

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

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**Executive Board Reports**

- Katie: As we wrap up this quarter, thank you for your dedication to Senate. Also we have some new Senators, can you please stand up and introduce yourself?  
[Introductions]
- Abby: Thanks for a great quarter
- Ani: There is a list of everyone who joined the new class of PLI in my exec board report. Check it out.
- Alex: Continue with 10K submissions. Therapy dogs on Sunday. If you are living a residence hall that is doing cookie chats, let me know how they are going.
- David: Your mentee or mentor should be scheduling meetings with you soon. With Senate Reform, we are rethinking the way we are going about the process, so let me know if you have any thoughts.
- Sofia: Had a meeting with the CTEC committee, possibly redoing response format due to a poor response rate.
  - Chris: Have they considered sending out more reminder emails?

They are working on various response structures to make it more beneficial for professors as well as student feedback. They are definitely taking a more holistic approach. There is also a lot of just wrapping up for the quarter.

- Kevin: We had the housing fair which you heard about a little more earlier. We will have another one in January. We also had the holiday bash, and we are in the middle of debriefing a bunch of projects. I am going to some alderman meetings this week. If you want more info, I can fill you in. We were supposed to have ETHS student government members come in tonight, but they had a scheduling conflict. Moving forward though, we are looking to make more of a partnership with them.
- Siddiq: Not much to say this week. We are working to making this super expansive spreadsheet. We are working with Sheng about putting a calendar of events of A-status events.

- Neel: Not too much happening this quarter. Just starting to prepare for next quarter and working on solidifying our best common practices.
- Noah: I have started interviewing new potential committee members. Please post your books on Book Swap. As ASG, we should set the example. For those you don't know, it is an internal booking buying and selling resource for Northwestern students. Also, apply for Deering Days.
- Sheng: API is developing on schedule and we will be pushing CourseSeek next quarter. This means students will be having much more updated information.
- Julia: Doing a lot of internal things. Send in 10K submissions and nomination for DTSA. Also, participate in Purple Fridays, it will be really fun.
- Wes: Working with CSI about using recycled printer paper. Also working on a bike plan with the office of sustainability.

**General Order:** [End of Quarter Recap Presentation](#)

- PTI: Any update on benches and tables?
- Alex: It is currently out of our hands, but we are working on communication?
- Julia: Also the link for the video about CAPS and resources will begin to

**General Order:** [Budget Presentation](#)  
[Presentation]

- Alex: Any questions? Let me know later on if you do have any!

**General Order:** SGC Confirmations

- Eliza: I am a new Senator and I sat through 2 funding cycles and knew I wanted to get involved.
- Ariel: I am a junior in econ and I applied because I was looking for an opportunity to work with the NU community, and I think it the SGC is a great way to do that.
- Alex: We have 2 candidates for 2 spots?
- Katie: Yes, it is just a vote for confirmations. Any questions? All those in favor of confirming?  
[passes unanimously]

**Old Business:** [SL1314-04: Northwestern Crew New Boat](#)

- Kaleigh: We are a university club sport and as a crew team we travel and. We are asking for \$4000 for a boat. We are fundraising and we are looking to get the boat for the spring.
- Member: We are a very inclusive environment. We have done many initiatives and events to involve the community.
- Kaleigh: We have an \$80,000 budget that
- Alex: How long will the boat last?
- Kaleigh: It will be on the varsity for 8 years, and then move to the novice team for 8-10 years. So they last for a long time.
- David: Can you talk about where your funding comes from normal?
- Kaleigh: we have \$1500-1700 dues and we do fundraising on campus. We also rely a lot on alumni support.
- David: Do you know that most fund
- Kaleigh: We do get university funding, and we get \$10,000 from the university. If we didn't get the money from the university, we would have to raise dues.
- Siddiq: Can any student use the boat? How or could this benefit all students?
- Kaleigh: we do not turn away any student who wants to row crew. Also, the realignment we would be able to do with the new boat will allow us to have more seats for new students.
- Ani: Why are you coming before the aggressive capital campaign you mentioned you were doing in winter?
- Kaleigh: We need half of the money now to order the boat now to be ready for the spring.
- Eliza: What happens if you want to be involved but can't pay dues?
- Kaleigh: There is a CSI fund to subsidize some of the costs, and you can do more fundraising opportunities to cut off some of your dues.
- Katie: We are moving to debate and moving to a con speech.
- Alex: You guys are a great student group, but the money you are asking for will not be affecting or benefitting many students.
- Harrison: Motion to amend amount to \$1000.
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Harrison: I think the story you are bring forth is very compelling, but I think this is much more acceptable amount to pass.

- Alex: Objection. This is still a lot of money to be asking from the SAF that will benefit very few students. This amendment will increase chances
- Isaac: I have a question for alex. Is there any amount you would be willing to pass?
- Alex: No.
- Eliza: Would you still be able to meet your goal you think if you only got \$1000?
- Kaleigh: It would be possible but that is harder.
- Evan: would you be willing to come back after your fundraising efforts in the winter?
- Kaleigh: Yes, but I think this is the best time to ask for this money. We need to purchase the boat as soon as we can.
- Alex: PQ  
[amendment passes]  
Siddiq: Would students have the opportunity to use the boat too, or just crew members?  
Kaleigh: We are looking to have some fundraising efforts to teach students how to row after our season ends in the spring.  
Noah: Motion to amend. Any money that is not used to purchase the racing shell would be returned to the pool. I think this is a good cause, but we don't know how much the capital campaign will raise so whatever money you don't need will be returned.
- Alex: Object. I just don't think this is very realistic. If they are trying to fundraise, we just give them the money or you don't.
- Katie: Pro speech?
- Dana: I disagree. They will try to raise as much money as they can and then if they have money left over it should be returned.
- Alex: PQ  
[amendment passes]
- Katie: We are in line for a pro speech.
- Dana: We have talked a lot about the amount of students that this would be helping. This boat will have a much longer longevity than many other things we fund on boats. And over time we would fund

- Ani: There is something also to be said for that this group has high prestige and goes out to represent Northwestern. We take a lot of pride in this group, and we have the opportunity to help them
- Katie: Con speech.
- David: I wish you the best of luck on raising the money. I would like to say that historically, I don't think we have ever funded a club team. This money should be going to student groups that do not have that funding access. However, going off what Ani said, it is
- Katie: Pro speech.
- Jamie: This is a group that normally does not receive funding, so this a great opportunity to do so.
- Eliza: this boat does have a long lifespan. They have 16 years of boat use to expand use to northwestern students.
- Katie: con speech
- Petros: There is no assurance that the boat will be put to the correct use until 2029. I think this pool could be used to for groups who need it more and that would have more accountability.
- Isaac: Is there any money in athletics available for capital improvements?
- Kaleigh: No not really. That's why we are here.
- Alex: We are giving up 1/10 of our budget for 1/43 of the boat. Also, they may be trying to sell their boat.
- Kaleigh: Our goal is trying to expand the program. We do not want to sell our current 8 because we would like to expand the program.
- Sarah: So any student can join the team?
- Kaleigh: Yes, if you make it through your novice year, you are on the varsity team.
- Isaac: How have you historically raised money?
- Kaleigh: Mostly with donors and alumni.
- Chris: Hypothetically, if you don't get this money, how long do you have to order the boat, as well as if you do.
- Kaleigh: We need to order the boat by January 1<sup>st</sup>, we need \$2500 more. If we don't have the money by then, we may not get the boat until fall.
- Chris: would it be more helpful to have a down payment that you must pay back?

- Kaleigh: I am not sure but I don't think so.
- Katie: Pro speech.
- Harrison: If you remember Henry Brooke, a senator from last year on a club team, he felt that ASG helped club teams. This is a chance to do that.
- Parag: This money would help get money ready early so we should do this now. I see this as an investment for the crew team.
- Katie: Con speech.
- Siddiq: This group will still function without this funding, while many other groups on campus will not. And while the Crew team is incredible, there are groups that cannot function without this money.
- Alex: Again, this money I don't think has the benefit to justify the cost.
- Katie: We are in moving to a vote.  
[legislation passes]

New Business: [SL1314-07: Hoop for Haiyan](#)

- Arshad: Hi everyone. This is a request for a fundraising basketball effort to raise money for Haiyan. Just to clarify, no groups have been tied to this event but things are going. I think this is an opportunity to really energize students towards a great cause. Based upon quotes, I have given an exact amount for the event. This is large amount from the pool, but I think this event could be really great. I think that this could raise about \$5000. The Athletics office cannot be financially involved, but they are getting involved in the event and have student athletes to help facilitate the day. The president's office is also able to give funding, because I am just a single student. The tournament can be up to 112 participants based upon the bracket to set up. There will be a registration fee and you will get a t-shirt. All the left over t-shirts and water bottles will be sold. The plan is pretty thoroughly laid out. The money will be going directly to effort groups and not an umbrella organization.
- Katie: 10 minutes for questions
- Dana: You mentioned the Hoop for Haiti event. Did they have t-shirts and stuff?

- Arshad: They did have t-shirts, but local sponsors paid for the shirts. Given the short time span, we don't have too much time for it.
- Chris: would the event still go on without the funding?
- Arshad: Yes, but it would not be as profitable. Also the t-shirts help create an outward appearance of this event is for a cause.
- Evan: Could you elaborate on the \$200 fee for PR? Don't we know have \$50 PR budget for groups?
- Arshad: This was just an estimate, and I would be open to be lowering it if you are more comfortable with that.
- Luke: how early do you need the money?
- Arshad: We need 2 weeks for the t-shirts and water bottles.
- Luke: So you can't wait to pass this next Senate?
- Arshad: No. We would need to make this old business tonight.
- Senator: have you thought that about only selling the shirts?
- Arshad: I am not sure the costs would be less than the profits that way.
- Dana: why did you pick two items to sell. It ups the costs.
- Arshad: for the sake of variety I guess.
- Korri: Who is your target market for the 88 shirts.
- Arshad: supporters of those playing and then selling them outside Kellogg if they don't sell after the tournament.
- Chris: What other areas have you gone to ask for money other than athletics and president's office and what did you do to minimize costs?
- Arshad: I haven't really but I would like to make this a campus wide event to unify campus. I want this to be unaffiliated to make it as campus wide as possible. I also did my own research to get the best prices to minimize costs.
- Katie: We have time for one more question.
- Chris: Motion to extend question period by 5 minutes.
- Franco: This is just a single event?
- Arshad: No I was just modeling after Hoop for Haiti.
- Franco: So what is the purpose of having t-shirts and water bottles to advertise a single event?
- Arshad: the relief efforts are ongoing even if the tournament is not.

- Alex: How long has the tournament been in the planning process?
- Arshad: 3 weeks
- Dana: Why are you holding it so soon? Also, no sorority women will be able to participate and you can get more sponsorships to fund.
- Arshad: It was just earlier in the quarter, so people are less busy. But that is the a good point about sorority women.
- Senator: What corporate sponsorships have you looked at?
- Arshad: I have looked at those who are were involved in Haiti and new businesses.
- Parag: Could you push back the event to get corporate sponsorships?
- Arshad: Yes, but we would still need to money from ASG to fund the event.
- Katie: Okay this is old business in January.
- Harrison: Motion to move this to old business. I think he explained why this is needed to be made old business.
- Chris: We also can use this time to amend appropriately.
- Katie: Con speech.
- Isaac: I think we need time to talk to our constituents and you may need time to figure out some other details.
- Alex: We are in an awkward position, but I think we need the extra time.
- Katie: Okay, we are in line for a pro speech.
- Petros: I think by holding the event as soon as possible to have the most effective event.
- Katie: Con speech.
- Evan: I am fully in support with this event, but I think we have seen that there are issues with this date. So, we could use this as a chance to move
- Arshad: I also just want to mention that I would have to redo that paperwork for Student athletes to be involved.
- Alex: PQ
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Katie: vote
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New Business: [SL1314-08: World Cup Draw Viewing Event](#)



- Evan: The World Cup is one of the largest watched sporting event in the world. We have locked in the McCormick theater in Norris. We would need \$50 for chips and food. I have talked to ISA and NU World Cup about PR costs and Einstein's about free bagels. I think this could be a great event that embodies what the project pool is for.
- Harrison: We are sorry to have to make it old business tonight, but we the selection party would have to be on Friday and there was no Senate last week.
- Katie: 10 minutes for questions.
- Alex: What kind of food?
- Evan: Orange juice, cream cheese
- Senator: Can you eat in the McCormick theater?
- Evan: worst comes to worst, we can eat outside.
- Parag: Motion to make this old business?
- Alex: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Alex: PQ
- David: objection
- Alex: withdrawn
- Katie: con speech
- David: this is a great idea, but a terrible use of project money. If it is integral to the event, that is one thing, but not the feed attendees. If we wouldn't fund a student group for it, we shouldn't fund it now.
- Katie: Pro speech
- Petros: I love the World Cup and that I think it would bring together students.
- Alex: I think they have done a great job of taking initiative to get free bagels.
- Kevin: Why do you need the money if you have bagels.
- Evan: we need drinks and cream cheese.
- Katie: Con speech
- Ani: I think this is a great event, even from a mental health prospective of giving money out. Also, I think it was a bit presumptuous that I have already received advertising that said ASG is sponsoring it.

- Noah: This money is not sponsoring an event, but to feed students chips. We should be helping new events happen, not funding extras.
- Alex: Can you further elaborate on the advertising issue?
- Harrison: I'm sorry that was a miscommunication on our part with NU World Cup on how project pool funding work.
- Evan: Maybe they meant that Harrison and I are working with them on behalf of ASG.
- Katie: Pro speech.
- Harrison: I think Ani brought up a lot of issues that should be addressed. As you can see, we are very surprised by the advertising. Also, this is not haphazard. We have been planning this out for a while, but there was no Senate last week to bring up.
- Katie: Con speech
- Sofia: I think in terms of fundraising the pool is an outlet and there are funding outlets on campus that ISA has relations with for you to go to. There are B-Status whose complete focus is food and that is the purpose that put in a concerted effort to fundraise even though their programming is centered around food. This event will happen regardless and the event is not about food, it is about the World Cup.
- Sarah: PQ
- Alex: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Katie: Move to a vote  
[division: 5, 17, 3]  
[legislation fails]

### **Good of the Order & Announcements**

- Harrison: Come to see Aaron Greco speak with NUSPAN at Tech at 4pm.

### **Roll Call and Adjournment**