

- I. Opening Prayer, Grace Stephenson, *Student Union Treasurer*
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Discussion about the law enforcement meeting and improvements to the dashboard.
Election committee nominations were presented and voted on for approval. An order to suspend elections in Howard and Pangborn halls was passed. SS2021-14: A resolution to emphasize mental health during covid-19 and a call for expanded University Health Services was passed. 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 was presented and passed.
 1. Minutes approved
- IV. Executive Announcements
 - A. Commending student advocacy and the Notre Dame Strike for Black Lives. Racial justice working group meeting this Saturday from 4-5 p.m. Email Sarah if you are interested in joining!
 1. How to incorporate matters of social justice into our resolution writing
 - B. Campus Dining Update
 1. This past Friday, meeting with Chris Abayasinghe, the director of campus dining. He is really committed to making campus dining the best it can be. It really is at the mercy of the state of Indiana right now, which is the biggest reason why we do not have indoor dining right now. Food being prepared in the same places people eat is not possible at the moment with state



restrictions. He talked about incorporating many student favorites that have been brought to his attention. We talked about sustainability with him, and he agreed the waste at the beginning of the semester was disappointing. They have already made many adjustments towards more sustainable products, and Director of Sustainability Dana Plagenz will be meeting with him as well.

C. Faculty Senate Update

1. Vice President Sarah Galbenski and Director of University Policy Abby Wolfe met with the faculty senate. The two issues we brought forth were student mental health and incorporating Professor flexibility, as well as members of the black student association working with different task forces, such as an academic one to challenge racial injustices and strive towards equality on Notre Dame's campus. We also discussed changes to Title IX policy and what this looks like. Emphasizing the rights of survivors and empowering them is a central part, as well as emphasizing faculty rights.

D. Off-Campus Town Hall and Student Advisory Committee Update

1. EHH, Mike Semon, Father Jenkins, and Lou Nanni were present. It was a very fruitful conversation about what rules to follow on campus. We are working to engage with the off campus community in a safe way but still making sure they feel a part of the Notre Dame community.

E. Inaugural Women's Leadership Forum



1. Monthly series, and the student body will be able to tune in to different speakers talking about their personal journeys and giving words of advice and empowerment.
2. This Sunday is the first one!! Be sure to join in, and huge shoutout to Karen for all of her help!

F. Hall Council Visits

1. Beginning to pop into different Hall Councils via Zoom, and we are excited to continue doing so. We have been introducing ourselves and explaining what student government does and the goals of it. Wanting to be engaged with the student body despite the obstacles of Covid-19.

G. Library Lawn!

1. A fantastic outdoor space for games, twinkly lights, comfortable seating, and lots of student activities, such as movies and interactive events!!
2. Shoutout to the SAO team for providing us with such an amazing way to safely engage with our classmates!

V. Oaths of Office

- A. Bianca Burnett, *Pangborn Hall Senator*
- B. Theresa Salazar, *Welsh Family Hall Senator*
- C. Blake Johnson, *Off Campus Senator*

VI. General Orders

- A. Sarah Galbenski smiles upon motion to limit meeting time to ninety minutes.
 1. Motion made by Benjamin Erhardt



2. Debate:

- a) Motion passes

B. Patrick Lee motions to limit speaking time to two minutes

1. Debate:

- a) Michael Dugan: With all due respect, I do not see the need to limit individual speaking time given the short agenda.
- b) Ricardo Pozas Garza proposes Thomas Davis' amendment of all speakers aside from Grace Stephenson as our presenter.

(1) Amendment seconded

2. Vote on motion passes.

C. [SO2021-06 An Order to Suspend the Following Elections](#) - read by David Haungs

- 1. Movement out of questioning and debate
- 2. Vote passes

D. [Financial Management Board Fall Update on Student Union COVID-19 Financial Account](#)

1. FMB wants to remain nimble, staying flexible to meet student needs.

Nothing is completely set in stone . Grace cannot pose a motion to pass these guidelines next week as a nonvoting member, but she would smile upon someone for doing so.

2. Questions:

- a) Ricardo Pozas Garza: Does this include clubs as well?

- b) Grace Stephenson: Clubs individually do not apply, but through you (the CCC) they could receive funds.
- c) Ricardo Pozas Garza: What was the reasoning behind the \$10,000 for the semester?
- d) Grace Stephenson: The \$10,000 gives student groups some lee way in the case of needing additional funding without depleting funds for coming years. It is not an exact science as the situations are not certain right now, but we believe this is more than sufficient.
- e) Michael Dugan: Article 18 Section 3 lays out how the FMB is able to allocate funds. To what extent did the FMB account for this Article 18 Section 3?
- f) Grace Stephenson: Our intention was to say we do not consider this to be a part of the fall or spring semester funding we usually have, therefore it is not held by the same constitutional rules. This response account is more of an application to the Shirt charity fund, rather than an allocation. The application form is very similar to that which we do with the Shirt funds. We distribute rather than allocate.
- g) Michael Dugan: To clarify, the FMB does not believe the constitution applies to this fund?
- h) Grace Stephenson: It is to my knowledge that this is acceptable, but we did not specifically talk about it in terms of the constitution.

- i) Ricardo Pozas Garza reads an explanation he had previously received from Matthew Bisner regarding this subject.
- j) Thomas Davis: Absolutely fantastic work Grace and all of FMB! Do you believe that the clause in order 2 and ability to set aside \$10,000 to support the Student Union is possible?
- k) Grace Stephenson: The macroeconomic world is always changing and nothing is set in stone. The only strong data we have right now is Shirt revenue, and we have no idea how the fiscal year might look different next year. To me it makes sense to hold much of the money if there is not a great student need within the Student Union., but I am unsure if that is something the University is even allowed to do in diminishing funding. Setting aside an amount of money, in this case the \$10,000, is necessary as we do not know how students and groups will be affected.
- l) Thomas Davis: How much does that really stop you from acting as FMB how you would really like?
- m) Grace Stephenson: The very fact that you are putting up with me and valuing my opinion as FMB makes me feel comfortable saying that we have the expertise and oversight to do this. I feel we are being given free reign to do this, I feel good, and I hope you all feel this way too.

- n) Madison Nemith: SO2021-02 says that the guidelines will be set by the Student Senate. So you want us to motion to approve these guidelines laid out?
- o) Grace Stephenson: Exactly, FMB has the expertise to do this, but I would smile upon someone cosigning it with me and having it reviewed at the Senate next week. I welcome all input and feedback.
- p) Michael Dugan: Looking at Article 18 Section 2, the Senate has the ability to collectively fix the Student Activities Fee. Have you ever considered a \$6 to \$12 raise in the student activities fee based off inflation?
- q) Grace Stephenson: I cannot say that I have in my position. I do not know if that will solve anything, but I do feel that \$12 would be a bit steep.
- r) Michael Dugan: If we could change the way student fees are collected, could we switch this into the student account?
- s) Grace Stephenson: I feel this is something I need to talk to with other people before talking about my ability to change the structure of student activities fees.
- t) Grace Stephenson: I welcome anyone and everyone to shoot me an email (gstephe2) if you have further questions or want to weigh in on the resolution!

VII. Oaths of Office



- A. Albertina Estrada Martinez, *Howard Hall Senator*

VIII. New Business

- A. A Presentation by Vice President of Student Affairs, Erin Hoffmann Harding, on
Campus Reopening and Adjustments to Student Life

IX. Announcements

- A. 9/11 Prayer Service next Friday!!
- B. Mairead Pfaff: Hamilton themed Acousticafe tonight (10pm) after Hamilton trivia (8pm) on LibLawn which I'm making now. If you can't make it stream acousticafe on SUBs YouTube page if the wifi bears with us but if not listen at wvfi at this link!!
Also if senators can share the wvfi link with their hall that would be great because a lot of people have been saying they don't know how to listen to ND radio!
https://mainstreamnetwork.com/listen/mobile_iphone.asp?station=wvfi-am
- C. Michael Dugan: Return of Milkshake Mass in the Stepan Center
- D. Aaron Benavides: Dana Plagenz, Director of Sustainability, will be doing a giveaway for reusable cutlery. Cutlery is from 4-7 pm outside lafun on 9/9
- E. David Haungs: Senate elections have been completed!!
- F. Sam Cannova: Final call for JIFFI applications!!
- G. Sarah Galbenski: Offering students living in singles the opportunities to form pods to refrain from being lonely or isolated.

X. Adjournment

- A. Motion to adjourn passes.