

# ASG Senate Minutes 10/09/2013

## **Call to Order and Roll Call**

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## **Executive Board Reports**

### **General Order:** Swearing-in of New Senators

- Katie: So we will be taking attendance at the beginning and end of every Senate for Senators that are new. Also, let's start with Senator introductions. So, each Senator please stand up and say your name, year, major and group you represent.  
[Introductions]
- Katie: Now we will move into exec reports. This is all in the agenda. Orientation on Sunday, location TBA. Committees will be announced. Caucus whip elections are next week. Whips lead Caucus meetings. Think about it this next week and elections will be held next week.
- Alex: Can we do exec introductions?
- Katie: Yes! I am a senior studying political science and I am Speaker of the Senate. I have been in ASG since sophomore year, starting as a Senator.
- Abby: Hi, I'm Abby and I am a senior studying mechanical engineering. I am Parliamentarian, so I am in charge of all legislation that comes through Senate and the ASG Code and Constitution. Next week, we are actually holding Rules Committee elections. I also serve as VP of Rules and the committee of 6 Senators helps me review legislation each week and upkeep the Code and Constitution. It is a great chance to get involved so consider running!
- Ani: I am Ani and President of ASG. I am a senior studying poly sci. Please check out our exec board reports. We have a lot of great information out there in them, so please take a look. We did have an office renovation this summer, it is really nice, we are really opening it up this year. So, feel free to make it feel like your space too. Everyone on the exec board is here to help you. We are a support and please use us as a resource. I have to leave
- Alex: Hi, I am Alex Van Atta. I am IE and kind of a senior. This is my third year in ASG. I am EVP. As far as exec board reports go, please be on the look out for 10K. We will be having legislation next

week to clear things up and then recruitment for it. The idea is that 10K will be used to make some idea brought to us by the students happen. We have done 6 spots. 3 ASG and 3 not. We will take suggestions during Fall, Winter quarter we narrow down to 6, and then we have Senate vote on what will be sent out to campus.

- Mark: I thought last year it was benches in general?
- Alex: I think that was the wording.
- Mark: I thought benches and tables were separate.
- Petros: It was combined.
- Alex: Yes it was combined and we will be placing the furniture in the grassy area by Scott Hall. There is a lot going on. Go to Campus Voice (web address). It is a great way to gauge what students needs are. Welcome.
- David: Hi, I am David Harris. 4<sup>th</sup> year studying econ. My job is to recruit and train. Thank you for being here. For those veterans here, I am recruiting for Operations for a few weeks. It will look different and will be members that have already been in Senate before.
- Sophia: Hi, I am Sophia bio, Asian American studies and global health minor. Please look at my exec board report. Annually my committee does a Faculty-Staff Honor Roll. How many of you know what the Faculty Student Interaction Grant is? Okay so we will be working in coordination with them more this year. The goal is to build relationships between professors and students, so please be on the lookout for that. I have also been working on communication ties with Student Advisory Boards. We will also be sending out survey on academics.
- Siddiq: My name is Siddiq and I am a senior and head of SAFC. We have our 2<sup>nd</sup> funding cycle coming up. And we have a open position so please consider running.
- Neel: I am Neel, SGVP. At the beginning of the quarter, all of our groups are going through a quarterly review. We just finished up and now we are going through roll backs, which is money that wasn't used that will be rolled back. It is basically when student groups aren't spending money, so we will have more money in our pool soon.

- Kevin: I am VP for CR. So as a recap, we just help Big Bite Night. Great turnout and students groups performing was new. Cats Coming to Dinner is coming soon too. We will be connecting students with Evanston families. It will be happening end of October. We will be having a light walk next week, so let us know what areas you think are dark if you live off campus. Occupancy reform, brothel law, is being reviewed by Evanston City Council. As an update, it has been pushed back again. Hopefully it will be up in November.
- Noah: Hi, I am Noah a junior and I am Services VP. We on services start with a operating budget of \$0 and come up with solutions for student services ground up. We are working on the Unofficial Study Abroad Guide. We are also working on the Unofficial Student Guide app that will be a great tech help for students. Please encourage students to use Bookswap.
- Sheng: Hi I am tech VP. Over the summer, I have been working on some services app and other tech projects.
- Julia: Hi I am a Junior and PR VP. Wildcat of the Week award is starting. We are looking for student exhibiting leadership and strong character. We also will be sending out forms about submitting events for student groups to promote in a more public way
- Wes: Hey guys I am senior in Weinberg. I am AVP for Sustainability. We do really cool projects that affects all students. Off campus students, we are handing out CFL bulbs. If you live on campus, if you have an eco rep, you should be getting an email about plastic bag collection here at Norris.
- Natalie: Hi. I am associate director for CSI. I am the head advisor for ASG. I am here to help you in anyway that you may need. Up on 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will also be creating a new student resource center.

**General Order:** Introduction to Robert's Rules

**New Business:** [SR1314-1: Resolution Concerning the Adoption of a Tobacco-Free Campus Policy](#)

- Katie: We are changing things up a bit and moving up a new piece of legislation. (Talked about process. Week to talk with constituents and vote, etc.)

- Alex: We aren't arguing about the bill tonight right?
- Katie: Yes, tonight it is informational.
- Carolyn: I am President of the Public Health Club. We are moving to make NU a tobacco-free campus. It is a huge killer in America and Illinois. Second hand and even third hand smoke is very dangerous. There are 766 campus also making this move. It will benefit the university financially and health-wise. It will cut down on littering, health-care costs. So if you guys have any questions...?
- Alex: How much weight would you say in cigarette liter is there?
- Carolyn: I don't know
- Petros: Have you talked to the administration?
- Carolyn: Yes, the administration passed a smoke-free bill. They didn't understand the difference between smoke-free and tobacco-free.
- Mark: Can you explain the difference between smoke free and tobacco free?
- Carolyn: Yes there is a difference. This bill also includes e-cigarettes. We are collecting all of this together.
- Taylor: How will the university enforce this?
- Carolyn: Signage and peer encouragement.
- Taylor: What will consequences be?
- Carolyn: Police can be involved, like they could maybe search students if they found their activity to potentially be suspicious.
- Petros: Will this just push smoking off campus?
- Carolyn: That is a worry. But 70% of smokers do want to stop. And there are statistics that prove that
- Alex: Can you smoke while driving by?
- Carolyn: Technically, I guess no.
- Isaac: What is the current rule?
- Carolyn: No smoking within 25 feet of ventilation and doorways and in university buildings.
- Harrison: If the language of the bill we pass and the Faculty Senate differ, what will happen?
- Carolyn: the Faculty Senate want to uphold the tobacco-free bill.
- Senator: Why e-cigarettes?

- Carolyn: There is empirical data that I have on hand, but I feel that it should be included.
- Melanie: Would there be tobacco-free products on campus?
- Carolyn: NO
- Alex: What would the implementation timeline be?
- Carolyn: A couple of months.
- Senator: So could students have cigarettes in their rooms?
- Carolyn: Technically no, but that would be hard to track.
- Mark: Who will be implementing this?
- Carolyn: I don't know yet, but we wanted to show support for this from ASG first.
- Mark: Should this be legislation so we can have action to help this?
- Carolyn: I was told not to.
- Sean: Can we explain the difference between Resolution and Legislation?
- Katie: A resolution calls for support and legislation calls for action to be taken by ASG.
- Arian: Does this to the possession of tobacco products, like if someone had a pack of cigarettes in their pocket?
- Carolyn: The whole campus would be tobacco free.
- Arian: So would off campus students have to stash cigarettes before coming on campus?
- Carolyn: I don't think that would be an issue.
- Dillon: Why don't you just make it for no use of tobacco on campus?
- Carolyn: It is a social norm change.
- Petros: Do you have any statistics on use of tobacco on campus and statistics of complaints of use.
- Carolyn: I don't think we have stats for complaints, but we do have statistics for students who smoke.
- Taylor: You said police officer like this because it gives them greater right to search students?
- Carolyn: It's not to search students.
- Taylor: So what are we doing for enforcement?
- Carolyn: We won't know that until further down the line.
- Mark: Motion to extend questioning by 3 minutes.

- Katie: Great let's explain what this is. We have 10 minutes for question period. And you can ask to extend the period by motioning. Then we will vote on it. For, against, or abstain. All in favor? Opposed? Abstaining?  
[passes by visual vote]  
David: Are you familiar with what COFHE is?  
Carolyn: No  
David: it is a collection of private schools that our administration compares us to and looks to a lot for moves on issues like this. What schools have adopted this sort of tobacco-free campus policy?  
Carolyn: Some Harvard institutions, Stanford, and some others. And a full list is online.  
Mark: I have a question for Abby. Has this gone through Rules?  
Abby: Yes. That is why it is here tonight.  
Mark: Okay, we will talk.  
Melanie: Have you talked to smokers about this?  
Carolyn: Yes, and a lot of smokers are against this. But a lot of smokers in the end are usually in support of moves like this eventually.  
Katie: Any more questions? Okay thanks Carolyn. This will be old business next week and then we will vote on this.

### **New Business:** Associate Vice President for Diversity and Inclusion

#### Selection Process [Presentation](#)

- Alex: Okay we are going to do a little presentation.
- Katie: Any questions about legislation really fast?
- Dylan: How many votes to make it pass?
- Katie: Majority.
- Alex: So AVP of D&I has been vacant since spring of 2013. Since then we have really evaluated with our advisors, CoC, and others on campus to really talk about what this position is. We went back to the drawing board and kind of redefined the role better. You can read this and there is a link in the agenda. What we want to emphasize is that this position is simply a voice to Ani and I, and we will be the ones speaking on these issues for ASG. They will assist with me and Ani on projects relating to D&I. They will be sitting on various committees that are pertinent to their role. There

is an Eva Jefferson day, an old ASG President in MLK Jr's day, and they will be working on that. It will function very similarly to Anna and Sophia's role where they sit on university committees that relate to their role. Okay so qualifications. Most importantly, experience in the related area. We want to see track record and dedication to D&I on campus. Ability to work across various communities. This position is open to anyone on campus, as long as they meet the qualifications. If this is a passion of yours, please feel free to apply.

- Mark: Can you speak to the status of the group and how it will factor into the process?
- Alex: Sophia?
- Sophia: We reached out to them over the summer and asked about their projects. Some have left the committee, but are still working on D&I issues. All have been reached out to though in the summer and fall.
- Mark: So there is a committee? Or would they have a recruitment process?
- Alex: Yes there will be a recruitment process after the selection of the AVP. So this is brought to you, because when there is a vacancy, the process that we are going to take to fill it must be approved by Senate. There is a new selection committee, chaired by Ani and David. I will sit on there, Anna, Sophia, Coalition of Color co-chairs as non-voting members to share their thoughts. Katie will also be on there. This mirrors what we did in spring. Normally the outgoing member sits on there, but she has graduated. Apps will be released tomorrow if passed. And then we will use grassroots method to spread the word. Apps due next Wednesday and approval will happen in 2 Wednesdays. Any questions? I want this as clear as possible.
- Elena: Are you going to be sending this out?
- Katie: Yes it is linked in the agenda/
- Alex: Also a lot of this will appear on the application.
- Dylan: Is there written record of this?

- Abby: Yes I am taking minutes. As Parliamentarian that is one of my duties, and you can view the minutes that will be linked in next week's minutes.
- Senator: Do we get email updates about this?
- Katie: Yes I was going to announce this later, but if you are not on the list serve let me know. Any questions about this process though right now? Okay, great so we will vote on this selection process. So, we will now move to a vote.

[passes by visual vote]

Okay, so now we are doing something a little new. We are swearing in all new senators. This is new. We have a book but there are a lot of you, so you can just stand up. I will now administer the oath.

[OATH]

- Katie: Julia should we do a picture?
- Julia: Sure!
- Katie: Now or later?
- Julia: Now is good.

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

- Katie: Okay now the last thing we do is Good of the Order. This is a chance for anyone to say something about an event that may be happening on campus or a comment that they would like to make to Senate.
- Sean: What about Senate reform?  
Abby: I am meeting with Burgie tomorrow and will give an update next week.
- Sean: Come to A&O Blowout and Man of Steel.
- Adam: If you are good with Photoshop, please come help me with an idea I am working on with Siddiq.
- Mark: Please come to the Environmental Career Fair tomorrow in Norris.
- Alex: I just want to say to all the new Senators in the room, congrats for making it through.
- Katie: Let me know if you are not on the list serve.
- David: Orientation is Sunday 2-4. It is mandatory, so be there.  
Location is TBA.

### **Roll Call and Adjournment**





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## Executive Board Reports

- Katie: Caucus whip elections are October 30<sup>th</sup>. If you want to apply, please take a look and it's linked in the agenda. Also only 2 unexcused absences per quarter.
- Dillon: What if you have someone come in your place?
- Katie: Than it's not an absence.
- Petros: what about if you come late?
- Katie: It is a half absence.
- Ani: David will go more into detail about AVP for D&I and our recruitment process thus far.
- Mark: Happy birthday and the US Senate is now open.
- Alex: I have one thing about 10K. The picnic benches are finally ordered and are here in 3 weeks to be installed. We will have trash cans and recycling bins here too. I am also proposing legislation about 10K this week, so please ask questions. We are also recruiting next week. 3 ASG members and 3 non ASG members.
- David: Thank you for coming to orientation. Hopefully it was a good way to get introduced to ASG. In regards to AVP for D&I, we had some technical difficulties and now we extending the application until Thursday. We have gotten some applications and are looking to get some more. I am also starting a mentorship program. It will just involve people getting together to an talk about future in ASG. Legislation to get rid of DSEC. It doesn't serve the purpose it used to. Please reach out if interested.
- Siddiq: We are having AE elections next week, and we have one senator position. If you are planning on running, please click on that link in the agenda
- Neel: A lot is happening. On Monday, we rolled back all the money that hadn't been spent, which equaled \$14,000 that we will now be able to give that to groups. We are hopefully confirming a new GE tonight. We are also working on de-recognizing groups. We are going to talk to them about why they haven't been following through on their procedures.

- Kevin: Fall light walk last night. It was a great turnout from Evanston and NU. We took a Northern route to Colfax. We were pleasantly surprised, but we will be compiling a report. We are also now doing PR for Cats Come to Dinner. Great way for NU students to connect to Evanston residents. If you know any residents or students interested, encourage them to sign up!
- Noah: Happy start to midterms. Study abroad guide is sending out surveys. We are trying to focus on 3 locations to launch, London is ready to go. We also met with CR about making Wildcards useable in Evanston.
- Sheng: Tech committee met for the first time in over a year this week. In a couple of weeks, a few ASG people will be meeting with higher up administration about NU's technology, such as NUTV and the possible replacements that hasn't worked out yet. If you have any ideas or constituent ideas, please let me know.
- Julia: I put everything in exec board report. We are starting to work on a school spirit and purple pride campaigning, Let me know if you have any ideas. For all new and existing members, come to fitzerland. It starts at 9am this Saturday and is a great way to meet people.

#### Special Order: Multicultural Student Affairs Presentation

- Katie: Cory Moss is here from MSA and he is here to give a presentation for us.  
[Presentation]
- Alex: You may have heard we are looking for the AVP for D&I. When we seek a candidate, how can they work with you?
- Cory: We have 4 departments and we would like them to be a member of our community. They do not have to be a certain gender or ethnicity, but can connect with the 4 communities in MSA.
- Adam: What events can we get involve in?
- Cory: I have flyers. We have 4 groups, so we have a lot for people to get involved in. I am personally hosting Serenity Nights for students who want to talk about identity issues. We are also partnering for CAPS. We also have a queer person of colors group going on, and it's about how people identify themselves. We are open. WE also have Quench, which stands for Queers for lunch. We

are having a professor come in to give a lecture. We have another event about the stigmas of mental health for the black community. For Hispanic month, we are partnering with Latino studies. We are definitely trying to get at the identity issues people are facing. We are also having Festivale, which is a great way to get a taste of a bunch of different cultures on campus together. We don't have too many Asian American events right now, but we will be having them soon.

#### General Order: SGC Confirmation

- Ani: While we wait, the Happiness Club and I met with a group called Give back?? Its raised over \$16 million. We are having it as a resource on our website and they are also doing a random acts of kindness grant. It is a cool opportunity and get to meet people in Chicago and help improve the lives on Northwestern students. It's not to time commitment or strenuous but and interesting opportunity.
- Katie: Neel will you introduce your nominee, then we will vote to confirm.
- Neel: We had SGC recruitment and we chose her from 6 applicants. So you can start by saying who you are an your qualifications.
- Saya: Hi I am Saya, and I am a freshman. I wanted to get involved on campus and I tough SGC was a good fist because of the work the SGC does with student groups.
- Katie: Any questions? Okay no, will you step out into the hall for debate.

[Confirmed]

#### General Order: Rules Committee Elections

- Katie: There are 3 year long positions. If you want to nominate someone please say your name and the person must have second.
- Petros: Dana
- Dana: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Harrison: Adam Roth
- Adam: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Grace: I nominate myself.
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Katie: I nominate myself

- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Isaac: I nominate Taylor.
- Taylor: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Katie: Anyone else? Okay nomination period is closed. Candidates please stand in line and introduce yourself.
- Dana: I am a Junior. I was senior most member of Rules.
- Adam: I am a Junior and College Dems Senator. I want to get us work to do.
- Grace: I am a freshman and I think that Rules is a good way to get involved in ASG.
- Katie: I want o get involved. I like legal studies.
- Taylor: I am a senior. And I want to be on Rules because I actually like writing legislation
- Katie: Questions?
- Petros: Can you explain your knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order?
- Adam: They help Senate function better and move alongs
- Grace: I am not sure but I want to familiarize myself with them.
- Katie: They are a good way to organize
- Taylor: I was in nationals for student government. I am very familiar.
- Dana: I have great familiarity. I wrote the part of the handbooks about Robert's Rules?
- Alex: What is the most important thing about a piece of legislation as it passes through Senate?
- Grace: I don't know legislation well yet, but I want it to be clear and concise.
- Katie: Yes, I would want it to be as thought out and easy to understand as possible.
- Taylor: Clarity and correctly identified scope are important.
- Dana: it is important that it is in accordance with our constitutions and code. And the clarity.
- Adam: It is important to make sure that the legislation is clear about what it wants to do.
- Petros: You get a bill that is completely ambiguous and unclear in its writing and purpose. What would you do and how would you talk with the author?

- Katie: I would talk to Abby first.
  - Taylor: I would work with the author.
  - Dana: A lot of times the author isn't there. Try to get a hold of them. If can't try to have it wait a week.
  - Adam: First, I would reread it. Then I would reach out to sponsors to try to work with them.
  - Grace: I would work with a senior member and the author.
  - Senator: What other commitments do you have?
  - Taylor; NBN, 4 classes, and I play tennis.
  - Dana: Exec of sorority, business fraternity
  - Adam: I will find the time for this.
  - Grace: AKPsi and DFA. But they are flexible and I am good at planning my time.
  - Katie: I am involved in a church service group, but I would be diligent as this is my last committee.
  - Katie: Any more questions. Okay we will now move into debate. Candidates please set out of the room.
- [Debate]
- Candidates can come back in and vote.
- Abby: Okay, we are doing preferential voting, so please order all the candidates in order of your preference.
    - The newest Rules Committee members are Grace, Taylor, and Dana.
  - Katie: We will now take nominations for the two-quarter position.
  - Alex: I nominate Katie and Adam
  - Katie: 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Adam: 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Isaac: I nominate myself
  - Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Katie: Please come on up and arrange yourselves and introduce yourselves.
  - Katie: I'm Katie.
  - Adam: I am Adam.
  - Isaac: I am Isaac R and I would really like to get more involved as a freshman on senate. Obviously, how resolution and legislation is written has a lot of impact.

- Steven: What ASG committees are you involved in?
- Adam: None
- Isaac: CR
- Katie: None
- Senator: What is your experience with Robert's Rules?
- Isaac: Not great, read the Wikipedia page a couple of times. I know it is to keep order, keep an open space to speak.
- Katie: I was student council president my senior year so I was good with organization.
- Adam: Most of my experience is from ASG and my past year.
- Taylor: Do you have any other time conflicts?
- Katie: Church group
- Adam: I am on college Dems and I very flexible.
- Isaac: I tutor once a week.
- Dana: Can you tell us about your commitment to ASG and being a Senator?
- Adam: I am very dedicated. I represent in College Dems in ASG and other student voices.
- Isaac: I am very committed, and I want to continue with Senate. I held a fireside yesterday in my dorm about the tobacco-free resolution and gauged their reaction to vote accordingly today.
- Katie: I am committed to staying with ASG.
- Dana: How do you work with groups if there is an issue of what we should do about a piece of legislation?
- Isaac: I tend to look for common ground and come up with a compromise. I think people tend to talk in circles when they are trying to get their point across, and I don't find that productive.
- Katie: I think I would look for our commonalities, and then bring together the issues and try to find compromise
- Adam: I have worked with groups that have nothing in common. Sometimes we don't have the best agreements, but work with the smart student groups to help get their purpose and point across.

New Business: [SL1314-01: The Neverending Story of the 10K Initiative](#)

Old Business: [SR1314-01: Resolution Concerning the Adoption of a Tobacco-Free Campus Policy](#)

- Katie: Skipping second round if Rules elections temporarily to consider this bill
- Carolyn: only affect usage, not possession. No ability to search students. In addition, tobacco policies have been changing all our lives. Slippery slope, you can't go back once you start. Initial opposition, but it tapers off as time goes by and everyone gets used to it. Tobacco free instead of smoke free, in order to include potentially unsafe products and maintain uniformity in the community. Also assures for promotion of overall health for the students at large. Harder to pass tobacco free after smoking free because of loss of momentum. Inclusion of COFHE schools in the proposed amendments. Faculty Senate has already passed a similar resolution.
- Katie: 10 minutes for questions
- Harrison: Isn't tobacco free campus a misleading term?
- Carolyn: Generally used terminology for these resolutions.
- Jacob: Work with grad students?
- Carolyn: Working with med school student.
- Jacob: Enforcement on Chicago and Evanston campus?
- Carolyn: Ideally yes.
- Ronak: Talk to staff?
- C: yeah
- Adam: Have you talked to campus security?
- C: Not yet, we wanted this support first.
- Mark: People don't abide by 25 feet rule, so how will this help?
- C: Signage and also getting rid of ash trays.
- Evan: What about staff and workers that smoke? Would they have to go off campus?
- C: Yes that it is what they would have to do. 69% of people do want to quit smoking
- Senator: Do you have any stats on here?
- C: 3.4% and 12.9% from Searle
- Taylor: Do you have any background information that this currently is working?
- Carolyn: The numbers have gone down since 2010.



- Adam: Have you talked to any other groups or organizations that have adopted policies such as this?
- Carolyn: Yes....
- Senator: How will this be enforced?
- Carolyn: signage and will be introduced through spread of word.
- Timo: What difficulties have people had with implementing this?
- Carolyn: It just takes time and changing the social norm.
- Isaac: Don't you think it is harsh to compare an outdoor smoke-free policy to an indoor policy.
- Carolyn: There is no safe space to second hand smoke and areas are transitioning to these policies slowly.
- Elena: Have you talked with administration and staff that will have to enforce this?
- Carolyn: Only some
- Sean: Are there any specifics on implementation in the resolution?
- Carolyn: No.
- Mark: Why is this important to you?
- Carolyn: My dad is in public health, and I have grown up wanting to protect the public health of those around us.
- Luke: Timeline?
- Carolyn: It depends
- Eliza: Are you willing to act as an advisor for spreading policies like this, if this were to pass?
- Carolyn: Yes
- Timo: What are some consequences of not following this?
- Carolyn: We can give tickets, but mostly peer encouragement.
- Dillon: If the 25 foot rule won't work, why would this?
- Carolyn: It's more about a social norm change, and it's harder to estimate 25 feet.
- Senator: Do you have any stats on progress for schools that have implemented this?
- C: A lot are still in the implementation phase.
- Taylor: Sheridan sidewalk belongs to Evanston, could students smoke there?
- Carolyn: We will work that out with Evanston health officials.
- Katie: We are out of time. We now move into debate.

- Dana: Motion to amend. Motion to put in all amendments in red.  
"reads amendments"
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Katie: Okay we will now move to a vote.  
[pass]
- Katie: Great those pass. And now we will move into debate.
- Petros: I don't think that this is the solution to a current 25 foot legislation law, and we shouldn't put forth more legislation to pass this. It is up to Evanston to demand for their policies to should enforce there own issues.
- Katie: Pro speech
- Sean: I am not 100% sure about the this. I am more in offense of what Petros said. This is a resolution, not a legislation mandating action. This isn't a band aid resolution, but it is for when they go forth to those to who will find a solution to show that they have ASG support.
- Alex: Hi I'm Alex and I am here to speak against this legislation. As students, we are adults and should have a right to smoke. And it would be problematic to staff to go off campus. I think this resolution breeds mistrust amongst students, and I think going up to someone and a making a comment about someone else's health would breed more problems.
- Carolyn: It is about protecting the right of non-smokers, not against current smokers. We are choosing the right for a clean air and healthy environment.
- Mark: If that is the case, why are you supporting a full tobacco ban?
- Carolyn: It is move to support a healthier life overall, and we don't know yet the effects of e-cigarettes.
- Isaac: I think that my issue with the resolution is that we are inflating issues of smoking with all tobacco products. I like clean air, but it is someone's right to be able to chew or smoke e-cigarettes. I think it's an insane way to look at the world to ban things that are bad for them. What's next, cookies? I think that the school needs less rules not more rules. The closest place on campus for kids to smoke is Sheridan road. So, logistically everyone would go to

- Sheridan road, the most populated area of campus. Is that where we want all of the smokers of Northwestern to go? Think about it.
- Alex: I can understand the issue with e-cigarettes. I do think that we should keep chewing tobacco. People tend to turn to tobacco if they can't smoke to get nicotine. And chewing tobacco is gross if you have ever seen it and you don't want to do that either.
  - Sean: Would you be willing to amend this to be a smoke-free campus?
  - Carolyn: I would like to keep e-cigarettes, but if it won't pass than this then yes.
  - David: Motion to amend to take out and e-cigarettes.
  - Carolyn: Evanston may pass legislation about e-cigarettes.
  - David: I don't think that is relevant.
  - Kevin: It is still under consideration and it is still skeptical.
  - Katie: All in favor of David's amendments? Opposed? Abstain?  
[Passes]
  - Katie: We are out of time for debate. So we will now move to a vote.
  - Senator: Division  
[10, 19, 8]
  - Katie: The resolution fails.
  - New Business: SL1314-01 The Never Ending Story of the 10K Initiative
  - Author Speech/Alex: This is legislation that clarifies the initiative. In the fall a survey gets released to the student body for ideas on how to spend \$10,000. We go through those ideas and then recommend approximately 5. Senate then approves or denies those ideas and they are sent out. Whichever wins the popular vote is then enacted. A lot of things were passed, but never became part of the ASG Code. Basically, what happened before was that there were no term limits, which confused things. If that makes sense at all. You now must be re-elected every year as an ASG rep. I also added 5-7 submission because that is more clear. And, yeah.
  - Mark: Why is reasonable similarity to other selection processes relevant criteria?

- Alex: We could combine ideas that are similar. Like benches and tables.
- Mark: Does that not read against ideas that are out of the box?
- Alex: No, but if you think so we can amend.
- Senator: We fund all of this now?
- Alex: Yes
- Senator: Can those on the committees submit an idea?
- Alex: I don't know, but it would have to work more as a trust system
- Mark: I don't think that is consequential. It is about finding the best idea of all students.
- Dana: My question is about change from approximately 5 to 5-7. What if there is only 4? Do we just present a bad idea?
- Alex: Ani can speak to this.
- Ani: It's more as a guideline to the committee to not cut so harshly.
- Alex: Last year we got 300 submissions, I hope we can find 5.
- Senator: How many people vote in the final selection?
- Alex: I don't know. I don't have those numbers first-hand.
- Senator: We will put a threshold on how many students are voting to see if it is worth putting forth \$10K?
- Alex: I think we do have a good enough turn out of voting to keep this going. It is a yearly thing. Outreach is definitely critical though.
- Dana: Point of Information: last year it was nearly 2000 votes.
- Taylor: Last year, it said the money that wasn't spent last year would be rolled over. What oversight would we have for budgeting and making sure we are spending the money smartly.
- Alex: We have to give a presentation at the end to Senate about where the money went, and Senate acts as oversight.
- David: Motion to move this to old business.
- Katie: Okay, that means we will not wait to next week to go to debate about the legislation, but we will debate tonight and then vote on it.
- Dana: I object.
- Alex: I would normally let this be old business next week, but we are doing elections next week. And I want to advertise opening for

the committee. And right now there are no term limits. I want to advertise 3 and 3, instead of I think 2.

- Isaac: Why can't we move elections back a week?
  - Alex: We want to get started with PR immediately. We did a hard campaign last year, and I want things to go well again. And we are already almost 4 weeks in the quarter.
  - Mark: We are not voting on new ideas, just to codify them right?
  - Dana: I rescind my objection.
  - Katie: We will not move to a vote.
  - David: I motion to PQ.
  - Mark: Can I amend?
  - David: I withdraw.
  - Mark: Can we amend or strike 3a?
  - Taylor: Motion to amend to say similarity of ideas...
  - Sean: Yes like similar ideas can be bunched together.
  - Katie: How would you want to say this?
  - Mark: Does this need to be in the code?
  - Abby: Common law
  - Alex: I just don't know if we would be able to combine ideas.
  - Dana: Didn't senate do that last year?
  - Katie: Yes senate did that last year.
  - Mark: We all know what we are trying to say, but I don't think it belongs in that section.
  - Sean: I think we can combine ideas to free up a slot, but I withdraw for better wording.
  - Alex: I motion to amend, add "The committee reserves the right to combine similar ideas."
  - Sean: I like this. Yep. This is what I was wanting to do.
  - Katie: This would be section 4 and then we would change numbers.
  - Isaac: Motion to amend to add Senate.
  - Katie: Not necessary.
  - Alex: PQ
  - Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Katie: Okay we will move to a vote. All of those in favor? Opposed? Abstaining?
- [Passes]

## Good of the Order & Announcements

- Abby: Congrats to Isaac, the newest member of Senate.
- Anna: We got 22 new members, which is great and they will fit into good roles. Jen met with Sodexo about to-go options. Please give her some feedback
  - Jen: So basically, Rachel is marketing head of Sodexo, and we are looking to roll-out the wildcat to-go plan. We will test a pilot program in the west side of foster-walker.
  - Katie: Any feedback?
  - Mark: What happened to great room?
  - Anna: Closed.
  - Mackenzie: Can we use regular meal swipes for it?
  - Rachel: That was the original idea, but it doesn't work for unlimited meal plans.
  - Katie: Questions?
- Abby: Okay Senate Reform update. I met with Burgie who determined school wide coverage for the Weekly isn't feasible. Now I am working on reaching out to each school. Weinberg is tricky. School-wide emails aren't really sent out normally and we cannot go by department because those who are still undeclared would never hear from their Senator. I will give you an update when I hear from the schools.
- Harrison: What did Burgie say?
- Abby: Logistically it wasn't feasible to send out school wide updates and announcements about ASG. It is too cumbersome.
- Mark: Tuesday, Seed is bring Adrian Green from Entourage to talk about green issues.
- Jaime: Saturday morning, 8-10, breakfast on the block, some sororities are coming to together, \$3.
- David: This Sunday, dancer registration for DM starts. If you don't know what that is, well you're not living. Also talk and spread interest. Also, let me know if there is any interest in creating an ASG team.
- Katie: My sorority is hosting a slumber-party registered party. We are also holding a Ztate Fair.

## Roll Call and Adjournment



Call to Order and Roll Call

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## Executive Board Reports

- Katie: Apply to be Caucus Whip
- Ani: Look at Agenda.
- Alex: Help with t-shirts tomorrow at the field.
- David: Sign up to be a mentee if you are a sophomore or freshman. You will meet with an upperclassman every 2 weeks to talk about your future with ASG. Any questions?
- Sophia: I have a huge list of projects in the agenda. We are also gathering questions for a survey for each committee for the whole school. This will help target what we can look at and work on. Look at the agenda for details of the projects we are looking on, such as electronic course packets, grant pools for JR and practicum, dialogues for study abroad. Please just look at the list. Also, chargers at the library. I am looking into it. The ones at tech are still available.
- Siddiq: Lots of great programming going on, like Adrain Grenier with SEED or Project Pumpkin. We are having elections for SAFC AE's later tonight for both Senator and non-Senator position.
- Katie: Kevin is sick but look at his exec board report.
- Noah: We are still working on Study Abroad Guide and that should be out in the winter. WE are also re-designing JobCat, so look out for the PR push.
- Mark: Are you looking for student opinion on study abroad?
- Noah: I wasn't but we can.
- Sheng: I am meeting with NUIT. If you have a problem with WI-FI, please submit it online, because that is the only way they can track it. I am also meeting about creating a Northwestern API. Which will help students write code for apps that would be helpful for students.
- Julia: Read my updates, but our events listserve is now working. Please fill it out! 1800 students are on it already. We are working on student athletics and we are working on mental health.

Special Order: [Associate VP for Diversity and Inclusion Confirmation -- Thaddeus Tukes](#)



- Ani: Just to give you guys a refresher on the committee itself, a few of us came in and presented this revamped position. This position was created last year and works under the Director of Student Life. We updated the position description to include how Northwestern approaches Diversity and Inclusion. The position is not the sole person in ASG responsible to all things Diversity and Inclusion related. They are the expert and the person of contact and help us navigate issues related to Diversity and Inclusion. The position is supposed to serve all students on campus, because at this university we hold Diversity and Inclusion highly. Any questions? Thaddeus really blew us away in the interview and touched on not only the obvious issues, but also more subtle ideas.
- Thaddeus: My name is Thaddeus Tukes, I'm a sophomore here, doubling in Jazz Studies and Journalism. I applied for this position because I have not only observed events last year and this year, but also I've also spoken to many leaders and have noticed holes in communication. I don't see minority groups just as race, gender, sexuality, etc. but any group that is underrepresented.
- Taylor: One advantage members on exec have had is the time they've had already. How will you start out?
- Thaddeus: A lot of what I'll be doing are things I've already started doing on a micro-scale. Being in this position allows me to do it at a larger scale. I don't have the same experience they've had, but I do have experience and knowledge that I can use and apply to that larger scale.
- Alex: What do you say is the most similar position to this one that you've held in the past?
- Thaddeus: I'm also the editor of Pulse Magazine and one of my roles is expanding the magazine. How can we reach more communities and expand what we're doing. I've been in that position for a year and it's my most applicable official experience.
- Mark: You are obviously very accomplished on campus and I imagine you double majors are also time consuming. How will you manage your time?
- Thaddeus: It's just a matter of changing spaces. A lot of what I'll be doing are things I already do every day. Now, instead of it being in

my own personal space, it'll be in the public space. It will be an additional time commitment, but definitely manageable.

- Alex: When did you hear about this position and when did you make your decision to run?
- Thaddeus: I heard about it last year and didn't realize that it was open this year until a day before the deadline. Luckily there was an extension.
- Isaac: How are you at relating to people who are not a member of your specific community?
- Thaddeus: Even within my own community there are people that are very different. The way I approach everything is very open. I know I'm in a unique position. I'm the only jazz studies and journalism on campus and I would like people to approach me as a unique and open person, so I do that for them.
- April: How do you plan to use ASG to bring together different communities?
- Thaddeus: The first step is to approach the student and faculty leadership in various realms. If you get all of the leadership on board and on the same page, it'll be easier to connect the groups. I will be going person to person and within groups of friends, but the key thing is to get the leadership in on the same agenda. Then we can expand and simultaneously become inclusive.
- Mark: Have you had the opportunity to interact with the committee as it exists now?
- Thaddeus: No I haven't. That's probably because I'm not in the position.
- Mark: How do you plan to lead a committee?
- Thaddeus: The best example I like to lead is being the leader of a band. I know about egos and personalities and opinions. As a leader, you have to listen to what everyone has to say and understanding what we can do and what we can. Not everyone will agree, but I'm going to try my absolute best to compromise.
- April: How do you plan to get other students involved in ASG, especially communities that are underrepresented.
- Thaddeus: Leadership. I have to go to the people with sway and have them explain how important it is. We need to impress on

everyone how important it is to be a part of ASG and be able to influence change. Leadership is the first priority, but after that I want to work with that leadership to help communities understand the importance.

- Gio: Can you list off some of the relevant people?
- Thaddeus: I can say I've spoken with – administration is a difficult one. I have not yet been in a position to address them forthright. I've spoken with the leaders of Alianza and FMO. That's how I found that there was a lack of communication between those two groups. Obviously there are more groups than that. I do have to reach out more to leaders, but that will definitely happen.
- Katie: Okay that is the end of question period.
- Mark: Motion to extend by three minutes.
- Senator: Second.
- Taylor: There are obviously some students who don't think diversity is important, what do you say to them?
- Thaddeus: It really is hard to convince people who don't see the need. First, I would express to them the amount of resources they would have access to in an inclusive environment. Friendships, relationships, jobs, careers, everything. If you want to become the best you, that requires putting yourself in positions that you might not be comfortable with.
- Alex: Who's your favorite jazz musician?
- Thaddeus: That's a hard question, bro.
- Angela: One of the issues in diversity debates has been the emotionality that arises. How would you approach that obstacle?
- Thaddeus: I would let them know that being emotional is okay. Different experiences will cause emotional responses. What I will do is create safe spaces. Yes this will be touchy, emotional, and you might be offended, but we have to go there. I won't say it'll be emotionless, but I want to help people work through that.
- Katie: That's the end of question period.
- Mark: Motion to extend by 3 minutes.
- Senator: Second.
- Mark: The university is using the euphemism "uncomfortable learning." What do you think about it?

- Thaddeus: I think the concept is good, but you're predisposing people to feel uncomfortable. I do like the idea of people being uncomfortable, but it could be reworded.
- Harrison: What do you see being your major accomplishments a year from now?
- Thaddeus: Communication, because once you establish that, that's how you get expansion and change. I'm also interested in mental health and we've seen the consequences of ignoring our well being. I want to work with Student Life and the rest of exec to help us feel like we're in a safer and more comfortable environment. We're young, we should not be this stressed. I don't want to give a general answer, but more inclusivity. It sounds ambiguous, but in general we should have a safer and more comfortable environment between communities.
- Katie: That's the end of question period.  
[Confirmed unanimously.]  
[OATH ADMINISTERED]

#### General Order: 10K Committee Elections

- Katie: We will now move to the non-Senator positions for the 10K committee.
- Alex: The 10K Committee is in charge of conducting the 10K Initiative. Fall is a low commitment about getting the word out and getting students to submit the ideas. Then in Winter we narrow down the ideas that then get submitted to Senate. Then 4 weeks to the end of Winter, the final ideas get sent out to students to vote on. Then Spring is about getting it accomplished.
- Katie: We have 3 non-ASG positions.
- Senator: Frances
- Alex: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Harrison: Dane Steer
- Alex: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Dane: What is going on? No thanks.
- Alex: if any positions, aren't filled, I can just fill them.
- Isaac: How? Your friends?
- Alex: It is up to my discretion, but it will be a legitimate process.

- Frances: My name is Frances Woo and I am a junior. I want to be on 10K because I am very involved on campus. I founded a group on campus promoting public and mental health. I am involved in SHAPE and my Greek community. These experiences have given me the opportunities to work with ASG already, working on the alcohol working group and others. I really want to help the Northwestern student body. I have great time management skills, but I have already made connections to many people on campus.
- Alex: What was your favorite idea last year?
- Frances: The mental health one.  
[Confirmed unanimously]
- Katie: We will now move to fill 3 ASG spots. Nominations?
- Harrison: Korri and Evan
- Korri: I accept
- Evan: I accept
- Angela: Danielle Lay
- Danielle: I accept
- Isaac: Mark Silberg
- Mark: Kind, but no.
- Nevil: I nominate myself.
- Korri: I am the Elder Senator and I am interested in being on the 10K committee because this year as a freshman I have been blown away by how passionate the student body is. And I want to be an active part to help facilitate having student ideas come alive.
- Evan: I am the Allison Senator. I was on the 10K committee last year, and I love working to make student ideas real. It is like a live Campus Voice.
- Angela: I am on SGC. I want to be on 10K because I think ASG is an invaluable resource to Northwestern and people underestimate the power of student voice with ASG. I think that is really important. On campus, I have been involved in SGC since Freshman year, I am VP of Finance for one of the newest groups for NSH, and I am in an a cappella group.
- Nevil: I am on Services. I was on D&I and PLI and that allowed me to get exposed to many aspects of Northwestern. I am a CA. The

10K really fascinates me, and the idea of getting ideas and seeing it through to completion I would really like to do.

- Petros: What would be your winning 10K idea?
- Evan: I am going to go with one that I saw last year. Sorry to be cheating. I would go with an outdoor movie theater. I think it would be a great way to bond the Northwestern community.
- Danielle: More Saferides. More cars and resources.
- Nevil: I would suggest updating the bus signs to track shuttles and buses.
- Korri: I would want to update Patten gym. I would want it to be a more full-scale gym. I think it would help with late night workouts and on cold days when walking isn't very good.
- Isaac: I move to end question period.
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Alex: Oh and Maddy Low wanted to run. Here are some notes she sent me to read:
  - 1. I'm Maddy Low, senior theatre major, environmental policy minor, Chinese minor. I'm the senator for StuCo.
  - 2. I'm interested in the committee because I think a lot of NU students feel like there's a lot of bureaucracy in the way of their voices being heard about suggestions they have to make NU a better place, things that don't fit into the established channels, and the 10K is a great avenue for them.
  - 3. I'm currently in a show that rehearses 4-5 nights a week (hence why I'm not at senate this week) but weekends are free and the show ends mid-November.
  - 4. I've produced student theatre before so I have first-hand experience with how far an amount like \$10,000 can go on campus, and the proudest I've felt as a producer was when I was able to not only say "yes" to a team member's idea, but be able to support it with money we raised. I've been involved with all kinds of activities in my four years from Jones Res College exec to marching band to theatre to Engineers for a Sustainable World so I've got my feet in lots of areas on campus and think I would be a good candidate to

raise awareness and have conversations about the 10K initiative across the spectrum.

[Winners: Evan, Nevil, Maddy]

- David: Motion to move SL1314 up.
- Senator: Objection.
- Katie: We move to debate.
- David: Motion to suspend the rules and vote.
- Senator: Objection
- Katie: We are going to go to a vote.
- Katie: Now we are going to go for a vote on whether to move the agenda item up. That's two thirds, so we are going to see the new business SL1314 now. We are in line for an authorship speech.

New Business: [SL1314-02: Increasing Dance Marathon Accessibility](#)

- DM Exec: First off thanks for changing the agenda. As a bit of background information, we strongly feel that DM is one of NU's strongest organizations. No matter who you are you can participate, but the \$50 registration fee does stop people. We are asking for some money from the Senate Pool. The students would have to apply for a scholarship through CSI to help them register to dance. This is a registration fee and should not be confused with the money raised for DM. Students who get external scholarship will be considered in the same way as people with Northwestern Financial Aid. One of our goals is to help people sign up who aren't able to financially. Any of the \$4000 that isn't used will be given back to the pool. And if it is used, that shows we do have need. And according to ISBE the reason most students are not able to participate financially is due to the registration fee.
- Senator: What if they can't raise the \$400?
- Janet: That is a difficult question, but we would refund the \$50.
- Josh: We wouldn't give back donations, but we would refund the \$50.
- Sean: How much do we have in the Project Pool?
- Katie: \$15,000
- Taylor: Why don't you just waive the fees?
- Josh: We need that money for the actual production of DM.

- Anna: And any money that is raised goes straight to the beneficiary.
- Taylor: Why don't you get the productions money donated?
- Janet: The money from registration fees does not cover all of the production costs and we do raise money for it as well.
- Nikki: Would this go to towards this year?
- Anna: Yes, on the registration right now there is a box you can check to talk to a CSI member.
- Isaac: Is this something you are going to ask for every year.
- Janet: We are looking for more sustainable resources.
- David: We have talking to PTI right now. We are a sustainable group, but we are in the position that we need those fees to make DM possible.
- Sean: Can you talk about your decision to be B-Status?
- David: This is due to revenue fees. If we received a large amount of money, it would be worth it. But since we would have to give back 80% of ticket sales (registration fees) to the fund, it does not make sense for us right now to become and A-Status group.
- Isaac: So you will never become A-Status?
- David: That is not necessarily true. We are looking at adjusting the rules to make it make sense for us.
- Isaac: You guys get a lot of corportate sponsors. You would just raise \$1M instead of \$1.4. So is that what you are asking from Senate?
- Janet: No that is not how our corporate sponsorships work.
- Anna: It would be considered embezzlement if we didn't have what they donate for exactly go towards exactly towards that.
- Sophia: Would you look at Student Affairs to get money, if it wasn't awarded tonight? Or would your return the money not used to the Pool? So, if only 1K is given or even used?
- Josh: Yes. We are making a conservative estimate.
- David: The money could go back this quarter.
- Natalie: Would it be helpful if I explained the SASF? This is a fund for \$5000 per quarter, and it is a fund that is used for any student for any student group that demonstrates for need for financial aid. The way that is vetted is that they fill out an application and sign



something that lets me go to Financial Aid to get a ranking. It is not a perfect system, such as if you receive money from another source for school. We are encouraging students to apply for this first, and then this money that you are giving would help supplement that.

- Katie: We are out of time.
- David: I motion to move this to old business due to time sensitivity?
- Senator: Objection
- David: We need the money this year and it would be negligible for next year. Registration ends Friday.
- Josh: Not totally negligible. But if the idea is about inclusion, we need to make sure we have the money this week.
- Senator: Would this make it old business and move to the end of agenda?
- Katie: Yes
- Petros: You all probably set this time for registration a long time ago, and you should have come last week.
- Ani: As an old Speaker, I understand the importance of parliamentary procedure. But, this idea has developed over the past couple of days, and we have been trying to connect the dots. But we are talking about inclusion here. We want to make sure DM is representative of the whole student body.
- Isaac: I don't understand why you can't move your deadline one week to accommodate the procedure of Senate, because you are asking for 1/3 of our money for the year.
- Evan: I do understand what you are saying, but not making this old business that makes this money useless.
- Alex: I absolutely understand the objections, I normally would agree, but this money will not be gone immediately. The money will only be gone if students really need it. And isn't that what the pool is for?
- Taylor: I think that one thing is being said is that this would be good for our constituents. But, if I don't talk to my constituents, then I don't know. Also, if registration for DM has increased each year, then I am not sure why this would be necessary. And I think

extending registration due to finance concerns, that would be creating more inclusivity.

- Sean: They came in here with a lot of background information and data.
- David: If you were to talk to your constituents, they would say 2 things, "yes I do this money, or not I don't." So the money will be spent or it won't. And the bill is built for just that. As a long-time member of ASG, I understand, but I don't want this to affect someone's ability to participate in DM.
- Will: I think we need to be able to go back to our constituents.
- Mark: Authors, can you explain the claim that students don't participate because of the registration fee?
- David: ISBE analytics conducted it because they are much better at it. I am not sure how they question is worded, and but I know that need for a fund like this is needed. This would pay for 80 students, and if 300 apply then we will take a look at they applications.
- Katie: Okay we are moving to vote.

[vote passes]

This will be considered as Old Business.

Winners: Maddy, Evan, and Nevil

General Order: SAFC Elections

- Katie: okay we will start with non-Senator elections first.
- Siddiq: Okay we will vote for non-Senator positions first. As a member of SAFC, you work with large student groups with their funding and programming. There are a lot of great plusses about working on this committee. You need empathy, good communication and purple pride.
- Sean: KC
- KC: accept
- Sean: Jason
- Jason: Accept
- Sean: Amrit
- Amrit: Accept
- Katie: introductions
- KC: I joined last quarter and I have had a great experience working with student groups and I want to continue working with them.

Working on the SAFC, I have noticed continuity working with the student group is extremely important. Also, there is a huge learning curve, and I think I am in a great position to help my groups continue to be doing well.

- Jason: I am a five quarter member of SAFC. I agree experience is really great. I have help coordinate inter-group programming. And I think that the relationships I have are strong and should continue.
- Amrit: I am a senior and not to beat a dead horse but I have been on the SAFC since my sophomore and have really enjoyed my time.
- Alex: Motion to end question period
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Isaac: Motion to white ballot.
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Sean: I object.
- Isaac: They are all wonderful and incumbents, and they should all be voted in.
- Sean: The group leaders have just been waiting for so long.
- Katie: Okay we are now voting to move to a white ballot.  
[Passes]
- Katie: Okay, vote to white ballot.  
[Passes]
- Katie: We have 3 spots for senators? Nominations
- Karley: Eliza
- Eliza: I accept.
- Jamie: Sean
- Sean: I accept.
- Ani: Tori
- Tori: I accept.
- Alex: Adam
- Adam: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Petros: Will
- Will: Accept
- Senator: Ronak
- Ronak: I accept.
- Eiiza: I am a sophomore, RTVF, I am the A&O/Mayfest Senator, and I want to be on SAFC because I have had a great experience with

my student groups and I want to apply that to other student groups.

- Sean: I'm Sean, junior, IFC Senator. I have been an AE for a year now, so I do know the time commitment. I have worked with 3 very unique groups, smaller and larger. I have helped the smaller groups rise up to success, and the larger groups continue to succeed. As an AE, I have learned a lot and gained a lot of experience that I think is very necessary for this position.
- Tori: I was a senator until the end of last year. I am the longest standing member of the SAFC and have worked with all sorts of student groups. And it has been the most rewarding experience. We currently have a young board, and I would love to see it continue to grow.
- Adam: This is my second time to run for SAFC, and I am very passionate about student groups. This year, I asked Siddiq how I can pitch in. I have now talked to 15 student groups, asking how can we help them as ASG. Because what is obvious to an AE, may not be apparent to student group leaders. I have been a leader of student group, and I think that experience would really aid me even though I haven't served on SAFC yet. I think I would be an innovative and helpful AE.
- Will: I am a junior and a College Republicans Senator. I have worked at 2 banks, so I think I can combine my experience there and with student groups and ASG.
- Ronak: I am an off-campus senator. I want to give Northwestern a bigger focus of the whole school. I am apart of model UN, and we raise our \$50,000 budget internally, as well as working on our current deficit. I have lot of experience with student group budgeting, and I want to help work with groups to get recognized, because we have a lot of student groups that should be heard, and
- Sophia: Years?
- Sean: Junior
- Tori: Senior
- Adam: Junior
- Will: junior
- Ronak: Junior

- Eliza: Sophomore
- Siddiq: We do work a lot of hours but it is a selfless job. You have 2 midterms on Wednesday and it is Tuesday, and you have to attend an SAFC meeting or else Blowout won't happen. When have you
- Tori: I have a job offer, so school doesn't matter anymore. I would definitely prioritize the group over the school work and I have done it before and I will do it again. It's about programming using a lot of money compared to one grade.
- Adam: I interviewed this week with a student group leader when I had to study for a midterm. I would make sure to make us. Also, we could create an anonymous facebook persona, so all can take advantage of asking questions.
- Will: It is all about prior planning, so hopefully it won't happen. But if that were to happen, you need to make this commitment a priority. I am apart of ISBE, and working with micro financing I had a lot of reports to get in and prioritized ISBE.
- Ronak: I would make sure I didn't get into that issue. And my grades only affect me, so I would have. I have 2 midterms tomorrow, so I am experiencing that tonight.
- Eliza: A&O Blowout, I had a lot of work, so did I have to pull a lot of late nights. Yes, but it was worth it.
- Sean: I think knowing what you are getting into before you do it really is important. Being flexible with your schedule means good communication. So working with. Also, I am a film major, so that is not that burdening...were going to cut it off there.
- Isaac: I motion to close question period
- Alex: I object.
- Isaac: I rescind
- Amrit: Time commitments?
- Adam: I am apart of the c. I will make sure that the student groups that I work with will always be able to reach me. I have worked with an AE and know the importance
- NARS, NUCR, and Senator
- AKPsi, and Model UN, but those aren't too time consuming until Spring for Model UN.

- Eliza: Senator, DM and A&O committee members. I am good at time management though, so I don't see that as an issue.
- Sean: A&O and DM Committees, Deans Advisory Council, WW, treasurer of fraternity. It sounds like lot, but I have been juggling that for a while.
- Tori: Exec board for Mayfest, Case, Contemporary thought speaker series, I graduate in winter too so I have
- Alex: concluding remarks?
- Will: I am experience and happy to help out
- Ronak: I think I am qualified.
- Eliza: I am the only sophomore and want to start early.
- Sean: I want to continue with my groups
- Tori: this has been one of my favorite experiences at Northwestern, and I couldn't imagine not being on the SAFC.
- Adam: I think experience is essentially and I have that to be a great AE.

[Winners- Eliza, Tori, Sean]

Old Business: [SL1314-02: Increasing Dance Marathon Accessibility](#)

- DM Exec: I think at this point everyone understands the logistics. From our understanding inclusion is the end goal for everyone and I know that's a priority for ASG. The project pool is really cool and using all the money is ideal, because it shows that there is a need. The competency about us does not have to be worried about, because we are going through the Northwestern department that always does this. We've been asked why we aren't trying to get this money from other places and it is because we know that ASG's mission matches this initiative. This is a great way not to ask students to single themselves out, but to give them an opportunity to ask anonymously. If we get this from ASG then we can use it to show the administration later on.
- Isaac: Are you putting any of your own money to this? For instance, you could have some kind of fundraiser for production expenses?
- Josh: For us it is really difficult to distinguish the fundraising for the organization and the beneficiary. For legal purposes, we want to keep fundraising for the beneficiary. We are not giving Senate Pool money to Team Joseph and we are not going to ask people to

fundraise for a tent and not for the beneficiary. Our costs go mostly to put on DM as a production. We haven't put forth money to do this, because we don't have the capacity to do so.

- David: We were cornered to raised our registration fees. We are have a lot of expenses and pressures that made us raise our registration fees 11%.
- Taylor: You said this was a short-term solution but you are looking towards longs term. What are some of those?
- Janet: We are hoping that this will be a catalyst for other Northwestern bodies to help out in the future.
- Josh: This is a conversation that would need to happen in the spring.
- David: We have already talked to PTI. If you think that we think this is our fund, then next year you can turn it down. This pool is for causes just like this.
- Isaac: Do you see these extenuating circumstances being an issue in the future.
- Janet: NAA will be helping a lot more in the future.
- Arian: You said that you may go around the conventional revenue sharing. Are those conversations already going on?
- David: That is something we are looking to explore in the future. But I may have misspoke, but we are looking at our options for more sustainable sources of funding for issues like this in the future.
- Ronak: Was the 11% inflationary, or reasons why you aren't getting as much sponsorships?
- Janet: It is mostly due to relationships over the years with sponsors and donors.
- Josh: Each year we work to make the event safer and that is costly.
- David: the extra costs are mostly due to a new financial system that we had to use that was unexpected. But Northwestern is working to help create a better financial system.
- Taylor: Why wouldn't you just lower the cost for student for those who can't pay?
- Janet: We need a registration at X level because the revenue from registration helps cover a portion of our production costs.

- Taylor: Did you have an increase in dancers from last year?
- Anna: Yes, but that doesn't necessary mean it was from low income students.
- Isaac: I have an amendment. Be it enacted here assembled "\$2,000 be allocated from the ASG Senate Project Pool to provide up to \$2,000 of matching funds". I think it is too early in the game to allocate almost 1/3 of the Pool. I don't remember even when we took this money out of the budget, other than the fireworks at Dillo Day. They said that they couldn't raise funds that wouldn't go to the beneficiary. And I don't think that is the case.
- Senator: Did we spend the entire pool last year?
- Katie: Not sure...
- Alex: At the beginning of Spring, I think only \$1000 was spent and \$5000 after that went to the project pool.
- Isaac: I rescind.
- Senator: Where did the fireworks money come from?
- Sean: The fireworks are now sustainable.
- Sarah: This is money goes towards production costs. This money just offsets that for students.
- Sean: They are B-status for a reason. On SAFC, we allocate \$1.4M pretty quickly. \$20 for a B-status is a lot, and this would not be much for a production like DM.
- Siddiq: Did you work in a deficit last year since you didn't get any money last year from funding?
- John: A lot of our funding comes from registration and a small fee from our beneficiary.
- Dillon: When would the unspent money get rolled back?
- Natalie: This quarter?
- David: Yes.
- Katie: Move to a vote  
[Vote passes]

#### Good of the Order & Announcements

- Alex: Reminder, please help me with t-shirts tomorrow. 3:30. PR requirement.
- Jamie: AChiO we are selling hot chocolate. Earth ball tournament on Saturday.



- David: Dance Marathon. Register for by Friday. IN all seriousness, please help get the word out. This is why Senate is its size and is a cross-section of campus. Those unwilling to pay, please tell them that this is not an option.
- Sean: A&O is screening "The Way, Way Back" so come see a free movie.
- Siddiq: Tomorrow is Northwestern's food day. They are connected to campus kitchens.

Roll Call and Adjournment

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

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**Executive Board Reports**

- Katie: We did Caucus Whip elections for two caucuses. Congrats to Sarah and Harrison. Off-Campus will be happening last week. I just want to remind everyone the half absence policy at Caucus. Send out the ASG Weekly. If you have trouble with accessing
- Abby: Attendance!
- Ani: Thanks for passing DM last week. If you have issues with accessibility, please come talk to me. Keep an eye out for the major mental health initiative called Greater Than. Hannah Brock is heading it up and working with other student groups on campus to show that there are mental health issues on campus and we should overcome this stigma.
- Alex: Look at exec board report. 10K Initiative committee has been filled. Anna Radoff and Julia Coppleman are our newest members.
- David: Thanks again for passing the bill last week. We had ultimately 150 apply for the money. So it went to good use. We will have to see how much of the money will actually go into use. I am working on a bunch of stuff, so look at my report. If you are an underclassman, please consider becoming a mentee. It will help better engage you in ASSG and greater Northwestern.
- Sofia: Student Faculty Interaction Grant publishing will be pushed this week. Please look into it and consider applying. Talk to your teachers and there are wonderful opportunities coming for it. We are looking at a lot of other things, read it and reach out to me with questions.
- Kevin: My exec board report is mostly about Cats Come to Dinner which we did this past week. We shuttle students over to houses of local Evanston neighbors. It was a great event and we are looking to do it again in the winter and spring. We are also brainstorming a bunch of new projects. Next week we are having a Kids and Cats event that is not through ASG or my committee but we are looking for volunteers to talk to these students.

- Neel: We are finalizing de-recognizing groups this week. Funding is this Saturday. Other than that, we are presenting funding next week as new business.
- Noah: This week we collaborating with Academic and Tech committees to implement more information on CourseSeek.
- Sheng: NUIT Summary meeting- they are upgrading the Wi-Fi and they are upgrading buildings as funding suffices. Going up 70% up from 55% for outdoor Wi-Fi. NUTV is out and they are looking to. Looking to replace Blackboard with Canvas.
- Julia: We are starting weekly email blast group called Campus Loop. List of emails is growing and the events will be categorized.
- Wes: Look at my exec board report. If you want CFL bulbs or shower heads, please email me. We have a lot left. If your student group is having an event in the future, consider using our consulting services.

**New Business: [SL1314-03: Increasing Environmental Dialogue in the Partisan Political Environment](#)**

- Harrison: My name is Harrison and I serve as a Senator for Allison, and I am a member of NUSPAN. It is a newer group on campus and we are looking to have an event. We have invited Aaron Greco from Argon Labs and we are looking to make this a sustained event with him as our first speaker. We are wanting to talk about environment issues in the politicized arena. Because we are a new group, we have limited funds. We have already secured Aaron as a speaker, but we could use money for food and drinks. We will have ASG be a sponsor on the programs, but because the group was in its formation process this quarter, we will have money for it in the future. We will not be coming back to ASG for this money w
- Alex: What type of food are we bringing?
- Harrison: we are looking to buy cupcakes and we are expecting to bring in about 50 people.
- Sean: Bring in? Is it not an open event?
- Harrison: It is open, but as a new group that is how many we are expecting.
- Ani: Could you touch on what other types of funding you have been seeking?

- Harrison: This quarter, because we were still forming our group. November 11<sup>th</sup> we are applying for the Northwestern Sustainability Fund. If we get granted that money, we will return the money from the pool. I just wanted to ensure the funds get secured.
- Dillon: What not just ask for the money after the grant deadline?
- Harrison: I just wanted to bring it back early so we are not pressing the group or you guys for time. I want you to have time to go back and talk to your constituencies.

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

- David: DM Trivia is every Wednesday at 9pm. I know your
- Abby: Go to Project Scare this weekend!

### **Roll Call and Adjournment**

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**Executive Board Reports**

- Katie: Caucus attendance-CAUCUS IS MANDATORY just like Senate. You get a half absence and that counts toward your final absence total. Also, join the Facebook group.
- Ani: Greater than, our mental health initiative, is being launched this week. Our overall initiative is call "Free your Mind" and it will be a yearlong initiative. WE will have a website to centralize all the information. I am also working with Chris for a new launch of PLI that will have a stronger focus on sophomores and freshmen. We have asked VP's to nominate people, and you are also open to apply as well. It is a great opportunity and apps open tomorrow.
- Alex: 10K will be launched on November 20<sup>th</sup>. So start thinking of ideas. Idea brainstorming will go until the end of the quarter. Talk to people
- David: Hey! So I have kind of a significant topic to preview you all about. I have been thinking about Senate reform again. Thank you for the input I have received so far. So for a bit of context, every year I have been here, I am now a senior, that every year a Senate Reform has come up. And while some legislation of some sort have been passed to increase accountability for senators, but a greater change has not been enacted. Currently, I see two problems regarding Senate Reform. 1. Senators feel that it is just one singular group coming up with the plan. 2. They present one solid plan that you have no input. So, next week we are having an open focus group forum during Senate next week. Also, a week from Monday we will have a larger meeting for all students. We will also solicit various members of campus to get their input. Then we will devise 3-5 plans to then present in Senate to vet and then we will present one final plan. Any questions?
- Alex: Do you think next week will be the best day because of funding?
- David: yes we talked about it, and it should be fine. Also, fill out the survey I sent

- Ani: Also, one more thing. Please sign up for mentorship program. It is a really cool opportunity. Also the mentorship program will be apart of the PLI curriculum as well.
- Sophia: It is Week 7 for you all don't know, so I have been doing a lot of considerable outreach this week. I have reach out to graduate students, advisory boards. So if you have any personal contacts, that would be really helpful for me to pass along. We are following up on library chargers. Looking at practicum's and JR's. Please also look at the Student Faculty Interaction Grant. It is a really neat opportunity and you really should consider applying.
- Kevin: I will keep it brief. We just finished brainstorming and we are in the beginning works of starting projects. We will be helping out with the Evanston downtown bash. We are getting various student groups to perform. Also, look out for the housing fair on December 4<sup>th</sup>, and we will have another in the Winter. If you are involved in a student group that wants to get further involved in the community, please let me know. We are looking to be a resource for students this week.
- Siddiq: We are working on supplementary funding. If you or your student group has any funding questions, please contact me.
- Neel: We just finished funding. And we have a vacancy on the committee, so we will being so a small recruitment. It is one of the best committees. We put on the fall activities fair and work with b and t status groups.
- Noah: We started coding for the unofficial student guide and it is going well. Course seek got access to Caesar, minus CTECs. For the study abroad guide, we decided to do London, Paris, and Buenos Aires. I am really excited. If you can help out with interviews, that would be great. Contact me.
- Julia: Campus Loop is coming out tonight. I also have been working on the mental health initiative. We are working on a lot of internal and external outreach. We are also working on a history of ASG. Let me know if you want to help out.

**Old Business: [SL1314-03: Increasing Environmental Dialogue in the Partisan Political Environment](#)**

- Harrison: hey guys, so same thing as last year. No changes. This is an event for NUSPAN, a graduate student group that got spread t
- Chris: Have you thought about partnering with other student groups on campus? I think this could be a great opportunity.
- Harrison: That's a great question. You can pool resources that way. NUSPAN as it launches into the undergraduate student body, we want to hold a lot of programming with many student groups. This event specifically, we want this to be a repeat even for NUSPAN and working with another group would hurt us next year with securing funds.
- Chris: So as a follow up, I think there are other groups on campus that could help out.
- Harrison: of course I understand that the Pool should be a last resort, but we have gone to all of the resources we have explored.
- Siddiq: Can you talk about other events that NUSPAN has put on and the results?
- Harrison: NUSPAN was a graduate student group. They had a speaker last week. We had a small fall event, and for a new group and a fairly last minute event, I was happy with the 20-25 people that came. We want to add something to the environmental event.
- Siddiq: How many undergraduate students came to the event, and how many are on your exec board?
- Harrison: 2 on the exec board and I am not sure how many came to the spring event?
- Siddiq: Do you think that this \$50 is essential for the program to be put on?
- Harrison: for the best and full experience event, yes I do. I think that the speaker is essential and then that food afterward would be it essential.
- Chris: At first I felt like \$50 was not so much, but now I feel that we as ASG should be encouraging now
- Mark: Just so you know NUSPAN has a student that sits on the sustainability committee, and it has been a group that has a PHD. There is collaboration, but not financial.
- Alex: Are there any funds that are going towards the speaker?

- Harrison: The speaker has been secured, so this is only for food afterwards.
- Alex: Is it okay for the funds to be allocated towards the speaker, and not food?
- Harrison: yes I guess that could happen. It is only an accounting change.
- Parag: Can you describe what you see as the future of NUSPAN.
- Harrison: We want to discuss environmental events in the political arena. We want this to be a policy discussing group, and I feel that this event is the start of that.
- Neel: The reason we don't want normally give student groups food is because we don't find it sustainable. So have you looked into venues that provide food?
- Harrison: we did go to multiple different sources for food, well groceries stores because we want cupcakes. I think that cupcakes set a certain mood. We have looked at other sources, like the sustainability fund. As far as the project pool goes, the pool should be a last resort. We have tried to be organized, and we understand that ASG should be our last line of defense and we are there. This is a first time event. We want it to be sustainable, so we will not be asking for further funds next year.
- Katie: Question period is over.
- Ani: Motion to amend to change the line item to cover the cost of the speaker for the event.
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Katie: [Reads amendment] Any objections?
- Sean: I object. Just seeing as what we have been discussing, we do not fund retroactively. This event will occur no matter what, they have the speaker. So, we should just fund the food, not what has already been funded.
- Mark: Just remember the pool is open for however Senators see fit.
- Katie: We will now have a con for the amendment.
- Adam: This is a more professional change. Food is not necessary, and a speaker is more professional as well.
- Alex: I don't want a precedence that student groups can come to Senate for food money, and a speaker is a much better choice.



- Ani: To echo Mark's comment, you can spend the pool money however you see fit. I am just asking you all not to set a precedence for food. I want to help student groups with this money, but I want it to go to the speaker.
- Isaac: I have an issue with just misplacing funds so it looks like we allocated money for a speaker. That is just disingenuous.
- Sean: We can just willy-nilly just spend the money on a case-by-case basis. Funding an event retroactively does not show sustainability.
- Harrison: I just think retroactive is misleading.
- Sean: What I mean is that you already locked down the speaker.
- Senator: PQ
- Katie: We will not move to a vote.
- [Amendment fails]
- The original language stands.
- Katie: We are in line for con speech.
- Senator: PQ
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Katie: We will move to a vote.
- [Legislation passes]

#### **New Business: B and T-Status Funding**

- Neel: So we kind of change of the way we allocated our funding this year. We used to give money for things like storage, but this year we started with programming funding, and then leftover funds went to public storage, etc. That is why the amount of public storage went down from \$350 to \$100. We had a lot of limitations and had to be a little bit stingy. We get about \$11,000 for 80 groups. Next week is when stuff happens.
- Katie: Please look over the packets we will be voting next week. Again you can't vote for your own funding and if you have any

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

- David: COME TO DM TRIVIA! 9pm at BDubs.
- Sean: A&O is screening Drinking Buddies. Come and the director will be there.
- Alex: NU Veterans Association. We are holding our general meeting from 3-5pm. Anyone is welcomed.

- Nikki: this Saturday is our first home basketball game. Come out and support.
- Mark: Do you want \$50,000 for student group? Apply to the sustainability fund. We are accepting applications for sustainable group ideas.
- Taylor: Tomorrow at Harris at 8, we are having a NU Forward group. We are lobbying against Illinois congressmen about immigration rights.

### **Roll Call and Adjournment**

## **Call to Order and Roll Call**

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## **Executive Board Reports**

- Katie: Read the agenda emails each week. Important information is in the agenda. Other exciting things-read them. No Senate before
- Abby: Have a wonderful week.
- Ani: PLI apps are due tomorrow. Please apply! Some have been recommended but all can apply. In regards to the two student deaths, we have been talking with Todd Adams and there will be a more private ceremony for Alexis Lasker tomorrow. If you would like to go, please let me know.
- Alex: 10K is launching next week. I challenge you to come up some great ideas. Maybe a wildcat statue? We really want over 200 ideas. We got 190 submissions this year, minus the 300 for mental health. Therapy dogs legislation this week.
- David: I will have more soon on Senate reform stuff. If you signed up to be a mentee, you will be hearing from your mentor soon.
- Sophia: Blackboards is being hopefully phased out with Canvas. Working on study abroad stuff, student teacher interaction grant
- Kevin: housing fair will be much bigger this year. 22<sup>nd</sup> of November is the Downtown Evanston bash. If your student group wants to perform, let us know. We made progress on using wildcards in Evanston. May be piloted in spring and implemented in fall. Let me know you have any issues with crosswalks.
- Siddiq: We will be having A-status supplementary funding next week.
- Neel: None
- Sheng: My committee members are working happily away on study abroad guide and unofficial guide.
- Julia: Please again apply for student teacher interaction grant. Also apply for D&I. And lastly, please check out the greater than
- Wes: A lot of meetings going on. We also met with SGC about a green rated system

## **Special Order:** [Senate Reform Focus Groups](#)

- David: Thanks for your patience on this. We are going to have preliminary discussion on Senate.

- What assets do you identify in the current structure?
- What are the problems you identify with the current structure?
- What solutions do you recommend?

If you have anything you want to say, this is the time to say it. We will take this data and organize it in an open forum for all students to get more feedback. Then we will come back with plans. Caucus whips will be leading these discussions, but you will not be with your caucus. We want you to disaffiliate yourselves from your caucus, but don't worry you are not voting on anything today.

- Katie: I will call out groups. Please stay in the area. Also, caucus groups take notes please.
- Katie: Please send in your responses to David. And we have a new Senator Megan. Please introduce yourself Megan.
- Megan: Hi my name is Megan, and I am replacing McKenzie as a PHA Senator.

**Old Business:** [B and T-Status Funding](#)

- Katie: We will start with a cut round. Sheng will you please start with an amendment pool of \$500?
  - Purple Crayon Players
  - Comedy Forum
  - Applause for a Cause
  - Bhangra
  - Project SOAR
  - PASA
  - Sit and Spin
  - Flipside
  - Rotaract
  - Undertones
  - No Strangers to Fiction
  - ReFresh
  - Photography Club
  - Outing Club
  - Extreme Measures
  - China Foresee
  - CASE

- Happiness Club
- Deeva
- Anubhav
- NUWFA
- Anime Club
- SSDP
- Zen Society
- Japan Club
- China Care
- SCNO
- Asterik
- Dance Marathon
- Students for Justice in Palestine
- BLAST
- Autism Speaks
- OM-Hindu Cultural Council
- Roosevelt Institute
- Turkish Student Association
- Treblemakers
- F&F Marketing
- NOM
- Studio 22
- CISA
- ISA World Cup
- Jewish Theatre Ensemble
- Freshman 15
- X-Factors
- Tonik Tap
- ISA
- Campus Kitchens
- Significant Others
- Spectrum
- Camp Kesem

Okay now we will go into an add round. If you want to add funding, please motion to do so.

- Purple Crayon Players

- Comedy Forum
- Applause for a Cause
- Bhangra
- Project SOAR
- PASA
- Sit and Spin
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- ISA
  - Michael: I am president of ISA. ISA applied for funding for \$450 for the annual winter formal. I was surprised when we received no funding for this. Last year we were funded. The event attracts 200 students and two security guards are needed \$300 is needed for space and safety, and \$150 for lights and sounds
  - GE: We didn't give funding due to lack of funding. We didn't see this as a priority due to lowered attendance.
  - Neel: Also, we are only
  - Michael: We moved an event from fall to winter, and that's why we had 2 events in the same quarter.
  - Alex: What do you mean by lack of attendance?
  - GE: I didn't feel like there was a large attendance last year at the formal. It felt very empty. That is why we are pushing for funding for the festival instead of formal.
  - Dana: How much is being asked for?
  - Michael: For \$450
  - Isaac: How much were tickets last year, and how much will they be this year if we do not fund this?
  - Michael: Last year \$19 and that covered venue costs mostly. So it is hard to say. Probably about \$20.
  - Evan: Are formals normally funded?
  - GE: It depends on what other programming the group is doing. And if the formal is open to the entire campus. The ISA formal is open and publicized to all, but it is

mostly international students that turn out. Which is why the food and film festival was funded.

- Michael: We sold last year around 200 tickets.
- Siddiq: Where is the venue?
- Michael: The Hilton garden Inn or the Orrington?
- Petros: Have you looked for a cheaper venue?
- Michael: The Hilton was cutting costs.
- Ronak: why don't you just raise tickets prices?
- Michael: We want to keep it as cheap as possible.
- Harrison: What happens if you don't get this funding?
- Michael: We will raise ticket prices
- Parag: Do you think there will be decrease in attendance if the ticket prices are raised?
- Michael: Yes
- Katie: We will now move to a con speech.
- Harrison: I motion to amend the funding request to \$300 for security guards.
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Katie: We will move to a vote.

[Passes]

- Harrison: I think this is in line with what SGC does. And I would like to see this event go on.
- Katie: Con speech?
- GE: We normally don't fund events off campus
- Isaac: Didn't you fund it last year?
- Neel: We had a surplus, so it was lowest priority but we did.
- Katie: We are in line for a con speech.
- Alex: I don't think it is fair to fund only a couple groups for 2 events. We need to do it for all groups, not just a couple.
- Katie: We will move to a vote.

[Division; 17, 4,0]

The motion passes.

- Campus Kitchens
- Significant Others



- Spectrum
- Camp Kesem

Okay now we will go into our second cut round

- Purple Crayon Players
- Comedy Forum
- Applause for a Cause
- Bhangra
- Project SOAR
- PASA
- Sit and Spin
- Flipside
- Rotaract
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- Tonik Tap
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- Campus Kitchens
- Significant Others
- Spectrum
- Camp Kesem

Okay now we will go into our 2<sup>nd</sup> add round. This is our last round, unless someone has strong reasons to do a cut round.

- Purple Crayon Players
- Comedy Forum
- Applause for a Cause
- Bhangra
- Project SOAR
- PASA
- Sit and Spin
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- SCNO
- Asterik
- Dance Marathon
  - David: Motion to add \$200 to the line item tents.
  - Katie: Okay come up and explain what the line item is.
  - David: Two years ago we received \$2000 and last year we did not apply. To be honest, we were kind of confused. We understand that ASG can't fund DM. We are kind of the status of an A-Status group but we can't forgo the money from revenue back to the SAF.
  - GE: Why didn't you apply for funding last year.
  - David: It was a miscommunication on our part.
  - GE: How did you manage if you didn't have that money?
  - David: we kind of just made do. ASG gives very little to DM so we have to find other ways. I am being very transparent here. DM will go on if we don't get this money. We requested much more money than we were allocated.
  - Neel: So the \$14,000 surplus. We had an \$8000 deficit, so we really only have a \$6000 surplus. We want to try to save as much for spring funding. Also DM is a highly functioning group. We try to only fund groups that will not be able to do funding for groups whose programming would not otherwise go on.
  - Isaac: This is going to seem irrelevant, but I will make it seem relevant. When you asked for the \$4000, you

said you couldn't extend the deadline for registration and then you did.

- David: I pushed it to extend the deadline because I thought we really should
- Isaac: did that have any repercussions?
- David: not any major ones?
- Sarah: where is the money going to and why is it important?
- David: the tent is kind of arbitrary, but it is our biggest costs. The tent is a fixed cost, and gets higher each year as we get more participants. DM will go on no matter what, but DM has to be more financially tight than I had ever really expected.
- Sarah: Sorry I think you misinterpreted the question. I just want you to clarify for freshman.
- David: Oh, sorry. The tent is put on the east lawn of Norris and where hold the entire event each year.
- GE: Why \$200?
- David: Because that's how much we have left. I thought we would have a bigger amendment pool. So, I am asking for what is there.
- GE: So where would the money go?
- David: if it is allocated to the tent, it will go to the tent.
- Harrison: why did you not ask for this in the first add round.
- David: It should go to a group first if a programming event for them would not go on.
- Katie: we are in line for a pro speech.
- David: If you had an unlimited budget, think about what sort of programming would you spend money on. Students put more hours in to DM than any other event on campus. We receive money 10 fold, 100 fold times smaller than any other group on campus. Therefore, I think
- Katie: con speech?

- Alex: I love DM as much as anyone else. But this is pretty blatant that this we would like how much money you all have left. There are a lot of events that aren't going on because of lack of funding, and DM must do that too.
- Petros: I agree with everything Alex said. In addition, we should follow the recommendations of
- Katie: Pro speech?
- Parag: DM is one of the most uniting events on campus.
- Eliza: as David said, DM brings in a huge amount of people. And as a Winter event, we should fund this now.
- Katie: Con speech?
- Isaac: Last time you came in, we had to move something immediately to old business, even though you ended up moving the date. So, I am very unwilling to fund this amount.
- Ronak: As David said, DM will go on. Have the money go to an event that will not go on if we do not give them this money.
- Katie: pro?
- Harrison: If the money is there for us to use and they could use it, we should grant DM the money.
- Dillon: We should not hold grudges against DM due to what has happened in the past.
- David: We did not extend, we pushed back. If we misled you, I am so sorry but that is not relevant to this conversation.
- GE: I want you to know that by granting this money, you are taking it away from another group. DM will still go on with this funding, but other programming will not.
- GE: I understand DM is a special case, but we have standards that we must follow. Precedent is very important for us and must be followed.
- Katie: We are in line with a pro.

- David: I don't disagree with anything that has been said in the con speeches. I appreciate the standards that SGC follows, but I also appreciate that Senate does not have to follow the standards. Just because some groups, this money will impact them more greatly, but DM needs money as well. As Petros mentioned, DM does not really fit into the status roles. This is a special case that does not really set a precedence. Like with NCDC and funding candy, it's breaking the rules, but we do it anyway.

- Senator: PQ

- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>

- Katie: Okay will move to a vote.

[Division: 20, 9, 0]

[Passes]

- Students for Justice in Palestine
- BLAST
- Autism Speaks
- OM-Hindu Cultural Council
- Roosevelt Institute
- Turkish Student Association
- Treblemakers
- F&F Marketing
- NOM
- Studio 22
- CISA
- ISA World Cup
- Jewish Theatre Ensemble
- Freshman 15
- X-Factors
- Tonik Tap
- ISA
- Campus Kitchens
- Significant Others
- Spectrum
- Camp Kesem

**New Business:** A-Status Funding

- Katie: Next week will be doing the same thing only with A-Status groups. Thanks to SGC.
- Siddiq: Stay tuned. If you want more information on student groups, please contact me.
- Petros: Are you going to send it out?
- Siddiq: Yes we will.

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

- Katie: Anyone here for the SL1314-04?
- Alex: Motion to table for a week.
- Senator: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Katie: okay we will move to a vote.  
[Passes]

**New Business:** [SL1314-05: \\$hining a Light on \\$tudent Activities: An Assessment of Support for Student Groups](#)

- Sophia: We are asking to create a working group. I thought a lot about the framework. Student groups are a huge apart of Northwestern. This working group is to examine that culture. NU is being looked at to be increased. We want this working group to examine how the money is being spent and the transparency of it. We are spelling out a really loose structure, but that is on purpose so that no one is hypothesizing anything up front. The reason I am, as AVP am speaking on this, is because there are programming and academic spaces on campus. And a lot of groups choose to practice in academic spaces, which I am more proficient on the workings of. The working group will be overseen by me, Siddiq, and Neel. We are not there to run the group, but to guide the group. The group will be made up of SGC, SAFC, Academic and greater NU students.
- Ronak: have you thought about adding a space for a student group senator?
- Sophia: The NU students can be SG Senators
- Sarah: Will the group be confirmed by Senate?
- Sophia: Yes

**New Business:** [SL1314-06: Dog Therapy Benefitting Northwestern Relay for Life](#)

- Alex: We confirmed the contract with the therapy dogs today, but we need \$50 for Northwestern to be named on Rainbow Therapy Dog's insurance. The \$100 is a suggested donation fee. Relay For Life wanted to pair with us as a fundraiser. So if we get the money for the suggested donation, all other donations will go to Relay For Life.
- Evan: Since we don't normally fund donations, can we say that if we raise \$100, that we can get it back?
- Alex: We could not have given them any money last year, but they probably wouldn't have come back.
- Dana: Just to clarify, the \$150 covers all costs for the event?
- Alex: yes
- Chris: How many people came last year?
- Alex: Over 500 students in two hours. And it was great PR.
- Petros: When was it last year?
- Alex: The Saturday between Reading and Finals week.
- Alex: Will there be fluffy dogs with waggy tails?
- Alex: Yes, and there will be hopefully 2 shifts of dogs?
- Chris: Last year, it was advertised at puppies and it wasn't.
- Alex: sorry that was PR not me.
- Ani: POI-Can't bring puppies, because puppies are too fragile.

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- Ani: We are handing out member t-shirts tonight. As Abby calls roll, come up and tell us your name and you can get your shirts.
- Petros: It is transgender awareness week. Next week, there is a vigil happening, but it is during Senate so you can't go.
- David: DM trivia t 9pm if you want to come.
  - Steven: Hey I am in Stitch and we have fundraiser at Unicorn this weekend.
- Anna: Exam relief will be happening and we are pairing with the library. Come to Fitzerland.
- Elena: Thank you all for participating in the moment of silence earlier.

### **Roll Call and Adjournment**



**Call to Order and Roll Call**

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**Executive Board Reports**

**Student Group Spotlight:** College Republicans' Freedom Week

**Special Order:** Typhoon Haiyan Relief Presentation

**General Order:** [10K Launch Presentation](#)

**Old Business:** [A-Status Funding](#)

Katie: Siddiq do you have anything you'd like to say before we get started?

Siddiq: There are a bunch of organizations that are A status groups that put on a lot of the big programming on campus. Each AE has a few groups that they help each year and they go to all the programming that the groups put on. When funding comes around, they help Student Group leaders put together a proposal and then we sit down with them and they explain what they are asking for. Then we go through all the materials and look at the different tiers they have asked for and based on the quality of the programming we increase or decrease funding. Things we don't fund include food, alcohol and anything exclusive. When we go through all the funding, we look at all the applications and try to distribute it as fairly as possible. So that's the perspective we're coming from and a little background.

Katie: Any questions? Okay, then we are going to do a cut group first. I'm going to run through a randomized list of the student groups receiving funding. Now we're going to move into an add round.

College Feminists: Motion to add. We're moving to add \$200 dollars to the Vagina Monologue line item, we originally received \$0.

SAFC: We're comfortable with the \$200.

Katie: Anyone have any questions? We're in line for a pro speech.

Alex: Motion to Previous Question.

Katie: Anyone objecting? All those in favor, all those opposed. Passes unanimously.

Caribnation: Motion to add. We motion to add \$500 dollars to our honorarium, which is an event to raise awareness about Caribbean culture.

SAFC: We recognize that this is a successful event, but it already received a 4% increase and \$500 would not be sustainable.

Katie: Any questions? We are in line for a pro speech.

Caribnation: It's hard because artists are always expensive and most of the artist we've had have not had much name recognition outside of the community.

Katie: We're in line for a con.

Alex: Motion to Previous Question.

Katie: Any objections? All those in favor, all those opposed. The motion passes. Now we'll do another cut round. Now we're open for another add round.

College Republicans: Motion to add. I want to add \$250 to travel.

SAFC: Their winter speaker has only gone on once and we fund consistent events. It was a good event last year, but they need to prove that they can do it consistently.

Katie: Questions?

Chris: Can you describe whether they've had consistent programming in general?

College Republicans: We have consistent speakers and the attendance ranges from 75 to 500 people.

Isaac R: Can you define consistent?

SAFC: It makes more than two and also consistent attendance. They need to prove that they can do it and that the campus wants it, because there is so much programming at Northwestern. Last year they used a connection to get the speaker and we want to make sure it's not an anomaly.

Alex: Can you explain the Young American Foundation?

College Republicans: I don't know exactly, but I know they have been really helpful. They want to increase public engagement on college campuses. We don't know if that source of funding is sustainable.

Katie: We're in line for a pro speech.

Will: We've done this event in the past without attendance so we stopped it, but we're trying to bring it back because of our recent momentum and success of other events.

Katie: We're in line for a con.

Alex: In line with what the SAFC has said, the fact that it's only the second time you put it on and because the YAF has helped you so much with other events, I think you guys can make do without the funding.

Will: To what you said, I definitely understand what you said. If we keep going back to them, we don't want them to take away money from other speakers. We need to show them that we're expanding.

SAFC: We do operate on precedent and we want to be fair to all groups. We try to be conservative and attendance is lower compared to your other events. We'll take the success of this year's event into account.

Alex: Motion to previous question.

Objection.

Withdrawn.

Katie: There is additional time on the con.

Isaac: The YAF is a foundation that is headquartered at the Reagan Ranch in California with an endowment of over 10 billion dollars. I think the default answer for new events should continue to be no.

Chris: If you're going to not give them a funding, do it because of precedent and not because of Isaac's personal knowledge of the YAF.

Isaac: It absolutely is appropriate, because we have a pool of money that goes to student. If one groups does not face scarcity for any reason, then we should focus the limited resources on where we'd have the most impact.

SAFC: What he's trying to point out is that we look at need. But we look at events, not groups. They are a great group, but this event is newer. We need to adhere to the guidelines.

Alex: Motion to PQ

Katie: All in favor, all opposed. The motion fails. We're going to continue with the add round.

Alex: Motion to close funding.

Katie: Any objections? All in favor, all opposed. Funding is closed.

**Old Business:** [SL1314-05: \\$hining a Light on \\$tudent Activities: An Assessment of Support for Student Groups](#)

Sofia: Basically the premise of the group is a working group of six students that will assess the way the SAF is spent currently and how policies influence that spending. We want to know what student groups want. Any questions?

Katie: Seeing that there are no questions, we're going to go to debate. Open to a con speech and amendments.

Isaac R: You plan to elect the two students today?

Sofia: Yes.

Mark: Motion to amend. Can we change the title to Ss instead of \$s?

Katie: Any objections? No objections. All those in favor, all those opposed. Motion fails.

Isaac H: Motion to previous question.

-: Isn't it unreasonable to have the election immediately following the passing of the bill?

Sofia: The timing isn't the most ideal, but we've reached out to people and there's been a week for you to reach out to your constituents.

Isaac R: Is there precedent for moving it?

Dana: In the past 2-3 years that has not happened and you would have to suspend the rules to do so.

Isaac R: Are you looking for students at large or senators?

Sofia: I just want to leave it open, because the most important component is interest.

Lauren: Are the people being confirmed tonight?

Sofia: Yes.

Katie: All those in favor? All those opposed? It passes. Now we'll move immediately into confirmations of the SAFC members.

Siddiq: Our two members we are hoping to confirm are Jason and Amrit.

Amrit: We've been involved in a data project to try to get at the bottom of this. We want to know what money is going to things that aren't actually going to programming.

Katie: Does anyone have any questions? Now we're in line to

Isaac H: I move to suspend the rules and vote on confirmation.

Katie: All in favor, all opposed. The rules have been suspended. All in favor of confirmation, all opposed. They're confirmed. SGC members.

Addalina and Danielle: We're both on the SGC and we are interested because we are very active in the SGC and part of our conversation there is how we can most efficiently allocate funds. I think we are particularly good because Danielle does logistics of programming and I created a database of our archives and internal logistics, so we understand historical precedent.

Katie: Any questions?

Isaac H: Motion to suspend rules again.

Katie: All in favor, all opposed. Rules suspended. All in favor, all opposed. Confirmed, congratulations. Now we'll do in-Senate nominations.

Alex: I nominate Katie McLaughlin.

Katie M: I accept.

Sean: Tori.

Tori: I accept.

Neel: Justin.

Justin: I accept.

Katie F: Any other nominations? The nomination floor is closed.

Katie M: I'm interested in this working group, because I want to get greater insight into how it works. I've been involved in a variety of student groups, but not on the executive level.

Tori: I'm on the SAFC, but I'm also the treasurer of a B status group and have a better understanding from that. I'm also part of an organization that gets outside funding and have had lengthy discussions about how NU funding is different from other schools. This is very important to me.

Justin: I'm entering my second year as a treasurer of a B status group and am also the treasurer of an A status group. I've been through many funding cycles and am not a member of ASG.

Katie F: Any questions?

Lauren: Time commitments?

Tori: The groups I mentioned. But I'm only taking three classes and I'm done in spring.

Justin: Just the two groups I mentioned.

Katie M: Senate and non-exec members of other groups.

Katie F: Any other questions? Seeing none, we'll move into endorsements.

**Old Business:** [SL1314-06: Dog Therapy Benefitting Northwestern Relay for Life](#)

Alex: Like we said last week, legislation pays for 50 dollar fee for dog insurance, and 100 dollars is for suggested donation. Noticed in the past that we ended up paying out of pocket very often

Maria: Main reason for application is because we will have suggested donation for ACS of 5 dollars. This money you offer would support more of the efforts of the ACS, so we don't have to take it out of pocket and maximize donations

Alex D.: If funded this year, do we have to do this long term?

Alex V.A.: We would need to pay at least 100 dollars each six months, so we would need to find a way to make it happen or include in budget

Katie: Questions? [no questions]

Alex: PQ

Katie: We will move to a vote. Passed unanimously.

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

Kaylee: Operating budget is 80k dues and most of that comes from dues.

Dues are \$1500 per year and there is a 2\$50 fundraising requirement. It is obviously a challenge to raise that money. Our budget goes to coaches and travelling and equipment. As college students our budget, we barely scrape by each year. We were the only club boat to make it into the finals, but to be as competitive as possible, we need a new boat. A new racing shell is \$43000. We currently have \$11000 in our capital campaign and are in the beginning stages of a capital campaign. We are asking the ASG project pool for \$2500, but in all honestly, anything would be helpful.

Katie: We have 10 min for questions.

Alex: How many students would use this?

Kaylee: We have 20 varsity members. The 8 is normally rowed by our top 8 varsity women. So, 20 per year. You can expect a boat to last approximately 8 years on the varsity squad and 8 on the novice squad.

Isaac H: Why are you asking now?

Kaylee: We want to put the down payment now so that we can order it and it'll be available in the spring when we'll pay the rest of it off.

Belinda: What is the number of boats you have right now.

Kaylee: We have four eights and five fours.

Belinda:

Kaylee: It comes largely from alumni donations, but our alumni are relatively young because we're a relatively new team. We also do concessions at football games.

Isaac R: Will you need to replace any other boats soon?

Kaylee: We are trying to transition our team, so depending on the success of the campaign, we might try to look into a boat for the men.

Mark: You said you were selling boats, can you explain that? Have you approached corporate sponsors?

Kaylee: We had a boat crash a few years ago, so we turned it into a four. It's not being used, so we're hoping to sell that. Because we're a crew team, it's more viable to sell the naming rights to a boat, which is more likely to be bought by a family. Corporate sponsors aren't interested in this kind of thing.

Isaac H: Once you sell the boat, will that be enough for the down payment?

Kaylee: No, we'll need an additional \$5,000.

Katie: This will be old business next week.

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**Roll Call and Adjournment**

**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
- [7, 20, 1]

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

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

### **Roll Call and Adjournment**