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SPEAKERS

Senator Reames, Senator Hymel, Advisor Courseault, VPLA Goldstein, Senator Smith, Parliamentarian Hinnawi, Senator Dazet, Senator Sorlin, Guest Bergeron, Vice President Charles, Senator Helbing, Senator Crenshaw, Senator Sattar, President Lemelle, Pro Tempore Mott, Guest Brown, Senator Sakib, Senator Hunsaker, Senator Moss, Senator Deffendall, Senator Fornatoro

- V** VPLA Goldstein 00:00
I call this meeting to order at 5:02pm. Are the Parliamentarian and Pro Tempore here? Is Brendan here?
- A** Advisor Courseault 00:16
He just got admitted to the waiting room.
- V** VPLA Goldstein 00:20
Okay, cool. I will now call roll. When I call your name, please answer present if you're here or present by proxy if you're proxying for somebody. Dwayne Crenshaw,
- S** Senator Crenshaw 00:48
Here.
- V** VPLA Goldstein 00:53
Tara Curson.
- P** Parliamentarian Hinnawi 00:56

Present by proxy.

V VPLA Goldstein 00:57
Candice Dazet.

S Senator Dazet 01:02
Here.

V VPLA Goldstein 01:04
Lukas Deffendall.

S Senator Deffendall 01:06
Here.

V VPLA Goldstein 01:09
Julia Duong. Julia Duong. Brett Fornatoro.


S Senator Fornatoro 01:21
Present.


V VPLA Goldstein 01:25
Mary Gaines. Mary Elizabeth Gaines. Alicia Helbing Alicia Helbing Aziza Hinnawi.


P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 01:49
Present.


V VPLA Goldstein 01:52
Daniel Hunsaker.


S Senator Hunsaker 01:54


 Senator Hunsaker 01:15
Present.


 VPLA Goldstein 01:57
Jenna Hymel.

 S Senator Hymel 01:59
Present.


 VPLA Goldstein 02:02
Twanna LeBeau. Twanna LeBeau. Cooper Lemons.


 S Senator Hunsaker 02:19
Present by proxy.

 VPLA Goldstein 02:25
Oscar Martinez. Oscar Martinez. Chloe Metzler. Chloe Metzler Jordan Moss.

 S Senator Moss 02:46
Here.

 VPLA Goldstein 02:49
Brendan Mott.

 P Pro Tempore Mott 02:52
Present.

 VPLA Goldstein 02:53
Henry Nguyen. Henry Nguyen. Abigail Reames.



V VPLA Goldstein 03:08

Izabel Wilcuts. Izabel Wilcuts. With 16 senators present we meet quorum. So, moving on to the next matter are there any corrections or changes to today's agenda? Okay with no objections to the agenda is approved. Are there any senator communications or announcements? Okay, are there any non-senator communications or nonsense? Okay. Does the President pro tempore have a report?

S Senator Reames 03:08

Here.

V VPLA Goldstein 03:12

Mohammed Mohiuddin Sakib.

S Senator Sakib 03:15

Present.

V VPLA Goldstein 03:18

Naw Safrin Sattar.

S Senator Sattar 03:20

Present

V VPLA Goldstein 03:24

Da'Yanah Smith

S Senator Smith 03:27

Here.

V VPLA Goldstein 03:30

Mahaut Sorlin.

S Senator Sorlin 03:32

Senator Scott 03:52

Present.

P

Pro Tempore Mott 04:36

No report.

V

VPLA Goldstein 04:37

Okay. Do any other committee heads have a report? Okay, I'm gonna take that as a no. So moving on. President Lemelle, do you have a report?

P

President Lemelle 05:01

Yes. Can y'all hear me?

V

VPLA Goldstein 05:03

Yeah.

P

President Lemelle 05:04

Okay, yes, I do have a report. It's not very long. I just want to say, for everybody to be safe tonight. Stay inside, don't go out, just be safe and stay at home. And I just want everybody to- what else did I want to say sorry, my Wi Fi is down. So I wasn't able to pull up my report on my laptop. So I'm kinda off top of my head. But I just wanted to say that everybody to be safe. Also, I will be speaking on behalf of Joshua Allen for the appointments tonight. And if anybody has any questions for me, that's pretty much it. I don't have a lot of reports today.

V

Vice President Charles 05:58

Yes, it's gonna be brief as well. So budget request will end tomorrow. So that means we have one day left for budget requests. And the current Senate operating budget is like \$15,000. I do not have my appropriate computer. But I'm pretty sure it's \$15,000 and some other numbers. That concludes my report.

V

VPLA Goldstein 06:23

Anybody have any questions for Angelo? Okay, moving on my report is also going to be pretty brief. I just wanted to say that. Over the past week, I've been sent a ton or not a ton, but a decent number of pieces of legislation requesting funding. So I just want to make sure that when you guys are voting that you, definitely ask questions debate, make sure that you really support what you are voting for. Because it is possible, we may not be able to find all of the all

of the proposed pieces of legislation coming up. Which is a good thing, this is exactly what we wanted to do, but just be aware, so that you both support the things that you're voting to fund. Also, with regard to the Supreme Court appointment, it's important that the Senate approved this appointment, we need it in order to have a Supreme Court that can break ties. Otherwise, we'll just have two justices. And that's not really great for making decisions with a majority. Other than that, just be safe tonight. And thank you all for coming. Does anybody have any questions? Okay, moving on.

P Pro Tempore Mott 08:06
I have a question.

V VPLA Goldstein 08:08
Yep.

P Pro Tempore Mott 08:11
Brendan Mott Pro Tempore, I just had the question is it that there's people asking for a lot of money? Or is it more along the lines of stuff we're not allowed to fund?

V VPLA Goldstein 08:21
No, it's- I mean, nothing's gonna come to the Senate floor that we're not allowed to fund. But it's just I got probably, three other bills sent to me, and some of them are asking for, one of them, I think had a budget of \$8,000. I mean, they all seem like worthy causes, I just want to make you guys aware that we might actually spend our whole budget. So if you don't support a bill, or if you don't support funding all of a bill, you can submit amendments, or say that you think we should fund part of a bill. I just wanted to make you guys aware that we may actually use all of our budget. I'm not saying you shouldn't vote in support of any of the legislation that comes through. Azizah?

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 08:22
No, I was just clapping so we actually use our budget.

V VPLA Goldstein 09:28
Yeah. Okay, sorry, I thought you were raising your hand. Does anybody else have any questions? Okay, Maggie is unable to be here today, but she did send me her report, just a second. Okay, so her report is fairly brief. She just said that on March 31, SAC will be hosting a book swap from the 12pm to 2pm at the Library Breezeway. Bring a book and get a new one. They also have extra books if you just want to take one. On April 4, SAC is hosting a Cultural Conversation from 4 to 5pm in the Gallery Lounge. The Cultural Conversation is titled Autism

and Art. Louisiana organization will be speaking and we will also be painting. Then on April 7, UNO's Next Top Model will be from seven to 9pm in the UC Ballroom. This will be one of the biggest events of the spring semester, so they need all hands on deck and as much help as they can get to make sure everything runs as smooth as possible. Volunteer positions will include setup, backstage help, and stage hands during the event. If you're interested in volunteering, I'm going to post the link in the Zoom chat. And that is it for Maggie's report. If anybody has any questions, I believe Tiffany can answer them. So anybody have any questions? Okay, cool. So then moving on. Tiffany, do you have a report?

A Advisor Courseault 11:17

Yes, I do have a report, but it's fairly short, Tiffany Courseault, Advisor. I just want to tell you guys to please please be safe as the Exec Board has already said. So the weather is supposed to get pretty rough, maybe in the next couple of hours. So if you have not bunkered down, please bunker down. Also SUBCAUF, our annual crawfish boil, I believe it's been in existence for 35 years, so this will be the 35th or 36th year. We are in need of volunteers. We have 75 volunteers that have signed up, but we need to fill 200 spots. So we still need 125 volunteers. So if you are interested in volunteering for SUBCAUF, which is our big annual crawfish boil, please just send me an email and I'll send you the sign up. It does come with a free T shirt, and as a student you already get crawfish but you get first dibs on your crawfish. So you don't have to serve the entire time. I want to say each slot is maybe 30 or 45 minutes. So if you're interested, please just let me know and I will send you the email, and I yield the rest of my time for questions.

V VPLA Goldstein 12:33

Does anybody have any questions for Tiffany? Okay, so moving on to new business, we are now on new business. Do I have a motion to hear new business?

S Senator Moss 12:49

Jordan Moss, Junior-a large motion to hear new business.

V VPLA Goldstein 12:53

Okay, can I get a second?

S Senator Hunsaker 12:55

Daniel Hunsaker, Junior-at-Large, I second.

V VPLA Goldstein 12:58

Okay, so the first piece of new business is B.S22C003. It is the Garden Club Bill. Will the authors

and sponsors of the bill please come forward and state your name for the record? You have six minutes to introduce your bill, and then there will be 10 minutes for questioning.

P Pro Tempore Mott 13:24

Hello, my name is Brendan Mott, I'm the President Pro Tempore and a Senior-at-Large. I'm the sponsor of this bill, and our author should be here. Olivia, are you here to explain this a little bit more?

V VPLA Goldstein 13:41

I think Brendan, I forgot to send her a link. I'm sorry. Do you want me to send it to her right now?

P Pro Tempore Mott 13:52

That would be great. And if not, we might- motion to- is it possible to table something for part of a meeting?

V VPLA Goldstein 14:01

Yeah. I mean, yeah, it can be done.

P Pro Tempore Mott 14:06

Okay, motion to table this until that person arrives if they arrive.

V VPLA Goldstein 14:14

Okay. Just a second let me find her email. Can I get a second? Go ahead Tiffany.

A Advisor Courseault 14:27

Point of something. I'll send the email for you.

V VPLA Goldstein 14:31

Okay, thank you.

A Advisor Courseault 14:32

— You're welcome.

V

VPLA Goldstein 14:35

Okay, so then can I get a second? Does anybody want to second Brendan's motion to table?

P

Parliamentarian Hinnawi 14:42

Azizah Hinnawi, College of Sciences, I second the motion?

V

VPLA Goldstein 14:46

Okay. All in favor? Will you do the whole hand raise thing?

P

Pro Tempore Mott 14:53

I'm in favor, but I'm away from the screen, I can't do it.

V

VPLA Goldstein 15:07

Okay, well we don't have a majority so I suppose that we will go ahead and-

S

Senator Fornatoro 15:21

Brett Fornatoro College of Liberal Arts, roll call vote on the motion.

V

VPLA Goldstein 15:26

Okay, we will now take a roll call vote to table the Garden Club Bill until its principal author arrives. When I call your name please respond with a yes, no, or abstain. Please remember that when you abstain, it basically means you're not voting. So Dwayne Crenshaw.

S

Senator Crenshaw 15:51

Yes.

V

VPLA Goldstein 15:55

Tara Curson. Is she here? Oh, present by proxy.

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 16:02
Yeah, sorry. That's me. I keep thinking her last name's Rizzi. Abstain.

V VPLA Goldstein 16:10
Candice Dazet.

S Senator Dazet 16:11
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 16:14
Lukas Deffendall.

S Senator Deffendall 16:16
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 16:18
Julia Duong. Oh, she's not here Brett Fornatoro.

S Senator Fornatoro 16:25
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 16:33
Alicia Helbing.

S Senator Helbing 16:35
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 16:39
Azizah Hinnawi.

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 16:41
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 16:44
Daniel Hunsaker.

S Senator Hunsaker 16:46
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 16:48
Jenna Hymel.

S Senator Hymel 16:50
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 16:54
She's not here. Cooper. Oh, he's not here either. Sorry. Oh, not here either. Jordan Moss.

S Senator Moss 17:05
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 17:09
Brendan Mott?

P Pro Tempore Mott 17:10
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 17:15
Abigail Reames.

S Senator Reames 17:17
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 17:19
All right. Mohammed Mohiuddin Sakib.

S Senator Sakib 17:23
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 17:25
Naw Safrin Sattar.

S Senator Sattar 17:28
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 17:32
Da'Yanah Smith.

S Senator Smith 17:33
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 17:36
Mahaut Sorlin.

S Senator Sorlin 17:37
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 17:40
Okav. so with 15 veses and one abstention. We will table the Garden Club Bill until the princioal

author arrives. So moving on to our next piece of new business. It is B.S22C004. Will the authors and sponsors of this bill, please come forward and state your names for the record? You have six minutes to introduce your bill and then 10 minutes for questioning.

P Pro Tempore Mott 18:17

My name is Brendan Mott. Once again, I'm the Pro Tempore and a Senior-at-Large and I think it is appropriate for the authors of this bill to speak on behalf of it and they are present.

V VPLA Goldstein 18:30

Okay, will the author please state their name and introduce their bill? Brendan, do you want to maybe let them know this is their chance to speak?

P Pro Tempore Mott 19:10

So this is the Delta Sigma Theta bill and it looks like y'all are present?

G Guest Brown 19:23

We are present. I heard but on my end, the bill I have is ending in 002. So I was not sure if that was my bill or not.

V VPLA Goldstein 19:38

That's your bill. The numbering just- your bill was written before our most recent bill was passed, so the numbering has changed, but that's your bill.

G Guest Brown 19:49

Okay, well good evening, everyone. On behalf of Delta Sigma Theta, I am the president Esther Brown. Our bill is dedicated to cleaning up our plots, which has not been touched since 2015, I believe. So the plots that we currently have the cement is broken, our seats are broken, none of the flowers survived. I believe we have a few stones that you can repurpose those. But as far as the current bill that we are submitting it reflects needs to revamp the entire plot for longevity as well, up until further notice, but we would just like to revamp it for now and get this done as soon as possible. Because, this represents our organization also represents how the school values our organization, being that we are a black, Greek life sorority. I feel as though this will be a way to represent not only black students, but just the Greek life in general on UNO's campus. We aren't as visible because it's a small organization. However, if we do begin to invest more in that community, and have representation throughout the community, people will start to become more active and visible. And I have nothing more else to say about this.

V VPLA Goldstein 21:46
So we will now have 10 minutes for questioning. Does anybody have any questions for Esther or Brendan? Abby is your hand up from recently or from earlier?

S Senator Reames 22:12
Um, I think that was from earlier.

V VPLA Goldstein 22:13
Okay.

S Senator Reames 22:14
My bad, I'm not sure.

V VPLA Goldstein 22:15
All good. So does anybody- I'll ask again- Does anybody have any questions for Esther or Brendan? Okay. Let's see, we will now enter initial debate. Do any senators rise in opposition to this bill? Okay, if not, then the next few minutes will be controlled by the principal sponsor of the bill. Brendan, do you have anything to say? If not time will be given to the first senator to rise in support of this bill.

P Pro Tempore Mott 23:05
I don't have anything to say. So therefore, I will yield that time to the first senator to rise and support.

V VPLA Goldstein 23:09
All right. Anybody rise in support of this bill?

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 23:18
Azizah Hinnawi, College of Sciences, I rise in support of this bill. If anyone has made it past the area, which they're talking about fixing up and you see the plot and you see the benches and you see everything that represents their sororities and fraternities, you do see that it does need to be cleaned up a bit. And that upkeep is important. And I'm just surprised we haven't done this sooner. That's all.

V VPLA Goldstein 23:47

Okay, thank you Azizah. Um, does anybody else have anything to say about the bill?

S Senator Moss 24:00

Jordan Moss Junior-at-Large, I'm also in support of this bill, I just think it's important that we do- I'm trying to choose my words carefully- that we do recognize our black Greek organizations on campus and also our black students on campus and that we give them the opportunity to have things that represent their organizations and stuff like that- I'm sorry, I'm getting my words jumbled up- that we give them the opportunity to make sure that things that represent their organization are up to par and represent their organization in a manner that is nice and stuff.

V VPLA Goldstein 24:47

Thank you, Jordan. Does anybody else have anything to say? Okay. We will now move to amendments, but there are no amendments so I guess we'll just conduct a roll call vote now at this point. Yeah, I guess we'll just conduct a roll call vote. So when I call your name please respond with a yes, no, or abstain. Dwayne Crenshaw.

S Senator Crenshaw 25:28

Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 25:30

All right. Tara Curson.

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 25:35

Abstain by proxy.

V VPLA Goldstein 25:39

Candace Dazet.

S Senator Dazet 25:41

Yes.

- V VPLA Goldstein 25:44
Lukas Deffendall.
- S Senator Deffendall 25:46
Abstain.
- P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 25:52
Brett Fornatoro.
- S Senator Fornatoro 25:54
Yes.
- V VPLA Goldstein 26:01
Alicia Helbing.
- S Senator Helbing 26:03
Yes.
- V VPLA Goldstein 26:06
Azizah Hinnawi.
- P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 26:09
Yes.
- V VPLA Goldstein 26:10
Daniel Hunsaker.
- S Senator Hunsaker 26:13
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 26:16
Jenna Hymel.

S Senator Hymel 26:17
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 26:32
Jordan Moss.

S Senator Moss 26:34
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 26:38
Brendan Mott.

P Pro Tempore Mott 26:40
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 26:45
Abigail Reames.

S Senator Reames 26:48
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 26:50
Mohammed Mohiuddin Sakib.

S Senator Sakib 26:52
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 26:54
Naw Safrin Sattar.

S Senator Sattar 26:57
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 26:59
Da'Yanah Smith. Da'Yanah Smith. Mahaut Sorlin.

S Senator Sorlin 27:12
Yes.

S Senator Smith 27:14
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 27:15
Thank you, Da'Yanah. And then Isabel is not here. Okay. So with 14 yeses and two abstentions, the bill passes. Okay, so Brendan since Olivia's not here, do you want to just table the garden club bill to the next meeting?

P Pro Tempore Mott 27:51
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 27:52
Okay.

P Pro Tempore Mott 27:55
Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, I motion for the Garden Club Bill to be pushed to the next meeting or tabled til the next meeting. I apologize.



V VPLA Goldstein 28:03

Can I get a second?

S Senator Hymel 28:05

Jenna Hymel, College of Liberal Arts, I second that.

V VPLA Goldstein 28:08

Okay. All in favor, please do the hand or type in the chat or something. I really don't want to have to roll call vote again. I'm gonna also support this so that we have majority. We will table the Garden Club Bill until the next Senate meeting on next Wednesday. We will now move to hear nominations and appointments. Amber or President Lemelle, will you please come forward and just speak a little bit about Joshua Allen and his appointment for Supreme Court justice?

P President Lemelle 28:59

Yes, President Lemelle, I am speaking on behalf of Joshua Allen. I think that he would be a great asset to our Supreme Court. He is a film major. he is a junior, and he's also in Greek Life. He's in the Lambda Chi fraternity. He's been, this whole semester, trying to get appointed, but unfortunately, he has class at the same time as our meetings. So I just appreciate his effort and his willingness to go through this process even though he has class at this time. He wanted me to say that he is really trying to be on the Supreme Court because he wants to support of good, cohesive decisions made by our student government and proper conduct amongst debates and presentations, especially of new ideas and inspiring creativity among our student body. And he also said that he supports how SGA has funding and help students make things come to life when it comes to things like the Garden Club or the Delta Sigma Bill. So he's just in real big support of making things happen for organizations on campus. So he gives us kudos for that. And he also just wants to be part of this and he apologizes for his absence today.

V VPLA Goldstein 30:16

Thank you, Amber. There will now be three minutes for questioning. Does anybody have any questions for President Lemelle speaking on behalf of Joshua Allen? Okay. If there are no questions, then we will go ahead and move to open discussion. We have six minutes for open discussion. Anybody have anything to say in support or against the appointment of Joshua Allen as a Supreme Court Justice?

S Senator Hunsaker 30:56

Daniel, Hunsaker, Junior-at-Large. I'm actually in two organizations that Joshua Allen has been in; both the Lambda Chi fraternity and the Interfraternity Council. Josh Allen served several positions, including Vice President last year in our chapter at Lambda Chi and then he was also

the president at IFC. He's very used to the whole government involvement and he's very involved on campus. So I hope my fellow senators support him in being a Supreme Court Justice.

V VPLA Goldstein 31:29

Thank you, Daniel. Brendan.

P Pro Tempore Mott 31:30

Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, I also rise in support for the same reason. Even though I don't really know him, personally very well, I have seen his involvement as well and reiterate everything that Senator Hunsaker is saying.

V VPLA Goldstein 31:45

Awesome. Thank you, Brendan. Does anybody else have anything to say in support or against Joshua Allen's appointment to the Supreme Court? Okay.

P Pro Tempore Mott 32:02

Ooh I just got one.

V VPLA Goldstein 32:04

Sorry what was that?

P Pro Tempore Mott 32:07

Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, I also think it's worth mentioning that even though he has class time at this time, the Supreme Court does not have to come to Senate meetings. So I don't think that would be appropriate to vote. no to somebody in case somebody had that idea.

V VPLA Goldstein 32:23

Thank you. Okay, so we will now take a roll call vote on Joshua Allen's appointment as a justice to the Supreme Court. When I call your name please vote yes, no, or abstain. Dwayne Crenshaw.

S Senator Crenshaw 32:42

Yes

V VPLA Goldstein 32:43
Okay. Tara Curson.

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 32:46
Abstain by proxy.

V VPLA Goldstein 32:50
Candace Dazet.

S Senator Dazet 32:51
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 32:54
Lukas Deffendall.

S Senator Deffendall 32:55
Abstain.

V VPLA Goldstein 32:59
Brett Fornatoro.

S Senator Fornatoro 33:00
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 33:04
Alicia Helbing.

S Senator Helbing 33:07
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Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 33:09
Azizah Hinnawi.

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 33:12
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 33:15
Daniel Hunsaker.

S Senator Hunsaker 33:18
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 33:19
Jenna Hymel.

S Senator Hymel 33:21
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 33:25
Jordan Moss.

S Senator Moss 33:26
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 33:28
Brendon Mott.

P Pro Tempore Mott 33:29



Yes.



VPLA Goldstein 33:32

Abigail Reames.



Senator Reames 33:34

Yes.



VPLA Goldstein 33:37

Mohammed Mohiuddin Sakib.



Senator Sakib 33:39

Yes.



VPLA Goldstein 33:41

Naw Safrin Sattar.



Senator Sattar 33:43

Yes.



VPLA Goldstein 33:46

Da'Yanah Smith.



Senator Smith 33:47

Yes.



VPLA Goldstein 33:49

And Mahaut Sorlin.




Senator Sorlin 33:51

 Senator Sorini 33:51

Yes.

 VPLA Goldstein 33:53


Okay, with 14 yeases and 2 abstentions, the Senate approves President Lemelle's appointment of Joshua Allen to the Supreme Court. Brendan, are you raising your hand because Olivia just got here. Okay.

 Pro Tempore Mott 34:19

Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, I make a motion to return to the Garden Club Bill at this time.

 VPLA Goldstein 34:26

Can I get a second?

 Senator Hymel 34:28

Jenna Hymel, College of Liberal Arts, I second that.

 VPLA Goldstein 34:31

Okay, all those in favor? Can you put your hand up? Okay, cool. So, will the principal author and sponsor of the Garden Club Bill, please state your name for the record. You have 6 minutes to introduce your bill and then there will be 10 minutes for questioning.

 Pro Tempore Mott 35:09

So hello, my name is Brendan Mott, I'm the Pro Tempore and a Senior-at-Large, and I give the floor to Olivia Bergeron who is the author of this bill.

 Guest Bergeron 35:22

Hello, I'm Olivia Bergeron, I've been President of Garden Club for about two and a half, three years now. We put in this bill for a bunch of necessary supplies and stuff that we will use to temporarily repair the garden space. We currently have access to the whole area. The Biology Department is in support of everything we're doing. We've got things to do automatic watering systems, work with native plants, grow food, some of our ultimate goals are to be able to donate to the Privateer Pantry, once we're actually able to grow things. We just tracked down the person who started Garden Club back in 2014. She is now running her own landscaping

company and she is helping us out with some planning and everything. Things are looking good. I do not have the bill in front of me. I was not sure if I would need to come to this. So it looks like Brendan's gonna pull it up.

P Pro Tempore Mott 36:36

Can I get permission to screen share? I'll screen share it

V VPLA Goldstein 36:51

are you screen sharing? I can't see anything. Azizah, do you have your hand up? Okay, wait-

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 36:59

No, sorry. It just doesn't go back down by itself. Okay.

V VPLA Goldstein 37:04

Cool. Is this it? Yeah, it's Yeah. Okay.

G Guest Bergeron 37:08

Yes. So we have got pretty much everything listed out right there. Most of it's from Amazon, we've got compost, buy some stuff to keep us safe. We've got stuff to lock our space up, we've got a big storage, place, not place but like a big container that will be able to lock so that we don't have our tools that we were given just sitting around. We have some tarps since our ceiling kind of flew off and some of our walls too. So we're just gonna- we're waiting on the Biology Department's insurance claim to go through to actually- for them to repair the actual walls, but we're just going to put tarps on top to keep us safe. Because right now the flaps of wall smackle we replace and fall down every couple of days. So we've got dirt, we also have paint to put up signage and alert people to come into the garden space. Yeah, that's a little kneepads to kneel on if you're killing weeds. I am not sure what else to say.

P Pro Tempore Mott 38:40

Brandon Mott, Pro Tempore, another thing to keep in mind is that the UNO Garden Club is a community garden club. So the space is usable by any student and there are long term goals to donate the produce from the garden to the Privateer Pantry, or if they don't accept it, other relief organizations when it comes to food or donations or anything like that, and a lot of the damage is due to Hurricane Ida. I think it's also worth mentioning.

V VPLA Goldstein 39:09

Thank you, Brendan. So we now have 10 minutes for questioning. Does anybody have any questions for the author or the sponsor? Just gonna reiterate that. Does anybody have any questions for the author or the sponsor regarding the Garden Club Bill? Okay, we will now move on to initial debate. Do any senators rise in opposition to this bill? Okay, so then the next three minutes will be controlled by the principal sponsor. Brendon, if you have anything to say, go ahead, if not the time will be given to the first senator to rise in support of this bill.

P Pro Tempore Mott 40:13

I yield the times the first senator with rise in support.

V VPLA Goldstein 40:13

Okay. Does anybody want to rise in support of the bill?

S Senator Fornatoro 40:14

Brett Fornatoro, College of Liberal Arts, I rise in support of this bill?

V VPLA Goldstein 40:28

You have three minutes.

S Senator Fornatoro 40:29

I haven't personally worked with the Garden Club, but I have worked with Olivia before and I can say for certain that these funds will be appropriately handled. This bill is very productive for just general campus beautification, which I certainly think the Senate has demonstrated their interest in and I would like to continue that interest. I think this is a really solid bill. I encourage everyone to vote yes. Thank you.

V VPLA Goldstein 41:01

Thank you, Brett. So we don't have any amendments. So we will now conduct a roll call vote on this bill. When I call your name, please vote yes, no, or abstain. Dwayne Crenshaw.

S Senator Crenshaw 41:22

Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 41:25

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Tara Curson.

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 41:27
Yes by proxy.

V VPLA Goldstein 41:30
Candace Dazet.

S Senator Dazet 41:32
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 41:35
Lukas Deffendall.

S Senator Deffendall 41:36
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 41:40
Brett Fornatoro.

S Senator Fornatoro 41:41
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 41:45
Alicia Helbing.

S Senator Helbing 41:47
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 41:49

VPLA Goldstein 41:49
Azizah Hinnawi.

S Senator Dazet 41:52
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 41:55
Daniel Hunsaker.

S Senator Hunsaker 41:57
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 42:00
Jenna Hymel.

S Senator Hymel 42:01
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 42:10
Jordan Moss.

S Senator Moss 42:13
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 42:16
Brendan Mott.

P Pro Tempore Mott 42:17
Yes.



V VPLA Goldstein 42:21
Abigail Reames.

S Senator Reames 42:25
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 42:27
Mohammed Mohiuddin Sakib.

S Senator Sakib 42:29
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 42:31
Naw Safrin Sattar.

S Senator Sattar 42:33
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 42:35
Da'Yanah Smith.

S Senator Smith 42:39
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 42:40
And Mahaut Sorlin.

S Senator Sorlin 42:42
Yes.

V VPLA Goldstein 42:44

Okay. With 16 yeases, zero nos, and no abstentions, the bill is passed for the Garden Club funding. Thank you for coming on such short notice Olivia.

G Guest Bergeron 43:08

Thank y'all.

V VPLA Goldstein 43:12

We will now move to Open Forum. This is where we discuss matters pertaining to the betterment of SGA. And I actually am going to use a point of personal privilege here to say I forgot to say this in my report, Those of you who did not receive an email from the election commission letting you know that you are going to be a Senator for the coming semester; it's because you didn't turn in your final expenditures sheet. So you will have to apply for appointment and be appointed in the beginning of the fall semester. If you received confirmation then you're good to go. Don't worry about it. But I know that some people didn't so just be advised you will need to apply to be appointed again in the fall. Azizah, did you put your hand up?

P Parliamentarian Hinnawi 44:08

Yeah, I did. Azizah Hinnawi, College of Sciences, I did fill out that and I didn't get any response or any confirmation I just saw.

V VPLA Goldstein 44:20

Okay, sorry, what I actually meant you would not have received- I'm sorry. Oh, they posted something on the SIL Instagram with all the senators and the colleges that they represented. I don't know how many of you saw that, but go take a look at it. If your name is not on there, you will need to apply to be appointed for next semester. I'll take a look at it after the meeting, and if your name is not on there, I'll send you an email. So if anybody has anything else to say, feel-

P President Lemelle 44:26

President Lemelle-

P Pro Tempore Mott 44:38

Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore-

V VPLA Goldstein 44:47

V VPLA Goldstein 44:47
All right. Amber, sorry.

P Pro Tempore Mott 45:03
Yeah, Amber, go ahead.

P President Lemelle 45:06
President Lemelle, point of privilege as well, I did want to mention, I forgot to say this in my report, I do need someone solid, who wants to write and sponsor the bill for the presentation that Mr. Tim Duncan gave. I'm not sure if you guys remember, but there is a very short deadline time a short timespan where we can get that into the ULS system for the referendum to be approved. So I just want to say that again, can- who wants to sponsor that bill?

V VPLA Goldstein 45:39
Yeah, it'd be a is it a resolution?

P President Lemelle 45:41
I'm sorry. Resolution? Yeah. No.

S Senator Moss 45:45
Jordan Moss, Junior-at-Large point of inquiry, did we mention the athletics committee doing that? Or was that just like a-

P President Lemelle 45:54
Yes, we did mention that, but I haven't heard from anyone from the like, I haven't received any emails with the resolution or with questions about it. So I would assume that it hadn't been started.

S Senator Moss 46:09
Jordan Moss, Junior-at-Large, I was just gonna say that me and Brett, he sent the referendum to me as well. So we did talk about it. I just didn't know anything further than that. So my apologies for not reaching out and updating you, Amber, but I will send an email because the athletics committee, we did look at that.

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A Advisor Courseault 46:09

Point of privilege. Tiffany, Advisor, Brett, Senator Fornatoro did reach out to get an example of the referendum. So I did send him an old old copy of a referendum. So Senator for editorial did reach out. I'm not sure if he reached out to the rest of the Athletic Committee, but he did reach out for an example.

P President Lemelle 46:56

Okay, great. That's actually good to know. So once you guys well, now that y'all've discussed, please just get together and start the resolution. If you have any questions about what to put in or what to say, you can email Miss Tiffany and CC me, so that we can all discuss because it does need to be done within- we need to put that on the agenda next week.

S Senator Fornatoro 47:22

Brett Fornatoro, College of Liberal Arts, so with the previous referendum that had been sent, and I've been in contact with the Athletic Director, I'd say I've made some decent progress on the referendum, but I'm still not done with it, as it's not necessarily the easiest thing to do. But it is in progress. It's very much so in progress.

P President Lemelle 47:48

The referendum is not what we need to get done, first. The resolution needs to be done, first.

P Pro Tempore Mott 47:57

Brendan Mott, point of personal privilege, a referendum is the name of this type of legislative instrument. If a referendum just goes to a student body vote after it gets passed by the Senate, so this is a referendum.

P President Lemelle 48:12

Yes, I understand that, but I'm saying you guys- okay, that's fine. All right. Don't worry about it. Just let me know if you guys have any questions.

G Guest Brown 48:25

Jordan Moss, Junior-at-Large, Amber, I'm gonna send you an email as soon as we get off of the call and I'll also include Brett, and then we can just clear up anything so we know exactly what we need to work on first, and what needs to be included with this so we can do things in what ever order is best. Thank you.

P President Lemelle 48:47
Thank you so much. That's all I had to say. Thank you.

V VPLA Goldstein 48:51
Okay, well, if nobody else has anything to say, with a motion, I would like to call this meeting to a close. Are there any motions?

P Pro Tempore Mott 49:17
Brendan Mott, Pro Tempore, motion to adjourn.

V VPLA Goldstein 49:21
Can I get a second?

S Senator Hymel 49:22
Jenna Hymel, College of Liberal Arts, I second that motion.

V VPLA Goldstein 49:26
Okay. All in favor. Cool. I adjourn this meeting at 5:51pm. Thank you, everybody.