

- I. Opening Prayer, Grace Franco, *Walsb Hall Senator*
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Rachel delivered a call to action for student leaders in the midst of covid-19 related challenges. Kevin and Fritz, Co-Directors of FUEL, talked about the First Year Leadership Showcase and encouraged the Senate to promote FUEL within their halls. We welcomed Daniel Schermerhorn of Baumer Hall to the Senate. Mike Dugan presented SS2021-13, which calls upon the University to publish more data about Covid-19 cases. The resolution was passed after discussion about the dashboard and how it can be improved, as well as what kinds of valuable information to know would be.
 - B. Minutes are passed
- IV. Executive Announcements
 - A. Law Enforcement Meeting Update
 1. Constitutionally mandated meeting for the month of August. Rachel, Sarah, and Aaron had a nice meeting with introductory information as well as about racial injustice. Anti-biased training and techniques to diffuse situations were learned over the summer. A committee is being formed right now of students and athletes to help be a sounding board. There is a no hands law now in Indiana, so people can get pulled over for using their phone while driving. They have not seen many lines at the bar or been called about group gatherings much, so that is promising.

B. Dashboard Update

1. As many of you may know, the dashboard has been updated to include new information-- victory!! A show of how the Senate can make a difference in what the administration decides. Information about recovered cases will be coming to the dashboard soon, but they are waiting for more people to be recovered to comply with HIPAA. We continue to have meetings discussing the dashboard and covid-19 approach.
2. Ricardo Pozas Garza: Do you know any information about the quarantine units and the availability of them?
 - a) Rachel Ingal: It is a very flexible situation; there is not a specific number or cap that if we hit we get sent home. I think they are being strategic about where they are placing students, and they are working to expand as needed.

V. Nominations

A. [Election Committee Nominations](#)

1. Sarah Galbenski: I would smile upon a motion to review the nominations in block.
 - a) Debate:
 - (1) Michael Dugan: There was one member in particular who I have questions about, which were in the description. I would prefer to hear them all in a block aside from hers.
 - b) Nominations are voted on be viewed in block



2. Synopsis of nominations read by David Haungs
3. Questions:
 - a) Michael Dugan: With regard to Elizabeth, you described some of her involvements. There is no Human Rights Club listed on SAO360, which was listed as one of her clubs.
 - b) David Haungs: I know some of them are in class right now, but that they are planning on joining afterwards. Elizabeth is not here right now, but I know she will be soon. I will email her that there is a question for her.
 - c) Michael Dugan: That would be helpful because I just want to make sure it is a true statement.
 - d) Matthew Bisner: I actually was in a Human Rights club a couple of years ago, so it was a club at least at some point.
 - e) Karen Kennedy: In my records I see that it was indeed a club that has gone inactive. However, I am having trouble finding the exact date.
 - f) David Haungs: I also want to clarify that active participation refers to being active within the community. I am not positive what the current time frames are, but she has continued to have active participation, especially within the Judicial Council.
 - g) Sam Cannova: How many candidates are on the call right now? If there were any animal that doesn't have thumbs but that you wish had thumbs what would that animal be?

- h) Tyler Ancona: I think dogs are the obvious choice.
- i) Sam Cannova: They would be much better at catching frisbees then.
- j) Michael Dugan: What years on campus were you involved with the human rights club?
- k) Matthew Bisner: If you want to DM me I will answer, but I do not think that is in order.

4. Debate:

- a) Ricardo Pozas Garza: They went to all the CCC meetings up to Spring 2019, so if it went inactive it would have been in the last year. I cannot find the exact date, but if it would make Mike feel more comfortable I will keep looking.

5. Vote passes and the nominees are confirmed

VI. General Orders

- A. [SO2021-05: An Order to Suspend Elections in Howard and Pangborn Halls](#) - read by Matthew Bisner

1. Questions:

- a) Michael Dugan: Why does it have Thomas signing it at the bottom rather than the student body president?
- b) Matthew Bisner: I deem my time to Thomas if it is okay with the chair.

- c) Thomas Davis: It is found nowhere in the constitution that it has to be the Student Body President signing orders. My name appears there as the clerk.
 2. The vote on the order passes.
- B. [SS2021-14: A Resolution to Emphasize Mental Health during COVID-19 and a Call for Expanded University Health Services](#) - read by Grace Franco
1. Questions:
 - a) Michael Dugan: I really appreciate the resolution and its call for more mental health resources. The one problem I have with it is how it ensures students are not at fault for testing positive, but there are cases in which this is not true.
 - b) Elaine Teeters: The point is to say that it is not their individual fault. Yes, the office campus parties and going out are cause for infection, but many of the people that get it, even if they are following all the rules, still are able to get it. From personal experience of my sister being sick over the summer, it is a huge emotional burden to feel like it is your fault and feel responsible for being a burden.
 - c) Thomas Davis: Have you had any contact with administration or other related figures?
 - d) Grace Dean: I have been in contact with some related figures. The administration has been difficult to get in touch with understandably, but I will hopefully be hearing from them soon.

- e) Michael Dugan: Would you be willing to make a friendly amendment that *“the vast majority of cases”* are not the fault of the individual?
- f) Grace Dean: Yes, absolutely.
 - (1) Other cosigners agree.
 - (2) Vote on friendly amendment passes
- 2. Movement out of debate and into a vote. The vote on the resolution passes.
- C. Motion by Miles Kelley to put a hard cap of 90 minutes on this meeting.
 - 1. Jack Mansfield and Benjamin Erhardt agree that two minute speaking cap is not necessary.
 - 2. Motion passes.
- D. [SS2021-15: A Resolution Reaffirming the Commitment of the Undergraduate Student Body of the University of Notre Dame to Preserving an In-Person Fall Semester 2020](#) - read by Michael Dugan
 - 1. Questions:
 - a) Natalie Ortega: I am noticing you mentioned you want the University to release certain information on the dashboard, but I thought Rachel explained they will add that once they are able to with HIPPA? Do you think this would agitate the administration?
 - b) Benjamin Erhardt: Mike and I were talking about the struggle of resolution writing a few days in advance and then having new information be brought up by the time Senate meetings come around. I was very appreciative to hear they are releasing more

information on the dashboard, but it is still a gentle push to the administration.

- c) Madison Nemith: I believe you guys mentioned the number of quarantine units available, which Rachel also touched on.
- d) Benjamin Erhardt: We were unaware that there was no hard cap, so I am glad Rachel touched on that. If you are suggesting a friendly amendment I would be okay with that.
- e) Michael Dugan: I am okay with that, but I still think it would be valuable to know how many people are being quarantined. “*...the number of occupied quarantine units*” will be the new phrasing.

(1) Vote on friendly amendment passes

2. Movement into a vote on the resolution passes

VII. New Business

- A. A Presentation by the Financial Management Board (FMB)

VIII. Announcements

- A. Sam Cannova: I am also very involved with Jiffi, which is run fully by students. It combats poverty in South Bend. If you are interested in applying or sharing with others that would be awesome!

- 1. Apply to JIFFI !! Application: bit.ly/applytojiffi Introductory video: youtu.be/hAafnJy4D7w

- B. Aaron Benavides: I believe that FUEL applications close tomorrow evening, so please make that push to any freshmen you know to apply!



- C. Elaine Teeters: Are the off-campus president and vice president a new thing?
- D. David Haungs: It is in the Constitution and usually does happen. It was supposed to be in the Spring, but due to Covid is now in the Fall
- E. Sarah Galbenski: Speaking of, none of us are allowed to endorse any candidates.
- F. Thomas Davis: Yeah, please just do not. Going forward in the future it is always just a good rule of thumb to stay as far away from elections as possible.
- G. Sam Cannova: Consulting week is this coming week.
- H. Karen Kennedy: SAO is doing fully virtual programming right now, but we hope to move towards in person programming. If you have any ideas please reach out.
- I. Mairead Pfaff: Acousticafe is virtual this evening, and the link is in an email you should have received today.
- J. Thomas Davis: I will continue to have office hours on Fridays after 2 pm, so just let me know if you have any questions and we can meet. I would be more than happy to help with resolution writing.

IX. Adjournment