



General Assembly Minutes

Roll Call Roster: 2020-2021

Executive Council (5)	Class	Officer Position	Present	Absent
Mr. Nick Rauscher	Senior	President	X	
Ms. Haley Mueller	Junior	VP Student Life	X	
Ms. Kate Hall	Sophomore	VP Institutional Affairs	X	
Mr. Mitchell Greer	Senior	VP Finance	X	
Mr. Alan Hammer	Junior	VP Communication & PR	X	
Senators (13)		Committee Affiliation	Present	Absent
Mr. Armaan Ahmed	Senior	Finance	X	
Mr. Paul Parrish	Senior	Institutional Affairs		X
Mr. Nick Rispoli	Senior	Institutional Affairs	X	
Ms. Torrey Gabriel	Senior	Student Life	X	
Ms. Alathia Keith	Senior	Communication & PR	X	
Mr. Joe Williams	Junior	Finance	X	
Ms. Emily Little	Junior	Finance	X	
Mr. John Schupbach	Junior	Student Life	X	
Mr. Ali Altahafi	Junior	Institutional Affairs	X	
Mr. Hunter Clouse	Junior	Student Life	X	
Mr. Angelo Leiva	Sophomore	Communication & PR	X	

Mr. Thomas O'Brien	Sophomore	Communication & PR	X	
Ms. Emilee Harless	Sophomore	Student Life	X	
Mr. Williams Agbo	Sophomore	Student Life		X
Interns (3)		Committee Affiliation	Present	Absent
Ms. Quinn Vonder Haar		Institutional Affairs	X	
Ms. Kaylee Ohlson		Student Life	X	
Official Advisor		Position	Present	Absent
Paul Hinkle		Interim Title IX Officer, Director of Student Conduct	X	

- **Call to Order**

- Motioned and seconded at 4:35 pm. Passed 15/0/0

- **Approving the Minutes**

- Motioned and seconded at 4:30 pm. Passed 16/0/0

- **Executive Council Reports**

- President.....Mr. Nick Rauscher

- EC decided to remove Ali Altahafi, removed possibly today.

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- Establishing a Constitutional Review Committee, appointments soon

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- Dr. Julian told Nick that the Panther Clinic is offering flu shots on campus, with insurance(?). No cost to students. Stressed this is very important for students to do. Testing has been moved from following Tuesday up to the Friday before the week of Thanksgiving due to students needing to know if they can leave prior to Thanksgiving Break. Available for students to opt in.
 - After Thanksgiving, no in-person meetings; cancelled on calendar throughout December. Last in-person meeting will be next week on the 19th. We will come back in the new semester.
 - On recruiting new members: closing application window on Monday, holding vote for freshman senators next week.
 - Photos next week at 4:00 for senators who do not yet have pictures taken.
- VP of Student Life..... Ms. Haley Mueller
 - Talking about the library furniture today. Whiteboard stuff coming; talking about the water fountain today as well.
- VP of Institutional Affairs.....Ms. Kate Hall
 - DruryVotes survey will be sent out in the next few days. Really helpful for feedback.
 - Campus Readership Program: finished and will be printed and posted/advertised around campus.
- VP of Finance.....Mr. Mitchell Greer
 - In regard to the StepNPull, Brandon has been in contact. Should receive them in a week.
 - Will be installed by the end of the semester
- VP of Communication & Public Relations.....Mr. Alan Hammer
 - (Thanks Angelo for reading my report) Thank you to those of you that passed out all 5 tickets during the past week, it is much appreciated!

- If you did not pass out all 5, please try and pass all 5 out next week.
 - The winners of this week's Giveaway were emailed out to all of you, but I want to say congratulations to all our student winners out there!
 - Lastly, I want to thank all our senators for being such a great help in this initiative. With this being said, I went through four of our past Giveaway weeks and randomly chose four senators with the most tickets distributed to win a \$50 Hoodie voucher for the bookstore as a reward for being great.
 - These senators are:
 - Kate Hall
 - Quinn Vonder Haar
 - Torrey Gabriel
 - Hunter Clouse
 - Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns and I look forward to next week's Giveaway!
- Advisor.....Mr. Paul Hinkle
 - Have you looked behind Wallace Hall?
 - Hammocks were put up (it's been 9 months since the project was approved). Still waiting to get some pieces for college park.
 - Senator Schubach will update us around college park, firepit. Will begin a new group chat in Microsoft Teams for "fun" (to be dubbed Teams Memes)

- Stressful semester, if you need proof of how successful we have been, look at our binder. Very productive semester, winding down operations for the year. Few proposals this week, fewer next week. It's okay to start winding down so we can start focusing on finals. That doesn't mean you have permission to slack. You will have 6-8 weeks when you are not with us. Cool ideas can happen, start talking in the Teams chat. Time for us to think about next year. We spent time and energy on the lead-in.
 - "If you didn't have a 1 on 1 with me, please do."
- Ahmed: Brandon has not replied to him yet, he has a lot of emails, big central figure, best way to get in touch?
 - Mueller: Email him from the SGA email, work with one of the EC members. He's a busy guy. Communicate with him through SGA email.
 - Hinkle: Communicate through EC members and Paul Hinkle. Mostly EC.
- **Standing Committee Reports**
 - Honorary Degree Committee
 - Harless: Monthly meeting, native American heritage month this month. Dr. Floyd will be updating at the Stone Chapel, later Bill Garvin will give details and presentation on History. Our very first students came from the Indian territory in OK. One of the very first native american women to earn a PhD were from Drury. Small slideshow on drury website.
 - Something for Black History month.
 - Install an African American fraternity next fall, Kappa Alpha Psi
 - Art Exhibit is going on November 25th, 9-5 mon-thur.
 - Student Affairs Committee

- Two updates on organizations. Greeks for God organization and CEO. CEO will be voted on this week or next week.
- Campus survey on Health. Senator John Schubutch is working on that.
- Also gave a report on the DruryVotes initiative, very overwhelmingly happy with the results. Other than that, not that much. Discussion from student preps about this semester.

- **Old Business**

- None

- **New Business**

- Senator Ahmed powerpoint presentation
 - Allocate \$1559.00
 - Why we should have an AED for the security:
 - One of the vehicles has an AED. Not every single building has an AED. If he lived on the outskirts, there may not be one close by. Sometimes Drurys security has two officers on duty. Don't know which vehicle will come for small emergencies.
 - When your heart stops, you need one of these. Even if the chance is low, it's still a chance.
 - Only one with security, but we have two vehicles.

- Why? Ahmed thinks our organization can fill this gap. Nick talked to Dean Julian, quick assessment, can not purchase one for the 2nd vehicle any time soon. We can buy it much quicker than the University. There's a very low likelihood it could be used. What does public safety mean to you? It's just as important. Not the most visible thing, but it is important. This isn't a dangerous budget precedent. Can be beneficial in every single way. Why should we? You can ask that about everything we did as a GA. This will fit right in. This matches what security already has. He will give it to Chris Johns to put in the other vehicle.
- Keith: Takes no training? No secondary?
- Ahmed: Yes. All security are trained. No cost for training.
- Clouse: Potential to give one to College Park?
- Ahmed: Will investigate more if more interest in public ones. Right now, just security.
- Mueller: Why should we buy it, disagrees, understands where he's coming from. Security and student safety is not our responsibility. Just a comment.
- Ahmed: I see, at the very core she's right that we shouldn't pay for everything for Security. If we recognize a gap, I think of why he became an SGA member. Ultimately, the answer is for stuff like this (public safety.) We should aim to fill in gaps the administration leaves. We should with the budget we have this year.

- Rispoli: On two stances, I agree with Mueller, but I am also totally for this. I think we should do this and Ahmed should draft something for Drury for what Drury should do as an example. Encourage University. All for it, push Drury administration even more. Beneficial to Uni.
- Ahmed: If I were to draft this, what would you want it to say?
- Rispoli: Thank you for setting a precedent. Student safety is a priority, in respect to that we have provided an additional AED. Keeping that a priority. Encourage that habit.
- Ahmed: If this passes, I'll sit down with (Rispoli), two copies to Dean Julian and
- Rispoli: Don't care what method, but attach this. Encourage the Administration
- Clouse: This would be a fantastic idea to show the College that we are not just about cheering people up, we actually care about the Students. Taking this more seriously, other colleges will probably look at this and encourage their Student Gov.
- John Schubatch: GA is not settled on buying it here and now, possible direction can be getting the word out and getting the students support. Beneficial step could be to put pressure on how we can allocate for this. Talk to the students, get their feelings and opinions on safety changes. Deliver a message rather than buying this.
- Ahmed: My recommendation is to pass this, but place an emphasis on addressing public safety issues onto next semester. Rauscher, can you reiterate your convo with Julian?

- Rauscher: Delayed this from the floor since it's not as simple as passing it on the floor and giving it to someone. Begin to see if applying pressure would fix it,
 - Mueller: Final comment would be if it's a real student safety concern, the Administration would do something about it.
 - Ahemed: When he approached Chris Johns, in terms of the stuff we paid for, this should go towards the top. Good thing to add to the binder. Campus Life has a lot of different categories.
 - Rispoli: I just want to put out that we talked about this for a long, we spent over 100k on someone for a concert, this is only 1.5k.
 - Rauscher: Similar to expenditure on a similar project. Move to a vote.
 - Ayes have it.
- Next proposal, by Senator Keith.
 - \$1,000 challenge presentation. Move to allocate \$999.90 for the project. Has been seconded.
 - Keith: Inspiration for need stems from pre-existing projects that serve the Residential community as far as installing hammocks stands. Smaller hammock, intended to encourage social distancing due to pandemic. Why? Kellogg Green Space doesn't profusely get utilized, these would get commuter students to use the space more often. We don't need too many extra seatings, but this would help draw people to the green space.

- Outside or inside the spaces of the sidewalk? Two options: One has proximity to the patio/a tree and one has proximity to the picnic benches/the circle of concrete columns. Propose two stands for either location. Three people can use it, head to foot. Social distancing. Easy to put together. Evangel University uses these. They're northside Springfield, too. Their safety team bolts them to wall. We can contact Brandon to make these anchored to the ground for our security and safety. Cost of one is \$499.99, proposing two. Totals out to a dime under a thousand.
- Process: Contact Brandon, purchase stands, set up crew and day, anchor the mechanism.
- Future: More of these around Campus.
- Rauscher: Before discussion, we have uncertainty about costs and location (cost of anchor) - not sure if it's cost free to be installed by security. Shouldn't pass today as a cost. Introduce/discuss it today:
- Keith: Questions?
 - Emily Little: Anchoring, let's figure that out before setting it outside.
 - Keith: Waiting on Brandon. Will be in-ground anchor.
 - Clouse: Thank you. As a commuter, these would be great. Agree on anchoring, should be figured out first. All the crime. Like the idea of commuters have hammock stations.
 - Kaylee: Movable?
 - Keith: Stationary.
 - Kaylee: Kellogg is used a lot for Cheerleading practice, activities fair, etc...

- Keith: Took that into consideration, the locations are designed to be on the outskirts, no interference.
Cheerleaders are usually in the middle. Main concern was close to patio, tree, or picnic tables. Hammocks can be installed without impeding on activities.
- Hinkle: Suggest Keith will go to other hammock structure to see anchoring system.
- Harless: Clarification, project will be in addition to other hammock projects?
- Keith: Yes, this would target the commuters since it's close to their parking lot.
- Ahmed: Really cool project. We don't do enough for commuter students, really cool project. May remand it to a committee.
- Keith: Thank you.
- Remanded to Student Life Committee. Ayes have it.
- Senator Williams will present his project
 - \$6,000 for six contactless water bottle filling stations. Seconded.
 - Williams has the floor:
 - Originally had four, moved to 6 to include O'Reilly center and one other location(?).
 - Touched on it a lot last time on why it would be great. Other problem last time, only estimate on how much. Not exact.
 - \$6,000 for all six of them.
 - Not sure where exactly in O'Reilly or HYPR center.
 - Mueller: Where the water fountains are currently. Student athlete said it would be awesome to have this near the gym.
 - Mitchell Greer: Frat houses have no compatible water fountains, talked to Brandon?
 - Williams: Talked to Brandon, should be compatible.

- Rauscher: Amount over \$5,000 should oblige by guidelines set for business proposals. Not able to pass it today, only introduced. Not able to pass until next week.
- Rispoli: I am for this. I really greatly appreciate absolute confirmation for the frat houses.
- Williams: Will confirm this by next meeting.
- Move to table discussion to next week. Moved and seconded.
- Will be voted on next week.
- Last proposal, Olin Library Phase 2, Mueller
 - Add on to Olin Library plan from last year, working toward phase 2.
 - Went ahead and asked librarians to track people using new vs old, see if students were using it. Large excel sheet.
 - Schupbach: Please navigate to files in teams. One slide powerpoint for furniture use. Will be emailed.
 - Keith: Is there a part of phase two that looks at electricity?
 - Mueller: back left tables, in order to do electricity you have to take out carpet and use concrete. \$5,000. It's expensive.
 - Keith: Another solution for a really long cable?
 - Mueller: Possibly (?) Could do something like that, but we have to do it as Brandon says.

- Schupbach: Librarians collected data on furniture used. Each hour, from sep 30th to nov 1st, when every they are working they do their rounds. Took count of who's using old and new furniture. Is the new furniture being used? When looking at data, there are a lot of questions. Quick line graph of those using old and new furniture. Many students use old furniture, on face value. Counted the old and new furniture that's available to students. More old furniture there than old furniture. Due to chance. Blue is observed, grey is expected. Expected in parenthesis in table sheet. .1% people chose new furniture over old furniture. Not the definite answer, all data is not perfect. Got counted six different times. Data is small. Students are using new furniture. Lots of seats are around. Student comments: Some wanted the old furniture back, but there's a lot more of the old furniture back, so it's still there. They can swap it out. There is use in relation to what's there for students.
- Clouse: Old furniture if passed?
- Schupbach: Questions related to data, Mueller
- Mueller: Library is different now than pre pandemic, furniture is more spaced out. It doesn't get thrown away, all sustainable.
- First floor: More chairs, pull up tables, and wooden tables. Coffee tables are too low to work on laptops. Pull up tables assist with that. Charging stations. USB charging stations.
- Second: Walk up the stairs, really fancy section with chairs. Replaced all chairs. Replace tables next. Purple and green armchairs will be replaced with new furniture. More bean bag chairs. Less expensive with bean bag chairs.

- Reading areas: Standard white table with red chairs. Industrial, sustainable furniture. Chairs are slightly different from first floor. Chairs weren't padded enough. These four chairs are to help with that.
- Greer: Question on the data, total of the overall months?
- Schupbach: Original data was spliced up, for ease of analysis furniture locations were combined.
- Greer: If you take that by the roughly 65 days, its only 52x a day anyone would sit in the furniture from the total amount of students. This is a lot of money for roughly 40 students a day.
- Mueller: We do live in a pandemic
- Schupbach: Data is not perfect, think about other spaces we invested towards, why don't you do Wallace and Sunderland, etc... Library is one of two students where all students can come. It's a place where students focus and be their best. To address, we can think about how we can support that 50 students and increase traffic.
- Mueller: Places where new furniture is, is hidden from the eye. When finished, it will be a lot more visible.
- Clouse: What I feel like, is that \$69k is somewhat of a rip off for furniture, what furniture are we buying that amounts to that much?
- Kaylee: This furniture is really high quality, newer materials, wont degree, sustainable. Quality is worth the price. More quality for more cost.
- Mueller: Large investment, but sustainable
- Ahmed: Extend time cap? To 6:15, seconded
- Not voting today?
- Mueller: No, not today since its over \$5k

- Could get this in by January 25th, could do split installation, other methods.
- Rauscher: Motion today to vote next week
- Rispoli: I like the idea, the money is a bit of an indulgent. We are in a pandemic, could make it hard for the data. We are not going to be seeing the same traffic for a long time. After pandemic, use will change forever. I really want to express we don't have to do it all at once. Hesitation of purchasing all at once. Broken up into further phases. Not all \$65k at once.
- Schupbach: We want the campus to be a better place. Huge chunk, but Drury should be a premier place for education. Useful for students. I would like to see it happen, so "make it happen". I get that allocations are coming up, but are clubs going to be doing more stuff?
- Ahmed: Hear more on VP of Finance since cost is a huge factor. Covid will eventually pass. Data is poor because of the pandemic. New furniture is a way to get more people to the library. Data isn't perfect, but it's a great way to get new people to the library. Encourage to spend more time in library. We are the only people, Drury, that has money to spend on cool projects. Administration should, but not going to. So SGA should do this. Universities master plan wants to expand Olin, this furniture can last 2-3 decades.
- Hinkle: Blackbear has been misrepresented twice. At face value, yes we spend 75k on Blackbear, then money to advertise. However, it was the start of an initiative for campus activities. It was the start of a fund, not entirely all for Blackbear. Which is why we were selling tickets.

- Ahmed: We spent more on concerts than the amount of money for this furniture. More accurate data should be taken. Lots of cool stuff in the binder, will only add to it. Ask yourself why you joined SGA.
- Gabriel: Rispoli is right that we're looking at \$65k and the data, should be in phases. Furniture is not such a pressing matter, shouldn't happen at the very moment. More data would benefit the argument, pose or less covid. Or put it into phase 2 with a smaller amount. Old furniture is taking precedent over new, due to exposure, etc... It will do no harm to take more data.
- Rauscher: This will not be the last opportunity to speak about the project. Final questions for next week, make a motion.
- Mueller: Move to allocate 65166.62. Seconded.
- Greer: Move to table this to next weeks discussion
- Ahmed: What is a number you're (Rispoli) more comfortable with?
- Kaylee: More accurate data to show more use.
- Hinkle: Point of Privilege, people should look at the master budget, data, etc...
- Rispoli: Not talking about cost, for next week, if we could, make a plan for if it was done in phases.
- Mueller: Yep, contact sheet is totally open for doing presentations.
- Ahmed: Motion to table discussion. Seconded.
- Ayes have it.
- Ahmed: Point of clarification, nature of this project next week?
- Rauscher: Motion will come to floor, pass or fail. Rules are put in practice to give us the ability to think about the project. Encourage to think about this project over the next seven days.

- **Open Discussion**

- Altafi: I am standing here to talk to all of you. I apologize for my actions that I did on October 27th during a presentation. Unprofessional. Failed to represent body. I did not intend it to be such a way. To me it was presented as such a way that it wasn't unprofessional. Failed to represent body. Failed to maintain integrity. Apologize to all of you. I want to do better for the community and those I represent, I want to be a voice for the community, an influence, and a good person. I want to hold myself accountable to the code of ethics. Thank you so much.
- Hinkle: Senator was removed from office. Okay to announce that Altafi was removed. He is able to challenge, Senator's motion must be required to support his challenge.
- Schubach: Move to reinstate to assembly of SGA.
- Moved and seconded.
- Schubach: Has floor. Moved to extend the meeting to 6:30.
- Moved and seconded.
- Schubach: Moved to bring the discussion around reinstating Senator Altafi to a committee of the whole.
- Moved and seconded.
- Ahmed: Move to extend the meeting indefinitely.
- Moved and seconded.
- Ahmed: Motion to Adjourn.
- Moved and second.

- **Call to Adjourn**

- Motioned and seconded by _____ at 6:54 pm. Passed ___/0/0

Next Meeting to be Held:

November 19, 2020

4:30 pm

FSC Ballroom



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