



Regular Meeting  
 Mr. Jim Hintz, President of Senate  
 Presiding Officer

January 16, 2001  
 Corner Room  
 Jen Bockmuller, Recording Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Senate President Jim Hintz at 7:18 p.m.  
 The agenda was agreed to: I: Call to Order; II. Roll Call; III. Student Speakout; IV. One Minutes;  
 V. Presentations; VI. Adoption of Minutes; VII. Additions to the Agenda; VIII. Officers' Reports: A.  
 President-Mr. Jim Hintz, B. Vice President-Ms. Mattie White, C. Treasurer-Ms. Holly Seckinger;  
 IX. Executive Cabinet Reports: A. Chief of Staff-Mr. Kenneth Brown, B. Staff Not on the Agenda;  
 X. Advisor's Report-Mr. Mike Sostarich; XI. Senators' Reports: A. Academic Affairs-Ms. Katherine  
 Smith, B. Black Affairs-Mr. Jeevon Harris, C. City and County Legislative Affairs-Mr. John Daft, D.  
 International Affairs-Mr. Carlos Recordon, E. GLBT Affairs-Ms. Heather Lanfranchi; F. Minority  
 Affairs-Ms. Micaela Fernandez; G. Off Campus Housing-Mr. Simon Welling; H. Residence Life-;  
 I. State and Federal Legislative Affairs-Mr. Josh Wolf; J. Student Activities-Ms. Colleen Doughty; K.  
 University Life-Ms. Jen Sanson; L. Women's Affairs-Pennilane Webb; XII. Committee Reports;  
 XIII. Old Business; XIV. New Business; XV. Roundtable and Announcements; XVI. Roll Call; XVII.  
 Adjournment

**ROLL CALL**

First Roll Call		Present	Absent	Proxy
<b>EXECUTIVES</b>				
President	Jim Hintz	X		
Vice President	Mattie White	X		
Treasurer	Holly Seckinger	X		
<b>EXEC STAFF</b>				
Chief of Staff	Ken Brown	X		
Parliamentarian	Matt Hunter			X
<b>COMMISSIONERS</b>				
Academic Affairs	Katherine Smith	X		
Black Affairs	Jeevon Harris	X		
City & County	John Daft			X
International Affairs	Carlos Recordon		X	
LGTB	Heather Lanfranchi	X		
Minority Affairs	Micaela Fernandez	X		
OCH	Simon Welling			X
Residence Life				
State & Federal	Josh Wolf	X		
Student Affairs	Colleen Doughty			X
University Life	Jen Sanson	X		
Women's Affairs	Pennilane Webb		X	
<b>SENATORS</b>				
At-Large	Aaron Bayer	X		
At-Large	Matt Hunter			X

At-Large	Kevin Rosenberg			X
At-Large	James Joyce			X
At-Large	Dustin Wood	X		
Arts & Sciences	Angelica Anatole		X	
Business	Michael D' Arienzo	X		
Communication	Kyle Stichtenoth	X		
Education	Kim Schroeder	X		
Engineering	Alicia Colvard	X		
Fine Arts	Tim Norris	X		
Health & Human	Debbie Parzinger	X		
Honors Tutorial	Ryan Mick	X		
Osteopathic	Thomas Nguyen	X		
University	Frank Bishop	X		
Greek Life				
East Green	Mary McHenry	X		
East Green	Melissa Naroski	X		
South Green	Chase Forman	X		
South Green	Garry Gross	X		
West Green	Sarah Weigel	X		
West Green	Julie Luther	X		
OCH	Jessica Lawrence	X		
OCH	Seth Grossman	X		
OCH	Frank Gadd	X		
OCH	Brad Meyer	X		
OCH	Brandon McNeal	X		

### STUDENT SPEAKOUT

Mr. Peter Layman, President of the Second Amendment Club, came to pass out information on the Bill of Rights and show opposition to the vote of senate on resolution 0102-15. He asks that everyone look at the information passed out. He is a member of the NRA.

Mr. Michael Mittiga, Vice President of the Second Amendment Club, accompanied Mr. Layman in his opposition to resolution 0102-15. He said that he chose a democracy but senate is not a democratic government since the decisions they make affect the whole student body. Mr. Mittiga wishes to contest the reason, process, and language of the resolution. To begin, he wanted to know why the issue was presented and voted on by student senate. Then, he wants understanding of the process that formulated the senators to choose not to ask student body for their feelings on the issue. Why did they fail to answer to political organizations on campus? How can senate present a majority opinion, when no students outside were asked their opinions? Senate's motivation was to get outcome on a state level for a bill that restricts firearms. Lastly, the language of the resolution is presented in two different ways. He received two different copies of the resolution in which neither were the final copy and it is believed that the resolution cannot be changed after it is voted on. The resolution supports civil liberty with outdated language. This is an elected body to speak for an entire group and we want them to know how we feel about these issues. He spoke about an incident that occurred on a college campus in New Hampshire where the student government was making decisions without student input. Jim knew about what happened there and Mr. Mittiga was concerned with that occurring here.

Mr. Hintz, President of Senate, thanked Mr. Mittiga and Mr. Layman for coming and voicing their concern. The title of the resolution is internal and the secretary was unaware of that so sorry for getting it wrong. Also, the secretary was unaware of the several copies of the amendment and which was the final so that was a miscommunication. Lastly, the consensus was the opinion of sponsors that voted.

## **ONE MINUTES**

Mr. Wolf, Senator of State and Federal Affairs, also thanked the students for coming and said that he enjoyed his conversation with them on Thursday. They discussed the issue at last night's meeting and will be meeting with College Republicans tonight. He is accountable for his vote and supports the resolution.

Mr. Nguyen, Senator of Osteopathic, said that this was not a unanimous vote. This is an education institute not a social engineering institute. He represents those voting against the resolution and for Mr. Mittiga's concerns. He has the right to vote.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

There were no presentations.

## **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

There were no minutes to be adopted.

## **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Mr. Joshua Wolf, Senator of State and Federal Affairs, asked to suspend the rules to add resolution 0102-24 to the agenda. There is a motion for unanimous consent and the motion passes.

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

Mr. Jim Hintz, President of Senate, said that he and Mr. Joshua Wolf attended a Second Amendment meeting in which they requested to know who voted for and against the resolution and he told them the rules were to do a voice vote then a roll call vote and that no one could abstain. So if you voted against the resolution, give him a note with your name on it.

There are tickets for the UNC game available for \$23. There are about 100 tickets left so contact the ticket office if you are interested. The game is February 20<sup>th</sup>. As of right now there is no word of transportation but contact the athletics office if interested.

The senate web page is updated as well as SAC. All the information should be current but check to make sure.

There has been a new SDS person appointed but they will be absent for a while.

He has been asked to sit on a committee to recommend consultants to hire for the new student union project.

He has been working on reviewing the standards to make the recommended changes to the code of conduct. Such issues are changing the marijuana offense from code b to code a, redo the appeals process, code clarification, and communication with the student body about changes.

The graduate student senate will be going on a retreat on Saturday and a couple of senate people will be attending to help with training.

Ms. Mattie White, Vice President of Senate, said that there is a new senator retreat sign-up to learn the process of senate. It is Monday at 7pm in Baker 304 and food may be provided.

Commissioners need to email her your office hours, meeting times, and your plans for the quarter. There will be a commissioners meeting after the senate meeting next week.

She was reading about the proficiency scores in the Post and was thinking about what senate could do to help with the area of citizenship because those were the lowest scores. She thought about tutoring but if you have any suggestions, let her know.

On a funny note, don't mess with the Derek Jeter wallpaper on the computer. Please watch what you do on the computer.

Everyone is doing a great job and she is very proud of all of you.

Ms. Holly Seckinger, Treasurer of Senate, stated there were not deposits, the expenditures were \$943.22, and the balance is currently \$50,471.66.

## **EXECUTIVE CABINET REPORTS**

Mr. Ken Brown, Chief of Staff, wants everyone to write down his or her office hours. Remember the computer may have special stuff on it, don't put anything weird on it. Don't forget to get events forms from the secretary. Even though we are having computer problems, we will post them somehow. It is possible that you will be responsible for paying 40% if the cost for the business cards and senate will pay for 60%.

Ms. Alissa Galford, Director of Communications, asked everyone to stay after the meeting to take a group picture for the web site that Greg Hall will be helping with.

If anyone is having problems with the post, tell her your concern, don't spread rumors. Events sheets need to be filled out so we know what is going on.

Ms. Marisa Long, Public Relations, passed around a sign up sheet to pass out hot chocolate at college gate and it counts for office hours.

### **ADVISOR REPORT**

Mr. Mike Sostarich, Advisor, had no report.

### **SENATORS' REPORTS**

Ms. Katherine Smith, Academic Affairs, due to MLK day the meeting is moved to Tuesday at 8pm in Baker 331. She is working on organizing the course book and course offerings as well as the Education Abroad initiative. Implementing dean's roundtable suggestions such as, online course agenda templates and mid quarter packets. Faculty has chose to change the RAC codes every quarter so you will be forced to meet with your advisor to receive your DARS report and this should help with advising.

Mr. Jeevon Harris, Black Affairs, is working on a 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Free Your Mind Forum and week. It is planned for February 25, 2002 in the Baker Ballroom at 7pm. More details are later to come. He is working on finding scholarships for students of color. He is also working with the OU recruiting society on the recruitment of students of color. He is planning a forum for freshman student of color called "One Year Later" to see how future BAC senators can help students of color adjust to life at OU. This will happen in the spring. The AIDS walk will be in the spring as well. Please read the student senate board for black history month events that the commission will post soon.

Mr. John Daft, City and County Legislative Affairs, had no report.

Mr. Carlos Recordon, International Affairs, had no report.

Ms. Heather Lanfranchi, LGBT, said that this week at their meeting attentions were focused on the recent attack of an LGBT student. Saturday night on her way home from the monthly Open Doors Casa dance she was pushed in the mud and beaten behind Lincoln Hall on East Green while being called derogatory terms. Fortunately she is ok and is now heavily involved in making this attack very known on campus. The LGBT community has been deeply affected by these recent events and is planning a course of action. This will begin Thursday night with all the LGBT organizations meeting to have candlelight march to the site of the attack; everyone who is horrified by this as we are is welcome to join us.

It is important to note that this is the first ever-reported case of gay bashing on campus. Unfortunately that doesn't mean it is the only one, this happens everyday, whether verbally or physically by ignorant individuals or by emotionally unprepared residence life staff and unsupportive administration officials. While OU administration took a small step of supporting the LGBT community 4 years ago by the creation of a quarter-time coordinator and an office space woefully inadequate in all aspects, more needs to be done. And my fellow senators while it is possible for some to matriculate and graduate from OU in four years this office and this support has yet to do so. It is time for us to look at increasing the support and services to LGBT students on campus. If you would like to join me in these efforts please come to the LGBT commission meetings Tuesdays from 7-8pm in the campus closet known as the office of LGBT Programs Baker 314.

Ms. Micaela Fernandez, Minority Affairs, is continuing to work on the Diversity Week, which is the week of February 25<sup>th</sup>. She is also trying to figure out the best way to reach the minority student population. She encourages everyone to participate in any of the Martin Luther King Day activities.

Mr. Simon Welling, Off-Campus Housing, had no report.

Residence Life-The residence life commission met on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup> in order to discuss plans for this quarter. Big Jim was the master of the meeting due to our lack of a commissioner. We reviewed the projects that everyone had been working on and assigned new projects and set objectives for the next meeting. The assignments for projects are as follows:

Chase is tackling the magnet project, which like this past year, will give each dorm room on campus a magnet containing valuable phone numbers to food delivery companies, campus escort, and other campus services that come in handy to students.

Melissa will be filling in for Mary at the housing meetings and she is also looking into the success of the Electronic Access System in Johnson/Lincoln Hall.

Mary is following up on the lighting resolution that was passed and continuing her effort to improve the upperclassman room selection processes.

Sarah is continuing her efforts with meal plans, dining hall issues, and the key situation in Bromley. She is also working on sending a letter to the ARD's and GRD's campus wide to encourage hall councils participation in our commission.

Julie is continuing her efforts with West Green renovations. She is also looking into the high prices in the dining hall markets and working on decreasing the amount of state motor vehicles and delivery trucks permitted to drive on the green.

In addition, each green will be setting up a dinner in the dining hall to meet with residents and discuss any problems or concerns that they might have. All are welcome to attend these! West Green will be February 6<sup>th</sup> and South and East Green are to be announced.

Even though there is no class on Monday, the commission will still meet at 10pm in the senate office.

Mr. Josh Wolf, State and Federal Legislative Affairs, said that Pam Oglivy is beginning to work on tax free textbooks this week, finding out who has this benefit, the process for gaining this benefit, and beginning to set up a master plan to attempt to bring this benefit to OU's main Athens campus. We plan to have this idea researched and analyzed by February 6, 2002. The Federal Program Fed Up, is being researched by Dustin Torres, the newest addition to the State and Federal Legislative Affairs commission. This deals with post secondary education for the select education house of representative committee. Dustin will most likely give a presentation on this on February 6, 2002. Colin Caywood is researching Super Education Boards, their implementation, current status in other states, benefits, support, opposition, and results. She will be finished with this program within the next 3 weeks. Dan Schrickel is working on our federal advocating campaign, which we plan to kick off on February 19, 2002. This will include FAFSA reform in the many arenas of FAFSA loans, grants, etc. More information on this as we learn more. We started a new philosophy this week in the commission. We've begun to set dates as deadlines for projects in hopes of ensuring that we are putting in the necessary hard work and dedication that the students of OU elected us to do. I have also asked my commission members to visit each meeting with a new state or federal legislative program of legislation that affects the students of OU or something that they find interesting. We are expanding our outlook, ensuring the success of the commission. I will be in contact with certain senators and commissioners in the following weeks to ask for your aide in the OCSG Higher Education Funding Campaign. I will also have a resolution up next week in support of two fine commission members who I believe would make representatives for the campaign. We also are now promoting our commission with our new flyers, designed by Dustin Torres. You should see them in every building by tomorrow at noon. We are, as always, encouraging all senators to attend our meetings on Tuesdays at 9pm if you are interested in legislative affairs. Also, if you know anyone who is interested, please let me know.

Ms. Colleen Doughty, Student Activities Commission, said that the treasurer workshop went well. We had approximately 70 organization treasurers attend. Next week we will start SAC workshops. There will be one on Wednesday and Friday for the next two weeks. Our new and improved SAC PAC will be available starting Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. The new carryover and change of program forms are already available. Julie and Colleen met with Jeremy from ACRN. We were able to come up with a new agreement. ACRN will now give a discount to all student organizations that would like to run a radio ad. For the next few Friday meetings, we will be training SAC members more on Parliamentary Procedure, the SAC PAC, and advising/interviewing sessions.

Ms. Jen Sanson, University Life, met with the committee on the Athena grand opening. It should be ready to open on February 7<sup>th</sup> but they would like to have President Glidden there for the Grand Opening and he is unavailable until March. They will be meeting again on Friday. The grand opening will include students, faculty, and community members. The Athena is still undecided about the use of bobcat cash and whether it will be used for tickets, concessions, or both. They are trying to get use of bobcat cash available at Bird Arena and the golf course. Matt

has set up the Baker Center Catering Forum for Tuesday, January 22, 2002, at 8pm in Baker 327. Meetings will now be on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the senate office.

Ms. Pennilane Webb, Women's Affairs, had no report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Joshua Wolf, Senator of State and Federal Affairs, said that the budget committee met last week and today.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There is no old business.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Senate Resolution 0102-24

### **Money**

#### **A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT**

*Whereas:* The Ohio University Student Senate Budget Committee met and considered a budget request on January 14, 2001 with a quorum present, and

*Whereas:* The Budget Committee voted unanimously in favor of the attached report, therefore be it

*Resolved:* That the Ohio University Student Senate adopt the attached Budget Committee Report

*Sponsors:* Mr. Joshua Lee Wolf, *Senator for State and Federal Legislative Affairs and Budget Committee Chair*

Ms. Colleen Doughty, *Senator for Student Activities Commission*

There is a motion to suspend the reading of Resolution 0102-24. The motion passes.

All requests are by the rules, some money has already been spent, and the retreat is necessary for new members of senate.

There is a motion for unanimous consent. There is a second to that motion. The motion passes with unanimous consent.

## **ROUNDTABLE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Jim Hintz, President of Senate, asks to please send him a note if you voted against Resolution 0102-15.

Ms. Alissa Galford, Director of Communications, asks to please stay to take a picture after the meeting.

Ms. Rebecca Chauncey, Associate Director of P.R., announced that there would be a Black Communication Conference Concert/ Jazzfest on Saturday 7-10pm in Baker Ballroom. Admission is \$3.

Mr. Jeevon Harris, Black Affairs Senator, asked who the new SDS person is?

Mr. Jim Hintz, President of Senate, said that Zachary Skinner is the new SDS person.

Mr. Kyle Stichtenoth, Communication Senator, said there is an energy saver meeting Tuesday 7-9pm.

Mr. Peter Layman, student, asked senate if anyone was a member of the NRA. IF anyone held a gun? If anyone was in the military? There is a meeting 8pm on Thursday for safe gun training and all are welcome.

Mr. Michael Mittiga, student, asked if college republicans and other groups could be represented on senate's web page.

## **ROLL CALL**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There is a motion for adjournment.

This motion passes.

The meeting is adjourned at 8:02 p.m.