



SGA Senate  
Minutes  
25 April 2024

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. MOMENT OF SILENCE
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- V. PASSING OF AGENDA
  - Eleanor Fitz passed the agenda as presented.
  - Olivia Britton seconded passing the agenda as presented.
- VI. SPECIAL BUSINESS
  - Appointment of Open Positions**
    - Kerigan and Mandy have appointed Nicole Ballenger to the first Freshman Forum advisor position.
    - The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
    - Kerigan and Mandy have appointed Olivia Britton to Chief of Staff position.
    - The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
    - Kerigan and Mandy have appointed Kaley Tease to the Historian position.
    - The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
    - Kerigan and Mandy have appointed Skyler Saunders to the DIA position.
    - The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
    - Kerigan and Mandy have appointed Thea Sommer to the Communications Director position.
    - The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
    - Kerigan and Mandy have appointed Luke Hester to the Academic Affairs chair position
    - The appointment was confirmed by the student body.

- Kerigan and Mandy have appointed Will Cantrell to the transfer seat and Budget Oversight chair position.
- Both appointments were confirmed by the student body.
  
- Kerigan and Mandy have appointed Alex Rhoades to the Elections and Recruitment chair position.
- The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
- Kerigan and Mandy have appointed Victoria Hamilton to the Legislative Affairs chair position.
- The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
- Kerigan and Mandy have selected Luke Holcombe for the Student Welfare chair position.
- The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
- Kerigan and Mandy have selected Michael Gilliland to fill the general seat.
- The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
- Kerigan and Mandy have selected Bailee Strait to fill a transfer seat.
- The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
- Kerigan and Mandy have selected Tahsin Raisa to fill an international seat.
- The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
- Kerigan and Mandy have selected Adi Sharma to fill an international seat.
- The appointment was confirmed by the student body.

### **Swearing In of New Officers**

- Chief Justice Callahan presided over the swearing in of the executive officers.
- The executive officers were sworn in as new members of the SGA Senate.
  
- Chief Justice Callahan presided over the swearing in of the open general seat, transfer seats, and international seats.
- The appointed seats were sworn in as new members of the SGA Senate.
  
- President Mardis nominated Eleanor Fitz for the position of Pro-Tempore.
- No other nominations were heard for the position.
- The appointment was confirmed by the student body.
  
- President Mardis nominated Grace Anthony for the position of the second Freshman Forum Advisor.
- Eleanor Fitz nominated Jada Winston for the position of the second Freshman Forum Advisor.

- Grace Anthony was confirmed by the student body for the position.

## VII. STUDENT FORUM

- Will Driver explained past legislation that increased the number of senators for this year's Senate body.
- He would like to remind the newly elected senators to take their new roles seriously. He says good luck!

## VIII. OFFICER REPORTS

### President Mardis

- President Mardis thanked past senators for coming to the meeting.
- She thanked everyone for attending inauguration and congratulated everyone for being sworn in.
- She introduced shared governance and explained what it means.
- She explained dress code and what good examples of smart casual are.
- She went over the amount of absences someone can have in a semester.

### Vice-President McGinnis

- Vice-President McGinnis congratulated everyone for being sworn in.
- Senate Retreat will be August 16<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup>. This is mandatory so please try to be there!
- Committee placements were sent out the Saturday before this meeting. Please look over those, and chairs please stay after the meeting along with extended exec.
- She is planning the Lucky Dip for August 21<sup>st</sup>. Keep this on your calendars because we will need volunteers for this.

### Treasurer Batchelor

- She is excited to work with everyone.

### Secretary Kusz

- She is excited to work with everyone.
- She reminded everyone about the four absences per semester rule.

## IX. SHARED GOVERNANCE

- New appointments were made and confirmed to their respective shared governance committees.

## X. NEW BUSINESS

- Senators signed up for the Student Welfare Move-Out Bins happening May 3<sup>rd</sup> through May 11<sup>th</sup>

## XI. OPEN DISCUSSION

- Senators discussed the location of the SGA Newsletter and where the bulletin board would be.

- Senators mentioned that Communications Director Sommer would do an excellent job maintaining the newsletter, bulletin board, and social media.
- Senator McDonald mentioned placing a QR Code in the library.
- Senator Sharma mentioned involving the Flor-Ala in the outreach of the SGA organization.
- Chief of Staff Britton motioned to move out of open discussion.
- Pro-Tempore Fitz seconded the motion.

## XII. ADVISOR'S REPORT

- She is so excited to see everyone! She introduced herself and her position on campus and within SGA.
- Student Engagement is interviewing for the new position to take over advising SGA.
- Chartwells Pancake Dinner on May 2<sup>nd</sup>
- There will be some moms at the amphitheater on May 7<sup>th</sup> to hand out finals' goodies!
- If you want your event on the Mane Month calendar, it is due by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

## XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Retreat Dates – August 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>
- Lucky Dip – August 21<sup>st</sup>
- Committee Group Chat Participation

## XIV. PEP

- Mandy pepped everyone for being here.
- Mia pepped Mandy.
- Micheal pepped Gracyn and Abigail.
- Nicole pepped Abigail.
- Alex pepped Olivia.
- Kerigan pepped everyone.

## XV. ADJOURNMENT