Peters, College of Engineering, motion to have Oscar Martinez proxy for the rest of the meeting?

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 58:43

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, I second the motion.

# Senator Plasse 58:49

Linda Plasse, College of Liberal Arts, point of inquiry how many open seats are there left in the College of Liberal Arts?

#### Advisor Gitlin 59:08

Todd Gitlin, Advisor, just a rough estimate, but I think there are three or four seats left.

#### VPLA Hinnawi 59:22

Does anyone rise in favor or opposition of this appointment?

#### Senator Hunsaker 59:26

Daniel Hunsaker, Senior at Large, I rise in support, I mean he is a part of Model UN. I would say that's a very prestigious organization on campus, obviously seemed like he would know what he wants to do and, you know, going from- I know high school student government and college student government's a very different thing but I mean, he came in and saying "yeah, they weren't doing anything, I'm ready to do something" so, I like that.

# Senator Nguyen 59:50

Henry Nguyen, I also rise in support, and as someone who went to the same high school as him, I can tell you that nothing really gets done at those SGA meetings, I've came in and observed it, nothing happens. Rules, that are made life worse have been passed, and all that. So he seems very, very willing and happy to be part of this to make actual change for the better to happen. And also, he's a very straightforward person. And he knows what he wants to get done.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:00:26

Does anyone else has anything? Okay, we'll just move forward to voting then. When I call your name, please vote yes, no, or abstain. Rakeen Barnes?

# Pro Tempore Davidson 1:00:43

Abstain by Proxy.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:00:45

Michael Brown?

# Senator Brown 1:00:45

Yes.

Senator Hunsaker 1:00:45

Ian Carbo?

Senator Carbo 1:00:47

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:00:48

**Christian Crout?** 

Senator Crout 1:00:49

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:00:50

Dylan Davidson?

Pro Tempore Davidson 1:00:51

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:00:53

Lukas Deffendall?

Senator Deffendall 1:00:54

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:00:55

Cameron Fredrick?

Senator Fredrick 1:00:56

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:00:56

Daniel Hunsaker?

Senator Hunsaker 1:00:58

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:00:59

Jenna Hymel?

Senator Crout 1:01:00

Yes by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:02

Cooper Lemons?

**Senator Lemons** 1:01:03 Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:04

Oscar Martinez?

Senator Martinez 1:01:04

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:07

Chloe Metzler?

**Senator Martinez** 1:01:07

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:08

**Brendan Mott?** 

Senator Plasse 1:01:09

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:11

Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 1:01:12

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:13

Adam Peters?

Senator Martinez 1:01:14

Yes by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:16

Linda Plasse?

Senator Plasse 1:01:18

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:18

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 1:01:20

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:21

Gazi Raihan?

Senator Raihan 1:01:22

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:24

Matthieu Riccardo?

Senator Deffendall 1:01:25

Abstain by Proxy

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:26

Iniya René?

Senator René 1:01:27

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:29

Xavier Wilson?

Senator Wilson 1:01:30

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:01:34

With 18 Yeses, zero nos, and 4 abstentions, Daniel is appointed to the Senate. [Applause] Next will-

Senator Carbo 1:02:03

Ian Carbo, College of Business Administration, I motion to have Cameron Frederick poxy for me.

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 1:02:13

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, I second the motion.

#### VPLA Hinnawi 1:02:17

Okay, correct me if I'm saying the name wrong, Gabrielee? Alright, please come forward, introduce yourself and the College.

# **Appointee Morales-Ramirez** 1:02:40

Hello, I'm Gabrielee Morales-Ramirez, College of Liberal Arts, majoring in Sociology. Why do I want to join student government? It's my first semester here wanting to get involved, with like I know like this the school and the UNO, because I just transferred from- from California. I'm part of the- the National Student Exchange Program so I'm only here for a semester, and I want to improve the school by

getting- by being a part of the community and I know more about students and also they want to make material- more material changes, because even though I just been here like for a month and a half, I don't like this school, but I want to help to build a school better. I don't know what to say? I yield the rest of my time for questions.

#### Senator Hunsaker 1:03:59

Daniel Hunsaker, Senior at Large, What school did you transfer from?

# **Appointee Morales-Ramirez** 1:04:03

California State University Northridge in LA.

#### Senator Crout 1:04:12

Christian Crout, College of Engineering back in high school were you in any clubs that might be of assistance when you're in SGA?

# **Appointee Morales-Ramirez** 1:04:23

I was a mentor my senior year. So, the mentor program we were assigned 10 to- yeah, 10 students in the lower grades from nine to eleven and we were in charge like every week, to check up on them and talk them and throughout- throughout the whole school year.

# Senator Martinez 1:04:47

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, you said you're only here for this semester?

# **Appointee Morales-Ramirez** 1:04:51

Yeah, it's just for one semester, the Student Exchange Program

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 1:04:56

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, So what's the biggest thing- you're saying that you you won't be here for that long- What's the biggest thing you want to see change on campus?

# **Appointee Morales-Ramirez** 1:05:10

Most of the things that I see now on campus I find little things which- this campus is inaccessible to the students with disabilities just- like I do just- for the campus it's like, more sidewalk, like there's really no sidewalks here. More parking lots or just around like nearby buildings. I guess better food hours for the Galley or more, I guess, restaurants kind of because the food hours kind of suck. I want to go get food at 12 o'clock on Sunday I can't because it's closed. They only open for three hours and that's it. And then- oh and then just the Wi-Fi. Wi-Fi is terrible in most of the buildings I have.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:06:22

Are there any other questions? All right, thank you. You want to step outside for a second? We will now move to discussion does anyone rise in favor or opposition of this appointment?

# Senator Wilson 1:06:56

Xavier Wilson, College of Liberal Arts, I rise in support of her nomination. You know, I know she seems really nervous, during our little tabling event Meet SGA I had about an hour and a half to talk to her. She was really interested, wanted to be more part of the school's community. And, you know, you could say that because she's only here for a semester that you know what's the point? What's the reason? Well, I believe that she would bring the insight of those transfer students into this organization so we can better understand, you know, when people come here, what are they seeing? How are they feeling? And how do we keep them here? You know, if they decide to continue with that program or you know if they just want to completely transfer over. So I do rise in support of her.

# Senator Crout 1:07:44

Christian Crout, College of Engineering, just to piggyback off of what Xavier was saying I rise in support as welll, as bringing in the ideals of transfer students that would also allow her to bring some of the skills she learns here at SGA back wherever she decides to go.

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 1:08:06

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, Point of Inquiry, is there any problem with her being only here for a semester, so when she leaves, does the spot just open back up?

### VPLA Hinnawi 1:08:15

It's the same if someone was appointed this semester and they're graduating December, the spot will just open back up in the spring.

# Appointee Lemons 1:08:29

Cooper Lemons, College of Liberal Arts, I rise in support like while she may not have a lot of time to invest here, I feel like enough people have gotten a lot of things done in one semester. And she seemed interested in getting things done and also, like Xavier said, brings in the knowledge and like just experience of being to another school which I know a lot of us probably only been to the College of UNO. So she has a different kind of standard to go off of I feel like that's useful admin.

# Senator Plasse 1:08:59

Linda Plasse, College of Liberal Arts I also rises in support. Again, even though she is only going to be here for a semester, everything that she brought up was completely valid and there are things that I also feel SGA should allocate time and energy into, like the accessibility of campus. And just improving the overall experience for students and having that fresh outsider perspective. I feel like sometimes we can kind of fail to see the forest for the trees since we're here in it all the time. So having that outside perspective could be really good for us as a community.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:09:30

Does anyone else? Alright. We will now take a roll call vote when I call your name yes no or abstain. Rakeen Barnes?

# Pro Tempore Davidson 1:09:44

Yes by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:09:45

Michael Brown?

Senator Brown 1:09:46

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:09:48

lan Carbo?

Senator Fredrick 1:09:49

Abstain by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:09:50

**Christian Crout?** 

Senator Crout 1:09:51

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:09:53

Dylan Davidson?

Pro Tempore Davidson 1:09:54

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:09:55

Lukas Deffendall?

Senator Deffendall 1:09:56

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:09:57

Cameron Fredrick?

Senator Fredrick 1:09:58

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:09:59

Daniel Hunsaker?

Senator Hunsaker 1:10:00

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:02

Jenna Hymel?

Senator Crout 1:10:03

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:04

Cooper Lemons?

Senator Lemons 1:10:05

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:07

Oscar Martinez?

Senator Martinez 1:10:08

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:10

Chloe Metzler?

**Senator Martinez** 1:10:12

Abstain by proxy,

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:13

**Brendan Mott?** 

Senator Plasse 1:10:14

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:16

Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 1:10:16

Yes.

Parliamentarian Hymel 1:10:18

Adam Peters?

Senator Martinez 1:10:19

No by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:21

Linda Plasse?

Senator Plasse 1:10:23

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:23

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 1:10:25

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:27

Gazi Raihan?

Senator Raihan 1:10:28

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:29

Matthieu Riccardo?

Senator Deffendall 1:10:30

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:32

Iniva René?

Senator René 1:10:33

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:34

Xavier Wilson?

Senator Wilson 1:10:36

Yes.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:10:36

Okay, with 13 yesses, three nos, and six abstentions, Gabrielee Morales-Ramirez has been appointed to the Senate. [Applause] Congratulations Gabrielee, you have been appointed to the Senate. We will now hear Demario Struiken, please come forward for nomination.

# Appointee Struiken 1:11:31

My name is Demario Struiken, College of Liberal Arts Arts major, with a minor in business. I'm in my second year- your second year- second year here at UNO. Hello fellow Privateers nice to see some of your faces if we haven't met yet, of course meeting all of you and hopefully joining the beautiful organization of SGA and making campus as best we can. I'm hoping to join SGA as a sophomore at large helping out everywhere I can. I've been on campus every day, Monday through Friday, and that's the same thing for each semester I've been here. And that's gotten me many meaningful relations with

students and staff, which can be beneficial for the changes we're making, to better our already beautiful University of New Orleans. I'm also a part of various campus organizations such as- I'm a member of Momentum. I yield the rest of my time for questions.

#### **Senator Martinez** 1:12:24

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, so what leadership experience do you have? Are you leaders in the group you're a part of or are you?

# Appointee Struiken 1:12:32

As far as the College of Liberal Arts, I'd say the teachers are the leaders. And same with Momentum. And those specific instances, I do not have leadership, but that's kind of how it is as far as like- the people experienced teach the students and so I have not been that.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:12:51

If I may point of information. Those aren't really organizations with like student leadership.

# **Senator Martinez** 1:12:56

I'm asking in general

# Appointee Struiken 1:12:58

In general? I'll get back to you on that.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:13:12

Any other questions?

#### Senator Wilson 1:13:15

Xavier Wilson College of Liberal Arts, It's okay that you don't have leadership experience. So what is one thing that you think you could bring to this organization overall?

# Senator Lemons 1:13:26

I'd say, I guess it's like being on campus all the time, just like, being aware of how everything works, and the dedication to learning and fulfilling the role that I'll take up- I mean, potentially.

# Senator René 1:13:43

Iniya René, College of Business Administration. What attributes do you personally have that you feel will aid you in being a senator?

# Appointee Struiken 1:13:58

Like I said before, I think I pay attention to it all. And, I don't know if there's like, it's a term for like, willing to take information and learn things, adaptability and open mindedness. I feel as though I'll be helping support in this role. Potentially.

# Senator René 1:14:19

Is it possible for a follow up question?

### VPLA Hinnawi 1:14:21

Oh yeah, sure.

# Senator René 1:14:22

Okay, and also, what exactly do you hope to achieve as a senator?

# Appointee Struiken 1:14:28

Let's see, I guess just having a voice on campus, you know, always being here. You know, it's definitely separate. Like you said two things were with this organization, I can actually make an impact with making things better or using new idea y'all have. So I guess just like having a voice in the campus, I haven't really had that most of my life, since Monday through Friday I'm here.

# **Appointee Lemons** 1:14:51

Cooper Lemons, College of Liberal Arts, do you have any like, sort of goals or things that you want to do in SGA? Like already in mind?

#### Senator Lemons 1:15:01

Well, let's say, like this year there are more people and I see more activity on campus than last year, I guess just like continuing that like, having campus as well as like education being important, like be the campus people want to stay at rather than, like leave after classes, or just like, you know, being a space for social aspects as well. It's like really- I guess, elevate those aspects working with. That's all I have, I'll have a vital part of that as things progress.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:15:34

And that is time. Would you please step out for a second. We now move to discussion, does anyone rise in favor or opposition of this appointment?

# Senator Lemons 1:16:03

Cooper Lemons College of Liberal Arts, I rise and- rise in support of Demario. I know him personally through me and Daniel's fraternity, I've known him for two semesters now, before this one. He's a very, like, lovable and friendly guy. So I like I know that you can connect with any kind of person he would be representing through being a senator of the college. He also like- he was mentioning he is very dedicated with the things that he does set himself to do. Like whenever we've given him roles or asked him to help with something, he shows up and shows up like very willingly and even whenever we just ask for help, he is always shown up ready, even though he you know, goes through the bus transport like he will find a way to help even if he doesn't have his own way, which is a very, like- very productive man, So it'd be nice to have them in her.

# Senator Fredrick 1:17:03

Cameron Frederick College of Business Administration, I rise in support. He seems like the outgoingan outgoing person. And I like how he's confident because confidence shows what you're really thinking inside and he can really voice his opinion. And I feel like we need a strong voice like that in SGA

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# Senator Hunsaker 1:17:23

Daniel Hunsaker, Senior at Large, and I know his speech wasn't the best but he is nothing- he is not nervous at all. He is probably the most outgoing guy on campus. I one time I sat in the library on the lab, DOMA lab or something. He was at a table and on the other side of the library, talking to somebody that he just met that day. So he's always talking to people, always knowing people, knows everybody's name. He hangs out with practically everybody and you would just never know all the adversity that this guy's faced. He doesn't have a car. He rides the bus every day from New Orleans East. He, you know, shows up to all of our events. I mean, you could always come to Demario for anything so all the adversity and then he also has like family living in South America. So you would just never know that about that kid. But um, you know, he's- he's such an outgoing guy, such a great guy. And for him to be on UNO campus every day could definitely contribute a lot to SGA and obviously promote it to others to join SGA. Because like I said, he'll just meet somebody and- and automatically become a friend with him. Dylan Davidson, I motion to roll call vote.

#### Senator Fredrick 1:18:38

Cameron Fredrick, College of Business Administration I second.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:18:40

Can I get a show of hands? We will now move to a roll call vote when I call your name vote yes, no, or abstain. Rakeen Barnes?

# Pro Tempore Davidson 1:18:54

Yes by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:18:56

Michael Brown?

Senator Brown 1:18:57

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:18:58

Ian Carbo?

Senator Fredrick 1:18:59

Abstain by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:01

**Christian Crout?** 

Senator Crout 1:19:02

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:03

**Dylan Davidson?** 

**Pro Tempore Davidson** 1:19:04 Yes.

**VPLA Hinnawi** 1:19:05 Lukas Deffendall?.

Senator Deffendall 1:19:06 Yes.

**VPLA Hinnawi** 1:19:08 Cameron Fredrick?

Senator Fredrick 1:19:09 Yes.

**VPLA Hinnawi** 1:19:10 Daniel Hunsaker?

Senator Hunsaker 1:19:11 Yes.

**VPLA Hinnawi** 1:19:12 Jenna Hymel?

**Senator Crout** 1:19:14 Yes, by Proxy

**VPLA Hinnawi** 1:19:14 Cooper Lemons?

**Senator Lemons** 1:19:16 Yes.

**VPLA Hinnawi** 1:19:17 Oscar Martinez?

**Senator Martinez** 1:19:18 Yes.

**VPLA Hinnawi** 1:19:19 Chloe Metzler?

Senator Martinez 1:19:21

Abstain by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:23

**Brendan Mott?** 

Senator Plasse 1:19:24

abstain by proxy

VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:26

Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 1:19:26

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:28

Adam Peters?

Senator Martinez 1:19:29

Yes, by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:30

Linda Plasse?

Senator Plasse 1:19:31

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:32

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 1:19:34

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:35

Gazi Raihan?

Senator Raihan 1:19:36

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:37

Matthieu Riccardo?

Senator Deffendall 1:19:38

Abstain by Proxy.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:40

Iniya René?

# Senator René 1:19:41

Yes.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:42

Xavier Wilson?

# Senator Wilson 1:19:44

Yes.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:19:47

All right, with 18 yeses, 0 nos, and 4 abstentions, Demario has been appointed to the Senate. Okay, so the next set of appointments and nominations that is on the agenda for today is the election committee. And we have the Election Commissioner here on Zoom. And the Election Commissioner's just going to speak on each person's behalf instead of having each of them come. Oscar?

# Senator Martinez 1:20:31

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences. I motion to slate this for a later date.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:20:36

Nope, that's not what that means.

# Senator Martinez 1:20:39

Oh, sorry.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:20:39

A slate means vote them all together.

# Senator Martinez 1:20:41

Oh, no, I'm sorry. It was "tabled".

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:20:44

Nope. This is a slate.

# **Senator Martinez** 1:20:46

Okay. Cool.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:20:47

Okay. Is there a second to slate the election committee? Or is there any one opposed to slating it? (laughter)

# Advisor Gitlin 1:20:57

Point of information, Our elections are happening next- Next week. We need to make sure that we have an Election Commission. Otherwise we can't have an election

# Election Commissioner Talbot 1:21:21

Hi everyone, I'm so sorry I can't be there in person today, but I hope you are all doing well today. So my committee members are Maria Andrade, Sophia Davis, Maria Sanderson and Erin Leaman and we allwe all very much look forward to handling this election cycle for the semester. And we are all grad students. Myself, Miranda, Sophia and Maria are all in the MPA program Erin is in the MBA program. And like I said, we all look forward to working with you guys and- and having a very successful and hopefully, smooth election cycle and if anyone has any questions or anything, please feel free.

#### VPLA Hinnawi 1:22:15

Does anyone have any questions for Talia?

# Senator Fredrick 1:22:18

Cameron Frederick College of Business Administration, what experience have you had in the past with elections, if any?

# Election Commissioner Talbot 1:22:25

So myself specifically with elections, I have worked locally, in- in my parish, in Jefferson Parish, with specific elections, I forgot- I've dealt with two throughout the years, but specifically in UNO, I don't have necessarily any experience with elections in that regard.

#### Senator Fredrick 1:22:50

Thank you.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:22:52

Any questions?

# Senator Lemons 1:22:55

Oh, Cooper Lemons College of Liberal Arts. Can you speak if any of the other members on the election committee have experience with elections?

# Election Commissioner Talbot 1:23:05

No, they do not necessarily.

# Senator Lemons 1:23:07

Okay.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:23:13

Anyone else have any questions? All right.

# Advisor Gitlin 1:23:19

So Talia, we are putting you in a waiting room while they vote

# Election Commissioner Talbot 1:23:35

Okay, thank you

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:23:35

Point of information, you're not voting on Talia as we have already elected her as the Election Commissioner. This is just the committee that will be serving under her. So this is what we're voting on, the people that she needs and a little bit about what they do is during election week, which is next week, so if there's any issues or if there's any complaints filed by people running or just campaigning troubles, they will be the ones who oversee that process and handle it. Okay. All right. We will now proceed to a roll call vote when I call your name but yes, no or abstain. Rakeen Barnes?

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 1:24:15

Abstain by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:15

Michael Brown?

Senator Brown 1:24:16

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:19

Ian Carbo?

Senator Fredrick 1:24:20

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:22

**Christian Crout?** 

Senator Crout 1:24:23

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:24

Dylan Davidson.

**Pro Tempore Davidson** 1:24:26

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:26

Lukas Deffendall?

Senator Deffendall 1:24:27

Yes.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:28

Cameron Fredrick?

Senator Fredrick 1:24:29

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:30

Daniel Hunsaker?

Senator Hunsaker 1:24:31

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:32

Jenna Hymel?

Senator Crout 1:24:33

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:34

Cooper Lemons?

Senator Lemons 1:24:35

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:37

Oscar Martinez?

Senator Martinez 1:24:41

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:41

Chloe Metzler?

Senator Martinez 1:24:42

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:43

**Brendan Mott?** 

Senator Plasse 1:24:44

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:45

# Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 1:24:46

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:47

Adam Peters?

**Senator Martinez** 1:24:50

Yes, by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:52

Linda Plasse?

Senator Plasse 1:24:53

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:55

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 1:24:56

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:57

Gazi Raihan?

Senator Raihan 1:24:58

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:24:59

Matthieu Riccardo?

Senator Deffendall 1:25:00

Abstain by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:25:02

Iniya René?

Senator René 1:25:03

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 1:25:04

Xavier Wilson?

# Senator Wilson 1:25:05

Yes.

#### VPLA Hinnawi 1:25:09

With 16 yeses, zero nos, and six abstentions, the slate is approved. Congratulations Talia the slate was approved.

# Election Commissioner Talbot 1:25:36

Thank you guys.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:25:38

Okay, and we will now move to open forum to discuss matters pertaining to the betterment of SGA.

# Senator Hunsaker 1:25:54

Daniel Hunsaker, Senior At Large, I've never had to use my hotspot so many times this year. The Wi-Fi is quite ridiculous. Is there anything we could do about it? Is there anyone who might know what we can do about it? Or throw money at?

# Senator Martinez 1:26:13

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, So I've actually spoken with IT. And according to them, they are both "working on it" and "updating it" at the same time. And they said that "problems are to be expected." (Laughter)

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:26:30

So what I will do is I will mention this in our meeting with administration because I've also been struggling. I'm not gonna lie to y'all, I've dropped the ball I meant to mention it in my last meeting, but I forgot. So this time I'm going to write it down and go in there with this. But if anyone has any ideas, let me know because we're a school we need WiFi. (Laughter) Do any Senators have anything?

#### Senator Fredrick 1:27:02

Cameron Fredrick, College of Business Administration, I wanted to ask for absences and tardies do I have- Is there a paperwork I can fill out to be excused for that so I'm not marked down for tardy or absent? Or is there something else I have to do?

### VPLA Hinnawi 1:27:18

Yeah, so you have to submit it in advance

# Senator Fredrick 1:27:22

But three tardies?

#### VPLA Hinnawi 1:27:24

You can just, if you have an excuse- and this is for everyone- If you have an excuse, you can email me or you can email our advisors both works email three of us and it'll be fine

# Senator Fredrick 1:27:39

And it's- also- sorry is it- Judged off of- So it's three strikes in the same category of tardy or absent or is it three strikes total over all tardies and absences?

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:27:51

It's it's three total, but- for example- Say you had class that ended at the exact same time our meeting is started and you've let me know, as long as you let me know prior to our meeting.

# Senator Fredrick 1:28:06

Okay.

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:28:09

Anyone else?

# **Pro Tempore Davidson** 1:28:13

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, I motion to adjourn the meeting.

# Senator Martinez 1:28:16

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, I second that motion

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:28:19

Okay, can I get a show of hands?

# **Senators** 1:28:21

(Show of Hands Vote)

# VPLA Hinnawi 1:28:22

Alright, I dismiss this meeting at 6:35 PM