

- I. Opening Prayer - Aidan Rezner
- II. Opening Prayer [Form](#)
 - A. Aidan Rezner: I'm going to ask all of you to fill out this form. It is a simple yes or no question asking if you would want to do a prayer so I don't have to do it every week and so we get to hear new voices. There is no pressure. If you say yes, I will rotate through the list each meeting. If you could fill that out now, that would be great.
- III. Roll Call
 - A. Pick One
- IV. Approval of Minutes - [5th April 2023](#)
 - A. Sam Godinez: Motion to amend the minutes to fix his name on two accounts.
 - B. Seconded
 - C. The minutes were amended.
- V. Executive Announcements
 - A. The Shared Drive
 1. Aidan Rezner: I made a shared drive that will have all of our files on it. I only have it shared with the people up here, Daniel and Collette, but you will be added soon. I am going to add things from last year, the Parliamentary producers, and the administrator directory. The director will help you know which administrator is best to connect with. The drive will have the minutes and the agendas. Essentially, anything senate related will be in there. There will also be a senate guide, which explains how to be a

senator, what that entails, and a copy of our bylaws. Check it out when you receive the invitation.

B. Resolutions vs. Orders

1. Aidan Rezner: There are two distinct ways to write things to bring to the senate floor. A resolution is a wish, or a call upon the university to do something. With this, while the university is very welcoming to things, they ultimately decide what to do with it. If we pass a resolution, it means the senate is behind it and calls upon the university to fulfill it. Sometimes they say no. An order is something you write up and send through. If it passes, that order is changed. The only thing we have full rights over is our constitution or bylaws, so anytime you want to change, add, or subtract something, that would be in the form of an order. If you are calling upon the university to go something, it is a resolution. Resolutions to tell the university to up flex points come up a lot, so it being passed would only mean we call on the university to do that. As we can see, the university doesn't want that, but that is an example of a resolution.

C. ListServ and [Directory](#)

1. Aidan Rezner: Please fill out the directory. It will be an information guide. It is a good way to get people to connect with each other and have their contact information. It will be better when you start to write resolutions and things of that nature to find the people you need to work with. It should have all voting and non voting members. Please fill it out. It should take no more than 5 minutes to complete.

D. Committees

1. Aidan Rezner: This is not something you need to be concerned with until the beginning of next year. It is an “at large position”. We have committees like the committee on the constitution or the budget. I will go into more detail when I send out the application.
2. Hunter Brooke: Do senators serve on the committee on the budget?
3. Griffin McAndrew: No. They serve either on the committee on the constitution or committee on a department.
4. Hunter Brooke: The chairperson has discretion, correct?
5. Griffin McAndrew: True.
6. Aidan Rezner: I will let you know. Anytime there is a change on a constituent, it needs to go through the committee of constituents. I will share what that is going to look like going forward. We need to have those filled going forward in the fall. Also, I want to note that this is different from serving in executive cabinet departments because you all must on one executive cabinet department.

E. [Parliamentary Procedure](#) + [Resolution Writing](#)

1. **Presentation by Griff**

- a) Griffin McAndrew: This will be like the introductory workshop Jared did before the term, but it may be a bit different. We will be using the Standard Code of Parliamentary Produces here. While it is not exactly to the letter, it is derived from it.

- b) Aidan Rezner: Executive announcements are really things that me, as the chairperson, think are important for you to know. It will have upcoming news for the next few weeks. It is not a big deal. Sometimes an executive cabinet member comes in to talk about what they are doing, so this would be the place for that.
- c) Griffin McAndrew: Debate is really just airing opinions and grievances. Regarding language, we want to keep things civil. The things we talk about affect the student body, but nothing is personal. Keep that spirit. Nothing personal. The chair can interrupt or eject people for being disrespectful.
- d) Aidan Rezner: Conversations can get heated here because some hard topics may come up. I ask that you don't extrapolate things. As a Catholic university, we often extrapolate to religion or politics. Just keep it to the subject matter.
- e) Griffin McAndrew: I don't know if any of you were there last time, but there was a great example of how a forum should run. During the pornography resolution discussion, everyone kept it together really well. Moving on, when we move to send things to committees, it is really an ad hoc thing selected by the chairperson. He may select a few of you to do further research on a certain subject. To postpone something is to push it back one meeting if someone can't be there. To table it essentially kills the resolution. Things like a roll call vote essentially means Bella reads out all of

your names and you vote one by one. This is very slow with lots of pressure, so we don't use it often. A closed vote is when I send everyone a ballot to vote privately. This happens for more serious or controversial topics; It happened like 3 times last year. It is not common, but may happen. As for new business, it usually stays there for a week unless there is a motion to move it up. The purpose is to give people time to read over them and consider them. If you think something is ready, it can get moved up by unanimous vote. With quorum, the issue with us not having $\frac{2}{3}$ at the end of the meeting because people leave is not likely, but we still want to make sure to avoid that because it can be very bothersome and difficult with the minutes.

- f) Hunter Brooke: I just thought I'd give you a little hand. According to Wikipedia, points of order is when someone has disagreement with the rules and point of inquiry is more like inquiring about something.
- g) Griffin McAndrew: Thank you . I will confirm that at a later date. I will give a more detailed presentation when we get back in August to go over more stuff and explain more types of motions we can make.
- h) Griffin McAndrew: On resolution writing, the best way to start is figure out what issues you want to tackle. The best way to do this is to ask your constituents and figure out what issues matter to

them. When trying to draft a resolution, definitely talk to the relevant administration. They help. It helps to understand the administrative mechanisms that go into whatever subject matter you are dealing with and also to talk about why things haven't happened.

- i) Aidan Rezner: This was a problem last year. If you are writing a resolution, talk to people that will be affected. Make sure they are on board. If it gets brought up and we are in debate on your resolution, a relevant person is going to say “whoa, what is this?”. That doesn't look good for your resolution and makes it much harder to get it passed. It also makes it easier to avoid having your resolution tabled. Do the background work. We want to get things passed.
- j) Griffin McAndrew: Also, if you are drafting a campus-wide resolution, do research into what peer universities are doing. They are likely doing similar things to us. The perspective from looking at those policies may help you. It also looks really good during debate to be able to reference those other universities.
- k) Aidan Rezner: In general, when drafting a resolution, send them to me or Griff to make sure they make sense. We are here to help you. I am more than happy to meet and go over them. We are resources. We don't want you to feel stressed. If you find an issue, we want

you to go after it and solve it. Don't worry about writing it perfectly the first time.

- l) Griffin McAndrew: Also, before a resolution gets on the agenda, we have to check it, make sure it's constitutional, approve the formatting, and stuff like that. We want to be involved and will be involved on anything you ask us to. Also, the new administration, Daniel and Aidan, yields a lot of power. Administrators want to talk to them, so they are great tools to move things along.
- m) Aidan Rezner: Yes, Daniel and I can bring things up in meetings with relevant administrators. Whatever I can do, I'm more than willing to do that.
- n) Griffin McAndrew: Lastly, I have an example resolution from last year linked that got passed and did everything right. Use it as a tool and reference. If there is something you should be modeling resolutions around, I would point to this.

- 2. Email agenda items to arezner@nd.edu, gmcandre@nd.edu, and mdoyle10@nd.edu

F. Attendance Policy/Expectations

- 1. Proxy Form Available [here](#)
- 2. Aidan Rezner: This will be in the shared drive link senate bylaws, so please look over the policy and expectations. I will give just a quick overview. You are allowed as senators over the course of the entire term from April 1st to the next April 1st when you are out of office 6 absences

total, with 3 of them being unexcused. An unexcused would be if you didn't tell me you weren't coming, if you didn't send a proxy or fill out form. Also if you didn't email me, Griff, and Bella. After 3 unexcused absences, I am obligated by the bylaws to send you to the ethics committee, and we don't want to do that. So, please just come. These meetings will be kept relatively short. If you send a proxy, that does count as an absence, but your vote is still accounted for. I recommend sending a proxy so you can have your voice heard. Also, we need people here to reach quorum. Remember, you can have no more than 6. Once you reach your 7th, I need to send you to the ethics committee.

3. Ryan Lally: If you are sent to the ethics committee, is there a chance they say your situation had extenuating circumstances?
4. Aidan Rezner: Yes, and if you have a specific issue or situation, just talk to me.
5. Griffin McAndrew: Based on precedent, the ethics committee is very lenient, but I am not saying to just not show up. An ethics committee hearing is a total nightmare for everyone. If valid extenuating circumstances, like if you got sick for 3 weeks and couldn't show up and couldn't email for some reason, they will likely let you off with a warning.
6. Aidan Rezner: I only really send someone if they are not showing up at all and have multiple absences. At the 7th absence, I am obligated to report it, but we can work things out.

VI. General Orders

A. Executive Department Sign-Ups

- a. Clay: What would a senator that sits on FUEL do?
 1. Learn about Departments [here!](#)
 2. Sign up for Departments [here!](#)
 - a) Aidan Rezner: I linked information about what each department is last week, but feel free to look it over again. I ask you to sign up now for your top three of ones listed that interest you the most. This is only for hall senators. Pick 3 and then rank them for me. Fill out that form now, please.
 - b) Clay Chauncey: What would a senator that sits on FUEL do?
 - c) Aidan Rezner: A senator that fits on FUEL would not sit on FUEL, so don't pick that. That is my fault. FUEL can call upon senators to do presentations to fuelers about things going on in the senate, but that doesn't mean you are in the department. I will try my best to make sure each of you get one of your top choices, but just keep in mind that each department is doing meaningful work
 - d) Louis Cornett: It says our emails are not shared. Will you be able to see who we are?
 - e) Aidan Rezner: Thank you for letting me know that. I need to fix that. I am editing settings on that right now. It should be fixed now. Thank you for bringing that up. If you could fill it out one more time. I will send out in an email a list of what department you are assigned to.

VII. New Business

VIII. Announcements

- A. Joseph Tunney: You can see that I have my mohawk. 3 days until the Fisher Regatta. Be there.
- B. Jacob Zybura: 4 days until the Duncan golf tournament, the Masters Week Classic. There will be two tee times at 11 and 1. Let me know if you want to sign up. There were actually two Siegfried men who won last year and got a green jacket, and I know everyone wants one.
- C. Daniel Jung: ND Day is coming up. If you don't know what it is, it is a fundraising day for clubs and dorms and other causes. Get ready to send links.
- D. Hunter Brooke: I was perusing the Student Government website a few days ago, as one does, and I wanted to point out that our former parliamentarian, Jared, has digitized years worth of former resolutions and minutes. That was a killer move and I personally am very thankful to him for doing that. This is a great tool that people should take a look at and be aware of.
- E. Aidna Rezner: I will put that in the next minutes, but you are right. This is a great resource to know what has been passed in the past and know what type of debate questioning may come up.
- F. Lily Condodina: SUB has a lot coming up this week and next. We have our Bachelor event with Ben Higgins. As always, we have Acousticafe at Hagerty Cafe. This Thursday we are having our silent disco. We also have Kick It Kickball on Friday. Check out all of the information on our instagram, @subnd.

- G. Thomas Cluck: We have Baumer's Bay week. Saturday we have a water park with Inflatables. After, from 7-8 there is a musical festival with performers across campus. Definitely come. We also have the Baumer buzz. If you know anyone raising money to get their heads shaved this Sunday, donate.
- H. Adian Rezner: Denim day is next week, so be on look out for more information. Also, you all should follow our instagram @ndstugov.
- I. Rose Nguyen: KSA sold out show this Saturday. There will be super yummy Korean food. Dancing is fun and you can get free food. Also, Cav's Colors of Chaos event is next Saturday. All proceed to St. Margaret's House.
- J. Sam Godinez: If you don't mind, I have to go on an impassioned speech. This is Dillon Hall whenever rain appears [shows picture]. I was looking at the weather and it is going to rain this Saturday and Sunday. I want to thank Hunter and Derick for their work to address this problem outside of SDH. People call us Lake Dillon, but it is not a lake, it is an ocean and we're whales in the ocean. Dillon hall is in the waters. I am working on a resolution to fix this. I am thankful already for having the support of Carroll and Alumni hall. We are rivals, but I am glad we can come together on something that affects numerous students on south quad and around campus. If you want to help, email me.
- K. Koryn Isa: Off campus elections are next week. Please do not provide any endorsements.
- IX. Adjournment
- A. The meeting is adjourned.