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SPEAKERS

Senator Carbo, Senator Peters, Vice President Moss, Unknown Senator, President Charles, Senator Brown, Senator Deffendall, Senator Hymel, Advisor Courseault, Senator Metzler, Appointee Plasse, Senator Abadie, VPLA Hinnawi, Senator Fredrick, Senator Mott, Senator Crout, Senator Morales-Ramirez, Senator Plasse, Parliamentarian Hymel, Pro Tempore Davidson, Senator Martinez, Senator Nguyen, Senator Sorlin, VPP Mailhes, Senator Raihan, Senator René, Senator Wilson, Appointee Jordan

VPLA Hinnawi 00:00

So, I call this meeting to order at 5:05pm. The Parliamentarian is present, do I have a nomination for temporary Pro Tempore?

Senator Mott 00:13

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I nominate Oscar Martinez to be the temporary Pro Tempore.

VPLA Hinnawi 00:18

Thank you. I will now take a roll call vote. When I call your name, please say here. Daniel Abadie?

Senator Abadie 00:30

Present.

VPLA Hinnawi 00:32

Rakeen Barnes? Rakeen Barnes? Michael Brown?

Senator Brown 00:43

Here.

VPLA Hinnawi 00:45

Ian Carbo?

Senator Carbo 00:47

Here

VPLA Hinnawi 00:49

Christian Crout?

Senator Crout 00:50

Here.

VPLA Hinnawi 00:52

Dylan Davidson? Dylan Davidson? Lukas Deffendall?

Senator Deffendall 01:02

Here

VPLA Hinnawi 01:04

Cameron Fredrick? Cameron Frederick? Daniel Hunsaker?

Senator René 01:13

Present by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:16

Jenna Hymel?

Parliamentarian Hymel 01:17

Present.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:20

Cooper Lemons? Cooper Lemons? Oscar Martinez?

Senator Martinez 01:42

Here.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:43

Chloe Metzler? Chloe Metzler? Gabrielee Morales-Ramirez?

Senator Morales-Ramirez 01:48

Here.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:48

Brendan Mott?

Senator Mott 01:50

Present

VPLA Hinnawi 01:51

Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 01:54

Here.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:55

Adam Peters?

Senator Peters 01:56

Here.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:56

Linda Plasse?

Senator Plasse 01:57

Present.

VPLA Hinnawi 01:58

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 02:00

Present.

VPLA Hinnawi 02:02

Gazi Raihan? Gazi Raihan? Matthieu Ricardo? Matthieu Ricardo? Iniya René?

Senator René 02:24

Present.

VPLA Hinnawi 02:26

Damario Struiken?

Parliamentarian Hymel 02:27

Present by proxy

VPLA Hinnawi 02:31

Xavier Wilson?

Senator Wilson 02:32

Here.

VPLA Hinnawi 02:59

With 18 Senators present we do meet quorum. Are there any corrections or changes to today's agenda?

Senator Fredrick 03:11

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

Senator Peters 03:15

Adam Peters College of Engineering seconded.

VPLA Hinnawi 03:21

Thank you, are there any corrections or changes to today's agenda? Okay with no objection to the agenda, it is approved. Are there any corrections or changes to the minutes from last meeting? With no corrections or changes to the minutes from last meeting, they are approved. Are there any senator communications or announcements?

Pro Tempore Davidson 03:59

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, I motion to be recognized.

Senator Peters 04:02

Adam Peters, College of Engineering, seconded

Pro Tempore Davidson 04:05

I'm also proxying for Rakeen.

VPLA Hinnawi 04:11

Are there any other Senator communications or announcements?

Senator Mott 04:15

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I have a quick announcement. I did let some people know that I actually plan on having a tabling event within the next couple of weeks. They said the week of the 17th is the one that works for them, in Pontchartrain Halls. So I will be talking to some more people about that shortly. I just want to let everyone know that- to have that on their radar.

VPLA Hinnawi 04:39

Any other Senator communications or announcements? Are there any non-Senator communications or announcements?

Guest Jordan 04:51

Aaron Jordan, College of Liberal Arts. I'd like the SGA Senate to be aware that the SGA Court has approved a hearing for a measure to have an impeachment of Senator Martinez under case number 122-2. Thank you.

Advisor Courseault 05:12

Advisor Courseault, Amanda Robbins, the Director of Residential Life has reached out about housing insurance for students. So, definitely Senator Mott or whomever is with Student Affairs, I believe Senator Hunsaker, I definitely want to talk to you all because she wants to come speak to Senate and also to provide options on the pricing of how much it would cost to do renter's insurance because I know there was flooding in Pontchartrain Halls last semester and so I want to let you guys know that your voices were heard. And so that is a connect that's happening to whomever- to Senator Mott or Senator Hunsaker, I would definitely like to collaborate with you guys and get that set up as a connection.

VPLA Hinnawi 06:03

Thank you Tiffany. Are there any other non-Senator communications or announcements?

Senator Crout 06:17

Do Fraternities work in this realm?

VPLA Hinnawi 06:20

If it's like, for example, say if you were like "oh, we have this event, everyone come out."

Senator Crout 06:25

Christian Crout, College of Engineering. Theta Xi's going to be having a little bit of a pig roast this Saturday on the Lakefront, not too far out. I'd say it's \$10 a plate. It's going to be a lot of fun. We're gonna have some sports events out there. We're gonna have some sides. Good- good food, good company. Hope to see some of you there.

VPLA Hinnawi 06:45

All right. We'll now move on to reports. Does the Pro Tempore have a report? Do any other committees have a report?

Parliamentarian Hymel 07:03

Jenna Hymel, Parliamentarian, Good evening, everyone. This is gonna be really short report. I just want to let everyone know a little bit about the Rules Committee, because we've had some issues. If the Rules Committee rules on something, y'all have to follow it, y'all can't just ignore our ruling, because we do rule on things for a very specific reason. If y'all have questions, ask. Like, it makes it a lot easier when it comes to the floor. We don't have to bicker back and forth on different aspects of a bill. So just please keep that in mind. When y'all get, like, our- our rulings back, those aren't suggestions. Those are things that need to be changed. That being said, I'm happy that everyone is here and I stand open for questions. Okay, thank you.

Senator Raihan 08:09

Gazi Raihan, Motion to be recognized.

Senator Martinez 08:12

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

VPLA Hinnawi 08:15

Thank you so much, do any of the other committees have a report? Does the President have a report?

President Charles 08:28

I'm so excited to be here on this Wednesday afternoon. All right, y'all. "Great minds discuss ideas, average minds discuss events, and small minds discuss people" Eleanor Roosevelt. This past weekend. I went to the Council of Student Body Presidents where I met with the other nine UL institutions to discuss matters of student government. Each campus is working to advance their organization and the UL system is working on a service project with each- each student government organization trying to deliver goods to, I guess, low economic places. I'll send you guys an email laterprobably next week. Next week's meeting was cancelled, right? So Friday, I think next week, I'll give you guys more update on that. Yesterday we had our Voter Registration Event, we had it was me. J. and Damaria- The Clerk of Senate and the Clerk of Court- to register UNO students to vote. That was really successful, and I just wanted to shout out Joy Braun, from the Non-Partisan Coalition of Engaged New Voices and Voters. She really helped us, you know, get this going for our students. So if anyone has not registered to vote in this room, I can help you with that. Anyone can help you with that. Especially as student representatives, it's very important that you guys vote and exercise your right to vote and it's very important that. Last- not last, but um- Inauguration. The Executive Board is currently planning that, we will be sending out invitations by Monday no later than Wednesday. So between Monday and Wednesday, you guys will receive formal invitation with an email. Last but not least, Azizah notified you guys today that I did veto the passed bill at this last meeting. Do you guys have any questions about that? Please let me know, this is a great time to ask me now. But I did send an email so I stand open for questions. Yes.

Pro Tempore Davidson 10:48

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, any numbers on how many people y'all got registered?

President Charles 10:52

I want- it was not a lot. And, in fact, I told Joy, "That was not enough people" and she said, "There are more voters than yesterday." That's what the- part of the mindset was, but I want to say- I think ten. It wasn't a lot. I'm gonna be honest with you.

Parliamentarian Hymel 11:09

Jenna Hymel, Parliamentarian, do you have a date and time for the inauguration?

President Charles 11:14

Yes. So we want to make sure this is as convenient as possible, it is going to be on Wednesday, October 26th, 2022, 5pm-7pm You guys did receive a calendar invite, I want to say two weeks ago if not last week, so please accept that calendar invite from me. But it's gonna be the same time as the Senate Meeting, it's gonna take in place of the Senate Meeting. So that week of the 26th, you guys will not have a Senate meeting, that will be inauguration. I want to clarify, Adviser Tiffany, they confirmed the polos for Senate, and you guys will be getting that at the inauguration. Alright, thank you all.

VPLA Hinnawi 11:59

Thank you Angelo. Does the Vice President have a report?

Vice President Moss 12:06

Vice President Moss, the current Senate Operating Account numbers are \$22,743.25. Our reserve account numbers are \$241,854.69. And lastly, if you guys did not fill out the Google Form I sent you guys regarding Senate Retreat, please do that by Friday, because it is absolutely imperative that I have that information, and I yield the rest of my time for questions.

Senator Peters 12:34

What form of documentation do you need for-like excuse for not being there? So I have a work contract and Friday, I am in a lab.

Vice President Moss 12:50

You can just send me a screenshot of your schedule and that's fine. Any more questions? Alright, thank you guys.

VPLA Hinnawi 12:59

Thank you Jordan. We will now move on to my report which is going to be pretty short- it's not sweet but- short. Um, so I did decide to go ahead and cancel next week's meeting. It didn't make sense to just come back straight off a break and have that meeting. Although this is going to be a break, definitely use it to recharge, but also maybe use it as an opportunity to meet within your committees, and maybe just kind of get a little foot in the door and get a little jumpstart on the week. I don't want to think likewe're taking a break next week and we shouldn't do anything SGA related because there are a lot of bills and legislations out there that could be written. That's all. Does anyone have any questions for me? Nothing? All right. Does the Vice President of Programming have a report?

VPP Mailhes 13:58

Hey, y'all, I don't have a much of a report other than to say thank you. I saw so many Senators come to Casino Night, and it really warmed my heart, it's an event I've been planning for two years, and it kept getting cancelled. So thank you all for coming. It's made me really happy but I do want to say SAC is planning Homecoming Week, that will be in November. That will be an all-hands-on-deck kind of week. I'll give you all more correspondence when I get more details, but just be prepared so that you know it's the 7th through the 12th, we're having an event every day, a lot of opportunities to get involved with more students. That's all I wanted to say. Any questions?

VPLA Hinnawi 14:44

Thank you Maggie. Does the Judicial Branch have a report?

President Charles 14:52

Yes, there are two matters before the court. That's the report. Thank you. Do I have any questions for the court? Oscar?

Senator Martinez 15:05

There are two, you said, total? Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, two?

President Charles 15:10

Correct.

Senator Martinez 15:11

Okay. So there's no other in progress or anything like that?

President Charles 15:14

I cannot speak- Yes. I can't answer that. I actually don't know because I'm not the court. But I will certainly ask Dwayne if there are other matters before the court.

Senator Martinez 15:24

Oh, it's secret. Okay, thank you.

President Charles 15:28

It's so- Thank you Oscar for your question. Is there any more questions? Any more secrets? No? Okay. Thank you.

VPLA Hinnawi 15:34

Do the Advisors have a report?

Advisor Courseault 15:46

Advisor Courseault, my report is really short. Advisor Gatlin, he actually had a presentation for class and he could not be here. As far- The first thing I wanted to tell you guys- I hope your midterms are going well. I know for some of you it's this week, and some it's next week, and I hope that you're using what Senator Azi- I'm sorry- VPLA Hinnawi said. Please take the time to recharge. I don't know about you, but it feels like this semester has been a long one. So please, please recharge. Also, remember that when reviewing anyone up for appointment, you're judging their ability to serve in their appointments. Please ask questions related specifically to the role they'll be taking on, for example, what they think about a budget or a bill, do they have any ideas on how to make SGA better, and what the folks accomplish. Also, Leadership Retreat, I sent an email out today please, please go. It is independent of Senator Retreat. So don't think "Hey, I went to Leadership Retreat. I don't have to go to Senator Retreat." It's not the same. Leadership Retreat is hosted by the Student Involvement and Leadership office, and it is \$10 to go but it includes transportation, all your food, it includes lodging. And it's just a really, really fun time. And I mean, I think I'm a fun person. I mean, I'm there so you should go it's exciting to get to meet other people and you just really grow so much professionally and all you guys are student leaders and so I just really would like for you guys to have that opportunity. And I yield the rest of my time for questions.

President Charles 17:28

Where is this retreat at?

Advisor Courseault 17:30

It is in Tall Timbers. It's outside of Alexandria, Louisiana. Guys, don't make that face, we have charter busses that are comfortable.

President Charles 17:42

It's in the woods? I'm sorry. [Laughter]

Advisor Courseault 17:45

Well, it isn't camping, it's like "Glamping". It's like- it's hotel accommodation, and like we do campfires-But like you have like a really nice room, you're like, seriously glamping.

Senator Carbo 17:57

I know that I was pretty interested, but I do work from like 12 to 5, and I'm a little worried about that. Will I be able to meet up later? Do I need to make sure that that would be-?

Advisor Courseault 18:09

If you want to drive out there, that is more, like we actually had a couple of senators last spring that drove out there because they couldn't leave when we leave but yeah, you're more than welcome to do that.

Senator Carbo 18:20

Okay.

Parliamentarian Hymel 18:22

You kind of Jenna Hymel, Parliamentarian. You kind of answered my question but nevermind.

Senator Morales-Ramirez 18:34

Gabrielee Morales, College of Liberal Arts. When is the retreat?

Advisor Courseault 18:38

It is next weekend, October 14th through the 16th. So we leave out on Friday. We're going to leave here from at four o'clock and then we're going to- we're planning to get there around three-ish or four and then we do check in, you put your stuff down, we have dinner. We have a lot of activities planned. There's sessions and there's going to- on Friday night it ends with campfire, ghost stories, and s'mores. I know it's cheesy, but guys, I'm telling you. It's fun

Senator Morales-Ramirez 19:08

And, how do you sign- How do you register?

Advisor Courseault 19:10

I will send you email. And then on Saturday- there's a Lip Sync Battle that I'm hosting

President Charles 19:19

What's the style of music for the lip sync battle?

Advisor Courseault 19:21

Whatever you want to do. But we're going for Ghost Stories. Yes?

Senator Carbo 19:26

How many have currently signed up?

Advisor Courseault 19:28

So far, we have 33 people that have signed up. Yes, Angelo?

President Charles 19:35

How long is the drive?

Advisor Courseault 19:39

Three and a half hours. Okay. And if you have any other questions, please you guys know where I am. Send me an email. Also, there's also one more thing I wanted to tell you guys too. When students travel, SGA does provide funding for student travel if you're traveling to conferences, or anything that's academically related. The person that does handle travel requests- Todd handles that aspect- that used to be Joy, now it's Todd. So if you ever have any questions about travel requests, just CC Todd and he can take care of you. And that's all. I yield the rest of my time. Thank you.

VPLA Hinnawi 20:26

Thank you. We don't have any old business so the-

Senator Mott 20:33

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

Pro Tempore Davidson 20:37

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, I second the motion.

VPLA Hinnawi 20:43

Okay- Don't cut me off.

Senator Mott 20:44

I'm sorry.

VPLA Hinnawi 20:47

We will now hear new business. The first order of new business is actually the Student ID Resolution. Will the authors and the sponsor of this bill- this resolution please come forward and state your name for the record.

Senator Wilson 21:16

So, I am feeling a bit under the weather today, so I'm going to be very brief. I hope that everyone has read the resolution. So, what I want to start off by saying is that there is a silent epidemic that affects many of us, sometimes directly and other times indirectly. We're most certainly living in times where reaching out for help is still greatly stigmatized, especially in non-white communities. There's no concrete guide for dealing with intrusive thoughts or unforeseen situations. We may not have the answers to these situations, but we can position ourselves in a place that is proactive instead of reactive. Specifically, I'm referring to suicide and sexual assault. Statistics from the National Institute of Mental Health, say that suicide is the third leading cause of death for individuals aged between 15 and 24. To add to this, the suicide rate for males was four times the national average in 2020 alone, with an average of 22 per 100,000 Compared to 5.5 per 100,000 for those who identify as female. And this is just suicide alone. Providing crisis resources on our ID cards is simply the least we can do to be proactive. I hope that we can do our part and do it well. Statistics are grim, but these are the realities in which we live and face every single day. It saddens me that nearly one in five women in this country experienced some form of violent sexual assault. nearly 81% of women nationwide have reported experiencing some form of sexual harassment. This is not only isolated to women, nearly one quarter of men experienced some form of sexual violence in their life. And I know personally for queer and nonheterosexual individuals, this number is much higher. With the current political climate, it has become even more stigmatized for people to speak up and reach out to trained professionals about their experiences because they simply feel as if they aren't being heard. I want to say to those individuals, that we hear you and we will do everything in our power to ensure that these critical crisis resources are provided to everyone and one of the most common applications that being your student ID Card. I encourage my colleagues to sincerely consider this resolution because quite frankly, we have nothing to lose by providing these resources in this location, we have the opportunity to do good for those of us who suffer in silence. Those sleeple- those sleepless nights, those tears that are shed, they discriminate against no one. A friend, a classmate, the stranger in passing can be desperate for help, and you'd never know. So fellow Senators, I urge you to be a part of a governing body that reaches its hand to ensure that our students, our friends, and our classmates have every resource that they need in those times of despair, and the times of intrusion, and in times of peril. And I yield the rest of my time for questions.

Senator Abadie 24:05

Daniel Abadie, College of Liberal Arts. If this resolution passes, will students with old UNO IDs required to be issued new ones or will they be allowed to keep the ones that they already have?

Senator Wilson 24:17

So logistically, I thought about that, it wouldn't be feasible to go ahead and just redo everybody's ID. So, in the future, any new ID that is printed would feature the changes.

Parliamentarian Hymel 24:33

Jenna Hymel, Parliamentarian, if a new student were to have an old ID and wanted to get a new ID would they still have to pay that \$15 fee?

VPLA Hinnawi 24:46

Point of information, Azizah Hinnawi, that would actually be up for the ID department to decide. In the past, last time when they did switch ID formats, they decided to do it for free as long as you turned in your old ID. But that would be a decision made by them and not by us or Xavier.

Pro Tempore Davidson 25:10

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, I was just wondering if you had any you know correspondence with the ID people to see like how it will be done logistically?

Senator Wilson 25:18

So no, I have not spoken to them. But I have worked on ID systems in the past and I do know that it is fairly simple to do a reformat with an ID card so I'm just basing this off that previous experience.

Senator Crout 25:35

Christian Crout, College of Engineering, concerning pre-existing cards like ones that haven't been issued out just yet but the department already has bought, would that- would this resolution take in effect after those have already run out? Or-

Pro Tempore Davidson 25:52

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, point of information like they print it when you go and get it, so it's not like it's already printed out.

Senator Crout 25:58

Okay, yeah.

President Charles 25:59

Point of Information, President Angelo Charles, so essentially for a resolution is basically our agreence from this governmental body. So just because we got we passed, or we don't pass it does not mean that all IDs are going to be changed. This is a recommendation for administration to change the IDs, if it does pass. So, as far as the feasibility, that's going to be on administration to determine such remedies.

Appointee Plasse 26:29

Linda Plasse, College of Liberal Arts, I just wanted to ask about the phrasing of the deletion of the preexisting paragraph, about where to return the IDs if lost. Like, would it be possible to still include that, because I feel like that is important information to have on student IDs for safety reasons.

Senator Wilson 26:48

That is something that is very important to have on there. Just realistically though, from what I've experienced, when someone has found an ID. Somebody recently lost their ID in one of the dorms and they just posted it on Discord was like, "Hey, if this is your ID come and get it". So I think realistically, people aren't bringing IDs to whatever room is listed on there. I think they're just gonna bring it to the nearest person.

Senator Martinez 27:18

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences. I also had a question as far as that goes, actually wanted to mention a proposed solution to that. You could just put "Department of Biological Sciences and you can take it to that office" and it would kill the whole paragraph. You just put it on the front of the card.

Senator Wilson 27:37

And that's also something that can be amended

VPLA Hinnawi 27:45

Are there any other questions? Okay, before we begin, let me outline the structure of discussion for a second. The way it goes is we're going to have an initial debate on the resolution or any bill, then we'll open the floor to amendments. So, for example, Linda, who felt strongly that that phrase should say you have proposed that as an amendment. We then discuss the amendment, vote on the amendment. After that passes, we enter the final debate on the resolution. Okay? We will now enter initial debate, the first three minutes will be controlled by the first senator to rise in opposition. Does anyone rise opposition of this resolution?

Parliamentarian Hymel 28:34

Jenna Hymel, College of Liberal Arts, I rise in opposition because the statement about not returning the IDs is false, people come into my office all the time with lost IDs. So we do have a place for the lost IDs. And if that is deleted, then no one knows where to put the lost IDs. Also, another thing, it says "these numbers can include." We kind of need a very specific thing to put on the back of the IDs and it doesn't state a very specific thing. Also, It's just-I know we had speaking- or spoken about this, but IDs are \$5,000 for a stack of 300 IDs. So printing new IDs is very hard for our office to work with that. Just something to consider and I am finished.

Senator Mott 29:39

I just want to ask can- can I speak about opposition as well before I do? Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I also work with Jenna in the Access Control Office which handles IDs and I just want to mention that we don't just have the one regular ID we have like seven different forms of ID which I printed but I'm not going to make everyone come look at it but if you're interested, you absolutely can. I will hand this to you right now. The problem is the text is different on the back of each of these IDs. Some of them are for guests of the University so they specifically say that. The student ID, they have your legal name on the back and put your preferred name on the front that people see, which is required to be included. And another part is I completely agree with what President Charles said about like, we're not really going to- we're not the ones who actually make it happen, we're just suggesting it. But I think if we suggest something that administration won't want to do, it could in theory look bad on the Senate. And the last thing I'm going to mention is I actually talked to Jenna and I's boss Miss Leslie Peters, and she is not completely for this because um, even if we charge people for the new IDs, people will more than likely want to go buy an ID just to get the new ID. And actually- I did some math. And \$15 is actually not how much we should charge for a new ID but the amount we should charge is a lot.

VPLA Hinnawi 30:55

I will stop you there. The decision on how much an ID costs is not our job or our area to even discuss. That is something they put that number on. So that's not our fault. I think printing words on the back of it. You know, it wouldn't really change either way, the back of the card is full of stuff but thank you for the pictures and your input. We will now start the second round of debate. Does anyone rise in support of this bill?

Senator Abadie 31:30

Daniel Abadie, College of Liberal Arts, in high school- and I just graduated high school- our IDs also had a suicide- it was something new that they issued- the suicide hotline on the back of all IDs, and we weren't charged for it- our IDs at high school but of course college is bigger in scale. But in general, suicide statistics have been very negative for the past two decades, especially among young men, and especially among people who are in financial difficulties. It's not- as like the resolution says it's not, you know, it's the smallest contribution that we could contribute but the- what some- something like 95% of gun deaths are a result of suicide by handgun. So, it is a very, you know, you're more likely to commit suicide than you are to be mugged. So, in some parts of the city, but I think it's important enough to- it should be given some serious consideration on- I think it should be implemented. And with that I yield my time.

Senator Crout 32:43

Christian Crout, College of Engineering, I just pulled up my UL ID and I think that we can possibly have both on the back because if we just change the font the paragraph should be fit still, then still have all the necessary information to contact those, you know, organizations like the suicide hotline. There's at least three phone numbers as well as a couple emails on my UL ID, some website information and it also has a paragraph on where to return it if need be.

VPLA Hinnawi 33:19

Thank you.

Senator Carbo 33:22

lan Carbo College of Business Administration, I also agree that sexual harassment and suicide prevention are really big movements right now in America because it's a very prevailing issue across a lot of people our age, these are people that we know that could be committing suicide and stuff, and I feel like just having it on the back of the card, even if you do end up having to take off the if found, please return to this area- even if you could just show in that paragraph down a bit, because you have like a whole UNO Address on there. You could take off "Lakeshore, blah blah blah" that. It's UNO, people know where UNO is. And I just think that if this does end up saving lives, it's worth the money that would be cost to fix the issue.

VPLA Hinnawi 34:20

Does anyone else rise in support of this?

Senator René 34:31

Iniya René, College of Business Administration. I rise in support simply because, in the past, I've had friends that struggle with suicide and whatnot. And you know as SGA, we advocate for the student body

and so I feel as though, like, we're in the position where we need to advocate for those students that do battle with depression and all that stuff. Because, you know, we have prideful people, like not all of them will be willing to go to counselors and all that. And you know, like, they're sworn to confidentiality, but some people aren't comfortable with that. And so to have something like that at their fingertips to refer to just in case they are in a time of crisis, you know, that would be beneficial. And so, what better way to show a gesture as SGA, to show that we care about the student body by implementing something like that on an ID card that we have?

VPLA Hinnawi 35:27

Does anyone else rise in support this resolution? All right, we will now move to amendments. Are there any amendments?

Appointee Plasse 35:44

Linda Plasse, College of Liberal Arts. I would like to propose an amendment for not deleting the "Lost ID" paragraph because I feel like that could become a liability issue if we fully remove that information, it releases accountability on our part of saying where to return it, and also never assume people know anything, including locations. In my experience- Don't- don't assume anything. I feel like we need to put that forward that we are giving you this information in addition to these resources.

VPLA Hinnawi 36:14

Thank you. Well, now we're going to discuss this amendment and then we'll move on to more amendments. Okay. So does anyone rise in opposition to Linda's amendment, which would be just to keep the return to the ID center?

Senator Wilson 36:35

Xavier Wilson, College of Liberal Arts, I think the paragraph itself is- it's entirely too long- If I can actually find my ID- Paragraph itself is entirely too long. And as the ID people were saying, it's already difficult to have the formatting on there. And I just don't think there's space for that to stay in addition to everything else.

VPLA Hinnawi 37:02

Does anyone else has an opposition? Does anyone- Do you rise in opposition?

Senator Carbo 37:08

Yes. I rise in opposition of adding the- keeping the whole paragraph. I could potentially see "If found, please return to the Access Control Office, room 112, Computer Center," but the other two lines could theoretically just be wiped away with and you'd still pretty much have all the information needed.

VPLA Hinnawi 37:38

Does anyone else rise in opposition to Linda's amendment? Does anyone rise in support?

Senator Peters 37:45

Adam Peters, College of Engineering. I think it should be kept because it is sort of a liability issue as previously stated. But also, having worked with the general public, they're not always the most

intelligent so you really do need to spell everything out for them. However, I think it could be possible to, like, use a smaller font or rearrange it a little bit. But I think it absolutely needs to be kept, because also returning it to the Access Control Office is where they would go get a new ID. So, by returning it to that specific office means they won't have to pay for a new ID, y'all will just have their ID there. Which is partially why it's probably on the back of the ID. I yield the rest of my time.

Senator Mott 38:42

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, while I'm not for the resolution itself, I do think that the amendment makes it better for me personally, especially because, the reason it's on the back, the whole address is if you lose it somewhere far away, they can mail it to the University, which I have heard of happening before.

Parliamentarian Hymel 39:09

Jenna Hymel, Parliamentarian, also another thing is the line "This ID card is Property of University of New Orleans" that is important because your IDs are property of the university. Even though, unfortunately you do pay for them. It- it's needed, because we have to put that, because if something happens, we are responsible for it and y'all have to know that we are responsible for it. So, I feel that everything in this paragraph is put there for a reason because it needs to be told to the student body.

Vice President Moss 39:48

Vice President Moss, I would like to pass around Christian's cards. One is his UL Lafayette card, and one is his University of New Orleans card, just so you guys can see the comparison of the information that is on there. Before we vote- y'all should see both cards and the information on both of them.

VPLA Hinnawi 40:11

Now, does anyone else rise in support just on Linda's amendment?

Senator Peters 40:19

Point of inquiry, to either our Parliamentarian or to Senator Mott. Do we know what the resolution- the resolution on the printer is? Because if it does go lower, that would be lovely. But I also know there might be a technological disadvantage to that.

Senator Mott 40:42

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts. Returning your point of inquiry, I just wanted to say that on previous versions of the ID, it was smaller. So, in theory, it could work. So just want to say that.

Senator Raihan 40:59

Just a recommendation, without like adding the information, what we can do- we can use just scan a code so that the people can just use like- if we do not have enough space so that- for the emergency address, or anything so that's what we need actually, the information is important. So, if, suppose, I lost my ID, got a new one so somebody can mail it. It's important. It's the most important thing, but if someone needs the emergency assistance, we can- we can use it of course. So, the student can easily scan it but the people- the unknown people, I don't know whether you can use it or not.

VPLA Hinnawi 41:36

That is a very good point. Um let's save that for a separate amendment, Gazi. Let's talk about strictly just Linda's I think we're out of- actually time for discussion. So, we will move on to a roll call vote for the amendment- for Linda's amendment. Okay, that is to include the bit about returning to- to the desk. Alright so when I call your name vote yes, no, or abstain only on the amendment. Daniel Abadie?

Senator Abadie 42:11

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:14

Rakeen Barnes?

Pro Tempore Davidson 42:15

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:17

Michael Brown?

Senator Brown 42:18

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:20

Ian Carbo?

Senator Carbo 42:21

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:23

Christian Crout?

Senator Crout 42:24

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:25

Dylan Davidson?

Pro Tempore Davidson 42:26

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:28

Lukas Deffendall?

Senator Deffendall 42:29

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:30

Cameron Fredrick?

Senator Fredrick 42:31

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:33

Daniel Hunsaker?

Senator René 42:34

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:36

Jenna Hymel?

Senator Hymel 42:37

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:39

Cooper Lemons... is not here, I'm sorry. Oscar Martinez?

Senator Martinez 42:44

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:46

Gabrielle?

Senator Morales-Ramirez 42:47

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:50

Brendan Mott?

Senator Mott 42:51

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:53

Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 42:53

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:55 Adam Peters?

Senator Peters 42:56

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:57

Linda Plasse?

Senator Plasse 42:58

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 42:59

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 43:00

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 43:02

Gazi Raihan?

Senator Raihan 43:03

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 43:05

Iniya René.

Senator René 43:07

Abstain.

VPLA Hinnawi 43:07

Damario Strukien?

Parliamentarian Hymel 43:09

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 43:10

Xavier Wilson?

Senator Wilson 43:11

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 43:16

With 16 yeses, 2 nos, and 4 abstentions, the amendment has passed. So, now we will enter- are there any other amendments? Adam?

Senator Peters 43:33

I would like to see the addition of the Trevor Project and the number for the Trevor Project added to the list of numbers. The Trevor Project is a- specifically LGBTQ help, like, crisis line for younger queer youth. They have their nonprofit- the number is free, and they have like- they have good people manning the phones there. They've been doing this for a very long time. They're very good at what they do. And like LGBT people, LG- LGBTQ people tend to be at a greater risk of suicide as well. And so, I think it would be a good addition to it. Would you like me to read out the number for the record? Okay.

VPLA Hinnawi 44:28

All right. We will now discuss Adam's amendment. So, does anyone rise in opposition to this amendment to add the Trevor's project?

Senator Peters 44:40

The Trevor Project-

VPLA Hinnawi 44:41

The Trevor Project's number to the list of numbers added to the IDs?

Senator Abadie 44:48

Point of Inquiry, what is it age demographic? He said younger.

Senator Peters 44:54

So, the age demographic ranges up to age 24. So, majority of college students fall within the range of what they would help. However, even if you do call and you're not of youth, they will redirect you to something more appropriate.

VPLA Hinnawi 45:16

Does anyone rise in opposition to adding the Trevor Project number? Does anyone rise in support to this addition?

Senator Wilson 45:27

Xavier Wilson College of Liberal Arts. I do rise in support from my understanding the idea of a resolution is to be more of a suggestion to the University. And so, I did, on the last paragraph- I'm sorry the last sentence of the first paragraph- state that "these numbers can include but are not limited to" to leave that, like, space open for interpretation of other numbers that were deemed necessary and important.

VPLA Hinnawi 45:59

Does anyone else rise in support to this amendment? We will now move to a roll call vote on this amendment, it was just to add this number to the numbers that are already present on the resolution. So when I call your name, vote yes, no or abstain. Daniel Abadie?

Senator Abadie 46:23

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:24

Rakeen Barnes?

Pro Tempore Davidson 46:27

Abstain by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:27

Michael Brown?

Senator Brown 46:29

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:30

Ian Carbo?

Senator Carbo 46:31

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:32

Christian Crout?

Senator Crout 46:33

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:34

Dylan Davidson?

Pro Tempore Davidson 46:36

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:37

Lukas Deffendall?

Senator Deffendall 46:38

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:39 Cameron Fredrick?

Senator Fredrick 46:40

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:42 Jenna Hymel?

Senator Hymel 46:43

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:44

Oscar Martinez?

Senator Martinez 46:46

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:48

Gabrielle Morales-Ramirez?

Senator Morales-Ramirez 46:50

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:52

Brendan Mott?

Senator Mott 46:53

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:54

Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 46:55

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:56

Adam Peters?

Senator Peters 46:57

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 46:59

Linda Plasse?

Senator Plasse 47:00

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 47:00

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 47:02

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 47:06

Gazi Raihan?

Senator Raihan 47:06

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 47:09

Iniya René?

Senator René 47:10

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 47:11

Damario Struiken?

Parliamentarian Hymel 47:12

Abstain by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 47:13

Xavier Wilson?

Senator Wilson 47:14

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 47:21

With 19 yeses, zero nos, and three abstentions. Adam's amendment has passed to add the Trevor's-Trevor Project number to the IDs. Are there any other amendments? All right. We will now enter final debate; the first three minutes will be controlled by the senator- the first Senator to rise in opposition to this resolution. Do any senators rise in opposition?

Senator Mott 47:57

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I passed the amendments for the reason that I still think that they are very good amendments to the original resolution, but I still am not for it. I can also- also just think that there should have been more communication with the ID department before we even attempt to pass a resolution at this point. So that's where I am now, my opinion at this point.

VPLA Hinnawi 48:19

Is anyone else-?

Senator Metzler 48:20

Chloe Metzler, Sophomore at Large, I motion to be recognized.

Senator Martinez 48:23

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, I second.

VPLA Hinnawi 48:29

Does anyone else rise in opposition to the resolution? Does anyone rise in support of the resolution?

Senator Wilson 48:46

Xavier Wilson, College for Liberal Arts. So, I do rise in support of my resolution. I thought it was a good idea. As far as things go in terms of cost, I don't think there's a cost that we can place on prevention of a bad situation or, you know, reaching out a helping hand to those who are in need. In terms of communication of the ID department, I do understand that on my part, there was a lack of communication to the ID department. But again, I don't believe that that demerits the entire resolution from being that reaching hand to those who need it most.

Senator Carbo 49:30

lan Carbo, College of Business Administration, I also still rise in support of the resolution, because again, it's just a suggestion to the ID department. So, they could just take it and be like "No, we're not doing that." But I believe that we should still go forward with the suggestion because it is important that we do take a stand on these issues.

Pro Tempore Davidson 49:56

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore and I also rise in support. This is something that's just- Once you see it, it's like super obvious, but no one else took it upon themselves to bring it up. And I was wondering would Xavier- Would you guys be opposed to his idea of like putting the QR code because it kind of depersonalizes it a little bit. It's like, a little more, you know, "if you feel this way, oh you got to click the code and then go to a linktree and do all that," but it would kind of simplify it on the ID- on the ID offices' end?

VPLA Hinnawi 50:28

Well the time for amendments is actually over. That would have been suggested as an amendment. Does anyone else rise in favor?

Senator Crout 50:44

Christian Crout, College of Engineering. I definitely rise in support of this, I think people need- if people need help, they definitely need resources, and this is the best way I believe that should happen. Um, I do think that we can put all information- information that we want on the cards to be there as long as the font is different. Obviously, my cards were passed around, you guys can see that. They didn't take out and take away from the effect of the usefulness of the information and it got clear and to the point. I definitely support Xavier and his resolution on this.

Senator Martinez 51:17

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, I motion to vote

Senator Peters 51:20

Adam Peters, College of Engineering seconded

VPLA Hinnawi 51:22

We will now move to a roll call vote on this resolution. When I call your name please vote yes, no, or abstain. Daniel Abadie?

Senator Abadie 51:34

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:35

Rakeen Barnes?

Pro Tempore Davidson 51:36

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:37

Michael Brown?

Senator Brown 51:38

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:40

Ian Carbo?

Senator Carbo 51:41

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:42

Christian Crout?

Senator Crout 51:42

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:44

Dylan Davidson?

Pro Tempore Davidson 51:47

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:47

Lukas Deffendall?

Senator Deffendall 51:48

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:49

Cameron Fredrick?

Senator Fredrick 51:50

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:53

Jenna Hymel?

Parliamentarian Hymel 51:54

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 51:56

Oscar Martinez?

Senator Martinez 51:57

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:01

I'm sorry- Daniel Hunsaker?

Senator René 52:03

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:06

Chloe Metzler?

Senator Metzler 52:07

Abstain.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:09

Gabrielee Morales-Ramirez?

Senator Morales-Ramirez 52:11

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:13

Brendan Mott?

Senator Mott 52:13

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:16

Henry Nguyen?

Senator Nguyen 52:16

Abstain.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:18

Adam Peters?

Senator Peters 52:19

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:20

Linda Plasse?

Senator Plasse 52:21

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:22

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 52:23

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:25

Gazi Raihan?

Senator Raihan 52:25

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:27

Iniya René?

Senator René 52:28

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:31

Damario Struiken?

Parliamentarian Hymel 52:31

Abstain by Proxy.

Vice President Moss 52:32

Xavier Wilson?

Senator Wilson 52:34

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 52:38

Okay with 17 yeses, one no, and five abstentions, the resolution has passed. [Applause] We will now hear nominations and appointments. Will Aaron Jordan please come forward for nomination to the Senate?

Appointee Jordan 53:14

Alright, hello everyone again. Yes, my name is- I'm sure most of them know my name is Aaron Jordan, College of Liberal Arts. And this is my second time here as most of you guys were here the first time August 31st. And in case you all didn't know, there was some violations that occurred against the Louisiana Open Meetings Law. I had filed that complaint in the SGA Court. It was eventually appealed to the Dean of Student Life, and she ordered, and the SGA agreed to have me come back and do it all over again. So that's the reason I came back was I wanted to satisfy the requirements that Dr. Golz had put in place in her ruling, and just to take it from where we left off. I had mentioned that one of the changes that wanted to make to the SGA was one, I wanted to put on the agenda, one international item, an important international item that's going on in the world. And since we spoke last time, there's a- some sort of a grassroots revolution occurred in Iran with women's rights. And I'd like to know what is the SGA stance on that issue? You know, women are standing up, and the SGA is silent on it. And that was one of the problems I had noticed with the SGA and change I wanted to bring, and there was, what you could call, the status quo of the SGA did not want that to occur. So, some of the members of the status quo- and when I say status quo, I mean the members who've been here a long period of timehave, in a sense, engaged in a pattern of lies and distortion to try to malign my reputation, and my character. I'd like to say here today that I have never been accused of violating any of the UNO Bylaws by any student or any instructor and any information to the contrary is a lie and is liable in this falsehood. Now with that aside, I'd just like to recap what just happened. As I mentioned, there is a status quo in the SGA. In the status quo, the longer serving members however, there are the newer members and the newest members and, for example, Senator Wilson, for example, who brought this resolution and what happened? The newer members voted for it, and the status quo wanted to kill it. I

wonder why, and I would- I would offer that the status quo, that they have their own agenda they want to keep you all talking about and they want to silence the new members, the newer members like my agenda. And Senator Carbo had brought up, that even though the ID department may not take this offer up, that it's still good to put on record, what it is the SGA stands on it, right? And that's exactly the same point that I brought up on August the 31st, when it comes to important international issues. Even though we're not going to change what's occurring in Iran, for example, or Ethiopia, or Afghanistan, it's important for us to put on the record. What is the SGA stance on it? Now I do have a lot to say, it's probably going to go over three minutes I'm allowed. How much time do I have left?

Pro Tempore Davidson 56:31

Three minutes and two seconds.

Appointee Jordan 56:32

Three minutes and two seconds left?

Pro Tempore Davidson 56:34

Yeah.

VPLA Hinnawi 56:35

Three minutes?

Pro Tempore Davidson 56:35

No I had it for six minutes

Unknown Senator 56:37

It's only three minutes.

Appointee Jordan 56:38

Okay. Well then I'll take any questions. Thank you.

VPLA Hinnawi 56:43

So now, we have three minutes for questions. Does anyone have any questions for Aaron?

Senator Abadie 56:51

Daniel Abadie, College of Liberal Arts, don't you think it's a little problematic for us as a collective to make one statement on a very complicated, very long-standing issue in a country that most people couldn't even point out on a map. It seems almost a majority overruling a minority if we came to one conclusion or the other in support- in a statement of support of what's happening in Iran or a statement in opposition to what's happening in Iran. If a 50% majority was to say we do support or we don't, that overrides the rest of the voice of SGA and might come across as ingenuine in the actual beliefs of the members of SGA.

Appointee Jordan 57:41

Well, I sort of appreciate your point, and that's a good point. However, it's the same thing with the ID	
matter. Even though the ID department may not take- [Cut off due to internet connection]	

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SPEAKERS

Senator Carbo, Senator Peters, Senator Brown, Senator Deffendall, Senator Metzler, Senator Abadie, VPLA Hinnawi, Parliamentarian Hymel, Aaron Jordan, Senator Mott, Senator Crout, Senator Morales-Ramirez, Senator Plasse, Senator Fredrick, Senators, Pro Tempore Davidson, Senator Martinez, Senator Nguyen, Senator Sorlin, Appointee Jordan, Senator René, Senator Wilson, Senator Raihan

Appointee Jordan 00:00

[Resuming from internet connection issue] -these issues and you can look around; do you see the members of the student body breaking down the doors to come in here to talk about anything? Because that is exactly the agenda that the status quo in SGA put forth. They have put forth an agenda that no one's interested in. I mean, the real elephant in the room is about the UNO football, right? Are members from the SGA talking to students about the idea of- of UNO football and the cost it's going to incur. I'm dead set against it, the students I speak to are dead set against it because people come to UNO for affordable price, and they don't come here for a \$5 million coach and a \$100 million football field.

Senator Wilson 00:37

Thank you.

Pro Tempore Davidson 00:38

So as a student, what do you see- the issues you have on campus like students face, like what are some things you would want to change?

Appointee Jordan 00:38

Yes. Well, I think, let's start with the SGA for a second. They have, for example, if you come in right now, they have the open forum for people from the public or students from the public who would like to come here. They have that at the very bottom, I would offer to put it at the near- near the top. And what that would allow is people don't have to wait through a two-hour meeting to make a comment about something. The other thing about the UNO football is that, you know, again, I think people are coming to you because it's an affordable school. They don't necessarily come here because they think they're going to get drafted into the pros. Yes?

VPLA Hinnawi 01:28

I have information, actually, Aaron. We are also students and also voting on it, but we are not the ones who are starting the vote on the football program, that's actually by athletics. So, we are also attending the same meetings that every student is invited to, to learn more information about that. Actually, time is up so it's up to the Senate if they'd like to motion to continue questioning.

Appointee Jordan 01:46

So if I can answer that, please, from what I've read from-

VPLA Hinnawi 01:47

Actually, time is up so it's up to the Senate if they'd like to motion to continue questioning.

Appointee Jordan 01:56

It wouldn't take very long to just I just like to answer your- your point where you took away from the end of the three minutes.

Senator Wilson 02:02

Xavier Wilson, motion to add three minutes to his time.

Senator Fredrick 02:05

Thank you, Xavier. Is there a second? Cameron Fredrick, College of Business Administration, I second it.

VPLA Hinnawi 02:10

Thank you Cameron. And now, you have three minutes.

Appointee Jordan 02:13

I just like to address your clarification, the vice president's point. And that was that "their students too and that they attend these meetings". Okay, and that "it's not them, it's the UNO sports." Okay. Well, from what I read in the meeting is that UNO sports- the gentleman named Tim. I'm sorry, I don't know what his last name is.

VPLA Hinnawi 02:33

Duncan.

Appointee Jordan 02:34

Thank you. Isn't he attempting to infiltrate the SGA to get you guys to go out and speak up about UNO sports and speak up about the UNO football? That's what I've read. And so, I think that- that is fromfrom my- from my opinion, is that it should not be so. So that's my answer. Anyone else?

Senator Wilson 02:58

I have a question, Xavier Wilson, College of Liberal Arts. So, I've never met Tim, at all. So, I think realistically speaking, I want to understand what is your overall goal in an attempt to be part of this organization? And how would you go about that in a civil manner?

Appointee Jordan 03:20

Okay, well, thank you. Well, I do plan to bring change to SGA. And the main thing- the first thing I'd like to focus on is compliance with the SGA with the Louisiana Open Meetings Law. Right now, the SGA has certain factors where they are not in compliance with. Okay, now, I have offered, through emails with President Charles that if- if I would have been appointed or if I am appointed, I would promise to work within the SGA in a collegial manner to come to compromise resolutions to make sure that the SGA is in compliance for all the different aspects of the Louisiana Open Meetings Law. If not, I do understand your vote. However, my only other avenue would be to go to the SGA court, which is usually appealed to the Dean of Student Life to get those changes made and ultimately- the Ultimate body regarding the Louisiana Open Meetings Law would be the Attorney General's Office.

VPLA Hinnawi 04:16

We do have some time left. Adam, did you have a question?

Senator Peters 04:19

No.

Senator Abadie 04:24

Daniel Abadie, College of Liberal Arts you intro- introduced this whole spiel with the point about Iran. And from what I've gathered, and please clarify if I'm wrong, but the motivation is not primarily to make a political stance but to get people to participate.

Appointee Jordan 04:40

But it's both really, I mean, I think that the idea of women standing up for their rights is something that the SGA would be in favor of. At least that's what I'm willing to bet on. I seriously doubt that I would come here, put forth a non-binding resolution about women's rights in Afghanistan, and expect the SGA to vote against it. But it also encourages students to come into the SGA, who normally would not comecome in. I mean, just look around. There's no one well, maybe one person or two from the student body that's here. That's- that's based on the current agenda. That's why I'm offering to make changes to it.

Pro Tempore Davidson 05:14

That's time.

VPLA Hinnawi 05:17

Thank you. We will now move to discussion. Does anyone rise in favor of this- of this appointment?

Senator Abadie 05:46

Point of Inquiry, Daniel Abadie, College of Liberal Arts. Since I'm new, I don't know the history betweenthe history between this individual and the institution of SGA. If someone could clarify that?

VPLA Hinnawi 06:01

No, this is just a student up for appointment within the Senate.

Senator Abadie 06:06

Okay.

VPLA Hinnawi 06:10

Does anyone rise in favor of this appointment? All right. Does anyone rise in opposition to this appointment? Jenna?

Parliamentarian Hymel 06:25

Jenna Hymel, Parliamentarian, that speech to the SGA was not civil. He disrespected us as a governing body and dismissed what we do in this campus. He seems to present himself eloquently, I will- I will say that, but eloquent- being eloquent does not mean that you are civil. And it is up to the Senate in determining your own opinions. But just determine your opinions with caution. And that is what I will say.

Senator Peters 07:12

Point of Inquiry, Is SGA supposed to hold an opinion on anything as an official body? Because it is my understanding that we as an official body, are a neutral body in all things. We are not to take a position on anything we are to advocate for the students. Students may ask us to do things, but we are not as a body supposed to represent any opinion whatsoever, such as with the referendum coming up. We're not meant to have an opinion for or against it. Our job is to inform the student body of what it is, what the results may be, any studies that have been conducted about it, things of that nature. It is not our job to make decisions, to advocate for or against anything happening in the outside world.

VPLA Hinnawi 08:12

You're correct.

Senator Peters 08:13

Thank you.

Senator Carbo 08:18

lan Carbo, College of Business Administration, when he was speaking, there was like two moments where, although he did come off rather eloquently like Senator Hymel said, it showed that he had a lacking of information. When he spoke about there being this Older Senator, like, Newest Senator divide, in that the older Senators were opposing a bill while the newer Senators got it through, I don't think that was really that kind of issue. It was more- not anything close to that. But also, when he said that we were pushing Tim Duncan access, to push the football team. I haven't received anything as a Senator from Tim Duncan about pushing the team.

VPLA Hinnawi 09:10

So, point of information, this was something that was on the Senate Agenda last semester, where the Senate was involved in writing the resolution for allowing the students to vote on the football team. That was the only part that the Senate had in the football process. The referendum was written by one of our Senators, but it was just allowed for a student vote. It wasn't, "We wanted a football team, or-"

Senator Carbo 09:39

So, when he was mentioning that those were like his big points, it just really struck me as like he was lacking the foundation of like, information and that he was trying to play on that information. And it just didn't come off right.

Senator Peters 09:57

Point of inquiry, what was the vote for our previous resolution that we just did?

VPLA Hinnawi 10:06

Xavier's Resolution?

Senator Peters 10:07

Yes.

VPLA Hinnawi 10:07

It was 17 yeses, 1 no, and 5 abstentions

Senator Peters 10:07

And the voting record is public record, correct?

VPLA Hinnawi 10:20

Once a bill or legislation is signed, yes, it's like at the top of the resolution.

Senator Peters 10:24

I would also like to point out that he specifically targeted, within that resolution, he commented on the people who voted against. There is one person who voted against, that is a personal attack versus an actual establishing- like, I don't know- meaning or understanding, just as a comment.

Pro Tempore Davidson 10:48

That's three minutes.

VPLA Hinnawi 10:49

Time is up, okay. Brendan?

Senator Mott 10:51

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

Senator Peters 10:58

Adam Peters, College of Engineering, Seconded. Adam Peters, College of Engineering, may Christian Crout proxy for me for the rest of the meeting?

Senator Crout 11:10

I second the motion.

Senator Mott 11:22

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts, I agree with what Senator Hymel said and that he does have a very eloquent vocabulary in a lot of cases. But some of the other things that were stated, I did not think were correct, especially when he said that "the status quo of Senators is not talking to students." That is personally, for me, very false because I have a very long list of emails with students right now. And those are technically confidential so I can't show them, but I would just like to say that I have that long list and I did feel like that was a personal attack against me as a Senator who's been here for almost three years.

VPLA Hinnawi 11:58

Does anyone else wish to comment?

Senator Abadie 12:07

Daniel Abadie, College of Liberal Arts, I just wanted to say that um, it seems wrong that as has been clarified, that he puts us in a situation to where, if we recognize the you know, modern political-political going ons in the world, it's- it's- it's so if you're not in support of SGA coming to a very personal conclusion about world events, then you're sexist, or you're against women's rights in Iran. So, it's just kind of a fallacy to- to be one way or the other. And that's all I have to say

VPLA Hinnawi 12:53

If there are no further- well, does anyone else wish to say anything?

Senator Martinez 12:57

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, I motion for a vote.

Pro Tempore Davidson 13:01

Dylan Davidson, Pro Tempore, I second the motion.

VPLA Hinnawi 13:06

Can I get a show of hands? [Show of Hands Vote] Okay, thank you. We will now move to a roll call vote. When I call your name please vote yes, no, or abstain. Daniel Abadie?

Senator Abadie 13:16

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 13:19

Rakeen Barnes?

Pro Tempore Davidson 13:24

No by Proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 13:24

Michael Brown?

Senator Brown 13:25

No

VPLA Hinnawi 13:26

Ian Carbo?

Senator Carbo 13:27

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 13:29

Christian Crout?

Senator Crout 13:31

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 13:31

Dylan Davidson?

Pro Tempore Davidson 13:33

No

VPLA Hinnawi 13:33

Lukas Deffendall?

Senator Deffendall 13:34

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 13:36

Cameron Fredrick?

Senator Fredrick 13:37

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 13:38

Daniel Hunsaker?

Senator René 13:39

No by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 13:41

Jenna Hymel?

No. VPLA Hinnawi 13:44 Oscar Martinez? **Senator Martinez** 13:45 Abstain. VPLA Hinnawi 13:48 Chloe Metzler? Senator Metzler 13:49 Abstain. VPLA Hinnawi 13:50 Gabrielee Morales-Ramirez? Senator Morales-Ramirez 13:52 No VPLA Hinnawi 13:54 **Brendan Mott?** Senator Mott 13:55 No. VPLA Hinnawi 13:57 Henry Nguyen? Senator Nguyen 13:57 No. VPLA Hinnawi 13:59 Adam Peters? **Senator Peters** 13:59

No by proxy.

Linda Plasse?

VPLA Hinnawi 14:01

Senator Plasse 14:02

Parliamentarian Hymel 13:44

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 14:03

Mahaut Sorlin?

Senator Sorlin 14:04

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 14:05

Gazi Raihan?

Senator Raihan 14:06

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 14:06

Iniya René?

Senator René 14:11

No.

VPLA Hinnawi 14:11

Demario Struiken?

Parliamentarian Hymel 14:15

Abstain by proxy.

VPLA Hinnawi 14:17

Xavier Wilson?

Senator Wilson 14:19

Abstain.

VPLA Hinnawi 14:20

With zero yeses, 19 nos, and four abstentions, Aaron Jordan has not been appointed to the Senate. You can let him back in. I'm sorry Aaron, but you were not appointed to the Senate.

Aaron Jordan 14:49

Thank you.

VPLA Hinnawi 14:51

We are now moving to open forum. This is where we discuss matters pertaining to the betterment of SGA

Senator Mott 14:59

Brendan Mott, College of Liberal Arts. I wanted to mention, it's kind of hard for me to come to open forum but I did not have my class tonight and at the last minute she couldn't go to class. So, I wanted to mention something, I want to ask the other Senators are having this issue. I feel like this semester especially- it has been an issue before previously- this semester specifically, the bathrooms on campus have not been taken care of. There's always like products missing like paper towels, so things like that. There's always- the bathrooms always dirty. There's always plumbing issues this semester. I've noticed where like, like bathrooms will be out of order. If not- if not just one part of the bathroom, the whole bathroom. And I just think it's an issue. I wanted to ask the other senators are experiencing that and if they are I think we should probably talk to our President Angelo Charles about that and/or talk about writing a resolution.

Senator Martinez 15:45

Oscar Martinez College of Sciences. I think the bottom floor of the library, especially the men's bathroom, is notoriously pretty bad. And I know that there was a point where there was toilet paper missing for a couple of days which is unacceptable.

VPLA Hinnawi 16:09

Does anyone else have anything to say?

Senator Martinez 16:20

Oscar Martinez, College of Sciences, I'd like to motion to adjourn the meeting.

Parliamentarian Hymel 16:24

Jenna Hymel, College of Liberal Arts, I second the motion.

VPLA Hinnawi 16:27

Can I get a show of hands?

Senators 16:31

[Show of Hands vote]

VPLA Hinnawi 16:31

Alright, I adjourn this meeting at 6:19pm.