

- I. Opening Prayer - Lauren Taylor
- II. Roll Call – What is one word you would use to describe your Valentine’s Day? No repeats.
- III. Approval of Minutes - [08 February 2023](#)
- IV. Executive Announcements
 - A. Exec Cab Events
 1. FGLI Research Night: Monday, February 20th at 6:30 PM
 - a) Please join Student Government’s Department of Diversity and Inclusion: First Generation and Low Income for Research Exploration Night, a first look into the world of research for students with little to no experience in the field. On February 20th, from 6:30-8:00 PM, in Debartolo Hall, Notre Dame Student Government and the Flatley Center for Undergraduate Scholarly Engagement (CUSE) will provide general information about research at Notre Dame and how to get involved on campus through labs, jobs, internships, etc. during the semester and summer. Representatives from various academic departments and institutes on campus will present on undergraduate opportunities, and students interested in any discipline are encouraged to attend! Dinner will be provided for attendees. RSVP through this [link](#)!
 2. Student Life Council: Tuesday, February 21st at 8:00 PM

- a) The Student Life Council is a public meeting of Student Affairs, the Provost's Office, and Student Government designed to discuss pressing issues facing our campus. The original Student Life Council was formed during the Vietnam War, an era rife with student activism, when famed University President Fr. Ted Hesburgh deemed it necessary to keep students apprised of University decisions and hear their opinions. The group has since lapsed, but knowing how essential transparency and communication are to the best possible undergraduate experience, we advocated for its reinstatement. Such openness on the part of any university administration is rare, and we must take this opportunity to show that the students care about what's going on at Notre Dame and want our voices heard.
- b) Each meeting will focus on a particular topic, and the first meeting under our administration will focus on "Faith Formation and Questions of Meaning at Notre Dame." It will take place on February 21st at 8:00 PM. Fr. Gerry, VP of Student Affairs, Fr. Dan Groody, Assistant Provost and VP of Undergraduate Affairs, along with members of Campus Ministry, Residential Life, Notre Dame Faculty, and Student Government, will be offering our perspective and showcasing our work on this area. The meeting will consist of remarks from guest member Fr. Pete centered around his vision for the future direction of Campus Ministry,

followed by comments from Fr. Gerry, Fr. Dan, and Student Body President Patrick Lee, with a Q&A to close.

- c) Derick Williams: Do we need to RSVP for this?
- d) Sofie Stitt: No.
- e) Derick Williams: Great. As far as the other meetings that are going to happen, do you have any idea of what the topics of those are going to be?
- f) Sofie Stitt: I think we do, but we haven't publicized them yet. We can talk after.
- g) Connor Patrick: What does this mean for the future of Campus Life Council?
- h) Sofie Stitt: CLC was a transition from the SLC, although it lost a lot of its transparency and power. It is technically public, but not publicized. The Observer isn't there, which makes a large difference in its effect and impact. CLC still exists and is still kicking. We can talk after about this if you want.
- i) Connor Patrick: Yes, please.
- j) Sofie Stitt: I will be sending information for you all to say at your hall councils. Please be there, it is very important that attendance is strong.
- k) Boom sound effect echoes across the room.

V. General Orders

A. [SS2223-14](#): A Resolution Calling Upon Campus Dining to Make Available

Cooking Classes for Students

1. Questioning

- a) Jessica Vickery: How is this finally able to be moved up? Have you gotten to talk to the people at South and North Dining Halls?
- b) Derick Williams: Well, it got written. It was definitely written before Winter Break and just “needed to cook,” as they say. The edits that were suggested have been made. In the conversations I had alongside James, Connor, and Griff to talk about Campus Dining improvements, they mentioned cooking classes and were steadfast in their belief to move this forward.
- c) Connor McCloskey: We have a meeting with Chef Larson in the coming weeks about this as well.
- d) Griffin McAndrew: You mentioned that they had these cooking classes in the past. What did they look like before they got canceled?
- e) Derick Williams: A South Dining Hall employee might know better.
- f) Hunter Brooke: Chef Larson and other chefs taught students basic cooking techniques, like knife safety, fully cooking and preparing meat, and things like that.
- g) Sofie Stitt: Has there been a meeting with Campus Dining?

- h) Derick Williams: They are aware of this initiative and that I was going to be typing it up into a resolution from previous meetings.
- i) Mo Doyle: So, no.
- j) Derick Williams: They knew I would have a meeting with them when the resolution passes.
- k) Kate Jackowski: Would students be paying for these?
- l) Derick Williams: I don't know what was done previously. My hope is that it would be free and provided to students as an extra opportunity available to them to gain culinary skills.
- m) Connor McCloskey: It is also an employment opportunity for North and South Dining Halls, so it has that incentive as well.
- n) Zach Geiger: Have students shown a demonstrated interest in this?
- o) Derick Williams: People I have spoken to people in Keough that have interest. As far as campus employees go, there have been surveys done in South Dining Hall that indicate that employees want these kinds of classes.
- p) Connor McCloskey: I have offered this idea at hall council, and there are five to ten students every time that show interest.
- q) Sofie Stitt: We talked about the incentives for Campus Dining. Is the expectation that you will take these classes and then seek or receive employment?
- r) Derick Williams: Current employees could definitely expand the roles they already have, but I don't think you can guarantee

automatic employment for everyone. Right now, this is provided to employees and going well, so we should offer this experience to the general student body.

2. Debate

3. Voting

a) The resolution passes.

B. [Nomination for 2023-2024 Student Union Treasurer](#)

1. Sofie Stitt: We want this to be moved up because this needs to be approved before the third Thursday, which is tomorrow.

2. Jessica Vickery: Why wasn't this brought forward sooner?

3. Sofie Stitt: We were waiting to receive this nomination.

4. Questioning

a) Derick Williams: I have a question for Hannah. What have you enjoyed most about the work you have already done? What do you look forward to if you step into this new role?

b) Hannah Blaskiewicz: What I've liked the most is looking at The Shirt charity applications and helping people in the Notre Dame community through their extraordinary situations. I am looking forward to not being the person taking minutes at meetings.

c) Hunter Brooke: Hi Hannah, congratulations on your nomination. If you were to get this position, would you have any plans to make any reforms or changes to the operations of FMB? Do you have

any plans to increase transparency about how money is spent? If not, that's fine, I was just wondering.

- d) Hannah Blaskiewicz: The office runs pretty smooth as is, but I am thinking about adjusting the bylaws regarding proxies and attendance. Transparency-wise, we are a really small office, and FMB is made of representatives from all Student Union organizations, and it is those people that are spreading information. We need to create a culture of transparency so that they talk to their respective parts of the Student Union transparently.

5. Debate

- a) Renee Pierson: As a member of FMB, I want to voice my support for this nomination and congratulate both Hannah and Claire.
- b) Claire Sison: I have been in this position for a year and have seen Hannah grow in this position. From the first moment I sent out applications, she was the first person to respond and send in a great application. I have been awestruck by her since the moment she stepped into that role. I have no doubt she could handle this position and will be an excellent leader.
- c) Derick Williams: I wanted to add to the nice words. I got to talk to Hannah at the TeamND retreat up on the high ropes. We were stuck at the same platform together. She's fantastic, enjoys what she does, and is very passionate. She should be a great fit for this

role, and I look forward to seeing what she accomplishes carrying on Claire's great legacy.

6. Voting

- a) The nomination is approved.

VI. New Business

A. [Upcoming Topics & Collaboration](#)

1. Sofie Stitt: Does anyone have any updates to provide? The resolution Creed brought forward with the Department of Sustainability will be brought in the second to last meeting.
2. Derick Williams: I still have a couple resolutions or a potential set of resolutions about Residential Life that were put on the backburner, as you can imagine. Hopefully, they will cover things like senior credits for fellows programs and random room assignments. There is nothing super concrete yet, so I am waiting to look at feedback, but if anyone is open to working on these, feel free to join me.
3. Sofie Stitt: I will send those out in a follow-up email and in the GroupMe, or reach out to Derick.
4. James Baird: I am on a mission to expose Big retail dining. My attention has been sidelined by a new issue over the robots. There is concern in Alumni Hall, so much so that they formed ARF. We want to investigate if the robots have the capacity to develop sentience and overthrow the human race. This is a very important issue to Alumni Hall, Notre Dame,

and students across the globe. Please take this seriously. If you want to cooperate, let me know.

5. Griffin McAndrew: This isn't in the document, but I've been working on a couple of amendments for the last couple weeks and would love to get more eyes on them before they go to ComCon.
6. Sofie Stitt: I have been meditating on your email, by the way, and I will respond soon. Kate, are there any updates on late lunch?
7. Kate Brandin: No.
8. Sofie Stitt: Anything from hall councils?
9. Luca Ripani: My dorm asked me to moderate a Senator Debate, can I do that or not?
10. Sofie Stitt: Like for the election for new Senators? Email JCouncil about that—Madison Nemeth isn't here today.
11. Jessica Vickery: I was wondering with Derick, Hunter, and Griff at SPC on Huddle Mart prices. I am hoping to put that on New Business next week that will call for the Huddle to display their pricing. I was in contact with them before Winter Break, and they said they would fix it, so I'll check on that.
12. Sofie Stitt: Just send that to us when you are ready.
13. Hunter Brooke: That was the most efficient and effective phone call I have ever seen. Jessica took charge.

VII. Announcements

- A. Sofie Stitt: There is Senate dinner after this at North. Everyone is welcome to join, including proxies, it's a great time! The Observer can come, too, wherever you are. Big thanks to you guys—I was harping on you a lot about elections because we had a brutal one last year. I am very appreciative of your character this year. Thanks for that.
- B. Lauren Taylor: We are in the process of making Senate merch. If you are open to it, let us know.
- C. Connor McCloskey: It is February 15. There are 8 days until the Keenan Revue. If you didn't get a ticket, that blows. We have no more tickets. We have like 10 extra for Friday or Saturday if you *really* don't have a ticket. We can only give out one or two each.
- D. Riley Russo (proxy for Rachel Dorfner): Acousticave is at 8:30pm in Hagerty Family Cafe. Cav is having a bake sale. The Executive Director position applications got sent out this week. They are due on Sunday night. If you have a question, email Rachel.
- E. Sofie Stitt: I sent a survey about RAs. It takes eight seconds, and it's for programming that we are doing. It's called Dogs on Campus. If you know anyone with dogs on campus—friends, professors, whoever—please fill that out.

VIII. Adjournment

- A. The meeting is adjourned.