



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

March 27, 2002
 Corner Room
 Amy Lott, 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; Senate Resolution 0102-48; XV. Roundtable and
 Announcements; XVI. Roll Call; XVII. Adjournment

ROLL CALL

First Roll Call		Present	Absent	Proxy
EXECUTIVES				
President	Jim Hintz	X		
Vice President	Mattie White	X		
Treasurer	Holly Seckinger	X		
EXEC STAFF				
Chief of Staff	Ken Brown		X	
Parliamentarian	Matt Hunter			X
COMMISSIONERS				
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	Sarah Weigel	X		
State & Federal	Josh Wolf	X		
Student Affairs	Colleen Doughty	X		
University Life	Jen Sanson			X
Women's Affairs	Anna Jagelewski	X		
SENATORS				
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				
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

There were no students to speak out.

ONE MINUTES

There were no one minutes.

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

There was a motion to adopt the minutes.

There was a second to that motion.

The motion passes.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Mr. Jim Hintz, President, welcomed everyone back from spring break. He stayed in Athens during the week off of school.

Mr. Hintz wanted to let everyone know that the Board of Trustees will put up a resolution in April to vote for or against a student union. Everyone should come and show their support for the project. As of now, it looks favorable, but there are some reservations because of monetary issues.

According to the Athens News, the athletic department will be spending \$800,000 dollars on artificial turf for the football field. Tom Bay will be coming to Senate to talk about athletic issues. Dick Semar will be coming in to talk to Senate about the budgeting process at Ohio University and the provost will be coming in to talk about the actual Ohio University budget for this year.

Ms. Mattie White, Vice President, wanted to introduce the two new commissioners, Anna Jagelewski, Women's Affairs, and Sarah Weigel, Residence Life. There is now an opening for a West Green Senator.

Ms. White said that next week there will be a forum on the time disturbance. The time has not been established yet. We are collaborating with Ben Shoemaker. The speakers will include a lawyer in conjunction with the Center for Student Advocacy.

Ms. Holly Seckinger, Treasurer of Senate, stated there were no deposits, expenditures of \$1,394.47, and the balance is currently \$9,830.13.

The applications for Student Senate elections will be ready on Friday to pick up. They are due in the Senate offices April 16th, by 5 p.m. The all candidates meeting will be April 22nd, at 8:30 p.m. in Bentley 129.

EXECUTIVE CABINET REPORTS

Mr. Ken Brown, Chief of Staff, had no report.

ADVISOR REPORT

Mr. Mike Sostarich, had no report. The board of trustees members dedicated funds for the university to purchase Memorial Auditorium foyer and Lindley.

SENATORS' REPORTS

Ms. Katherine Smith, Academic Affairs, had no report tonight. She needs to meet with her commission quickly after the meeting tonight.

Mr. Jeevon Harris, Black Affairs, had no report.

Mr. John Daft, City and County Legislative Affairs, is continuing with city council communication about students as good people. Students are learning how to become good citizens. The discussions are going very well. Asked for suggestions of how city laws and regulations can be best communicated to the students.

The time disturbance issue comes up again as the date approaches. The mayor says there is no such issue and urges everyone not to talk about it. Please convince people not to partake in this event.

Tomorrow there is a meeting for Athens Comprehensive Planning and Steering Committee, as well as a new time for the commission meetings for city and county. The meetings will be held on Monday at 6pm on the bar side of BW-3's.

Mr. Carlos Recordon, International Affairs, informs that the main activity he will organize this spring quarter is a seminar related to current issues on the Middle East. The main purpose of the seminar is to promote the understanding of the culture, ideology, and challenges faced by that region of the world. He is still putting together the project, dates, speakers, activities, etc. He will keep everyone updated with the development of this idea. Thus far, the plan is to work together with the Center for International Studies and invite to participate in the organizational committee students from different areas that are interested in the topic of the seminar.

He has observed everyone's excitement in making Ohio University a more inclusive and peaceful place. In this particular moment of the history we have the duty to promote dialogue and understanding between cultures in order to achieve peace and stability in our world. Anyone is more than welcome to join the effort and participate in organizing the seminar. Please feel free to contact him. No date has been set yet.

Ms. Heather Lanfranchi, LGBT, said they worked on Pride Week again at the meeting on Tuesday. It is April 7th through the 13th. They are also working on two resolutions that will be coming out of the closet next week. The commission meeting time has been moved to Tuesday's at 9pm in room 329.

Ms. Micaela Fernandez, Minority Affairs, had no report.

Mr. Simon Welling, Off-Campus Housing, reported that the commission has not yet met this quarter. Projects they are working on for the quarter include housing education projects for residence halls, recycling and yard sale projects with Ed Nueman, and also a project to be named later.

Residence Life- They are working to lower prices in Boyd Market, up to \$1.50 off, and other markets are to follow.

Kristen is heading up the first year packets. If you have any information to include please see one of the commissioners.

Commission meetings will be held on Tuesday's at 7pm in Baker Center.

Mr. Josh Wolf, State and Federal Legislative Affairs, reported the following:

- The current legislation we are researching is: S.B. 172, S.B. 178, S.B. 195, S.B. 228, S.B. 248, H.B. 516, H.B. 531 and H. B. 534. These proposed bills address concerns of harsher penalties for public indecency, requirements of college students to receive meningitis vaccination, the college savings advantage program, treatment of drug offenders, tuition caps, and budgetary advantage.
- H.B. 274 passed the Ohio House without our recommended amendments. He has received many comments from legislators about our resolution, along with their public opinions in support of or in opposition to H.B. 274. The bill has not yet been introduced to the Ohio Senate. He has spoken with his sources at the capital, and the bill is not likely to be voted on in the Ohio Senate.
- The Ohio House and Senate are enjoying their Easter session break this week and next. They will be back in session April 16, 2002.
- We will be doing a voter registration drive these next two weeks in an attempt to get students registered for the Election Primary, which is May 7th. If you are not registered to vote, and would like to, let Josh Wolf know.
- We are also in the process of coming to a conclusion on tax-free textbooks (a combined effort with BGSU) and super education boards.
- Commission meetings are Tuesday's at 9pm and the room is yet to be determined.

Ms. Colleen Doughty, Student Activities Commission, said the first meeting is this Friday. They talked about an executive retreat for this quarter. During the retreat they will talk about spring quarter goals including changes in funding interviews, and how student organizations receive funding. Ms. Doughty will send out evaluations of the programs that SAC has funded next week. Also, the general body of SAC was given a quiz on the SAC Pack at the end of last quarter. They did a good job, and something like that might be done this quarter as well.

Ms. Jen Sanson, University Life, turned in a written report but no verbal report was made.

Anna Jagelewski, Women's Affairs, said that planning for Take Back the Night is underway. The theme will be "Take Back Our Lives". The speaker will be Inga Muscio, author of Cunt, and Crishen Slom will be teaching self-defense. The male participation meeting will be April 2, 2002 at 7 p.m. in Baker Center room 334. Ms. Jagelewski is busy setting up a workshop schedule and contacting other student organizations to help with the logistics of the TBTN march.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget Committee, Mr. Josh Wolf, chairman, said that his committee will be auditing all commissions in the near future. Mr. Wolf needs to meet with his committee after the general body meeting because there are two emergency funding requests.

OLD BUSINESS

There is no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Sen. Res. 0102-45

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE 24 HOUR REGULATED AVAILABILITY OF THE COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS FACILITIES

1. *Whereas:* "The primary mission of the College of Fine Arts is to provide an environment
2. that stimulates the creation and understanding of works of the art within a
3. historical, contemporary, and experimental context. Such an environment
4. fosters the creative and intellectual development of the individual that allows
5. for continual growth and a wide range of career choices...", and

6. *Whereas:* The students of the Ohio University College of Fine Arts have specific needs
7. that cannot be accommodated for in the residence halls or off-campus housing, 8. and
9. *Whereas:* The special needs that the students of the College of Fine Arts have can only be
10. provided for in field-specific facilities, and
11. *Whereas:* The level of safety in the College of Fine Arts facilities is unacceptably low after
12. the hour of nine PM, therefore be it
13. *Resolved:* That the Ohio University Student Senate strongly recommend that the Ohio 14. University College of Fine Arts invest in the "Optim" key card
15. access system to meet the needs of the students, to provide for the equal
16. opportunity of intellectual and creative growth, and further be it
17. *Resolved:* That the Ohio University Student Senate strongly recommend That the Ohio 18. University College of Fine Arts invest in this system to ensure
19. the safest environment for the students of the College of Fine Arts, and
20. further be it
20. *Resolved:* That copies of this resolution and an overview and report be sent to, but not
21. limited to Dr. Robert Glidden, President of Ohio University; Raymond
22. Tymas-Jones, Dean of the College of Fine Arts; Norma Humphries,
Assistant
23. Dean of the College of Fine Arts; Robert Lazuka, Director of the School of Art;
24. Madeleine Scott, Director of the School of Dance; Sylvia Henry, Interim
25. Director of the School of Music; and Paul Castagno, Director of the
School of
26. Theater.

Sponsors: Mr. Timothy V. Norris Jr., Senator for the College of Fine Arts
Ms. Katherine Smith, Commissioner for Academic Affairs
Mr. Ryan Mick, Senator for the Honors Tutorial College
Mr. Frank Bishop, Senator for University College
Ms. Angelica Anatole, Senator for the College of Arts and

Sciences

Mr. Tim Norris, Senator for the College of Fine Arts, said the 24-hour availability has been an issue for awhile. A petition was circulated with a majority of students filling it out for the right to have after-hour access to the building. Students need to finish projects. He said that many students need to work on projects with equipment that is not available in the residence halls. He compared the need to Syracuse, where students may work after hours and the privilege has not been abused. He argued that there is limited studio space during regular hours because of classes, and all students deserve equal opportunity to succeed.

Mr. Norris noted that one female was assaulted by a male. She was working on a project, and the assailant entered through the propped door. This is the only way students may get things finished.

He said that with a key access system doors cannot be propped, so students are safe from incidents and the buildings from vandalism. He said that Northwestern School of Music has an optimum key access system, and this is step OU should take.

Mr. Norris urged every senator to pass this resolution for safety and efficiency.

Ms. Katherine Smith, Academic Affairs Commissioner, said that she agrees with everything Mr. Norris said and added that it is important for students because they all have different needs that need to be met. She urged the senators to vote unanimously.

Mr. Ryan Mick, Senator for Honors Tutorial College, added that the optimum key access system was implemented in 1995 in Johnson and regulates access only to those with permission. It keeps a transaction record of who has access and who is entering. There is also a propped door alarm. He also added that as a music major he often needs to practice the piano, which he can only do in the music building late at night.

Mr. Frank Bishop, Senator for University College, said that this is the best place to start and would help carry over to other places.

Ms. Mattie White, Vice President of Student Senate, asked for a friendly amendment to the resolution. Line 7 of Resolution 0102-45 should read, "that cannot be accommodated for in the residence halls or off-campus housing"

Mr. Garry Gross, South Green Senator, asked how people would get permission for access.

Mr. Tim Norris said that anyone enrolled through the school would automatically have access or a student could fill out an application.

Ms. Mattie White asked what floors students would have access to.

Mr. Tim Norris said that all doors are locked and closed and students can only get to the sixth floor.

Ms. Melissa Naroski, East Green Senator, asked how the key access system will be funded.

Mr. Tim Norris said that the College of Fine Arts could fund the system because the college has approximately \$350,000 carryover each year, and \$8,000 goes to each school.

There is a motion for unanimous consent. With unanimous consent, the motion passes.

Sen. Res. 0102-46

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING

1. *Whereas:* Ohio House Bill 94, the biennium budget, did not adequately fund public higher
2. education, and
3. *Whereas:* Governor Robert Taft and the Ohio General Assembly passed House Bill 405,
4. which decreased funding for the Board of Regents/higher education, and
5. *Whereas:* Institutions of public higher education depend on state support to provide
6. affordable, available, and quality public higher education, and
7. *Whereas:* Public higher education is necessary to improve the well being and economic
8. prosperity of Ohio citizens, and
9. *Whereas:* Ohio University cannot maintain the current quality of education without better
10. funding of public higher education, and
11. *Whereas:* Ohio University has had to resort to significant tuition increases for current
12. incoming students to compensate for the insufficient funding of public higher
13. education, therefore be it
14. *Resolved:* That the Ohio University Student Senate strongly recommend that the Ohio
15. General Assembly and the Executive Officers of our state increase funding to
16. ensure an excellent public higher education that is affordable and available, and
17. be it
18. *Resolved:* That the Ohio University Student Senate encourage Ohio University to continue
19. to provide a quality education, while maintaining sensible tuition costs, and
20. further be it
21. *Resolved:* That this resolution be sent to, but not limited to, Robert Glidden, Ohio
22. University President, the Ohio University Board of Trustees, the Ohio State
23. House Finance and Financial Appropriations Committee, the Ohio State Senate
24. Finance and Financial Institutions Committee, the Ohio House Subcommittee of
25. Higher Education, the Ohio House and Senate Education Committees, Roderick
26. Chu, Chancellor of the Board of Regents, and the other twelve state supported
27. student governments of Ohio.

Sponsors: Mr. Joshua Lee Wolf

Senator for State and Federal Legislative Affairs

Mr. Dustin Wood
Senator for University Life

Mr. Josh Wolf, State and Federal Commissioner, made an amendment to Line 11 of Resolution 0102-46 to read, "Ohio University has had to resort to significant tuition increase for current and incoming students..."

Mr. Wolf said that the resolution states what has not been said all year. It says that Ohio University understands the problem and wants to provide good education, and that students understand the tuition increases.

Mr. Wolf said that the resolution says to look for new programs and determines how many steps to take forward. They should better the quality of education slowly and keep the increase in tuition reasonable. In general, higher education is unaffordable and unavailable. Ohio University stays a high quality institution, but does not want to put affordable above quality.

Mr. Dustin Wood, Senator At-Large, said that public education is not the priority for the state. Helping the cost of higher education is a way to help accomplish the goal for all public schools. He said that the state needs to make higher education funding a priority and it needs to give higher education money. He added that this issue is important to every student.

There is a motion for unanimous consent. There is a second motion. Mr. Thomas Nguyen, Senator for Osteopathic Medicine, voted for dissent of the motion and stated that he made his feelings known earlier. The motion passes.

Sen. Res. 0102-47

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT 03/06/02

1. *Whereas:* The Budget Committee met and considered a budget request on March 6, 2002,
2. with a quorum present, and
3. *Whereas:* The Budget Committee voted unanimously in favor of the attached report,
4. therefore be it
5. *Resolved:* That the Ohio University Student Senate adopt the attached Budget Committee
6. Report.

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

Mr. Timothy Norris
Senator for Fine Arts

Budget Committee Report 03/06/02

Senator Smith – Funds for Dean Information Packets

Total Amount Requested: \$60.50

Total Amount Allocated: \$60.50

Budget Committee Comments: 1) There is not a Dean's Roundtable during winter quarter, so communication between the Academic Affairs Commission and each individual school's deans is necessary. 2) A request was made by the dean's at the Fall Dean's Roundtable to distribute this information to ensure a productive Spring Dean's Roundtable.

Mr. Josh Wolf, State and Federal Commissioner and Budget Committee Chair, announced that there is an emergency request for money to use for the dean's roundtable to distribute the information. The request is for \$60.50 and senators should support it.

Mr. Tim Norris, Senator for College of Fine Arts, said that the roundtable was an excellent way to educate the deans, and that the commission needs money.

There is a motion for unanimous consent. There is a second. With unanimous consent, the motion passes.

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE LANDSCAPE MASTER PLANS THAT HAVE BEEN PROPOSED FOR WEST GREEN COURTYARDS

1. *Whereas:* the area between the residence halls on West Green named West Green Courtyard is neither resident friendly nor promotes a green unity, and
- 2.
3. *Whereas:* it is often times referred to as a “big driveway” rather than a green and
4. *Whereas:* this is not an atmosphere that Ohio University should be promoting or the atmosphere that is most desired by the students and
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6. *Whereas:* faculty and administrators also see this area as an area in need of re-landscaping and
7. *Whereas:* a renovation team has created a concept drawing named the Courtyards Landscape Master Plan that would eliminate the idea of a “big driveway” and create large open green areas and therefore be it
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- 9.
10. *Resolved* that the Ohio University Student Senate support the landscape master plans that have been proposed for the West Green Courtyards and, further be it
- 11.
12. *Resolved:* that copies of this resolution be sent, but not limited to:
13. Sherwood Wilson, Associate V.P. for Administration for Facilities and Auxiliary,
14. Randy Shelton, Director, Housing and Food Services, Terry Conry, Director for Facilities Management, Mark E. Whitney, Director of Grounds, Recycling and Refuge,
15. Susan Calhoun, Landscape Coordinator, Scott Blower, Supervisor of Athletic and West Green Grounds, Joseph E. Fabiny, Director of Renovations and Construction,
16. Stephanie Bartlett, Renovations Manager, Ted Fares, Director or Engineering and Technical Support, John Kotowski, Facilities Planning and Construction, and,
17. Dick Planicek, Construction Engineer.
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- 20.

Sponsors: Julie Luther
Senator for the West Green

Sarah Weigel
Senator for the West Green

Ms. Julie Luther, West Green Senator, said that West Green lacks the atmosphere that other green’s have. She said that as a resident on West Green she knows that many play sports in the driveway. The plan is to have a renovation team that will come together and acknowledge that there is a problem and make plans for change. These plans would also support a decrease in traffic on the green. She said that right now, someone playing football must watch for traffic. She strongly urged everyone to vote in favor of the resolution.

Ms. Sarah Weigel, West Green Senator, said that West Green lacks space for recreation and something needs to be done. She added that the funding is available and left from the Project Chill Water and residence services, so no new money will be spent. This resolution would only bump up the priority in landscaping.

Ms. Weigel was asked if this process would eliminate all driveways on the green so that those with disabilities would not be able to drive right up to buildings.

Ms. Weigel said that it would only make the road accessible for one vehicle at a time, and it mostly eliminates trucks.

Mr. Josh Wolf, State and Federal Commissioner, asked if the money set aside could be used for something other than landscaping.

Ms. Sarah Weigel, West Green Senator, said the cost estimate was rough, and she is not sure if the money can be used for something other than landscaping.

Mr. Jim Hintz, President of Senate, added that the money for this project probably comes from auxiliary funds, not from general tuition.

Ms. Weigel said that the process would take effect in sections. This summer is a possibility to start, but because of when the money will become available, the project would happen in sections.

There is a motion for unanimous consent. There is a second motion.

With unanimous consent, the motion passes.

ROUNDTABLE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Jim Hintz, President of Senate, announced that anyone knowing of anyone who would be a good applicant for Student Trustee should pick up an application that will be available outside the office Friday.

He said that he received a letter from President Glidden regarding the changes to the course catalog. Those changes will be made and some others are being worked on.

Ms. Sarah Weigel, West Green Senator, reminded seniors to register for graduation by Tuesday, April 2.

Mr. Ryan Mick, Honors Tutorial Senator, said that because of the study abroad resolutions there will be a change in the OU policy. Students are now able to take there monay with them. He also announced that he left blanks on the Web page for Senate members to fill in correct information. His page has an example. He said that the campus newsletter is almost done, then the communication team will take over.

Mr. Simon Welling, Off-Campus Housing, asked the commission to meet after the meeting.

Ms. Katherine Smith, Academic Affairs, congratulated her commission on its good work. She also announced a Rules and Procedures meeting briefly after the general meeting.

Ms. Colleen Doughty, Student Affairs, announced a SAC workshop Tuesday form 7 to 8 p.m. and Friday from 2 to 3 p.m. next week. She also said that there will be a treasurer workshop. Anyone with questions can e-mail her or sign up outside the Sac office.

Mr. Thomas Nguyen, Osteopathic Senator, said that sometimes members are afraid to ask the tough questions. He said that 47 out of 48 resolutions have been passed.

ADJOURNMENT

There is a motion for adjournment.

This motion passes.

The meeting is adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

