



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 4:35 pm. Passed 16/0/0
- **Executive Council Reports**
 - President.....Mr. Nick Rauscher
 - Flu shots are available. Panther clinic.
 - Opt in testing after Thanksgiving, also for tomorrow.
 - Post thanksgiving, we are not meeting in person. This is our last in person meeting. If something comes up, we'll do a meeting to pass motions. Stay connected on our Teams platform, where we all communicate with each other. Check regularly while we're gone for 5 ½ weeks over the break.
 - Swearing in new senators, elections ended today. These interns were sworn in on 11/19 at 4:52pm
 - Ms. Quinn Vonder Haar

- Ms. Kaylee Ohlson
 - (Need 3 other names)
- VP of Student Life..... Ms. Haley Mueller
 - Hammock stands are up behind wallace and college park
 - Victoria is here, presenting to us about the Olin Library
 - From Room Office Environment
 - Worked with Drury and SGA, and asked last year to improve Olin Library.
 - Furniture was deteriorating, not appealing, still getting used.
Top priority first table
 - Clean, inviting material. Finished stuff still there, like carpet.
 - Moving on to Phase 2:
 - Main areas are the front area, left side: Replacing tables, redoing front window area. Example materials presented on table in front of FSC ballroom
 - First floor - using the spacing: Pull up tables, power integrated, reusable space. No one has been there before, looked really cluttered.
 - On the second floor, behind the book racks, similar to the first floor.
 - Materials help to brighten the place up.
 - Sofa, some more tables, and bean bags on the first on the first floor.
 - Usage feedback: Always see people laying down, camping out. Works well.
 - Any questions about the area and why we chose to do certain things?
 - Mueller: Quality?

- Materials put in production are very different from what was there. Commercial grade furniture should not be kept for 10 years if not heavily abused, meant to be used with relief. Everything we're looking at is for public spaces. Higher weight limit. Higher costs overall for commercial grade, but lasts 3x as long. So you save money by not having to replace it often. Nice furniture is not cheap, but you're not supposed to be buying it every 3 years. Furniture impacts the space overall, makes it more inviting. Visually important: new students and campus tour, this is what you see. Priority around the window area since that's the first thing people see. Hopefully, this will blend these areas together.
- John: Can you talk about how long you expect this furniture to last, 5 hours of use a day?
- 10 year use out of it, 10-12 years use warranty wise. The joints, etc... can last around 12 years it self. Fabric can take wear and tear, not really included in warranty, but is commercial grade. With a tearable wear, it would be great for 5-10 years.
- Try out the new couches and furniture
- Feedback is really helpful, works with a lot of public spaces.
- VP of Institutional Affairs.....Ms. Kate Hall

- Started in contact with the president of sustainability, for next semester. Working with the Commons, to make it COVID safe and more sustainable, more recycling bins, hoping to do a lot of sustainability initiatives around campus. **If you have ideas, contact Ms Kate Hall about different activities and initiatives about sustainability.**
- VP of Finance.....Mr. Mitchell Greer
 - In regards to the StepNPull, they should be in tomorrow (11/20), Brandon is out until after Thanksgiving. Hopefully they will be installed before next semester.
- VP of Communication & Public Relations.....Mr. Alan Hammer
 - The raffle for last week was held and the winners have been contacted. An email will be sent out to all senators indicating who won each prize.
 - Our November Grand Prize is coming up and it will be an Apple Air Laptop.
 - Thanks for passing out your tickets last week, and this week's tickets should be ready to be passed out.
- Advisor.....Mr. Paul Hinkle
 - For new and returning senators, EC already does this, but if you would like a one on one, feel free to contact. Happy to meet with you on zoom, teams (not now), wait over break or meet over break if you're bored. Always welcome to set something up. When and where you are available to meet.
 - We still have open seats, if you want to recruit someone, 1 more first year seat, seats across the board. We could always make more seats to fill the body.

- We are here to work. Good job this semester. We should be really proud about what we have done. The body is bigger since I have been around here. Keep this energy up over break. Talk to fellow students, work with some ideas, all staff members come back the first week of January. Work with us on emails about cool projects, don't let 2 months go by between now and next meeting without any progress on something.
- **Standing Committee Reports**
 - None
- **Old Business**
 - Senator Williams no touch water bottle refilling station, \$6,000. Motion to bring this back to the floor
 - Senator Schupbach: Motion to take the motion off the table, seconded.
 - Senator Williams: Tried to get in touch with Brandon to confirm we could get these in place, he's on vacation. Talked to his assistant, couldn't get anywhere. Yet to confirm.
 - VP Greer: Suggestion to approve the funding, so we don't have to wait over break.
 - Senator Schupbach: Motion to table, motion to question. Passed
 - Next, Phase 2 of Olin Library. Mueller moved to untable this Olin Library Phase 2. Seconded. Passed.
 - VP Mueller: Slide show presentation. Current and future pictures. Victoria came to talk about us earlier about the quality of the furniture. Second floor, tables replaced to new tables. Chairs will be replaced too. For all tables. Second floor window area: Bean bags will be around here. Students really liked the bean bags, bean bags then couch. Two different styles of bean bags, triangular and circular. Chairs we have now are worn down. Laptop tables included with couches.

- Costs:
 - First Floor Entryway: 24,372
 - Reading Room: 11,693
 - Second Floor Window: 9,930
- VP Greer: Does the 12k include just the upstairs?
- VP Mueller: I think so.
- Paul Hinkle: Point of information to bring up the costs breakdown.
- Senator Keith: Old furniture?
- VP Mueller: Old furniture gets dispersed or donated, library will find other uses for it. Other questions?
- Schubatch: Point of Inquiry - Current proposed costs?
- President Rauscher: \$65,166.62
- VP Greer: I think it would be beneficial, we spent a lot of money last time to utilize a lot of funding, I would spend a little less now. We may have something come up next semester, we don't want to lose half our money, half way through. We could revisit this in April, depending on our project. Cutting down a little bit, removing furniture. Little over half the total price, recommendation.
- Senator Schupbach: I would like to amend the current motion to say we allocate \$30k+ to refurbish the front floor entry and the second floor reading room windows. Move to allocate \$34,324.22(?) (Friendly by Paul Hinkle). Moved and seconded to amend.
 - Includes one very popular area and one very visible area near the entryway. Users go right to the entryway + everyone loves the reading room. We should get rid of those armchairs for the premium feel. We know students love bean bags and the room anyways, tweak up bottom floor, make it look more usable. Front window and front floor entry.

- Ahmed: This number is a lot more appropriate. Asked for another collection of accurate data.
- VP Greer: I think when I look at the project, realistically we could redo all the specified rooms, I would rather see a significant portion, then a money dump at the end of the year since we're wanting data. Our goal is usability.
- Paul Hinkle: Hammer stated we should not amend the motion, we should move towards the original motion rather than do half of it.
- Rispoli: To confirm, we amended now to focus on what portions?
- President Rauscher: Front entry and readying area
- Rispoli: How much do we have currently to work with?
- Greer: A couple numbers: Reclaiming funds, because of our audits, we will bring in 55-126k dollars of reclaiming funds. According to all of our current, everything should be updated. The budget is including the reclaiming funds mentioned.
- Rispoli: That's including the min. 55k we know we will get, I do think we should look at it in phases, having her come in and talk, neither did I know how much we were sitting on, I am hesitant to say we do it all in one phase. If not, when's the next?
- VP Mueller: Really no specifics for when we want to do it. If we wanted to do all tables, around April or May, look at it again. Then move forward. No specific timeline. 6-8 weeks for the stuff to come in.
- Rispoli: Are you graduating...
- VP Mueller: This upcoming May
- Rispoli: I think Mitchell is right that we don't know what spring will bring, with you still being here I think this will be a good time to continue heading it.

- Mueller: Laura was the one really spear heading it. Not too difficult to transition.
- Paul Hinkle: Greer has brought up other projects because we had some inquiry from Brandon that he would like to hear other projects, Security said they're interested in Armaans project, there are projects not directly attached to the library. We have been approached by other people for multi thousand dollar project.
- This is just a thought as a freshman, I do use the library, not as often, first thing I saw as a guest was the first floor entry way. On the second floor I've seen a lot of tables, not saying to split it in half, but continue with the floor plan.
- President Rauscher: Motion we are discussing on the floor is to amend the motion to the new price.
- Schubatch: Call to question?
- Greer: Installation fee we did not take into account \$5,820.
- Schubatch: Appropriate number? I move to question to allocation \$40,000 with intention to focus on the first front entry way and second floor reading room window area.
- President Rauscher: Moving to a vote. For our newest members, we always vote Aye, Nay, or Abstain.
- All in favor of amending motion of \$40,000 focusing on two areas. Ayes have it. Back to motion on floor, now \$40,000.
- Allocate 40k dollars to the olin library phase 2 proposal. Hand vote. 11 ayes, 4 nays, 4 abstains. 19/22, 11/22 ayes. 3 people who are not present can not cast. Ayes have it.

- **New Business**

- Senator Olson's proposal for Whiteboards in Olin Library Reading Room, \$1,367.30. Move to allocate \$1,467.30. Seconded.

- Places are the reading room upstairs, right now they're chalk board rooms. Three with chalk board, replacing with white boards.
- Why: White boards are cleaner, draws attention, better readability, can not read chalk boards well. Easier to write on whiteboard than chalk. Erasing is easier. Decrease in cardiovascular related health issues. Porcelain whiteboards, nicer type. Lasts longer than ones found in high school classrooms.
- Itemized List:
 - \$450 a piece for the white boards, up to \$1,350. Expo markers are \$3.46 a piece, up to \$17.30d
 - Alathia: Erasers come with it?
 - Olson: Not sure, could come with expo if we were to get them. Added just in case. Material of white board determines quality. Doesn't crack.
 - Paul Hinkle: I did research on the white boards, porcelain ones don't come with erasers. \$17 for other erasers. Did you explore smart board possibility?
 - Olson: Did not, not sure how to upkeep these. Students can tap on them too hard. They stain easier than white boards. Could be a possibility if there's interest.
 - Mueller: No smart board since they have TVs.
 - Hinkle: Senator Ahmed said no smart boards.
 - Cleaning break.
 - Olson has the floor.
 - Rispoli: What do you see as the method of installation?
 - Olson: Brandon expressed interest, will go through him. They won't fall, stuck to the wall.
 - Moved to a vote. Ayes have it

- Greer is resigning as VP of Finance. Running as senior class senator. He's been in SGA 4 years as intern, schedule for next year does not work for executive council demands. Running for senior senator position.
 - Schupbach: what does SGA mean?
 - Greer: It's important for campus to have a body.
 - Hinkle: \$1000?
 - Greer: Finish StepNPull. Since I will not be in discussion, Emily Little is running for Finance, great candidate. Would vote for her.
- Voted to move to committee of the whole.
- Out of the committee of the whole
- Any nominations?
- Schupach has nominated Emily Little.
- Senator Little: Running for Finance. I've been in the committee half way through 3rd year, used to it all. Jumped on the chance to run, more responsibilities, gladly.
- VP Mueller: How do you handle time commitment?
- Little: Nothing is set in stone, rearrange as stuff needs to get done, but rearranges for more pressing matters.
- Schubatch: How do you intend on keeping GAs meetings best interests in mind, how will you keep everyone in line when discussing next directions for GA?
- Little: As VP of Finance, main responsibility will be looking at funding and spending, try not to take over or involve outside what I have permission to do so.
- Emily Little dismissed.
- Moved to committee seconded to move to committee of the whole.
- Moved to exit committee of the whole.
- **Open Discussion**
 - Tickets have been handed out.

- VP Hall: Election contest, Isabell won the contest. Proclaiming students are basically more intelligent in politics than elders and staff, for fun.
- **Call to Adjourn**
 - Motioned and seconded by Senator Keith and ??? at 6:54 pm. Passed ___/0/0

Next Meeting to be Held:

January __, 2021

4:30 pm

FSC Ballroom



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