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"Student Senate will cultivate a student body that is engaged, healthy, and empowered."

I. Call Meeting to Order: 4:30pm

- a. Moment of Silence
 - i. Native Land Recognition
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call Part I

II. Public Comment - Part I

a. Clare Meteer, Student Senate EOA: wanted to thank everyone she has gotten to work with over the past two years. It has been a pleasure getting to know all of the amazing people that have been on the senate and witnessing all of their amazing work. She is forever thankful for everything and will not be a stranger next year.

III. Five (5) Minutes to Pass the Papers

a. Kuiper: passes around the sign up sheet for exam cram

IV. President's Report

- a. Adoption of the Agenda
- b. All that is left this semester is the Alumni board next week from 4:30pm-5:30pm. There will be 4 student senate alumni that served in president and VP roles that have different roles and professions now, which will be a great learning experience. This is the first alumni board in her time on senate. Not mandatory, but highly encouraged.
- c. Sent out a survey regarding student wages and student senate stipends to students, please fill it out and spread the word.
- d. Go to Elect Her tomorrow, it is one of her favorite events that they put on.
- e. Cabinet will meet once more tonight. The only other times they will meet is in case of an emergency and the transition dinner when the outgoing and incoming cabinet meet and you talk with the person whose role you are taking.
- f. End of the year party is April 13 at Uccello's, free food and gifts. 8:00pm
- g. If you are interested in running for cabinet specifically president, EVP, or EAC please meet with her. She can walk you through your duties. Frappier met with a senator yesterday and it was a four hour meeting because there are a lot of things to go over.
- h. All legislation that has been voted on has been sent out and she will share any updates.
- i. Thanks everyone for letting her serve in this capacity for the past year, electing her, and trusting her. Life will take an adjustment after student senate because she walked into senate her first week at Grand Valley. She has made her best friends, learned about herself and made amazing connections. Student senate has challenged her, her leadership

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skills, short temper, and her ultra confident outlook on life but it has made her a better person and she would not be who she is today without the people she met on senate. Please reach out if you ever need anything. She plans on being in the supreme court in 20 years so keep an eye out.

V. Executive Vice President's Report

- a. Approval of the Minutes
 - i. Stand approved
- b. Legislation has been sent to the appropriate parties and the constitutional amendment has passed. Look to future leadership for where those are headed but they were well accepted.
- c. Thanks everyone very much. He has spent 115 weeks on student senate including all his summers. He has not been perfect but appreciates everyone pushing him to grow, and showing him grace. He has met fantastic people that taught him to broaden his perspective on life and he has made great connections. Appreciates this time, working with you, sitting in this seat, and representing students. Wishes everyone the best in their future endeavors. Connect with him on LinkedIn and stay in touch.

VI. Unfinished Business

- a. Elections Commission Updates
 - i. Biermacher: if you are running for reelection look for an email this Tuesday morning about next week's meeting
 - ii. Bucon: congrats to all candidates on the ballot. Keep getting the word out about elections and encouraging people to vote. Heard there were issues with the link, if you are sharing the link share the link to their main website not the form itself.
- b. Legislative Review: Collective Liability
 - i. Schrader: after talking with Schmidt, they will pull the bill from the floor because it needs more time and feels rushed.
- c. Legislative Review: Keypads
 - i. Schrader: went over a lot of questions after reviewing the minutes. Cannot tell you what the quantity is but he wants to work with housing to find what doors do not have keypads and add them to those doors. Dr. Boone and him will have another meeting and work through this bill together.
 - ii. Biermacher: Is this something they could consider starting a task force to gather more data and information for?
 - (1) Schrader: I think that is what Dr. Boone is going for, even though they are not specifically calling it a task force.

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- (2) Frappier: the goal of this bill is to reaffirm that Schrader is not the only one behind this and then Schrader and Dr. Boone will work together closely to figure out the game plan.
- iii. DerPilbosien: the idea of a task force is something he supports
- iv. Flickinger: this bill has his full support. Where will they pass to?
 - (1) Kidd: will be charged directly to Dr. Boone
- v. Biermacher: motion to pass this piece of legislation and charge it to Dr. Kyle Boone
 - (1) Flickinger- 2nd
 - (2) Frappier: suggests an amendment that it is also charged to VP Jenny Hall-Jones
 - (a) Biermacher: accepts
 - (3) 17 yays, 1 abstention
 - (4) Passes
 - (5) Senate votes to pass this piece of legislation and charge it to Dr. Kyle Boone and VP Hall-Jones
- d. SRC Policies and Procedures Review
 - i. Frappier: This has been a heck of a process but he is so happy with the changes they have made. Thinks the next body has the chance to go through the structure and thinks they made huge improvements to the internal workings. They have added in all the suggestions from CTF, trusts that everyone looked over them from the weekly email.
 - ii. Flickinger: nothing from the bylaws has been moved to the SRC policies and procedures yet because they did not want to rush it. They encourage the next body to start earlier with CTF and go through any shifts that need to happen.
 - iii. Biermacher: fantastic job to CTF
 - iv. Frappier: make sure the motion includes to go into effect immediately
 - v. Biermacher: motion to approve changes made to the SRC policies and procedures to go into effect immediately
 - (1) Quist- 2nd
 - (2) Kidd: suggests an amendment to say March 2023
 - (a) Biermacher: accepts
 - (3) Quist: moves to carry with unanimous consent
 - (a) Biermacher: objects
 - (4) 18 yays
 - (5) Passes

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- (6) Senate votes to approve the changes made to the SRC policies and procedures in March 2023 to go into effect immediately
- vi. Frappier: thanks everyone for passing this. Whoever is SRC VP next year will be in a much better position.

e. Bylaw Review

- i. Frappier: Everly spent hours adding in section headers. There were not that many changes but the conduct review and impeachment process were improved.
- ii. Frappier: moves that all substantive and grammatical changes recommended by CTF to these bylaws be ratified, as written, to take immediate effect and that the EVP for the 23-24 body be required to start CTF by the third (3rd) week of the fall, 2023 semester, and consider all remaining recommendations in addition to any new recommendations.
 - (1) Proctor- 2nd
 - (2) 17 yays, 1 abstention
 - (3) Passes
 - (4) Senate votes that all substantive and grammatical changes recommended by CTF to these bylaws be ratified, as written, to take immediate effect and that the EVP for the 23-24 body be required to start CTF by the third (3rd) week of the fall, 2023 semester, and consider all remaining recommendations in addition to any new recommendations.
- iii. Frappier: thanks all members of CTF, it has been a pleasure to work with everyone.
- iv. Kidd: if the CTF team wants to do another brunch she would gladly do that for all of you as a thanks for your hard work.

VII. Five Minute Recess

a. Meeting called back to order: 4:56pm

VIII.New Business

IX. Public Comment – Part II

X. Officer Reports

- a. **Senate Resources** Mallory Everly
 - i. Happy last GA, congratulations on your almost complete term
 - ii. Thanks everyone or everyone except one person for filling out the climate survey. Will be helpful for this year's body and next year's body
 - iii. Please fill out end of the year awards form by Tuesday at 4:00pm
 - iv. SRC's meeting this week was a little wonky. Voted Frappier into the meeting to enter closed and talk about personnel and that's all they talked about because they didn't

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have quorum. Next week will also be mostly closed to discuss awards but you are welcome to come for a fun icebreaker.

- v. This is the last week of office hours. If you filled out the climate survey this week you have one hour excused.
- vi. Before she ran for SRC she never spoke in front of the body. Her senior year of high school her weaknesses were all of SRC's responsibilities. This has been a learning curve but she has loved almost every second. Thanks everyone for all they have done for her.

b. Allocations – Benjamin Biermacher

- i. Last report as VP of Allocations, it has been a wonderful 2 years. Thanks everyone for supporting him. He is very grateful for each and everyone of you.
- ii. Allocations meeting tomorrow at 1:30pm, in KC room 2263, brief meeting with 3 or 4 requests.
- iii. Will give an update on what allocations is going to do for their meeting that is during the weird in between week where they only have senator elects.
- iv. Kidd: thanks him for everything, he is a rockstar

c. Public Relations - Emily Bucon

- i. Have been visiting more classrooms and talking about elections. Applications to join the body next year will reopen on May 1st
- ii. Posted about course catalog information so students can be aware of information for registration.
- iii. Made a sign for Elect Her
- iv. Make sure you sign up to table for exam cram
- v. Let her know if you have any questions regarding elections
- vi. Thanks Guzman for all of her hardwork and for everyone else who has helped her grow as a person.
- vii. Everly: applications will open in May but the applicants will not be contacted until the start of the fall semester. They are not interviewing people over the summer
- viii. Kidd: thanks PRC for their work

d. Campus Affairs – (Interim) EVP Frappier

- i. Hoogwerf: Really happy that Elect Her is tomorrow and hopes to see you there.
- ii. Kidd: tomorrow at 3pm in multipurpose room of the library, be there or be square
- e. Educational Affairs Lina Haas

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- i. Gira and Proctor are drafting a survey for Laker Food Co, Hahs is working on projects, and Kuiper is working on exam cram.
- ii. Thanks everyone for a great first year on senate, learned more about herself and GV then she ever thought was possible. Can not wait to finish up elections and start a new term. Here's to 19 and everyone who made 18 her best year yet.
- iii. Kidd: thanks her for jumping into the role right off the bat and all the great work she has done.

f. **Diversity Affairs** – Bethany Roubos

i. This is her third and final report. DAC is done with all of their projects, had a successful year. Congratulates everyone for making it to the end of the year. This has been a crazy year. Thanks everyone for welcoming her into this body as probably the most nontraditional student senator. From the perspective of someone who is old enough to be everyone's mother, these are future world leaders and the future is headed in a great direction. Thanks everyone from the bottom of her heart.

g. External Relations – Zachary Schmidt

- i. Kidd: resident expert on Robert's Rules and most knowledgeable member of the body is not here today.
- ii. Flickinger: reads Schmidt's report: VP Schmidt is working on the elections commission and writing legislation. Schrader is working on legislation and Flickinger is working with GR. Met for the last time on 3/20 and went to dinner on 3/27.
- iii. Kidd: hopes everyone sends love to Schmidt, this year would not have been possible without him. She would not even be able to chair a meeting without him. Congratulate him because he got into a top 100 law school which is a huge accomplishment.

XI. University Committee Reports

- a. Frappier: Have UAS this week, and will be going to meetings with Faith this week.
- b. Kidd: will vote on an audited list of committees tonight in cabinet. Whoever is taking her position or a cabinet position you will go with the person whose position you are taking to a few meetings so it is a smooth transition.

XII. Roll Call - Part II

XIII. Call for Announcements

a. Proctor: Thanks Hahs for presenting the amendment while he was gone. Thanks everyone for reaching out with acronyms and especially Clare for her whole list and her hard work. Congratulations to the March Senators of the month, stay tuned for the several senators of the month for April. Thanks Bates, Hallead, and cabinet for their hard work. Thanks VP Biermacher, it was super fun to sit on allocations this year, will miss

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- you. Thanks VP Bucon for everything she has done for their committee this year, truly a privilege to work with her.
- b. Hallead: thanks everyone for filling out the climate survey, except one person. She is putting together a statistical summary of all the information. Final form of the year is the end of the year awards form, please fill it out.
 - i. Kidd: Hallead has really stepped up and has been a great addition to SRC. She is doing a great job.
- c. Hoogwerf: Elect Her is tomorrow and she has worked really hard to get this event to happen so please come.
- d. Hahs: thanks Biermacher for all the work he has done this year, a lot of his work is behind the scenes. Happy Birthday to VP Haas.
- e. Haas: recognizes Frappier and Kidd. Four years is a really long time that Frappier gave and for Kidd to be on senate since she's been at GV is a lot. She would not have been able to get past day 1 without them. She has grown as a leader and it would not have been without either of them. Thanks to them for their time, effort, and love.
- f. Everly: happy birthday to VP Haas, so happy she joined the student senate. VP Schmidt said after her interview that she will not be on ERC for long and he was right. Senator Hallead, Quist, and Johnson have made her year, would not have been able to run SRC or do the work she has done without them. Thanks to Kidd and Frappier for all of their hard work, there were some unprecedented scenarios that she stepped into and every single time she needed help they were there for her and they encouraged her. Thanks the cabinet for helping her grow as a person and a leader and to the general body for supporting her. Knows they are in the process of elections right now, so there are things up in the air, but if she is reelected to the body she will be seeking a nomination for the presidential role. Thinks your perspectives are all valuable so she would love to sit down and hear what you did and did not like and what you are looking for from the president. Would love to take you out for coffee. Would not even be considering this if it wasn't for cabinet, advisors, and her bosses so thanks everyone.
- g. Biermacher: RSVP and come to student life awards, they are nominated as a group and some are nominated for individual awards. There will be food, drinks, and sunglasses. Thanks to the cabinet for all of the support. Thanks Guzman for all she does to support him especially through the budgeting process. Thanks to Kidd and Frappier for being the amazing humans that they are, it has been a pleasure to work with them, they have helped him grow.
- h. DerPilbosien: wants to say thank you to the students of GV who put him in this position. Thanks Kidd, Frappier, Biermacher, and Everly for all they have done for him.
- i. Proctor: before everyone leaves they are taking a group picture

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- j. Frappier: cannot explain how much care and love he has for the student senate. He loves the student senate and each and everyone of you all, let him know if you need anything. Thanks to the elections commission for all they have done to set the elections process up for success. Thanks Guzman. He has trust issues and was nervous about having a new advisor but she was amazing. Thanks Biermacher for all of his great work. Thanks Clare. He is her boss and she has done everything without much help and has done a great job with the minutes. Thanks the VPs for everything. Thanks Kidd for everything, has nothing but the utmost respect for President Kidd, could never do her job and she has really invigorated the student senate. Thanks her for everything she has done for him and senate.
- k. Kidd: Thanks Guzman, who was not the advisor when she took her role but they got to know each other over the summer and thanks her for everything, she is a fabulous human being. She has kept her sane and makes her a better person, she has learned a lot from her. Thanks all of you for the dedication you put into this role, it is a huge commitment and the accountability you take is great. Special thank you to those who are graduating. Takes a special person to do this. Thanks Clare, she sorts through her email so she can respond to things so there would be no guest speakers without her, she is amazing and we love her. Thanks the elections commission, the work they have done was insane. Never seen a group so dedicated to a successful election. Thanks her cabinet. She always tells people presidents are only a figurehead, she is relaying what is being done by those on the ground. There are specific people here who keep her sane and who she considers her best friends: Biermacher, Frappier, Haas, and Everly and she would not be half of the president she is without Schmidt. Everly has all of her support. There is nobody in this world she would rather hand this off to. Everly makes her a better person everyday, and will make this senate a better senate. Even though she has made no official announcement, Haas will do a great job in whatever ventures she takes on next year. Come to the end of the year party and get your presents. This was such a great adventure with all of you.

XIV. Adjournment: 5:27pm