

SENATE MEETING

December 5, 2021, CST 5pm

UWM Union Fireside Lounge, 2200 E Kenwood Blvd

Milwaukee, WI 53211



I. Call to Order – 5:05PM

II. Roll Call (P=Present, A=Absent, E=Excused)

- a. Mia Heredia (President) - P***
- b. Keyiona Johnson (VP of Student Affairs) - P***
- c. Daniel Dyer (VP of Academic Affairs) - P***
- d. Syd Vinyard (Secretary) - P***
- e. Ovinya Peiris (CCED) - E***
- f. Kristin Popian (Treasurer) - P***
- g. Lilith Lenz (DID) - A***
- h. Bailey Kissack (MPD) - P***
- i. Wesley Hines (SOAD) - A***
- j. Sinyetta Hill - E***
- k. Amanda Holzer – P***
- l. Reed Heintzkill - A***
- m. Sydney Pittner – A***
- n. Aidan Shank – P***
- o. Grae O’Leary Hosmanek – P***

- p. Sarah Swartout – P**
- q. Monika Marripudi – P**
- r. Tanya Khazin – P**
- s. Afrah Yafai – P**
- t. Teague Cutrell – A**
- u. Elliot White – A**
- v. Alexis Hardrath – E**
- w. Reid Pezewski – P**
- x. Ayan Ali – P**
- y. Kolawole Olawoyin – P**
- z. Deepak Khas – P**
- aa. Nathaniel Valentine – P**
- bb. Isaiah Clark – P**
- cc. Francesca Loiacono – P**

III. Reports

Mia Heredia (President)

- Mia does not have a report.

Keyiona Johnson (VP of Student Affairs)

- Keyiona goes over the senate retreat that happened, and adds that if you missed, please reach out to Sarah, and Keyiona will also be out of the office after December 10.

Daniel Dyer (VP of Academic Affairs)

- Daniel starts by talking about the kickoff event that happened for the union renovation. They still have some of it set up so people can walk by and check out the various renderings. He got to speak and talk about how various people were involved in the plan for the last 15 years. He will also be finalizing the listening tour with Ovinya. He will also be reaching out to the academic senators either over the winter semester or when we come back in the spring. He is also working on some outreach with the non-Kenwood campus schools.

Syd Vinyard (Secretary)

- Syd doesn't have much to report, but they did stop by the senate retreat, and they thank the senators that did show up.

Ovinya Peiris (CCED)

- Absent.

Kristin Popian (Treasurer)

- Kristin begins by talking about how SFC had their first round of hearings on Friday.

Lilith Lenz (DID)

- Absent.

Bailey Kissack (MPD)

- Bailey begins by saying hello, welcomes new faces and then elaborates on her email that she sent out regarding events, she also got the quote for quarter zips, which she will be getting another email out soon. In regard to planning events, she says you'll want to plan at least two months out in advance. These events don't have to be anything big. Speaking of events, she advocates that the senate should really be going to them, to which she then sights the Java with Jussel event as an example. She looks forward to events and it breaks her heart when people don't come and asks that if people don't like them too, then please let her know.

Wesley Hines (SOAD)

- Absent.

Professional Staff

- Sarah: She begins by saying the next Senate meeting will not be until Sunday, January 30, she adds that spring election season then kicks off as soon as we return, as the next term for the new senate starts on May 1, nominations open on January 31. So, if you will be here next year and want to rejoin the senate, please keep those dates in mind. She then asks if anyone is graduating at the end of this semester to which no one is.
- OAC: Zen thanks everyone who went to the SAPS AD Interview, hopefully the new assistant director will be chosen within the next few weeks.

Senators

- Grae asks why the state legislature bill that was sent wasn't on the agenda. Daniel then answers by saying that this is more so something that you can provide feedback on as an individual.

I. Open Forum

Ashlee Zubek, the new survivor and support and victory advocacy representative. She works with students who have or are experiencing sexual assault or harassment. She leaves some contact cards for people. She is a confidential reporter and then she elaborates on what that means for students.

I. Approval of Agenda

Mia entertains a motion to approve the agenda. So moved by Aidan, seconded by Francesca. No discussion. Passes unanimously.

II. Special Orders

Mia entertains a motion to confirm Aidan Koenig to the At-Large senator position. Reid P. So moved, seconded by Amanda. Mia opens the floor for discussion. Passes unanimously.

Mia entertains a motion to confirm Teresa Davis for the accessibility advocacy senator position. So moved by Aidan. Seconded by Reid P. Mia opens the floor for discussion. Passes unanimously.

Zen then proceeds to swear in the new members to the senate.

Committee appointment approvals

Mia entertains a motion to appoint Isaiah Clark to the Students of Color Advocacy Committee. So moved by Aidan. Seconded by Grae. No discussion. Passes unanimously.

I. Old Business

Mia entertains a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes of 11/21/21. So moved by Aidan. Seconded by Grae.

II. New Business

i. Viewpoint Neutrality Training

This is then presented by Sarah. She knows that a few of us have had it but given that we have added new senators and given the fact that we have multiple fee allocation legislation we are going over it again.

ii. Panther Experience Fee Rationale and CAB Rationale

This is being presented by Kristin. She adds that the SFC has met and done preliminary hearing and final deliberations for the allocable round. They will not approve the raise in fees for CAB because they have quite a bit of funds left in reserve and to request next year. The next one is for Panther Experience, they were deemed eligible early this year, but they later were deemed not due to bylaws, they were an hour late, could no longer be accepted meaning that they could no longer be Eligible for funding.

iii. 004 – Omnibus

Mia entertains a motion to approve the SFC omnibus, so moved by Aidan. Seconded by Francesca. Move to a roll call vote:

Amanda Holzer – Aye

Aidan Shank – Aye

Grae O’Leary Hosmanek – Aye

Sarah Swartout – Aye

Monika Marripudi – Aye

Tanya Khazin – Aye

Afrak Yafai – Aye

Reid Pezewski – Aye

Ayan Ali – Aye

Kolawole Olawoyin – Aye

Deepak Khas – Aye

Nathaniel Valentine – Aye

Isaiah Clark – Aye

Francesca Loiacono – Aye

Passes.

iv. 005 – SA Kickstart Grants

Mia entertains a motion to approve the SAC Kickstart grant. So moved by Amanda, seconded by Tanya. Sarah speaks on behalf of this as Wesley was not present. Move to a roll call vote:

Amanda Holzer – Aye

Aidan Shank – Aye

Grae O’Leary Hosmanek – Aye

Sarah Swartout – Aye

Monika Marripudi – Aye

Tanya Khazin – Aye

Afrah Yafai – Aye

Reid Pezewski – Aye

Ayan Ali – Aye

Kolawole Olawoyin – Aye

Deepak Khas – Aye

Nathaniel Valentine – Aye

Isaiah Clark – Aye

Francesca Loiacono – Aye

Passes.

III. Questions and Concerns

Keyiona begins by expressing her concern for senators and their advocacy next semester. Daniel adds that both him and Keyiona will be sure to make sure they are doing their part to help out as well because we are all here collaboratively to work on stuff. Grae agrees but was wondering if there is a way for her to reach out to her constituents. Keyiona introduces herself to her new senators and says to email her to coordinate ways to help.

IV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:11PM

