



West Virginia University

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I. Call to Order at 7:30PM

II. Reading of the SGA Mission Statement

“We, the students of West Virginia University, desire to preserve within our University and the Student Government Association, an atmosphere that helps to foster and open exchange of ideas with civil discussion, inquiry, and self-expression to help ensure that the personal freedoms and general welfare of the students within our University are protected, and to

promote the principles of diversity and responsible self-governance.”

III. Roll Call

President Pro Tempore Jones - present

College Senator Backus - present

Senator Brooks - present

Senator Colbert - present

Senator Cunningham - present

Senator Daniel - present

Senator Donnelly - present

Senator Eby - present

College Senator Eyler - present

College Senator Hanson - present

Senator Harman - present

Senator Ihlenfeld - present

Senator Jernigan - present

Senator Knotts - present

Senator Kumar - present

College Senator McKnight - present

Senator Miller - present

College Senator Moore - present

Senator Nadeau - present

Senator Nichols - present

College Senator Rawson - present

Senator Rosello - present

College Senator Seidel

College Senator Stackpole - present

Senator Zanabli - present

IV. Reading and Approval of Minutes

VP Bragg: Motion passes.

V. Reading and Approval of the Agenda

VP Bragg: The agenda for today's meeting is before you. I'll now entertain this motion to approve the agenda via show of hands.

VP Bragg: Senator Seidel.

VP Bragg: College Senator Moore

College Senator Moore: So moved.

VP Bragg: Thank you, is there a second?

VP Bragg: Senator Harmon.

Senator Harmon: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor.

All those oppose.

The agenda passes.

We will now move on to open student forum one, I believe elections chair Cameron Pressley has some revisions, she would like to speak on.

VI. Student Forum 1

Election Chair Pressley: Hi. Is there anyway we could pull up the PowerPoint. I don't know if I have the ability to do so. I know Pro Tempore Jones has it.

VP Bragg: Yeah, we can. We would have to make one of them a co-host.

Chief of Staff Satterfield: Yeah, I will make you one.

Actually, Adrien your the host. Could you do that possibly?

Chief of Staff Kemp-Rye: Yet Cameron. Do you want me to make you a co-host. So you can share your screen or does it need to be..

Election Chair Pressley: It doesn't matter.

Chief of Staff Satterfield: There you go, you should be able to share your screen now.

Election Chair Pressley: Alright, thank you.

Chief of Staff Satterfield: Adrien, you might have to stop. Yep, perfect.

Okay.

Election Chair Pressley: I am going to figure out how to do this.

Okay then.

Beautiful.

Election Chair Pressley: Hi. So the, so I wanted to do this one because elections code can only be, um, you know

Reviewed and reformed and the first semester. So I want to get more input. I want to give a thank you to those senators, who looked over this during the summer. I know I blew up the groupchat asking. So now we're here. This is going to be the most important things where I will need opinions. So after this, there's going to be a discussion.

So the first thing is definitions so from now one, act of polling locations will not be changed to help desk.

Help Desk Shelby any building or structure and which in the movement, students may be assisted with reaching WVU engage or two factor authentication.

So it used to be active polling. For those who aren't here. We're stations in the lair, Health Sciences, the Law School, and the Recreational Center, where students can actually come to vote.

Well we don't so that anymore because we have the two factor duo stuff so we can scratch that.

The second one is the committee. So now that we have some time for the committee to be established. I know, former elections chair Putney had some difficulties, starting in the second semester applications and interviews for those to be appointed to Elections Committee will be conducted by the elections during Attorney General. This is because we are ineligible to run for office and make sure that we know people are wanting to be on the Elections Committee for the right reasons.

So this part is an amendability. So we're going to change how the election code is implemented, the election code will be implemented with the majority vote and this majority vote will allow the elections to go be implemented in the current term. Now this is different from the current form.

So the current form says that all amendments and changes to this elections code that achieve a two thirds vote shall become immediately effective during the student assembly and which they are passed and apply to all subsequent elections.

That is different from having a majority vote. Currently, if you, if we have a majority vote for the elections code, it will be effective in all subsequent elections.

Following the exploration of this assembly term, the reason why I want to do this is because we have proportional representation.

And at the moment, if we do change, you know, the ticket system and things like that. We won't be able to implement that ticket system which might hinder fulfilling, you know, call us into their seats. So this will be revised, we just take out to thirds and if you need me to come back just let me know.

And then writing candidates, I know Senator Harmon gave me some ideas about this. So currently it's a little bit tricky. It basically just says writing candidates can not be on the ballot,

because they did something wrong when applying. Now that's not normally how writing candidates work. So there will be a blank section on the ballot for writing candidates.

Need first and last name, no nicknames, after writing a candidate they will be seen on the assembly. They will be required to fill out in all applications and all dependencies to make sure they're eligible for office.

They will still have to abide by all rules so that means they will still have to turn in any posters and any print outs that they do and any financial expenditures.

And then in the event that the writing candidate is not eligible the seat will go to the individual who has the next highest votes. And then, as always the dependencies must be reviewed by the Elections Committee.

To forming a ticket. So, now that we have proportional representation. I don't believe a 10 assembly member ticket is going to work. So these are the ideas that have been brought forth to me and I'm hoping we can discuss tonight abolish this ticket system, which means the Vice President and President will still run together, but all senators at large and college will run separately.

No ticket.

Sticks at large for college, eight at large and then five different different college senators so that last one means you can have a debate on your ticket.

And then five different ones. For example, you can have one from Eberly, one from Cpass, one from medical, one from chambers, and one from Davis.

And then the next proportional representation. The election chair will contact the advisor, which is our SGA czar Dr. Lee.

To get the numbers from the university registrar after the ad job date this year which is September 1st.

The election chair will have seven days, once they get the numbers to present them to you all. I've already asked for these numbers and they are getting done as we speak. Hopefully, once I get them. I'm not good at math, so someone might have to help me.

Discussion.....let me get out my notebook, because I hope you all will have a lot to say about my presentation.

And we're done so I can stop sharing my screen.

VP Bragg: I believe Election Chair Pressley is now taking questions. Are there any questions at this time?

Senator Harman.

Senator Harman: Election Chair Pressley, can you explain like your rationale or whatever ideas you have for why you would want to abolish the ticket system?

Election Chair Pressley: So the problem is there's not gonna be any perfect way to correct ticket system, um, every year. These numbers are going to fluctuate. So, these ideas were brought forth to me, so these are not all my ideas, I just wanted to say that. These are just discussion that I want you all to have.

It's going to be really hard. You know, every year to have the right number because that number is going to come after the add/drop date. So every year the electrician is going to have to calculate those numbers.

And you know if we have less senators, it's going to be okay but if we have more senators say WVU gets an influx of students, one year we're going to cut some students out of being able to run on a ticket.

VP Bragg: Any more questions?

Senator Hanson.

Senator Hanson: So basically, are we going to vote on these amendments, piece by piece, or its going to be one vote. There's a lot of things in there that I like in there. There are a few things I don't like or I have further questions about. So I'm curious about how we're going to vote on it.

Election Chair Pressley: We're not running on any of this. Now this is just me getting opinions, so I can bring it to other people into senators because I can't write this legislation, an assembly member has to.

College Senator Hanson: Okay, from a perspective of an outsider. I mean obviously I'm not in the undergrad sphere and interacting much with people. So it would make sense to me to abolish the ticket system just because a college senator may not be in mingling with the undergrads, you

might just be walking in and I mean, I didn't run on a ticket. I mean, basically you know just signed up for the job but I think that would be worth taking a look at. I do oppose at least right now, switching from the two third vote for the election system and i'll briefly explain my reasoning.

It's because we don't have a real partisan system here. So there we can disagree on things. But there isn't like a real factionalism like there is in our federal and state government that could change in the future because I don't have a crystal ball, but I always looked at two third vote as kind of a safeguard, to make sure that anything in the election system. Um, which would require a consensus that would be across agenda and party lines so

While it may look good right now. I do have some questions as to whether that would be a good thing in the future if student government ever became more divisive in the upcoming years. So that's it.

Election Chair Pressley: I don't personally think it would be, the reason why I was thinking about it and other people thought about it is because you know a lot of schools have been combined like the School of Pharmacy, the School of Dentistry, it's all now the College of the School of Medicine. So like you said, where there's going to be outsiders coming in, the reason why it's a two thirds, um the problem with the amendability is that if only a majority would vote.

Now it wouldn't be enacted until all you're terms have ended and until the next Vice President and President take place.

Which is not good because all of these changes would not help for this election. We still have 10 person ticket system, we still have the active polling locations change to, you know, not change the help desk, you know all of the other things added in, wouldn't be enacted until then....

So 2021, 2022 academic year. If that makes sense.

VP Bragg: Any further questions.

College Senator Moore.

College Senator Moore: Hey guys. Cameron, everything so far looks great. So just first off, you did awesome. Everybody who gave input did awesome as well.

Question, I guess though, looking at abolishing the ticket system. Do you have any idea of what might replace it or do you foresee getting rid of the ticket system than just letting something,

whatever naturally fills a void or do you have what you'd like to see, even if you don't have anything maybe specific in mind.

Election Chair Pressley: So my opinion right now is that numbers are going to fluctuate every year, because of proportional representation. So every year, it would have to be someone calculating the numbers. The elections are calculating the numbers, seeing if that ticket system work and then hopefully getting it changed for that election.

College Senator Moore: Like a malleable.

Election Chair Pressley: Yes, so right now at the moment, Vice President and President would still run together. They would be a team, you know, they would run, just like President Riggs and Vice President Bragg did under vision, but everyone else would have their their own you know things they run on so it would be more separation and individualism.

College Senator Moore: Great, Thanks.

VP Bragg: Senator Harman.

Senator Harman: I have one another thing and I absolutely hate this but our constitution currently says an article 7.2 so I might need the Attorney General to hop in and correct me.

The constitution says no amendment varying a change in election procedures to the election code shall take effect until an election. So if I'm reading that properly. And again, stop me if I am even our current system of allowing a two thirds vote to change the election code is unconstitutional. I would be wholeheartedly in support of changing that part of the Constitution, but that's where we'd have to start. Not just changing the elections kind of becomes the Constitution says we can do that. I don't know how that rule, but I'm reading it now.

Election Chair Pressley: I read it, and I was a little confused by it. So this is why, I'm bringing it to you. Also, we could discuss it to make sure if we need to change the Constitution. Also, because that would have to have first, then the elections.

Senator Harman: But yeah, so in general, I definitely think that we should be able to change the elections code immediately. I think there should be some limits on that, like we can't do it right before the election because that would be suspicious, but obviously with like the whole like online voting thing and just like general improvements to technology. I think it's important that we need to be able to be flexible with our election system in our policies. So I definitely think

that's a change that we need, but I definitely think it needs to start with changing the elections code or the Constitution.

VP Bragg: Thank you Josh. And as you pointed out in the chat that would need a special election, which is good that you started off so quick, because we have time for that. Any more questions for Cam. I can already see none so we will continue with open student forum one, I actually have something to read from for open student form one from Dominic Cunningham. He wanted me to read this. He's not here right now. As said, Dear West Virginia University Student Government Association members. I regrettably Western for me all that I have made the decision to resign from my position as senator effective upon the delivery and reading of this letter. It was not easy for me to come to this decision, but nevertheless it is where we have arrived. This is my first year of law school and the workload requires a significant amount of time. This paired with other difficulties created by COVID-19 pandemic made bouncing time commitment and school very difficult. I would not feel right. If I did not give an adequate amount of time to the organization. My position and the student body. This is the sole reason why I have decided to depart I've enjoyed meeting and working alongside all of you. I wish that. I wish I would have been able to get to know those of you that are new, better. I wish all of you the best of luck and in the future, and I hope you all have an even more productive year than last if anyone ever needs anything, feel free to reach out. Warm Regards, Dominic.

So, there's that.

VP Bragg: Anything else for Open Student Forum One.

College Senator Hanson.

College Senator Hanson: Um, I know that this is, you know, we could probably go down the yellow brick road all night, but I wanted to kind of get a sense as to when enough people wanted to discuss all the code stuff going on. I think we should discuss it as an SGA, but I also realize that we don't we don't all have like three hours to spend just talking about that subject. So I was just curious as to what your guys thoughts were, in terms of discussing current events.

Oh and one more thing, 1L is a pain in the butt. So, um, you know, Dominic. I'm sure you'll do well and I totally understand his decision.

VP Bragg: Thank you. Anything else for Open Student Forum 1. Uh, Yes, Devon Price open student forums are for the students. Anyone can speak during the first and second open forums to the forums and to be called on. Just use the raise hand feature with the three dots as well on the participants list. Excuse me. Anything else for Open Student Forum One.

Alright, seeing none, we will move on to the President's report. Chase.

VII. President's Report

President Riggs: Already. Can you all hear me.

Yes, Awesome. I apologize if my internet is unstable. I might cut it in and out. But, um, hello everyone, though, you know, we've met several times throughout the summer. This is our first official meeting for the fall semester. So, welcome back. It's wonderful to see you all. I hope you have had a great first week and most importantly a safe start to classes. I just wanted to first thank you all for all the hours of work that you've put into summer it's really really appreciate it. First off, thanks to our lovely student experience committee, we have released our first 10 for 10 survey. Last week with those questions. We're hoping to get some student feedback on their return to campus how supported students feel right now about the university. And if they're aware of some of the resources that we have available to them on campus. Student Experience coordinator Bowers might speak on this more during executive reports, but if you haven't already, please, promote that survey and that is a wonderful opportunity to get valuable data from from our students about their experiences. Also our safety committee has been working hard to plan our first virtual town hall that will take place tomorrow evening. If you're available, they would love to see you all. Hop on that forum. Again, another great opportunity to gain feedback from students for future safety efforts for for different events and for potential legislation regarding our Safety of students, and I'm sure also intern coordinator McFarland will discuss further the entire program and its application. It is closing very soon, and we will be welcoming The 20-2022 one in turn class. So that's super, super exciting having new faces to work with to collaborate with an SGA. Randy has been working super hard as well this summer to develop the program. So that's super, super exciting. Now a little bit about what I've been working on. I've been in contact with Susan pencil our university's director of federal relations. We are currently in the process of scheduling meetings with Senator Joe Manchin and Senator Shelley more capital to discuss the next relief package in that meeting will be sharing from a student perspective how important FUNDING FOR HIGHER EDUCATION will be in this next release package if there is one. There's a bit of an impasse in DC right now regarding it. I've been reaching out and meeting with other big 12 presidents of Baylor, in particular is in the

process of planning a virtual big 12 conference. Baylor was supposed to be hosting this year's conference in Waco, but unfortunately we won't be able to attend in person, but they are still committed to creating this experience but virtual so as soon as I receive more information about that. I will be sure to let you all know. Tonight we're going to be creating some committees, one in particular our joint student athlete advisory committee. I talked a little bit about this at retreat, but we will be partnering with sac executive members to focus on different programming and legislation. To address needs of student athletes. So this is also super exciting. We will have some sack numbers here to introduce themselves. So you all can meet them and also I'm sure that Senator NATO will present on this to during the assembly reports. Next, next meeting. I believe that is september ninth, we will be having our first committee session. So by next week, all the committee's should have their group messages created once you do that, I think, I think most of them have them already. But if I'm not added or Chief of Staff comprise not added please be sure to add both of us just so we know what kind of going on. And those group messages and again they should have a chair picked by next week's meeting as well.

Finally, I'm sure that some of you have heard of the Nova app. But Dr McBain I believe it is a professor here at WVU and I have recently chatted about the application. It's a contact tracing application. It uses I believe ultrasonic technology to detect whether you have been potentially exposed to the virus or if you've been in direct contact with someone who is later tested positive, it does all of this unanimously or anonymously. Sorry. But it's up to the user, though, to alert the app that they have contracted the virus. The university has now acknowledged the use of this application, but I believe they're not monitoring the data I believe they're also in the process of creating their own wellness app and contact racing app. But, um, I wanted to bring this all this to your attention. Dr McBain he made a wonderful port wonderful point regarding the efficacy of the application. Basically saying, you know, it's not going to work. If only a small number of students are actively using it. So if any assembly members want more information regarding the know that application or interested in possibly writing a piece of legislation, a proclamation on endorsing this application as an organization, you can reach out to Jaron and I and we will connect you with the professors that we've been chatting with and with that, I hope you all have a safe rest of your week. Be sure to continue to wear your masks follow all University local state guidelines, please. And please be sure to respect the health of our Morgantown community. We all have agency and stopping this virus and I think it's important that we we can really commit to

to following these protocols and these guidelines my quote today, because I recently found out that Parks and Rec is being taken off Netflix is there's nothing we can't do if we work hard, never sleep ensure all other responsibilities in our lives. Miss Leslie Knope but with that I will mute my mic so you guys not to listen to me anymore, but thank you all. It's, it's wonderful to see you again.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Chase.

Are there any questions for President Riggs. Alright seeing none, we'll move on to the assembly reports do any assembly members have a report.

VIII. Assembly Report

Senator Daniel.

Senator Daniel: I hope everyone had a great first week of classes on since we don't have the data centers right now kind of want to step in. Reach out to the orange within the College and communicate to the dean with what's happening in SGI, and I want to share about what's happening in the past. Right now the DMZ working on a working group on diversity, equity, and inclusion and this group is looking into recruitment and retention of students and employees in addition to correctly. Well, I'll be meeting with the Dean on Friday to talk to him about it more, so if you guys have any questions or comments just reach out to me like President Greg said during his report, we have the safety town hall tomorrow at 630 or. Thank you. So please come through and bring some friends, Jonathan. Ethan Are you have any questions don't hesitate to reach out. Thank you.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Senator Daniel.

College Senator Moore.

College Senator Moore: Thanks, Jerry. I'm just one of the guys who really fast that after sitting down and having an awesome productive lunch meeting with College Senator Seidel today. I went ahead and reached out to W housing about the students that are being quarantined and Arnold's apartment. I figured, to kind of gauge how they're doing and best, you know, represent them. And if that needs to, if how they're getting along these to shape, any kind of discussion or

dialogue that we're having as an organization. I was hoping to reach out to them with housing and maybe give them some kind of status or quality of life. Serve it just so we can make sure that everyone in quarantine is the for lack of a better word, and for a lack of on less negative connotation being taken care of, I don't know if you've if anyone else has seen maybe some examples of other schools, not necessarily having the best practices for their own impose quarantines and why you jumps to mind. But that could also be speaking. So I spent too much time on Twitter. But if anybody has any. Kind of context or anything to help with that or if they have anything that they want me to pass along, please let me know. I'm still waiting for a response, but I'll update you guys as soon as I get. Thanks.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Hunter. Senator Nadeau.

Senator Nadeau: Hi guys like Jay said. Tonight's gonna, we're going to start up the joint student athlete Action Committee. It's going to be composed of members from STA and from the student athlete Action Committee, which is, as its name suggests, composed of student athletes, and so if that sounds interesting to you definitely join it. We're gonna be kind of working on increasing student athlete connections with the general student body on campus, and working on legislation specifically related to student athlete welfare. So if that sounds interesting to you, please join.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Senator Nadeau, is there anyone else that has anything for assembly reports. Last call. Alright, seingnone, we will move on to executive reports, do any executives have a report.

IX. Executive Reports

New Business: Legislation

VP Bragg: Intern Coordinator McFarland.

Intern Coordinator McFarland: Hi everyone my entire life has been this intern program for like the past two weeks, like it's eat, sleep intern program, but today I got done pairing, everyone. So we have 44 beautiful interns coming in. I hope everyone is it opens kid takes them with open arms and we have a lot of fun and and everyone just likes each other. So that's the plan. I'm still at the I plan to have everyone there at the second meeting. So if I can get you know everyone

organized emailed all that because there's a lot of them, then you will meet you meet your insurance, but if you want to know who yours is and you've already like you apply for one, just let me know. But other than that, I think that's all I have to say.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Randy. Local Government Liasion Riffey.

Local Gov Liasion Riffey: Hi everyone. So, last night I attended the very long city council meeting it was till 11 o'clock. The highlight of that meeting was primarily a mercy ordinance that was passed by Council. The emergency ordinance relating to the coronavirus pandemic updates the gathering size limits from Morgantown had previously established a 25 Person cap for gatherings. They've changed that to 50% capacity that's consistent with the governor's orders and furthermore with that they amended it, So that it Grants. The city manager authority, the further limit gatherings, depending on how things go. And that's all I have.

VP Bragg: Thank you. Chief of Staff Kemp-Rye.

Chief of Staff Kemp-Rye: Hi everyone. I hope you all have had a great proceed classes. I'm going to try to keep this short and sort of repeating some of the stuff that others have said, but last week we released the student resources temper 10 so if you could please share that with other students, that would be great. It's important that we get a large amount of feedback on the survey so that we can accurately gave you an opinion opinions. So again, please share and then that to me closes next Wednesday, September 9 and then our safety 10 per time we'll go live later in the month. Tomorrow, we have our safety town hall at 630 our safety committee has been redeemed super hard on it, so please join that zoom call and invite other students. Are executives monthly reporting is do tonight on engage so executives, please make sure to fill that out by 1130 tonight. And then my last thing for tonight is that our health coordinator Jamie's submitted her resignation and due to withdrawing from the university. So we will be looking to fill that position soon. And I think that that's all for me.

VP Bragg: Thank you. Student Experience Coordinator Bowers.

Student Experience Coordinator Bowers: So I just wanted to kind of reiterate, I guess just what Adrian said is that the student experience temper 10 is live. So please share if you haven't already, if you have shared it maybe just share it one more time. Um, and also, I just wanted to mention with that 10 for 10. Can you guys hear me okay.

VP Bragg: Yes.

Student Experience Coordinator Bowers: Yeah okay with that 10 for 10 we actually chose a small business to.

VP Bragg: Inclusion Coordinator Hossain.

Inclusion Coordinator Hossain: Hi everyone, hope you had a good first week of classes. I just wanted to update you guys on something I'm student org liaison Cunningham and I have been working on with President rates in Chief of Staff temporize well. But basically we're planning an event for the intersection ality coalition later this month. So we're thinking about doing a trivia night if anyone else has any other ideas please feel free to let us know. If anyone's interested in working with that's basically just like a huge coalition of a bunch of minority groups around campus and if anyone's interested in working with that. Just let one of us know, and that'd be great.

VP Bragg: Thank you. Treasurer Cappadona.

Treasurer Cappadona: The grant application, is now live. It went live on Tuesday, yesterday, so tell your friends. I'm telling you. ORG that you're in, to apply for grants. Yeah, that's all I got. Thank you.

VP Bragg: Thank you. Student Experience Coordinator Bowers.

Student Experience Coordinator Bowers: Let's try this again. Alright. Sorry about that. I'm just gonna say, can we add again about that 10 for 10 if you guys wanted to share that. That would be amazing. Secondly, we partnered with a small business for this 10 for 10 because we previously partnered with Sodexo for those 10 for 10 and that's a little bit I'm not as fun as partnering with the small business from the area. So we chose a local business that is ran by a female own WVU alum. That makes awesome West Virginia apparel for our 10 for 10 so if you guys, I think that that could be a cool thing to like keep going with our 10 for 10s, maybe, and I think it'd be kind of need to showcase a small business every month with those 10 four times. So that's just an idea that I wanted to just throw out there, something that worked well for our committee, and that we're really excited about when we get those results back. Of course you all

will be the first to hear from it. Thanks so much. And sorry technology. It's kind of office.
Thank you.

VP Bragg: Thank you. President Riggs.

President Riggs: Yes, I just have a quick report from outreach coordinator deontay. It is very short. He's working. So that's why it's asking me to read it. Wish I could have come on the mic and speak to. I've been working on outreach and getting what I want to do with SJ info. Sessions up and running SJ info session. Sorry. We rent the same way if anyone has questions please reach out to me also working with student org liaison Chris Cunningham to further outreach to the student population. Glad to be here. Glad to have you.

VP Bragg: Thank you, President ratings. Anyone else for executive reports. Alrighty, seeing none, lets move on to old business. I will now entertain a motion to consider AR 2020 dash oh nine.

Senator Daniel.

Senator Daniel: Moved.

VP Bragg: Senator Nichols

Senator Nichols: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor,

All those opposed.

This motion passes a million Josh, you have the floor.

Pro Temp Jones: Okay. Hi, everyone. So this will be the second reading of Senator harmonize piece of legislation regarding the renaming of the Health Science Center. From the Robert seabird Health Science Center to the Patrice a Harris, Health Science Center. Josh, can you read, please.

Senator Harman: Whereas the mission statement of West Virginia University committed to creating a diverse and inclusive culture that advances education, healthcare and prosperity for all by providing access and opportunity.

And whereas the vision statement of West Virginia University advocates partnering with our communities, both near and far to bring needed and valued solution to real life problems within the pillars of education, healthcare and prosperity.

And we're as ranked as one of the few institutions nationwide.

That support medical, dental nursing and pharmacy care as well as advanced medical research and education that Robert Siebert Health Sciences Center is committed to furthering medical practices, while supporting cutting edge research and whereas Robert C. Byrd's history with the Ku Klux Klan and opposition to the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and other civil rights issues all little later verse does not involve the gold values, our mission of HSBC or students and or as Robert C. Byrd, Neither attended WVU nor had a career in health sciences and whereas Patrice a Harris, a psychiatrist from Atlanta, Georgia, was elected as the new president elect of the American Medical Association and Dr. Harris received her medical degree from the WVU School of Medicine and completed a psychiatry residency and child psychiatry fellowship at Emory University School of Medicine. She also earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from WVU Emily College of Arts and Sciences and a master's degree in counseling and web College of Education and Human Services.

She was inducted in 2007 to the West Virginia University Academy of distinguished alumni and we're asked, quote, Harris has diverse experience as a private practicing physician public health administrator patient advocate and physician spokesperson. During her entire career. Dr. Harris has been a leader in organized medicine to ensure the voice of physicians and patients.

Is represented in healthcare transformation Harris is the first African American woman to hold the office and whereas Bethany college a private college and only West Virginia.

Recently removed Robert C. Byrd name from their health science health center because we've recognized as a campus at the name of our Robert Siebert health center created divisiveness and pain for members of ethnic community.

both past and present, and we're as the active naming something is a small victory in the pursuit of racial justice.

And the words of the proposal namesake Dr Patrice Harris, our diversity is our source of our strength and as we face medicines most daunting challenges from geography to specialty to age and gender.

Are uniquely lived experiences shape, who we are as people. And as physicians and therefore be resolved by the student assembly of West Virginia University, recommends that the rubber cbre Health Sciences Center and Cancer Research Laboratory been renamed to the Patrice a Harris Health Sciences Center and Cancer Research Laboratory Pontus patch to the rule. This bill shot before to to all those people will listen to it right there.

VP Bragg: Thank you Josh. Are there any questions for Josh. Seeing none we will now move on to the discussion of the bill itself. Is there any discussion. Seeing none, I'll entertain a motion to vote on a or 2020 dash via show a hands.

Senator Donnelly.

Senator Donnelly: So moved.

Senator Nichols: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor,

All those opposed.

This bill passes.

I will now moving on. I will entertain a motion to consider AR dashed him.

College Senator Moore.

College Senator Moore: So moved.

VP Bragg: President Pro Temp Jones.

Pro Temp Jones: Second.

VP Bragg: Thank you. All those in favor. All opposed. This passes.

Senator Jernigan.

Senator Jernigan: Hello Everyone.

Whereas Washington University committed to creating a diverse and inclusive culture and advances education, healthcare and prosperity. For all by providing access and opportunity by leading transformation and West Virginia, and the world through local, state and global engagement. And whereas the crew center for psychological and psychiatry is services is dedicated to fostering a supportive and inclusive environment for all members of the WVU community. Acknowledging the differences of everyone helps us to recognize the uniqueness of the human experience. And whereas Kaylee explains the black college experience on a PWI, As black college students regularly encounter various explicit forms of racism on campus. These daily experiences Pre Genesis and discriminatory behaviors can have an adverse impact on their mental health and whereas anniversary with participants from PWI eyes and HTC use Black students at the pw I reported that their major stressors, or the result of school related events, while participants at the HBC you recorded sessions that were not school related and whereas weathering the cumulative effects of living in a society characterized by white dominance and privilege. Produces a kind of physical and mental awareness here that contributes to a host of psychological and physical alignments and whereas there is a correlation between black students who have who attend predominately white colleges and negative effects on their mental health. Due to numerous discriminatory counters with university professors students police school administrators and staff. And whereas understanding and addressing the mental health needs a racially diverse students is essential to supporting their success and creating equity and other dimensions. Including persistence in retention overall 42% of students experienced a mental health problem with prevalence ranging from 40% among black students, whereas a student led conversation between students and crew center staff revealed the need for more black there because in psychologists. After students stated, they're longing to talk to someone who would understand what they were currently going through, especially during the recent uprisings with the Black Lives Matter movement and whereas Stephanie Harrison, a psychologist at the crew center openly stated that she understands the need and the power in talking to a psychologist or therapist that looks like the student and whereas in a survey conducted I don't review and 2019

that consist of 15 bucks. It inspires me to review, either in undergrad or graduate 93 93% of the participants said they would be more comfortable at the Career Center. If there were more black therapists and psychologists and whereas adding diverse staff to the crew center will increase the number of students that go to the crew center and utilize his resources, which in turn will make strides in improving black mental health out what's using University. And we're as we take full responsibility for ways in which our center has not risen to the occasion to meet the needs of our boss and Brown students, therefore, be it resolved by the student assembly a Washington University. Washington University Student Government Association demands that the Washington University officials hire additional black therapists and psychologists. For the Career Center to improve the overall mental health of blackness at Washington University upon pathogen approval. This legislation should be afforded to all those mandates that's happening down there.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Amaya.

Are there any questions?

Alrighty, seeing none then we'll move on to discussion. Is there any discussion on this bill.

Alright, seeing none, I will now entertain a motion to vote on AR-10 via show of hands.

Senator Harmon.

Senator Harmon: So moved.

Senator Donnelly.

Senator Donnelly: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor of passing the bill.

All those opposed.

This bill passes.

I will now entertain a motion to consider AR-11.

Senator Nichols.

Senator Nichols: So moved.

Pro Temp Jones: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor.

All those opposed.

This motion passes. Senator Jernigan.

Senator Jernigan: Whereas, West Virginia University can mystic creating a diverse and inclusive culture that advances education, healthcare and prosperity for all by providing access and opportunity by leading transformation in West Virginia, and the world through local, state and global engagement. Whereas the mission of pass key is to make the transition from high school to college easier by offering a comprehensive program that teaches minorities, how to manage their time money life skills, and most importantly, how to be good citizens and we're as pass key. Brings together both faculty and students who volunteer as mentors and tutors. The program is vital for first year students. Whereas the past key mentoring program was a freshman orientation class that helped African American students successfully transition to college life and also helped to attract and retain students of color. Whereas the necessity of having mentors assist in navigating this new setting is an essential factor in student success. The connection between African American faculty mentoring African American college students needs to be addressed in an effort. For universities to recognize best practices or retention incidents. I'm sorry, as student satisfaction. Whereas research rebuild that students proceed mentoring to be beneficial to their growth in that race of the mentor was a contributing factor and the development of the relationship. It was determined that students who received meant wine had a higher grade point average compared to students who did not. Whereas a survey conducted in July of 2020 that was distributed to West Virginia University black alumni shows that the program fast fostered close relationships among peers and staff while having positive impact on their overall experience at West Virginia University and whereas A survey conducted in December of 2019 I was using University showed that 38% of the participants, which were all black often felt alone. And feel as if the community at Washington University does not feel like home. And whereas in the same survey. All the participants said that the implication of a mentoring program such as past he would make their West Virginia University experience better

and whereas Eric Murphy IKEA Carter Bozeman and curate boring forth barris, are all willing to investigate the structure and details that are required to implement a program such as passing and whereas in a demands that the black community requested, there was a statement about the need for mentoring Washington University, you must prioritize a budget for initiatives that promote the black Messiah that develop of what I'm sorry that promote the development of black students to lead make a positive impact and build an academic community. And whereas Washington University's black community is divided in in pain and mentoring program that will foster new relationships and serve as a way to connect the black community is imperative.

Therefore be resolved by the student government student assembly of West Virginia University.

Of Washington University Student Government Association demands that the proper actions to be taken to implement a program like pass key at Washington University upon passage and approval. This legislation Shelby forward it to an infirmity again.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Senator Jernigan. Are there any questions?

Seeing none, we will move onto discussion, is there any discussion on this bill?

Alright, seeing none. I will now consider a motion via show of hands on AR 2020-11.

College Senator Moore: So moved.

Senator Nichols: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor,

All those opposed.

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The bill passes. Yeah, get a little jiggy with it. Yeah. Alright, moving on, we'll move onto old business and then new business. Excuse me.

I will now consider a motion for the selection committee on legislative vacancies. This includes myself president pro tempore Jones, Senator Zanabli and Attorney General Harlow.

Senator Daniel.

Senator Daniel: So moved.

VP Bragg: Thank you.

Senator Nichols.

Senator Nichols: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor.

All those opposed.

This passes, is there any discussion on the creation of the committee.

College Senator Moore.

College Senator Moore: Sorry, my hand was still left off from the room.

You're good.

VP Bragg: Any discussion?

Senator Daniel.

Senator Daniel: Yeah, I was just wondering when you guys plan on having all of them. The seats filled by.

VP Bragg: Haven't began to look at that.

Yet, as the Committee has not been created, but upon our meeting next week we'll have dates for you.

Any further questions or discussion.

Alright. Seeing none, I will now entertain a motion to approve the selection committee on legislative vacancies.

Senator Nichols.

Senator Nichols: So moved.

Senator Harman: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor.

All those opposed.

This committee is created. I will now entertain a motion to consider the governing documents committee.

Senator Nichols: So moved.

Pro Temp Jones: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor,

Opposed.

This passes saw, would you like to speak on this at all.

Attorney General Harlow: Yeah, just to the extent that I know it's been of interest that we do this as fair as possible and from my understanding members have been selected.

In conjunction with how the Constitution would have a student. However, I think it was most likely to be a lottery or recall correctly. So I had some notes on this. I was actually just looking up are the vacancy committee, someone had a question about that. So I was looking that up at the moment, as far as the governing documents review committee goes, we have selected. I think members to serve on that already. And I have that list in front of me, I would probably refer to Chief of Staff Satterfield for that.

VP Bragg: Allie, you're free to hop in if you have that.

Amelia, do you know those names.

Pro Temp Jones: I do. So the assembly members that were randomly selected from the lottery system were Senator Harman, Senator Daniel and College Senator Moore.

And then I believe the executives have also been chosen by the President.

President Riggs: The executives sitting on that committee will be Election Chair Pressley and Chief of Staff of Internal Affairs Satterfield.

VP Bragg: Thank you all. Is there any discussion or further questions on this committee.

Alright, seeing none. I will now entertain a motion to create the governing documents committee by a show of hands.

Senator Nichols: So moved.

College Senator Moore: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor of the creation of the governing documents review committee.

All those opposed.

This passes.

We will now move. I will now consider him. I will now entertain a motion to consider the joint student, the creation of the joint student athlete advisory committee.

Senator Harmon: So moved.

Senator Daniel: Second.

VP Bragg: Thank you. All those in favor,

All those opposed.

This motion passes.

Senator Nadeau or Chase if either of you would like to speak on this committee before Grant.

President Riggs: So we've already we've discussed the committee already, but, um, we do have a couple of sac executive members here with us tonight so if any of those individuals who are here would like to introduce yourself to the org, the floor is yours.

Kurtis Grant: Hi everyone, my name is Kurtis Grant. I'm the vice president of the student athletic advisory council and I'm looking forward to working with you guys.

VP Bragg: Thank You.

Ashley Dibling: Hi everyone, my name is Ashley and I'm on their own team. And I'm really excited to get to know you as well.

VP Bragg: Thank you.

SAAC - Eric Sjostedt: Hello everyone, my name is Eric says that I'm a former football player and the former president of sac and I'm excited to work with you all this year.

VP Bragg: Thank you, sir.

Is that all?

President Riggs: I believe so. Thank you guys, we were happy to have you.

Senator Nadeau: And We also have Osman Camara, I don't think he was able to make it tonight, but he's on the football team and He'll also be part of the committee.

VP Bragg: Thank you.

Is there any questions or discussion on the committee.

Alright, seeing none, I will now entertain a motion to create the joint student athlete advisory committee.

Pro Temp Jones: So moved.

Senator Nadeau: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor,

All those opposed.

This motion passes in this committee is created.

We will now move on to our last item of new business which is on the agenda as the Bureau of Finance Assembly voting members listed as Senators. So, and Senator Daniel, Senator Kumar, and Senator Hayden Miller.

College Senator Moore, Senator Colton Nichols and College Senator Travis. I will now entertain a motion to approve these members via all of them, the unanimous consent.

Senator Daniel: So moved.

Senator Jernigan: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor,

All those opposed.

Seeing none of these members pass.

Done with new business will move on to open student forum to do any. Does anybody have anything for open student forum to.

X. Open Student Forum Two

Devin Price: Hi, um, I was actually wondering where we can find 10 for 10 survey.

President Riggs: It is on our social media accounts, but we will have either student experience coordinator Bowers or chief of staff can Brian drink drop that link in our, in our chat. So thank you.

Devin Price: Thank you.

VP Bragg: Anything else for open student forum to

Seeing none, we will now move on to snaps.

XI. Snaps

VP Bragg: Senator Nichols.

Senator Nichols: I want to give snaps to Senator Harmon, President Riggs and Pro Temp Jones for their great bill and huge snaps to Senator Jernigan for her to amazing bills. I'm really happy for all of you and all that we got. Thank you.

VP Bragg: Thank you. College Senator Backus.

College Senator Backus: Um, I just wanted to give snaps to Randy for all the amazing work that he's done with interns and just making a baller intern coordinator like intern program and I'm so excited to see what he does with it.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Senator Jernigan

Senator Jernigan: Yeah, I wanted to give knowledge to snaps. Wow. Wow. Okay. My brain is all over. I wanted to give snaps to Senator Daniel because he's worked really hard on the safety month and then snaps to Election Chair Pressley, because you know you've been putting in work all summer girl we see it and then snaps to Randy because, yeah, you're doing great work with the intern program. I can't wait to meet all those beautiful new interns. So, yeah.

VP Bragg: Senator Daniel

Senator Daniel: If I want to give snaps to Pro Temp Jones being named one of 25 Everly scholars and I wanted to give them the snap to the comms team for like they're amazing work this past week.

VP Bragg: Intern Coordinator McFarland.

Intern Coordinator McFarland: I would need a confirmation. But I think the person who asked a question in open student forum to Devon price. Um, I think he's an intern, like the first one. We've seen so Devin price if that's you. Thanks for coming. I'm giving snaps to you.

VP Bragg: College Senator Moore.

College Senator Moore: snaps to President Riggs and both of our incredible Chief of Staff Satterfield for throwing together that are for coordinating that video that we put out. It looks great. You guys did great coordinating like 12 of us in there anything like me, they probably showed up late and so snaps, you guys.

VP Bragg: Senator Knotts

Senator Knotts: Of snaps to election chair Pressley. She's doing phenomenal work and like we've been going through a real rough time here. And so snaps to her and then also steps to college. Senator more inside L for caring about our students that are in isolation and trying to reach out to them and making sure that they're getting the proper care during this time.

VP Bragg: COLlege Senator Backus

College Senator Backus: Um, I forgot to say this last time but snaps to all of our A's. You guys have been put through it recently is what I've heard, and you guys deserve some self care. So I hope you all are doing amazing and you will make it through. I believe in all of you.

VP Bragg: Senator Daniel.

Senator Daniel: Yeah. I forgot to say last time. I just wanted to give snap to it. Michael, the person that created our video even though he's not here just snap them.

VP Bragg: I'll reiterate few definitely snaps to Amaya, killing it already got two pieces of legislation. A case, can I believe I know this is our first meeting of the year and you already have the position a semester before our last one did. So I'm very excited to see the amazing things that you'll do with it. Overall, a great meeting guys that lasted about 70 minutes, which is pretty good. I think we ran efficiently and Very happy very happy with the way things went today Team advisors report.

XII. Advisor's Report

Dr. Thanh Lee: All right, I want to reiterate with what Jaron just said is great meeting tonight. You all did amazing work love the dialogue continue that uh You know, continue to push your, your, your ideas and your voices for the students and making sure that you're advocating for them as best as possible, especially during this time, you know, I think. The students. The students need you. All right, now to be you know champions for them and their voice and so Also this weekend, as well as you know, the university is encouraging students to not go home and if you're not going home and you know people, They're looking for things to do have them check out the refresh website server refresh that web.edu well that's all the programs that we're offering this weekend. I know my office. We're going to be offering A trivia night and the grand prize is an iPad so any of you all can log on Sunday night at seven o'clock with me and I'll be hosting and giving away an iPad. And some other great prizes and then on Monday. So Sal has adopted to Mountaineer bears, Their names are Chadwick and Whitney. And so they're going to be placed somewhere on campus. And if you can bring them home to us, you will win a nice prize on Monday and so That's gonna be fun. We're gonna be doing those kind of scavenger hunts all year long with Chadwick and Whitney because they tend to, you know, stray away from home a lot so you'll be, you know, happy to help them find their home with SEO again. So I'm also continue to check up on each other. These are you know, really intense times and a lot of things happening around the country and its really can really be divisive very quickly and so make sure that you're taking care of yourself, checking on each other and checking on your mental capacity. I know on Monday I reached my breaking point. And I didn't take it very well.

And so I had to kind of you know, unplug for a few hours, but I do recommend you all do the same know that you're not alone in this that faculty and staff or going through it, just as much as you are. And that we have a lot of pressures and stresses as well. And so check up on each other. I will always make sure I'm checking on you all. If you need anything. Please feel free to reach out to me if you need to just talk on the phone for about five or 10 minutes just to kind of yell or costs or whatever you need to do, just know I'm here for you and I am in the office. Pretty much every day and I'm doing mostly half days. And so just check in to see if if you want to just stop by, or just say hello or Maybe we can grab us a physical distance lunch or something like that. And so, just feel free to reach out to me otherwise great first meeting look forward to what you're going to be doing for the rest of the semester, continue to encourage encourage each other and support each other.

VP Bragg: Thank you team. I want to go back real fast. I think there was a student that wanted to speak during open student for one that we missed Laura Curry did you have something you want to say.

Laura Curry: Yeah, sorry, I just joined the meeting. I just got off of my evening class, but I actually wanted to talk about competition. I recently created calling on the university to end their relationship with Sodexo and that's do two sets of connection to the private prison industry so sodexo is a huge corporation. One other subsidiaries Sodexo justice services directly operates five private prisons in the United Kingdom, one of which is the largest female president in Europe and all five prisons have records of egregious human rights violations, including allowing a woman to give birth in our soul by herself and her baby later unfortunately died at the facility. So this is sorry for the heavy topic, but this is a really serious and important issue, I believe. The other issue with supporting private prisons in general is that you're putting a financial incentive on incarcerating individuals. And we know that people of color are incarcerated at disproportionate rates. So I believe that as a university and just as moral human beings. In general, we shouldn't be engaging with a company that profits off of this and in a way that really disregards a lot of basic human rights of incarcerated people. So I just wanted to talk about that and also call on our student legislator legislation legislators to draft legislation, calling on the university to end their connection with today.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Laura, if you wouldn't mind dropping your email in the chat and we'll make sure that an assembly member gets back to you. Thank you.

Chief of Staff Satterfield: Laura so glad you're here. Thank you for sharing that. I'm sorry, I forgot to mention this earlier. I know we want to get off to things like quick going off with teens point we will be planning. Events for you all as an org as Chief of Staff myself and Adrian, we both, In our duties, where we are required to play in these events, but also we want to we want to bond as a team. It's, it's really difficult to be together right now so We wanted to do something that makes us feel more connected during these really tough times. So as Tony mentioned, take care of yourself. In the meantime, we will be reaching out about some events where we're planning as a as an org, And last reminder fill out those reports assembly members and executives, I only see one and there's, I will get them in or denied 11:30pm um but thank you. You all are great. I will talk to you next week.

VP Bragg: Thank you, Allie.

I will now entertain a motion to adjourn.

College Senator Moore: So moved.

Senator Harmon: Second.

VP Bragg: All those in favor,

All those opposed.

As motion passes.

meetings over. Have a good week.

