**Academic Senate Executive Committee Minutes**

**MONDAY, October 26, 2020**

**Approved**

***Call to Order***

***Academic Senate Chairperson Susan Kalter called the meeting to order.***

Senator Kalter: Welcome everybody. And I just want to start the meeting by reminding everybody that the election is going to have taken place the day before the next Senate meeting. So, when we get to the part where we discussed the approval of the proposed Senate agenda, I think we should probably talk about how the events and emotions around the election could or even are likely to impact that meeting, and almost regardless of who appears to have been elected by the time the meeting begins. But first, I would like to make it through our Distributed Communications before we go into that subject.

***Distributed Communications:***

***09.24.20.09 From Jill Benson: 9.7.1 Policy Addition Cover Sheet (Dist. to Rules)***

***09.30.20.01 From Jill Benson: Policy 9.7.1 Procedures for use of Mass Electronic Communication Current Copy (Dist. to Rules)***

***09.30.20.02 From Jill Benson: Policy 9.7.1 Procedures for use of Mass Electronic Communication Mark Up (Dist. to Rules)***

***09.30.20.03 From Jill Benson: Policy 9.7.1 Procedures for use of Mass Electronic Communication Clean Copy (Dist. to Rules)***

Senator Kalter: So, we'll start with the first Distributed Communication from Jill Benson. This is basically a requested addition to the policy on Mass Electronic Communication, and as I recall, I think it's coming ultimately from a request from Dr. Dietz. He can maybe say more about that in a minute. There's basically one addition that's requested under the “sending communications and surveys to off campus recipients” part, and actually, we need to put the word recipient back into that title. And Jill Benson was kind enough to sort of let us know that this was not an absolutely urgent matter. So that's why you see that it was brought to us in September, end of September, but it's only now being attended to by Exec. It's basically being routed out to the Rules Committee. So, anybody have anything that they want to say about that before we route it to Rules.

Senator Horst: I'm just wondering if you know just because of the length of the Issues Pending list with Rules, and this could go to other committees, is there another committee that could take it up? I mean, all of these items under policy number nines are hard to get to.

Senator Kalter: Good question, Martha, I cannot think of an obvious committee, I know that Faculty Affairs cannot take it. I'm pretty sure that Academic Affairs cannot take it. So, that would leave Planning and Finance, and Administrative Affairs and Budget. Administrative Affairs and Budget would be about to move into the busy part of their season, with the AIF, the presidential commentary and stuff like that. So, I think that would mean a discussion about whether it should go to Rules or Planning and Finance, right?

Senator Horst: But, I mean, we could try to get to all of those item nine. I'm not sure if we have the other bulk of them back from Charley Edamala, who was going to review them. I'm just doubtful we'll get to it this year. We could try.

Senator Kalter: I'm about to have a meeting with Dan Taube who is the security person for the Office of Technology Solutions, and I think he's meeting with me because of some of those policies that Charley has.

Senator Horst: Okay.

Senator Kalter: Larry, do you have a thought here?

President Dietz: I think that there's nothing crucial that's pending in all this, though it's a timely topic just kind of generally with Cybersecurity and hacking and who gets to use different communication tools and so forth. The other thing that's happened since we, I think, since Jill really waded into this Katy Killian is moving into this communications position. Now she's still half in Student Affairs, and half in my office. And so that's kind of a hybrid thing right now. If Martha, if you wanted to push this off a little bit, I think that's probably okay, and would also give Katy time to move into her new role and add yet another point of scrutiny with this, with Jill and Charley. So, I don't think we've got anything that's critical, but I think it's something that we wanted to put on the agenda because the communication has become even more critical in this day and age, then probably heretofore. So, I can do a little bit of legwork on this, though, to see if there is something in here that really is more urgent than would appear. But for right now, I would say that if you feel like you can't get to it, you can't get to it. So.

Senator Kalter: And I would say, Martha, also just based on, it was either last year or the year before, Tracy, that we did a couple of sort of policy reviews and they probably would take about as long, I'm thinking, with Planning and Finance, as opposed to Rules.

Senator Mainieri: Yeah. For us, it just depended on where we were on our different briefs and investigations. Right. And so, like I think it was the Foundation one that came through last year or the year before that we were able to get to fairly quickly, because we were in between… we weren't like in a rush to get something, one of our briefs out. So it just depends on where they are in their planning process. And I think we were sent that Foundation, because we felt like because it had to do with Foundation and finance and things like that that fit the charge of that particular committee.

President Dietz: If there is something in here that I find that is more critical, either because of the compliance issue or, you know, something of that nature, we can do what we've done before, which is I can automatically, you know, approve that particular section with the idea that the Senate can come back and make suggestions about rewording and whatever they would want to do with it. But my memory is that there's nothing really impacted if you put this off a little bit.

Senator Kalter: Alright, sounds good. So, sounds like it will go to Rules and probably get taken up either late this year or next year sometime.

***10.08.20.01 From Academic Affairs Committee: Policy 1.6 Religious Accommodations Current Copy (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.08.20.02 From Academic Affairs Committee: Policy 1.6 Religious Accommodations Mark Up (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.08.20.03 From Academic Affairs Committee: Policy 1.6 Religious Accommodations Clean Copy (Information Item 11/4/20)***

Senator Kalter: And so, we'll go on to the next one, Religious Accommodations. You may recall this one. We saw it a few weeks ago, and we also saw it last year. We needed to route it out to Academic Affairs, and it is now back from Academic Affairs. Dimitrios, did you want to say anything about it.

Senator Nikolaou: So, we talked with Wendy Smith for the compliance part, because the problem was that it was sent back because we were not in compliance with Religious Accommodations for admissions. And then in the previous Exec, Martha asked if it applies to students who have not yet applied, but they need to take, you know, they need to participate in a concert, for example, and it's going to be part of their admission process. So, when we asked Wendy, she actually said… So, before it said, “related to” and she said by changing it to “in regard to admissions,” it captures everything, even if they have not started their application. So, as long as it is admission linked, it's going to be captured by the Religious Accommodation. And then, because now we are talking about current and prospective, we adjusted, you know, the language across the policy and this is the reason why you see a whole paragraph being striking out because that was talking specifically about current students and how instructors are going to make accommodations. But now, because the policy talks about prospective and current students, we didn't want to have something that talks only about the current, and it totally ignores the prospective. And again, we ran it through Legal. So, we send it again back to Wendy, and she said, yeah, that's perfectly fine. There is no problem.

Senator Kalter: Any comments about that one? We had discussed putting this on our Consent Agenda. I'm guessing that because of that one paragraph (I was going to ask about that) that we probably can't do that anymore. We just have to do it in regular businesses. Is that kind of your sense, Dimitrios?

Senator Nikolaou: Sure, we can.

Senator Kalter: Do we try for Consent? What do people think?

Senator Nikolaou: I just don't know, because when we asked how… because it is Information Item on the agenda, and then it will have to go for Action Item the meeting after. I just don't know how urgent it is in terms of the compliance part.

Senator Kalter: That’s exactly why I'm asking.

Senator Nikolaou: And because it was supposed to be in the Senate meeting that, you know, we had only the Caucus. So, we would be approving it next week. So, now it's going to be more like a month later. So, that's why I… I'm totally fine with being on the Consent Agenda, but it's up to everyone else.

Senator Horst: I mean the spirit of the Consent Agenda is when something is having trivial changes like an office name is changing, or a phone number is changing. And just in the questions that might arise, like, I had a question about admissions, and so there might be people who have questions. I just don't think this is what the Consent Agenda was trying to address.

Senator Nikolaou: Maybe we can have it Information/Action?

Senator Horst: That's sounds good.

Senator Nikolaou: Because we've already seen the majority, apart from that change and that clause.

Senator Mainieri: That's what I was gonna ask if we could do. I don't think I would support putting on the Consent Agenda for the reasons Martha outlined.

Senator Kalter: Let's see. Let me ask Kee-Yoon, Venus, Taylor, and Lauren. Do you guys have an opinion?

Senator Nahm: I think Martha brings up a good point. So, I would agree with her.

Senator Evans-Winters: I'm sorry, I didn't hear what he said.

Senator Kalter: Kee-Yoon said that he thinks Martha brought up a good point.

Senator Evans-Winters: Okay, I was thinking too that Informational/ that might get us around it. Yeah, I was thinking informational/ but I didn't know if that was the actual decision.

Senator Kalter: Okay. And, Lauren, you're unmuted also

Senator Harris: Yeah, I was originally going to go Consent, but how Martha explained it. I'm for the info and action. Same day.

Senator Evans-Winters: Yes.

Senator Kalter: And, Venus, you're saying yes to that too?

Senator Evans-Winters: Yes.

Senator Kalter: Yes. Okay. And I'm assuming Taylor's with us.

Senator Phillips: Yeah. It's so awkward, just like I'm not trying to talk over anybody. But I agree that the ability to ask questions is important.

Senator Kalter: Totally. My bad. I asked for three people's opinion all at the same time. I will try not to do that again. Okay. So we'll put that one on the agenda for as Information/Action once we get to that. Great.

***10.22.20.01 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: AABC email 6.1.13- 6.1.16-7.2.1(Information Item 11/4/20)***

***11.17.15.02 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Policy 6.1.13\_Amplification\_current\_policy (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.22.20.03 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Proposed Policy 6.1.13 Sound Amplification Mark Up (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.22.20.02 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Policy6.1.13\_Sound Amplification\_Clean Copy (Information Item 11/4/20)***

Senator Kalter: So, the next set of policies is coming to us from Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee. Kee-Yoon, I think you said you were on that committee, I'm wondering if you want to tell us about what the committee did for the Sound Amplification policy first.

Senator Nahm: I'm, if I'm honest with you, most of the changes in the current markup I think we looked at quite a while ago, or I think this may have started before the semester when I wasn't assigned to that committee. The one thing that we spent a little bit of time on in last week's meeting is, it's on page two, it's number seven of the… So on the second page, there's a list that starts from one to seven, it’s number seven. And the way that it used to be worded, we were a little confused about what it means for, like, what the 100 feet rule is supposed to mean. So, David got in touch with the ISU Police and they're… the reason why that is there is in case you know students use like a Bluetooth speaker, or they're playing some kind of amplified sound from a cell phone or something like that, so that the source of the sound can, you know, be anywhere on the Quad, for example, but as long as the sound can't be heard from beyond 100 feet. That was kind of like the logic. So, we reworded number seven here to try to reflect the way that we understood the spirit of that idea.

Senator Kalter: I for one thought you did a great job. I remember talking about this in Exec like a year ago, and it was confusing, and I thought it was much more clear. And yeah, I think this started, as I remember Aaron Woodruff and I think Alice Maginnis worked on this one, the initial changes, because it was related to the Facility Use issues, and I begged them, when I was on that subcommittee and Martha was on it and I think one more person was on it, please don't fold this into the other stuff because it will take up everybody's time every time it goes through the Senate, because this one is, it's one of those policies, right. So, do we have any comments about it before we put it on the agenda?

Senator Mainieri: I have a question. I'll say on the floor, but I did notice I think there's two spaces where gender neutral language needs to be swapped in for his/her. I'm just wondering if we can get that done before the floor?

Senator Evans-Winters: Agree.

Senator Kalter: Awesome.

Senator Nikolaou: I guess one small thing (I'm on the markup) is the second paragraph, should it be the two after one so that it is mirroring each other. So, “This policy is drafted (1) to…” and “(2) to provide.” Because right now it says “to (1) protect and (2) to provide.” So, the “tos” they should be either before the (1) and (2) or after them.

Senator Kalter: Preferably before it.

Senator Nikolaou: And page two of the markup. So, right now, under 1.c. that's where they have “and,” but that should be at “e.” So, it says, “the areas outside and immediately around the residence halls; and d. the university quad.” But that's when the university quad was the last one. So, it should be, “residence halls; d…, e…, the Redbird Plaza and;” and then the next one.

Senator Nahm: Yeah. I remember discussing this. I guess it just didn't make it.

Senator Horst: I have questions, but I can save them for the floor.

Senator Kalter: And, Dimitrios, did you have another one?

Senator Nikolaou: So on page three, where it says “Procedure for Approval of Sound Amplification Requests” maybe there the link, we need to change it to the actual reservation, because if you click on the link it's going to take you to a main page, and then on the right hand side, you need to click on “Reserve Space,” and within that website you're going to find the different forms. So, probably we want to include the correct link in there. And then I guess this is something I will have to ask on the floor because then should it say the appropriate space reservation request form because there are several forms. There is not only one form on the website. And then I don't know if Kee-Yoon knows about the, on the last page, when it talks about the noise complaints, was the idea that the sponsor or the contact person is going to be contacted if they need to take the steps to mitigate the problem, or was it one of them specifically? Because the first paragraph, it talks only about the contact person. But then the second paragraph, it says the sponsor. So, is it the sponsor/contact person throughout? Is it the sponsor or is it the contact person?

Senator Nahm: That's a good question I actually I don't remember us discussing.

Senator Kalter: I remember us discussing that in the Facilities Use thing and it's important… I think that one you might want to ask on the floor, Dimitrios.

Senator Nikolaou: Okay.

Senator Kalter: To bring people's attention to it. Any others on that one? (Pause) I have a couple. They're sort of small. One of them is that in the list with number four, it seemed to me that the semi colon was in the wrong location and it changed the meaning of that. I don't have it pulled up. Does anybody see where I am?

Senator Nikolaou: Yes. “Sound amplification approval is not required for regularly scheduled athletic events, however;”

Senator Kalter: Yeah.

Senator Nikolaou: So, it should be probably a comma?

Senator Kalter: Yeah, the semi colon has to move so that the however is in the second part of that sentence instead of the first. Otherwise it's saying whatever you just said, however, right, as though it's modifying the statement, instead of the next statement. So, that was the first one. And then I believe this is the very, very last sentence of the whole policy, it's worded in a really wonky way. It says, “However, any organization sponsoring these events must follow through the approval process outlined above,” I think the “through” can be struck through. In other words, they have to follow it. Hopefully, they follow through with that too. But they don't have to do that during the policy.

Senator Nahm: They have to get started at least.

Senator Kalter: They have to get started. All right. So, those are my two. So, we're going to put that one on the floor it looks like as an Information Item.

***11.17.15.03 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Policy 6.6.16\_FlagsOnCampus\_current\_policy (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.22.20.05 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Proposed Policy 6.1.16DisplayofOfficialFlagsonCampus\_MarkUp (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.22.20.04 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Policy 6.1.16\_DisplayFlagsOnCampus\_clean\_copy (Information Item 11/4/20)***

Senator Kalter: Kee-Yoon, did you want to tell us about the Display of Flags, which is coming back to us. David says that the committee welcomed the suggested change. So, should we know anything else about it?

Senator Nahm: We had looked up some language for other universities, just to see how… so we brought up the question that Martha raised at the last Exec meeting about, is there a better word than official. We really couldn't find a better alternative. So, that's where we are right now. Yeah, that's kind of where we were at the last meeting.

Senator Kalter: Am I mistaken? did you add the thing about “according to state and federal” stuff at this last go round, or was that already in there?  
Senator Nahm: Oh no, this was from the last one. That is actually something that we noticed. We looked at maybe four or five different policies on flags at different universities and almost all of them had that phrase, so we suggest maybe adding that in there.

Senator Kalter: How do we feel about putting that one on the floor? (Pause) Martha’s good with it. She's the one who brought up the issue. Are we all good with it? Anybody have anything else that we need to call attention to?

Senator Nikolaou: I had a question. So, I think I asked about that part for “c” when I was asking if the President has to approve, but if I remember correctly, Larry said that he doesn't really approve them, but in the new version the recommendation was stricken out, and now it says approval by the President.

Senator Nahm: So, previously it suggested that even you know flying the US and state flags at half-mast like had something to do with the President’s approval. So, we change the wording so it's clear that if something comes from, you know, from the federal level or from the state level, the university, just like follows you know those recommendations. But other flags, so other official flags, I think right now we don't have a clear definition of what can fall under there. And Martha’s concern was that, you know, if there are flags that, you know, like, we wouldn't consider official, I think having some kind of mechanism so that President Dietz is able vet that. We thought maybe the best way to solve that problem without listing all the different kinds of flags that we would accept.

President Dietz: I think we basically have two flag poles, and then we have other representations of flags on the campus. But mainly two flag poles. And one is kind of the official flag pole, where you have the US flag and the state flag. And I'm not aware of any other organization or entity that would be approved to be on that flagpole. And then there's another flagpole that is for basically announcement, expression, awareness use, and it’s been used very infrequently, but has been used on the quad. And then there are some representations of flags in the Bone Student Center because we used to have all the flags that were on the ceiling of the Student Center over there, and that's all now incorporated into a very impressive electronic representation of international flags. But I think really the question is about the official flagpole, and to my knowledge, that's really more mandated than what I approved. I might approve things for the other flagpole, but the federal and state governments really kind of control that, if you will. It's on our campus, but I can't imagine an instance where a President would say, well, I'm not gonna fly this or I’m not going to reduce it to half mast, or that kind of thing. So, Kee-Yoon, I appreciate you taking me off the hook on that issue.

Senator Kalter: I guess my question is whether we want to have a discussion about the other flagpole on the floor of the Senate. And whether or not there's any way to avoid it. But will this language provoke a long discussion about the other flagpole, and freedom of speech, and stuff like that, when that's covered in the facilities use policy or… In other words, Larry, are you thinking that the word approve should be reverted back to whatever it was, or if it can stay in there.

President Dietz: I think you can stay on there. But I just wanted to clarify the difference between the two poles and what gets represented for each of those.

Senator Kalter: What I'm thinking is that like when you get the mandate from the state, you probably have to approve technically, the guy who goes out and puts the thing on the flagpole. So we can just have it like that. But you're good with that?

President Dietz: I'm good with that. Yeah. They just go do it, you know, because otherwise, I’d be spending a part of each day sending a person out to the flagpoles taking it down, half-mast, and putting it back up, and, you know, that kind of thing. So, I don't know that's a great use of the person that does that, or my time, either one.

Senator Kalter: Totally agree. Alright, we'll see if we can kind of keep it contained there. Um, alright, so we're ready to put that one then. And is that going to go on regular agenda? I think it is, right, not consent. Okay.

***10.22.20.06 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Policy 7.2. Parking (clean copy) (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.22.20.07 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: PROPOSED DELETION Policy 7.2.1Parking Lots and Spaces (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.22.20.08 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: PROPOSED DELETION Policy7.2.2 Permits for Parking (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.22.20.09 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: PROPOSED DELETION Policy7.2.3 Parking Permit Types (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.22.20.10 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: PROPOSED DELETION Policy 7.2.4 Parking Citations (Information Item 11/4/20)***

***10.22.20.11 From Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: PROPOSED DELETION Policy 7.2.5 Motor Assistance Program (Information Item 11/4/20)***

Senator Kalter: On to the next one, also coming to us from Administrative Affairs and Budget. Seeing this group of items on the agenda makes me glowingly happy. Does anybody know why? Let me explain why. These policies have been out for review in the parking committee for like five years, ever since we like, I think it was the first year that we started splitting up policies into the ones that go to the Senate, the ones that don't go to the Senate. Plus the most logical thing that should happen is happening, which is that things that are super low level procedure are getting deleted because they're not policy, and they do not need to go on the policy and procedure website. Yay team! And thank you, Dimitrios, because I think you're on the parking committee, right? Did you manufacture this incredible bout of consensus?

Senator Nikolaou: I have nothing to say.

Senator Kalter: Does anybody else have anything to say? What’d you say?

Senator Nikolaou: I actually do have one point to make. 8 needs a more accurate link.

Senator Kalter: Okay.

Senator Nikolaou: Instead of ending at citations, it should have /appeals.php. So, the link is the general website. So, the one that talks specifically about the appeal process. It is the one that has the /appeals

Senator Kalter: Cera, are you good with that?

Ms. Hazelrigg: Yeah. I got it. I’ll fix it. Thanks.

Senator Kalter: Alright, we're going to put those on the agenda too? Yes. We’re good? Awesome. This is great progress, I'm…

***10.23.20.01 From Aaron Woodruff: Email from Chief Woodruff (Action Item 11/4/20)***

***10.23.20.02 ISU Policy Chief Advisory Council (Action Item 11/4/20)***

Senator Kalter: Next one. As you can see, Friday, this past Friday at about two o'clock Chief Woodruff emailed asking for a faculty Senator to sit on the Police Chief Advisory Council. I don't think it's the Policy Chief Advisory Council. I'm hoping that he does not want to volunteer for that, Policy Chief Advisory Council. So, we had already cancelled the Caucus Executive Committee by the time we heard from him, and very frankly, I would like to keep us from having to have a Caucus, especially the night after the election, right, but just in general, I feel like the faculty members deserve a break. So, what I'm suggesting is that we do something for the sake of efficiency that we usually don't do, which is at the top of the business part of the Senate meeting have only the Faculty Caucus members vote one of their own volunteers onto this Police Chief Advisory Council. We would basically be calling the faculty Senators’ attention to the need for a volunteer in the email that Cera sends out at the end of the week with all of the packets, the SGA will be doing their own election, and then the Civil Service and A/P Council, I think, also have people sitting on the committee, so they'll be doing their own election. So, this is just for efficiency on next Wednesday evening. And I do think people are stretched thin, but I have a feeling that this one is going to get a faculty Senator volunteer, most likely, maybe more than one. Does that sound like an okay plan to everybody?

Senator Horst: Do you have a time when this committee is going to meet? Because that could really decide things for people, because they might have a class or some conflict. So, can you get a time out of Chief Woodruff?

Senator Kalter: Cera, I'm thinking we didn't get that in the email which says to me that and, Larry, you would know more about this than I, but I think this is a new advisory council, right?

President Dietz: It's a new advisory council. It's an outgrowth of some of the issues that were identified by the #AntiBlackISU group, and so we're doing an audit of the Police Department. And one of the recommendations that they've already been talking about, well before the audits completed is getting an advisory council. So, this is new. I'm sure they don't have a particular time or date for that matter, because I would imagine after the group is convened, they'll do a Doodle Poll to find out what's the most convenient time.

Senator Kalter: And I don't, Martha, I also don't remember seeing a time on the other thing, we didn't ask him so that's… I'm thinking we should just, you know, we can always ask between now and the Senate floor. But I don't think that there is one.

Senator Evans-Winters: I had a question. Yeah. So, I remember this conversation, as President Dietz brought up, that it had a lot to do with, you know, relationships between students and police. In Bloomington/ Normal, I think there was still some discussions about which group was in charge of our students or whatever. But I think that, you know, we have to be careful not to make it a footnote in all the documents that are going, you know, across our desks. And like you said, it's kind of hard right now to volunteer for extra work, but I think we should be intentional about sort of recruiting or getting information out to certain student groups, maybe women's groups or gender studies groups, also racial ethnic minority groups, like the black Graduate Student Association or something like that, because President Dietz is correct. It's not just another, you know, conversation with the police or relationships between the university and local police stations or departments. It was actually something that came out of this whole, you know, political movement of our students organically. So, we should probably be intentional. I know you're supposed to take things back to our departments and programs. But I think in this case if we don't want to be back here, you know, in six months or eight months, having a similar discussion, let's be intentional about who we recruit or appoint to that conversation.

President Dietz: I would certainly underscore everything you just said. Well stated. Thank you.

Senator Kalter: And Venus, I asked Chief Woodruff specifically if he was looking for a faculty member or a faculty Senator and he definitely wanted to faculty Senator, but you're talking also about the SGA member, the Grad Student Association member, the residence halls member, etc. and all of the other people who are on that list, I'm assuming, right?

Senator Evans-Winters: Yeah, I think we will have to broaden the list and make it more inclusive. You know, just to be more specific, the reason why I named those types of affinity groups is because it did, it organically, you know, came from those particular groups, if you remember some of those meetings that we had. But I was also thinking, sometimes faculty are removed from those conversation on what's going on on the ground, you know, after hours, on weekends, or we tend to be a little bit more conservative about what we think about behaviors or what's a student incident that gets escalated, you know. So, I think we do need people who are closer to not only that movement, but who will be directly impacted by their policies or procedures.

Senator Harris: I have something to add. I'm part of the student group for ABISU. When this was first brought to us, I did ask if there can be some sort of criteria for the people that are being in these roles. I don't know if we have like a Criminal Justice faculty on Senate, but things like that kind of what Dr. Venus Evans-Winters is mentioning, and then I also think it would be good to have at-large positions as well for the whole campus community if they have a vested interest in this kind of group. So, I don't know if that can be done within Senate or going back to Chief Woodruff to kind of put some more criteria into these roles.

President Dietz: If I might interject, I think you're also right, Lauren, on this. I frankly don't remember all the positions that the Chief had in his listing. I know Academic Senate was one. Student Government was another one. But I think the Chief would be amenable to any discussion that, Lauren, you or others, Venus, or others wanted to have with them about that, to see if there were other folks that might be added to the list. Bottom line, I know he wants to have an effective advisory council, and if he has one that's not regarded as either the right one or either the one with the right people it's not going to have credibility, and he’s very sincerely interested in whatever’s put together that it be credible, be workable, and have folks that are not only interested in, but also perhaps have expertise or their lived experiences as a part of the discussions.

Senator Kalter: Let me… There are a couple things I'm hearing here. Let me read off of the members that, the whole set of members. Lauren, there is a specific place for a Criminal Justice Sciences faculty member on the list, and my recollection from Friday's discussion with Chief Woodruff is that he wants Miltonette Craig to be that individual. But as far as I'm reading it, there are three places for students: Student Government, Association of Residence Halls President or appointee, and then the Graduate Student Association. Then there's the faculty person from the Senate, an AP Council rep, a Civil Service Council rep, somebody from the Dean of Students, somebody from the Multicultural Center, somebody from University Housing and Doris Houston from the President's office. I'm reading all of those ten as either faculty or staff and then 11 is also faculty. So, there’s basically eight faculty/staff, and three students on the list. So, I'm hearing both who is on the list, and is it correct, is it the right mix, and then also what do we want to hear from the people that get elected onto this from the Senate, right?

That first part, I think what I'm hearing is that we should move forward with this election from the Senate but keep talking about who else should be on it. Is that what I'm hearing or does that need to happen before it goes to the Senate floor? Like if there were a 12th member added or what have you. Is that something that we should be talking about before it goes to the Senate floor or after we've done that election?

Senator Harris: I don't know if they're necessarily needs to be more, just kind of, like when we're thinking of the working groups, how you know we explicitly ask for people that have, I think President Dietz said it, like a expertise or something like that. I just don't know if we just say we need a faculty member, you know, who's going to be, like, what is the interest that the faculty member has in serving on this committee, and like, will they be, you know, real contributors to whatever the work is, that is happening within it. And that kind of applies for all of the roles as well, not just the faculty role, but all the other places where they need a representative we’re just asking for representative, but we're not saying like what we want out of the representatives is kind of what I’m getting at.

Senator Kalter: Yeah, so, Lauren, one of the things that we usually do when we're doing an all faculty call, like across campus, is to ask people to write a paragraph about their interests and qualifications. We don't often do that when we're looking for a faculty Senator, but we can. And I'm thinking that maybe we should. Like when we… that instead of alerting the faculty Senators to this role on Thursday or Friday of this week, we might want to send out a separate email just letting them know that we're doing a call for a volunteer for this one, and asking them if they're interested in putting their name on the floor, because again this is going to be a Faculty Caucus election. It's just going to be the faculty on the Senate who are electing this person, but so that we can give the faculty at the Senate meeting, both the names of the people who are volunteering from the Senate, from the faculty part of the Senate, and their paragraph, so that we can have a better understanding of who's volunteering and why. Does that sound good to, not just Lauren, but to everybody? Is that a good process?

Senator Evans-Winters: I yield to Lauren. I just want Lauren and other students who were present on that day, in that week-long month, to recognize that… Well, I guess, a point of clarification, who configured the group? But second, keep in mind it’s still going to be faculty heavy. Faculty/staff has power. So, just the student groups need to understand what they're yielding or defining to. Okay, so do you want a more equitable process when it comes to the configuration of the group? Or are we just trying to recruit warm bodies and experts in your field? Or should this be student led, or student representation? Right now, it’s pretty faculty/staff heavy. All I’m saying if we can get the same mold, we can be recycling the status quo across the city and possibly across campus.

Senator Mainieri: I wonder if there would be a value in having Chief Woodruff come to the Senate meeting to talk about this Council and its genesis, and then perhaps take a few questions about the composition of the Council. Because I feel like this conversation here would be important to have on the floor of the Senate, even though I know the Action Item is specific to the Faculty Caucus, I think Lauren's points are really important, and I would imagine other students might have some questions. So, I wonder if there would be some value in him joining us for this item.

Senator Evans-Winters: And I think too, Tracy, in the spirit of democracy, I like the idea. And he's been very gracious. I mean, you know, to even have these conversations, he's obviously thinking through all of this. But, you know, that would be just a step forward to it being more transparent and democratic. I'm not saying that wasn't the initial intent. I'm just saying, so that we can get more representation and voices involved at the beginning, as opposed to the end, when something comes up. That's all, just thinking about the process itself.

President Dietz: I'm sure he'd be happy to show up at the meeting and engage in this kind of discussion. I mean, this is very healthy. So, I'm sure he'd be willing to come. I do think that he would be and certainly is interested in the treatment that everybody gets, particularly our African American students, get in the community of Bloomington and Normal. He has limited authority over that. But he talks to those other Chiefs of Police regularly, and so I think he can help educate, influence, and make those other police forces aware of some of the issues here. But I think his main issue is to, you know, have an advisory group that can help with the credibility of the Police Department, and that means listening. That's the first part of all that is listening to us, a great discussion. I think he would be glad we're having it. And I think he'd be glad to participate.

Senator Evans-Winters: I agree. Dr. Dietz, in fact, that reminds me. Keep in mind that many of us were educated on a day because we didn't even know there was not a relationship but, you know, but we didn't know that the campus police and the city police weren't in conversation. So that was new, even to the students, like, oh, we thought they were one, or at least talking. So, that's part of the education process on both sides. That's very important to what we're trying to achieve here, I think.

Senator Horst: You know, Susan, at first I was thinking it just makes sense to do the election, but now that I think we have a lot of conversations and questions about the membership, you know the problem with committees is if you try to add people, the committee just gets bigger and bigger and larger and larger. So if there's some questions about just the fundamental makeup of the committee, maybe we should wait to elect somebody until we’ve sifted out what kind of composition it should have.

Senator Kalter: I knew somebody was going to bring that up. So, let me describe the exchange of emails I had with Aaron. First, I can't remember what came first, but at some point we narrowed down that, in fact, he did not want just a faculty member, but somebody from the Senate, because otherwise we would have had to put it out to a call and probably would not have been able to do it next Wednesday, right, because we needed to get things back. He wants to know the name of the person from the Senate by, I think two days after our Senate meeting, the sixth of November, because of when he wants this group to start meeting. So, I'm wondering if we can have the discussion with Chief Woodruff on the floor, about the makeup of the committee and then do the election in the same night. Right.

Senator Mainieri: I guess, if Lauren's willing to speak because we brought up the concerns about student members, I just wonder, Lauren, are you comfortable with that? With us moving forward with this, the Senator election, before we have the answers about the overall composition? I mean, if you don't feel comfortable speaking, then it's totally fine. I just wanted to see, make sure that there’s space, in case you did have an opinion one way or another.

Senator Harris: Are you saying like hear from him first and then doing the election after that?

Senator Mainieri: Basically. I guess the idea would be doing it on the same night. Right, like should we move forward with this election?

Senator Harris: So even if he were to, like, change the makeup of the committee later, it would still require a faculty member. So, if you can vote simply on just the faculty member part for Caucus, while the rest of the committee's being made up. I don't think that's the problem. If we can still get more answers on the rest of the makeup, because it seems like regardless, he will need a Faculty Caucus member. But the other ones we can, it wouldn't be a Senate issue at that point, I don't think, but we can figure out how to get more answers on the rest of the makeup.

Senator Kalter: Yeah, and I'm thinking also, Lauren, that if the conversation heads in any particular direction that would suggest that for some reason we wouldn't have a faculty Senator on this group, that election can be sort of on a conditional, right, conditional on the reconstitution of the group or whatever, the reconstitution, and just say, whoever gets elected from the faculty part of the Senate, we're waiting to make sure that there is a seat for that person. If there's not, then there's not, right. Partly, Lauren, the reason I'm thinking about that is because a person from the Faculty Caucus and a person from Criminal Justice would definitely mean that there are two faculty members altogether, and so that also may change the conversation.

Senator Harris: Okay. Yeah. For me, I still think it's fine, as long as we have that other opportunity, like you said, it's conditional.

Senator Kalter: Okay. Great. Sounds like we have a plan. So, we will tomorrow, send out an announcement to the faculty Senators letting them know that there's going to be an opportunity to volunteer for this, that they should write up a paragraph about their interest and experience or expertise. And let them know that conversations are still going on with regard to the list on the second page of the PDF, and that, you know, we will have sort of a conditional election or what have you. We might not put that part, the conditional part of the election, I think I want to say that on the floor rather than having that in the email. But that there will be an election on the agenda, on next Wednesday.

Senator Mainieri: And we're going to send out the PDF that Chief Woodruff sent to us with that call for volunteers? Because I do feel like it starts to get into some of the things that he might… that this might be appropriate, right, for a candidate for this position.

Senator Kalter: Yes, I would assume we shouldn't do a call without sending that out, is that what you’re asking?

Senator Mainieri: I just want to double check.

Senator Kalter: Yeah, and otherwise, I think it'd be better, rather than having either Cera or I put it into new words, to sort of refer people to that. Okay. Let's see.

***\*\*Approval of Proposed Senate Agenda – See pages below\*\****

***Proposed* Academic Senate Meeting Agenda**

**Wednesday, November 4, 2020**

**7:00 P.M.**

**VIRTUAL MEETING per state law and Governor Pritzker’s Executive Order**

**Zoom Link:**

*Request to make public comment at the meeting should be sent via email to* [*acsenate@ilstu.edu*](about:blank) *no later than 6:55 p.m. on the day of the meeting.*

***Call to Order***

***Roll Call***

***Chairperson's Remarks***

***Student Body President's Remarks***

***Administrators' Remarks***

* ***President Larry Dietz***
* ***Provost Aondover Tarhule***
* ***Vice President of Student Affairs Levester Johnson***
* ***Vice President of Finance and Planning Dan Stephens***

***Action Item:***

***10.23.20.02 ISU Policy Chief Advisory Council***

***Faculty Caucus election: ISU Policy Chief Advisory Council Academic Senate Faculty representative***

***Information Item:***

***09.24.20.01 Library Committee Bluebook page Current Copy (Rules Committee)***

***09.24.20.02 Proposed Library Committee Bluebook page - MARK UP (Rules Committee)***

***09.24.20.03 Proposed Library Committee Bluebook page - CLEAN COPY (Rules Committee)***

***10.08.20.01 Policy 1.6 Religious Accommodations Current Copy (Academic Affairs Committee)***

***10.08.20.02 Policy 1.6 Religious Accommodations Mark Up (Academic Affairs Committee)***

***10.08.20.03 Policy 1.6 Religious Accommodations Clean Copy (Academic Affairs Committee)***

***11.17.15.02 Policy6.1.13\_Amplification\_current\_policy (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.03 Proposed Policy 6.1.13 Sound Amplification Mark Up (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.02 Policy6.1.13\_Sound Amplification\_Clean Copy (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***11.17.15.03 Policy6.6.16\_FlagsOnCampus\_current\_policy (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.05 ProposedPolicy 6.1.16DisplayofOfficialFlagsonCampus\_MarkUp (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.04 Policy6.1.16\_DisplayFlagsOnCampus\_clean\_copy (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.06 Policy 7.2. Parking (clean copy) (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.07 PROPOSED DELETION Policy 7.2.1Parking Lots and Spaces (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.08 PROPOSED DELETION Policy7.2.2 Permits for Parking (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.09 PROPOSED DELETION Policy7.2.3 Parking Permit Types (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.10 PROPOSED DELETION Policy 7.2.4 Parking Citations (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***10.22.20.11 PROPOSED DELETION Policy 7.2.5 Motor Assistance Program (Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee)***

***Consent Agenda Item: None***

***Academic Affairs Committee: Senator Nikolaou***

***Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Senator Marx***

***Faculty Affairs Committee: Senator Hollywood***

***Planning and Finance Committee: Senator Avogo***

***Rules Committee: Senator Horst***

***Communications***

***Adjournment***

Motion by Senator Evans-Winters, seconded by Senator Mainieri, to approve the proposed Senate agenda.

Senator Kalter: Alright, so what do we need to look at, rearrange, etc. We've got sort of the normal order of the beginning part of events. We've got the Action Items after Administrator Remark, or the Action Item on that. We've got to change Policy Chief Advisory Council to Police Chief Advisory Council in both of those lines.

Senator Horst: You want to move up the Religious Accommodations discussion.

Senator Kalter: Are you volunteering to have your Library Committee Blue Book item go second or third or fourth?

Senator Horst: I mean, there's no rush. I mean, there seems to be a discussion about the Religious Accommodations discussion is slightly pressing, because we want to get that codified, And the Library Committee Blue Book is not in jeopardy of doing any damage so.

Senator Kalter: Sounds good to me. Everybody in agreement with that? (Pause) Awesome. Do you just want to go second, or do you want to move all the way down the list? We've got Sound Amplification, Flags on Campus, Parking. Do you have a preference for where you want your item to be, Martha? Do you want that just to be right after the Religious Accommodations?

Senator Horst: I don't, you know, the Library Committee Blue Book page doesn't have to be set til the spring, right. So, it can go down. Don't blow it off obviously but…

Senator Kalter: One of the reasons I'm asking that is I also know from being on that other committee that Chief Woodruff would like to have that Sound Amplification in place as soon as possible. So, if we have a chance to get to that, it might be a good idea to do that and I'm thinking that it could go before the Flags one. That one doesn't seem to me… that one and the Parking ones don't seem to me to be as urgent, and you were first in line. How does that sound to everybody is? Kee-Yoon, do you think Flags is urgent?

Senator Nahm: I don't think so. I mean, yeah, if we get to it, we get to it, and if not then move it to the next one.

Senator Kalter: Right. Alright, sounds good. Do we have anything else that we need to add or subtract from the agenda?

Senator Nikolaou: And I want to clarify, are we putting the Religious as Information/Action?

Senator Kalter: Yes, thank you. Dimitrios. We should do that. So, we'll move it out of Information Item and put it as its own Information/Action. Yeah.

Senator Mainieri: Is this the point where we're going to talk about if and how we need to address what is going to be going on?

Senator Kalter: Yes. And I'm wondering, Tracy, if we want to do that before or after we actually do the vote to approve the agenda. I am thinking that we should do it before, but what are you thinking?

Senator Mainieri: I was thinking about before, because I feel like if we want to explicitly address it, I feel like putting something on the agenda would allow people to… I don't know what you're thinking in this realm. So, I would prefer that we discuss it before we approve the agenda in case it requires a change in agenda.

Senator Horst: Perhaps we could put Communications earlier, and that could be a moment to communicate. It's just an idea.

Senator Mainieri: You know that the Center for Community Engagement and Service Learning, you know, they're facilitating all sorts of reflection circles and things in the wake of the election. And I wonder if one of them would be willing to come and just talk a little bit about it, and open up the space, since they're trained to do that. I guess I would advocate to have someone who is involved in the post-election efforts there at the meeting to help facilitate those types of communications. To make sure that it's an open safe space. But that's just me.

President Dietz: I do know that there's a lot of staffers who've been not only put plans together and some are in Student Affairs. Some are in CESL. Some are in the Police Department. So, it's really quite a wide group. So, if you would like, I can try to figure out if that group has a main spokesperson, but it might be several folks leading the discussion about what's being offered from their particular unit. But I did some reading on that just at the end of last week on some plans anticipating all the way from the spectrum, from anticipating if people are interested in a good meaningful dialogue about the election, not knowing if we're going to have a result or not have a result, and when we might have a result and what people's reaction might be to either having a result or not having a result. So, it's all these permutations and combinations that people are trying to prepare for. But there's quite a large group of folks. And so, if you would like, I can touch base with some of the individuals and have some of them there, not that all of them will need to speak for a long period of time on any of it, but I think Civic Engagement is certainly one of those, and they do have plans in place. And I could get back to you on that, Susan, if you'd like.

Senator Kalter: Yeah, I was gonna say, I think that's another good reason to have Chief Woodruff at the meeting, but I'll talk a little bit more about that when we hear from Kee-Yoon, and hopefully Venus will be able to come back on. Kee-Yoon, the only reason I said that is because you're unmuted. I thought maybe you wanted to…

Senator Nahm: No, I don't have anything to add.

Senator Horst: I mean, I'm just going to say the contrary version, that I just think we should try to get our business done, and if something spontaneous happens or discussion happens, that's one thing but, you know, we've got a lot of things on this agenda and we've, you know, throughout this entire year, we've had a lot of things that derailed our agendas and, you know, certainly the election could do that. But I don't necessarily want to set that up with another speaker coming in or, you know, I think, communication might happen and things might get shifted, but I don't necessarily want to set the agenda up to do that.

President Dietz: I think that's a point well taken, Martha, because this could… then you get into speculation, or what's going to happen if this happens, and that's why these different groups have gotten together trying to do some scenario planning, including some of the EOC group. And so, you can really spend a lot of time on this if you want, but what I'd be happy to do is to talk to some of our folks first thing in the morning and see who might be a person that talks about plans. But I, you know, it's your meeting, but if you don't want that derailed from some of your business, I would encourage you to have that later in the meeting.

Senator Mainieri: I think it would be valuable to at least use this meeting as a way to make everyone aware of the resources and programming in place to support our campus community through what's probably going to be a very turbulent time. Martha, I totally respect what you're saying, but at the very least if someone's remarks can acknowledge that this may be a very tough time for a lot of the folks in this room, and maybe even referencing Communications at the end to say if folks feel like they have something to say about what's going on right now that that would be the place to do it, right. I just, I would hate for us to jump into a Senate meeting without acknowledging explicitly that we recognize that the Senate meeting is happening during what's going to be really difficult time for a lot of people.

President Dietz: Depending on what I learn in the morning from talking to a few folks, I might be able to address this in my Administrator Remarks, just to say we have some of these plans in place. Not invite a lot of questions about that. But just so people know that we're thinking about this. Here's some resources that will be a place. Here’s some things that are planned. Rather than even putting it on the agenda, per se.

Senator Kalter: And I'm trying to remember of the people who are here, which of you were here at the November meeting in 2016? I know Larry was. Martha, were you? Or were you in Finland?

Senator Horst: No, I was just remembering Ann Haugo and the emotional statement that she made about what happened. About students as they were coming out of the rehearsal. And I was just recalling that. Yeah, that was a very emotional testimony. I can't remember if it happened in Faculty Caucus or in the Senate. I can't remember how it happened. But I do recall that statement by her, and possibly others, but hers is the most searing in my mind.

Senator Kalter: So, a couple of weeks ago, I think it was now, Larry, you got these emails, one of my faculty members asked me if I had heard about planning on the university level about the election. And so, I took a trip through that terrible memory lane. Right. So, Tracy, I didn't have… I wanted to find out from people in this group… I didn't have a set idea of what we should do. What I can say is that last time what happened is that it came up in Administrator Remarks, and then again in Communications. And what I'm…we're in a different time, in that this one will probably not be as much of a surprise. And because we are in a time when, during the pandemic, we're not going to know by midnight who is going to be the next, you know, person occupying the White House. Maybe, maybe not. It's hard to know what's going to happen. I mean, it's possible that we will know. The reason it came up is because of two things, what Martha was talking about is that there were slurs being…, and physical attacks, on LGBTQ and black students. The N word was used. The N word was written up on a… near Stevenson somewhere. I can’t remember but there was something draped over it while they were trying to get rid of it. And we know that there are hate groups that are active around here. And we know that our students are divided. And we know that our students are stressed, totally stressed out. So, I'm totally with you, Tracy, on the check in. Right. I do check ins now with my students, I mean, I've been doing check ins in my synchronous class for the first 10 minutes of, you know, before two o'clock hits, and they're stressed. And I don't know, you know, if a handful of English department students is representative, but I have a feeling that they are. I'm hoping that we're not going to be in reactive mode, but you might also remember that at one point, I think it was before the election Chief Woodruff had to be locking arms with a number of other staff and faculty to keep the groups apart from one another. And there were Senators, students Senators, who were on opposite sides of the aisle from one another, as I recall. So, I'm not necessarily trying to plan to put something on the agenda, though we can. I am trying to help us all realize that we may have it on the agenda whether we want it to be there or not. And that I think that's more, like more than 50% likely given the political climate that we’re living through. So, I have a feeling that what's going to be best is maybe having Dr. Dietz with a team of people who can help him, because he's going to get it the first questions. If there are incidents that happened on campus that the EOC had to respond to, like they were doing four years ago, the first person to be questioned is Dr. Dietz about that. And so, I think we need to be prepared at the Administrator Remarks stage, and then by that time, it's probably overkill, perhaps, to have a separate agenda item. And then we should ask Martha's question about whether we move Communications up, or if you just have it in Administrator Remarks, and then have that, you know, if we do get any business done, we will not have to have a hard stop time. Thank God. Right. So that we can go as long as we want to go, and we don't have to get out of the building at 10:00 p.m. like we usually do, right, like we did that time. But I'm thinking that having it at the top, seeing how long it goes, because there's sure to be something. Even if it's minor, there’s sure to be something, and then get as much business done as we can, and then come back to it in Communications, But having Dr. Dietz with as many people around him as he thinks he might need that night to help address whatever might have happened in the, you know, 18 hours since midnight, is kind of where I'm at.

President Dietz: And I might mention that I'm working on a letter to the campus community right now that will go out the morning of the election and appealing to people’s sensibility about respect and responsibility. Basically, I don't have that completed yet but I'm working on.

Senator Mainieri: Yeah, that approach seems totally reasonable to me, Susan. I just, I want to make sure that we are proactive in stating and recognizing the difficulty and also proactive in recognizing, I mean the tremendous amount of preparation that has gone in this time to this election on our campus in terms of programming, and multi-unit support for students and faculty, and all of the contingency plans that are going on behind the scene that not everyone may be as aware of is happening. I just feel like we as a campus community are so much more prepared than we were in 2016. So, I just wanted to make sure that we were being proactive and recognizing the emotion and also recognizing the efforts of all the things going on to support our campus community through this time. So, I'm comfortable with Administrator Remarks, and then hitting it again and opening up Communications as well.

Senator Kalter: Okay. And I’ll obviously have something in my remarks, but I think I'm going to try to make that brief so that people who need to talk or want to talk have more time. And obviously, because I'm going to be, if there is anything active going on, I'm going to be getting it just before the meeting. So, I might not have that much time to prepare a remark. One of the things that I had asked somebody in that email chain that got started by my constituent was whether we have eyes on the campus to help the EOC, right. Because one of the things that happened last time with the egging, the people having eggs thrown at them and things like that. Nobody saw it, and we were not able to track down who had done it. And I'm wondering if faculty and staff who are interested in being… one of the things that I said in that conversation that's happening is that some of the stuff is going to move off campus, because the pandemic has forced so many people into their homes, but that doesn't mean that they're not going to have threats against them. So I'm wondering if, I'm just wondering how much help you need I guess is what I'm asking. Because the EOC was dealing with these incidents the night they happened. And I'm certain that, as Tracy said, we're a lot more prepared, but nobody is prepared for this kind of thing. Right. Do the employees need to be marshaled in any way or is that something that you prefer not to do, because it sort of invites what it's trying to prevent, so to speak.

President Dietz: Right now, I think I would need to have more conversations on this topic, and I'll do that tomorrow. I don't know about marshaling folks right now. I think there's a heightened awareness, and I think people can meet on the campus, that's one thing, and if there are incidents that happen on the campus, they need to report that. And I would say the same is true off campus for that matter, different lines of authority and all of that. But let me talk in the morning a little bit about that, and perhaps I can bring some clarity after I have those conversations

Senator Horst: And just an FYI, I have heard of older faculty members who talk about the 60s and 70s, and they actually did go in and guard the buildings. But just the dynamic of the pandemic, really, I don't think that's where we need to be right now. If we were still all meeting in all of the buildings, it might make a lot more sense.

President Dietz: Yep.

Senator Kalter: Yeah, I think one of the places that would help is so that students know to be walking in groups rather than alone during this time, so that they… and to have cell phones ready during this week, during that upcoming week just in case, so that we don't have students that get isolated from others. Okay, anything else about the Senate meeting itself?

Senator Harris: I was just going to say, President Dietz, this may be good to… I know they will be present, like, the demonstration team, but I'm not sure what the makeup of that group is. So, maybe they need high in members for that group for the week of elections to be there to support.

President Dietz: Okay. Let me look into that too, Lauren. I would hope that one of the frustrations that was there the last time, really hopefully has been eliminated. We had one polling place and folks waiting in line for a long period of time, became very frustrated with that, and the County Clerk and I had some, I'll say spirited conversations right after that, and she and her team have been a lot more helpful. We now have, you know, two polling places. We have the pre-election voting that's, you know, obviously all across the country has really been highly visible, and I think a lot of people have taking advantage of that. The elections are open this week. And so hopefully a lot of people will, you know, vote this week and stay away from a lot of the large crowds on the 3rd. And so, I think we are in a bit of a different place, but at the same token, those memories come up and we want to be as prepared as we know how to be, so.

Senator Kalter: Hopefully we'll prepare for the worst and have the best occur. I voted twice. It was great. I got to vote absentee on the regular ballot, and then I got to vote for the judges separately, because I woke up the next morning after I had voted and found out that there were two people left off the ballot. So, it was super exciting.

President Dietz: I’m glad you clarify the voting twice. Illinois has a history, you know.

Senator Kalter: I know. My mother is from Oak Park, so I can say, you know, I can tell her I'm a good Illinois daughter. All right, I think we still need to vote in this slightly modified agenda.

The motion was unanimously approved.

***Adjournment***  
The motion was adjourned.