

- I. Opening Prayer
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Executive Announcements
 - A. Sibonay Shewit- I am going to reschedule the meeting with the point people.
 1. Sib- FBM allocation meeting following Senate
 - B. Sibonay Shewit- GreeNDot Saturday in Debart from 1-5. Get trained! It is super important for you all to attend. We can have a lunch or walk overs.
 - C. Sibonay Shewit- Please come to pre-Senate dinners! Shoutout to Whitney for already coming to two!
 - D. Prathm Juneja- COME TO THE OFFICE! That is all.
 - E. Rebecca Blais- We just had a meeting with the new VP of Innovation. There is lots of talk about a board or committee for innovation. If you are interested in large scale programming, connect with me, and I'll connect you with him.
- V. General Orders
 - A. Presentation: Bookstore Renovations
 1. Mr. David Werda, *Director of Retail Services, Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore*
 - a) Director of retail operations here
 - b) Fallot management- heads up our bookstore here
 - (1) Important? yes and no- we aren't well known- behind the scenes. There is a reason college campuses hire outside companies to control their retail
 - c) Goals and Objectives for the New Vision for Hammes Bookstore
 - (1) Reevaluating how the bookstore serves students and visitors currently and how it can serve the campus community in the future.
 - (a) Want to serve the guests but also the faculty and campus community
 - (2) We normally condense and rush through the beginning of school operations, but we want to put more student emphasis on the bookstore.
 - (3) Idea: move departments around Bookstore and use the 60,000 square feet of selling space to create more study spaces.
 - (a) Men's clothes, tech, spiritual, Einstein's cafe on the bottom floor of the Bookstore
 - (i) There isn't enough space to sit and study anymore. We want to take destinations and make an academic space on the second floor

- of the bookstores. Creating a space that is more interactive- more meeting spaces and a collaborative feel. Tech and study spaces away from the busy and crowded first floor. Reading rooms with glass partitions? Places to meet with faculty or student groups.
- (ii) Einstein cafe is incredibly successful, but the problem is that it shows its wear and tear. Revamp and revitalize that cafe- inside and outside. Outdoor fireplace? Outdoor bar with outlets?
 - (iii) We have created a plan and design and we presented it to the Bookstore Advisory Committee
- d) Questions: How do you use your bookstore? What do you want out of your bookstore?
- (1) Sara Dugan- I live on the north side of campus, so I never hang out there, but I love showing my family the bookstore
 - (2) Jackson Herrfeldt- It is a nice location for the visitors and alumni to be able to park and have coffee/meet with people.
 - (3) Prathm Juneja- I live next to the bookstore, so I go to Einstein's all the time. Are you just looking to expand the seating space?
 - (a)David Werda- Yes, we are keeping Einstein's
 - (b)Prathm Juneja- I don't think many people buy books besides textbooks
 - (i) David Werda- We support 275 book events on campus, so any Notre Dame book there is, we have to sell their books
 - (4) Morgan Williams- I go sit and study there a lot. The tables are very small and round, so it's hard for a group to sit there and study. Are square tables a possibility?
 - (a)David Werda- Booths are on the table (pun intended) for our plan along with more power outlets.
 - (5) Sibonay Shewit- Einstein's would be the easiest place for off-campus students to meet for group work. Promotes convenience.
 - (a)David Werda- We are looking to create multiple study spaces for group work
 - (b)David Werda- Northeast stairwell (student entrance)- there is no way to get up the second floor, but we are in the process of getting approval to blowout that corner and create a stairway.

- (6) William Huffman- that entrance is my least favorite entrance on campus. The flow could be greatly improved.
(a) David Werda- The choke points will go away with the remodeling.
- (7) Claire Saltzman- I go to Einstein's all the time, but the hours are inconvenient for people who have early classes or exams. Could it open earlier, maybe at 7am?
(a) David Werda- We have people in the bookstore at those times, so we could fix this.
- (8) Claire Saltzman- When would this happen? What is the timeline?
(a) David Werda- It would happen over the summer following commencement.
- (9) William Huffman- Have you thought about putting books upstairs and clothes strictly downstairs?
(a) David Werda- Apple store and books will go upstairs. We are only authorized by Apple to sell products to students and faculty. We are putting it next to school supplies and books.
- (10) Patrick Quinn- Could there be a lounge area with couches?
(a) David Werda- Yes, there has been discussion of this. We also are discussing a coffee cart or some kind of service for students on the second floor.
(b) Patrick Quinn- why is apple limited to who they will service?
(i) David Werda- student and faculty discounts
- (11) William Huffman- What else will go downstairs?
(a) David Werda- Gifts and the spiritual portion of the merchandise. Spiritual sect is the sole of the bookstore, so we wouldn't disenfranchise it by moving it to the second floor. The cash registers will be moved to the back of the store, which will offer a better view of Notre Dame brand.
- (12) Matt Ross- Is there a need for textbooks on the main floor besides the first three weeks of school?
(a) David Werda- Our back room is dedicated to extra product especially during football season. The text department greatly condenses after the initial three weeks of school.
- (13) Christian Femrite- could you look into lowering the prices of toiletries?
(a) David Werda- We can certainly look at it

- (14) Colin Brankin- What about exit access with the registers in the back? Will the flow be awkward for customers?
(a) David Werda- it would be just as easy
- (15) Chris Scott- I love the vinyl records- is that staying on the first floor or will it go to the second floor?
(a) David Werda- Nothing is static in the bookstore. We are constantly moving and changing arrangements of products. It will also change when we see how people react to the space both positively and negatively.
- (16) Cassie Anzalone- How will the study rooms be partitioned?
(a) David Werda- There have been places that don't attract as much foot traffic, so we would target those areas for study spaces- the nooks and crannies of the bookstore.
- (17) Becca Georgiadis - The fridges with the drinks are in an awkward place. Also, the setup of the line and register is awkward. I would consider improving the flow.
- (18) William Huffman- This seems like this is something that the bookstore should have reached out more for student feedback?
(a) David Werda- We targeted visitors for feedback, but that's why I'm here tonight.
- (19) Morgan Williams- It might be a good idea to have an indoor, outdoor space.
(a) David Werda- The challenge with that is creating something that architecturally coincides with the building that exists already. If something messes with the aesthetic of the building, the university wouldn't let us do anything. Fireplaces and outdoor heaters to prolong outdoor space.
- (20) Patrick Quinn- How much does it make in a football weekend?
(a) We can't share that with you (1200-1500 transactions per hour)
(b) Sebastian Lopez- damn (soft laughter)
(c) David Werda- WE HAVE THE BEST BOOKSTORE. (Great emphasis on this)
- (21) Christian Femrite- How much will the renovation cost?
(a) David Werda- We don't know that yet
- (22) King Fok- There is a lack of group spaces for the south side of campus, so this renovation would be greatly

received by the campus community. Group merchandise?
Bulk orders for discounts?

- (a) David Werda- Department managers can assist with this. There are resources and licensing departments set up for student groups that can give better discounts.
- (23) Linde Hoffman- Women and men clothing on one floor would be more convenient for families.
 - (a) David Werda- Hard to accommodate, however, the challenge is that we would have a capacity problem on football weekends. That is the direction we want to go, but it's a challenge. From a pure industry standpoint, a women's apparel section was unheard of, but "shrink it and pink it" exploded. Collections and unique clothing items are how women like to shop as opposed to functional apparel, so you find yourselves with a scattered amount of collections and few companies want to provide licenses for this. 150 to 400 faceouts. Notre Dame has the greatest number of collections.

B. Committee Breakout session

- 1. Sibonay Shewit- I met with the point people and talked about my vision for the committees this next year, but use this time to form a better idea for what you want to do in your committees.
- 2. Prathm Juneja- a really fun place to brainstorm is THE OFFICE (very subtle).

VI. New Business

- A. No new business

VII. Announcements

- A. Sibonay Shewit- winners from Find 5 senators are Patrick, Nick, and Michael and they get super cool water bottles.
- B. Joseph Witt- Class Mass at 5:15 in the Basilica
 - 1. Father Pat presiding- wear your dorm apparel!
- C. Jackson Herrfeldt
 - 1. Antostal events- see a booklet to see all events this week
 - 2. The tank tops will be given away at Breakfast Club movie and video game contest
 - 3. Concert ticket giveaway at 8pm tomorrow (4/27) at Field House Mall or Stepan Center depending on weather
- D. Ellison Rooney- Pie Your President! \$1 per pie or \$5 for 7 pies
 - 1. Friday from 3-5 on North Quad
- E. Sebastian Lopez- O'Neil and Lyons- Recess on Wednesday, May 3rd

1. BBQ and things you do at recess
- F. Hannah Lovejoy- Flex Point Drive in the Huddle
 1. Everything goes to the Center for the Homeless
 2. Buy stuff from the Huddle and put in the box there through the end of the year
- G. Smorrissey Mass at 10pm tonight (4/26)
 1. Happens every Wednesday!
- H. Daniel Venetucci- Muddy Sunday from 11-5pm at the White Field
 1. Sign up on Student Shop
 2. \$10 to sign up
 3. All money goes to Habitat for Humanity
- I. Dillon Wintz- Opening Day 4-8pm- snow cones on South!
- J. Patrick Quinn- Where are the yearbooks?
 1. South until 9 tonight (4/26)
- K. Chris Scott- Tomorrow there is a talk on campus about North Korea and nuclear warfare
 1. Hesburgh Center for International Studies
- L. Whitney Lim- PE's "Can You Handle the Heat?"
 1. wing eating contest
- M. Peggy Hnatusko- you should have received an invite to Team ND; enumerated positions and programming groups get invited to team building retreat
 1. August 19-21
 - a) starts at 6pm
 2. Move in on Wednesday afternoon before the beginning of the retreat
 3. Sibonay Shewit- SO FUN! You get to hang out with me!
- N. Rebecca Blais- 3 days until Regatta!

VIII. Adjournment

- A. Sebastian Lopez motioned to adjourn
 1. Dillon Wintz seconded the motion