

- I. Opening Prayer - Helen Mahoney
- II. Roll Call – Are you doing anything for Lent, and if so, what is it?
- III. Approval of Minutes - [15 February 2023](#)
- IV. Executive Announcements
 - A. Senate Dinner at NDH
 - B. Senate Reports:
 1. Community Outreach
 - a) Lala Petty (cpetty@nd.edu)
 - b) Lala Petty: Hello Senators, my name is LaLa Petty and I serve as Director of Community Outreach this term. As part of Patrick and Sofie’s reinstatement of weekly Senate Reports, I will present a brief update on events and initiatives we have completed thus far, as well as upcoming events and initiatives in progress. Today, I would like to briefly highlight some of my department’s accomplished initiatives. In collaboration with local high schools, we selected students to participate in our Community Building Experience. These students received experience in community building and collegiate student government, and a chance to build their resumes. Mentorship was also provided throughout this community outreach opportunity. Additionally, we invited Notre Dame students as well as local fifth to eighth grade students to engage in a team-based fundraising event. The students registered

a team, competed in various activities, and won prizes. The proceeds were donated to Local Cup SB, a pay-it-forward coffee shop. During Walk the Walk Week, we collaborated with the department of Diversity & Inclusion: Race and Ethnicity, Campus Ministry, and the President's Office to organize the service project. This project helped to address the immediate needs of people experiencing homelessness and housing insecurity in the greater South Bend area, by collecting and distributing toiletries, food, and other essential items. We also hosted three community leaders from South Bend for a panel discussion on empowered students empowering students. They led a group discussion about leadership skills in the community, physical and mental health, and the benefit of service in order to grow individually and then elevate as a community. Additionally, I would also like to highlight the upcoming initiative of Back the Bend. During Back the Bend, we will partner with local South Bend community organizations to host a school-wide day of service. During this event we will highlight Mayor Mueller and the director of Community Initiatives, Maurice Scott, for their efforts toward community outreach and engagement in South Bend. There will be many different opportunities for students to perform various community service projects throughout South Bend. Thank you all for your time. I appreciate the ability to share some of the very important

and impactful work that our department has accomplished so far and is currently working on. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me via email at cpetty@nd.edu.

2. Academic Affairs

a) Isabella Garcia (igarcia5@nd.edu)

b) Isabella Garcia: Hello Senators, my name is Isabella Garcia and I serve as Director of Academic Affairs this term. Today, I would like to briefly highlight some of my department's accomplished initiatives. My department hosted Exploration Week, a week of programming organized to help students across campus, particularly first years, discern their academic journey and other opportunities at Notre Dame. Events executed in collaboration with First Year Advising, academic departments, and the Center for Career Development. In addition, my department planned Teach at ND Day. This day was a collaborative effort with the Kaneb Center for Teaching Excellence to honor instructors across campus and their pedagogy through a day of discussion, celebration, and appreciation. Additionally, I would also like to highlight a few of my department's upcoming initiatives. My department and I are working on reinstating Coffee Chats with faculty members. In the past, students could receive funding to meet with faculty members for food or coffee. Our goal is to bring this initiative back for students. Thank you all for your time. I

appreciate the ability to share some of the very important and impactful work that our department has accomplished so far and is currently working on. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me via email at igarcia5@nd.edu.

C. Exec Cab Events

1. [Environmental Eats Food Truck](#): Friday, February 24th from 5:00-7:00

PM

- a) Join the Student Government Department of Sustainability for ND Environmental Eats at Duncan Student Center. The event will feature free vegetarian food options from Yum Dum Food Truck and tables from various campus organizations including Campus Dining, Campus Ministry, GreeND, the Herbivore Society, and ND Energy. Come visit to learn about sustainable eating practices and grab some free food!
 - b) Please reach out to Nick Albrinck (nalbrinc@nd.edu), Director of Sustainability, with any questions or concerns.
2. Brain Foods Week: Monday, February 27th-Friday, March 3rd
 - a) Did you know that 95% of serotonin is produced in the gastrointestinal tract? What you put into your body can help boost both brain and body health, and there are many staples at ND's dining halls that you can easily and mindfully integrate into your daily diet. During this week, Campus Dining will be offering various brain foods for breakfast and dinner (such as overnight

oats, chia seeds, etc) and we will be tabling at both dining halls to promote the importance of a healthy gut-brain axis!

- b) Please reach out to Sisy Chen (schen5@nd.edu), Director of Health and well-being, with any questions or concerns.

3. Steps to Wellness Week: Monday, February 28th-Friday, March 3rd

- a) In partnership with the Division of Student Affairs, Notre Dame Student Government is hosting a week of programming and giveaways to highlight the [Step Care Model](#). The Step Care Model consists of five steps that vary from basic self-care to emergency situations. Wherever you fall on the model, there are resources available to guide you in solution-focused treatment.
- b) Stay tuned for more details coming soon.... Dogs on Campus, Moon Bounces, 1,000 flowers, basketball with Fr. Pete, and more!
- c) Reach out to Sofie Stitt (ssitt@nd.edu) with any questions or concerns.
- d) Derick Williams: Was there any follow-up about RAs?
- e) Sofie Stitt: I think he's referring to the form I sent out asking about RAs. We are doing a day during Step Care Week to highlight RAs, and we are doing a Letter Writing event where people can write something nice about their RAs. We are also going to be making a video with them discussing their role in wellness in the dorms to encourage more students to reach out to them as a resource.

V. General Orders

VI. New Business

A. [SS2223-15](#): A Resolution to Amend Hall of the Year Scoring to Include

Participation in the Sustainability Cup

1. Creed Leathers; This is something we worked on a couple of months ago that we tabled until now. If you have any questions, I am happy to answer them.
2. Abbey Donahue: We are thinking of keeping this in New Business so you guys can look over it and reach out to us if you have any questions.

B. [Nomination for Judicial Council President](#)

1. Sofie Stitt: We cannot move this up because she is not here, but we will invite both Koryn and Madison to next week's meeting.

C. [Upcoming Topics & Collaboration](#)

1. Connor Patrick: I have a question. Can I ask a question about the first item in New Business?
2. Sofie Stitt: Yes.
3. Connor Patrick: For any sponsors or main authors on this, what feedback did you receive from HPC about this?
4. Creed: We met a couple of months ago, back in September, and they were a little worried that other organizations may also want to get their initiatives into Hall of the Year scoring. We can get into all of your feelings about that next week. We do feel that Sustainability is important to the University's mission, so it should be reflected in Hall of the Year points. We also made the barrier really low, as we know that hall

presidents are already really busy. We just want it so that people on the fence have more of an incentive to buy-in.

5. Sofie Stitt: Technically, there are no questions in New Business, so if any of your questions could fit into Debate, we'll save that for next week.
6. Renee Pierson: I feel like this is a short resolution and we can move this up.
7. Creed Leathers: We really wanted to give everyone time to read over it.
8. AnnahMarie Behn-Link (proxy for Connor McCloskey): Hi, I'm Connor McCloskey. There are slightly over 24 hours until the Keenan Revue.

VII. Announcements

- A. Sofie Stitt: Senate Dinner! Be there or be square.
- B. Rachel Dorfner: Here is your SUB Update for the week! Acousticafe is at 8:30pm in Hagerty Family Cafe. There are Spring Concert announcements coming out soon, so look out for that!
- C. Lauryn Pugh: Look out for Hall of the Year grading sign ups that we will be sending out. You guys will get a copy of the sheet with dorms listed out, and you will sign up for a slot. Don't sign up for your own dorm. If you sign up for a slot and can't make it later on, send us an email and let us know so we can rearrange the schedule.
- D. Ginny Gouldin: You also need to attend a grading training session beforehand.
- E. Lauryn Pugh: Those will be on March 6 and March 8. You can't grade if you can't show up to a training session.

- F. Caroline Potts: Badin and Duncan are having a poetry slam in Duncan Student Center by Hagerty Family Cafe on February 24 from 5–7pm. Tickets are \$5 at the door, and proceeds are going to the Thurgood Marshall College Fund. Let me know if you want to participate!
- G. Sofie Stitt: Have a great week everyone, thank you all for being here. As always, I really appreciate it. I hope to see you all at Step Care Week next week!

VIII. Adjournment

- A. The meeting is adjourned.