

Call to order: 8:10

8:13: President's Address (Given by the Vice President):

- Connect for success alumni relations event
- Opportunities to get in contact with constituents
- Terrier Talk
 - Volunteers: Aznavoorian, Bakre, Balboa, Alessandro, Werneck

Bakre: How long is it?

A: 2 hours; 8-10 am

- Textbook exchange
- April 28: End of the year event

Brumfield: Which candidate for governor will be coming?

A: Sonia Chang-Díaz

8:17: Presentation of the Legislative branch updates

- Faithful representation
 - Senators shall meaningfully contribute to one project/ proposal that benefits constituents
 - Just do something
- Office of the senate chair
 - Inclusion of senate chair and vice chair
- Direct election
 - Adding to senate bylaws
 - Working with individual colleges
- Joint committees
 - Continuing conversation
 - Work in progress
- Added IMPACT to bylaws

8:21 End of Presentation (10 minute discussion open)

- Q: Aznavoorian: Why is there a clause that says the senator must notify senate chair and vice chair 48 hours before?
 - A: certain flexibility with extenuating circumstances
 - Chair: nothing in the bylaws right now so it is up to the chair's discretion currently
- Q: Shamsi: Can you clarify what project has value and when the project needs to be worked on?
 - A: starting a week early could count but you could run the risk of getting impeached
 - Follow Up: When can you impeach someone? There should be some sort of timeline

- Q: Azanvoorian: Will the direct election of CAS senators be expedited for this upcoming election?
 - A: this does not take place until after commencement
- Q: Shamsi: If CAS does not go forward with direct elections, what happens then?
 - A: (Kapadia) still a constitution in CAS that does not supercede BU Student Government's constitution
 - A: (Shah) neither organization is required to acknowledge the other organizations' rules
 - A (Brumfield): important to note that freshman senators will still be appointed under the current draft of the bylaws. This would nullify those freshman senators as being senators
- Judicial Opinion
 - Questrom Ruling: make sure senator process abides by BU Student Government's constitutional process according to the constitution
 - CAS Constitution
 - Article XI, Section 1b refers to the BU Student Government Constitution
 - Judicial been working with CAS to find compromise to meet needs with all parties
 - BU Student Government
 - Article I, Section I: college government shall grant access to respective colleges to elect student government
- Q: Anznavoorian: Why are there time constraints on proposals?
 - A: senate sessions are 2 hours and want to make sure we have restriction to prevent it going from 2 hours limits
 - Follow Up: Why is it not up to the senate chair? Why do we need to put clauses if we are already doing that?
 - A: in the current bylaws
 - A: keeps in the senators hands rather than senate chair...more objective

8:35: Cabinet Updates

- Academic Affairs
 - Questrom file share initiative
 - Course Loads for all engineering students
 - Review of advisers in a similar fashion to professors
 - Student Link
 - Interested in joining? Dm slack
 - HUB Advisory
- City Affairs
 - Google form for panelists: College events
 - Event April 6, 6-7
 - Boston Welcome Guide
- Com
 - Instagram takeover opportunity

- Open to all submissions for promoting other events
- Environmental Affairs Director
 - Boston climate strike
 - Composting initiative on hold
 - Zero waste manager has left their position
 - Earth Day/Week events
- Events
 - Spring Formal; Opens April 6 for Stugov, April 8 for all BU members
 - Governatorial Forum
 - Sonia Chang-Díaz

8:40: Time elapses

Aznavoorian: Motion to extend by 5 minutes

Seconds by Brumfield and Shamsi

8:41: Passes with 37 votes, resumes

- Recruitment
 - Alumni relations event
 - Social Advocacy
 - Staffer applications are all done
 - GSU Tabling
 - Thanks to those who helped
 - Next: April 5; Please sign up!
- Social Advocacy
 - Food Pantry
 - Change website, logo, implement email
 - Food drive around campus, ends April 14
 - Peer listing program
 - Helping SHS with training and market data
 - Blood Drive: Saved over 300 lives
 - DACA Student Resources

8:44: 10 minute discussion period

Balboa: Is the spring formal only open to BU students?

Events: Yes, since funding is from admin, it can only be open to BU students

Aznavoorian: How many tickets can you buy using the stugov promo?

Events: You purchase it for yourself. That will only work for 1.

8:46: Spring Fest 2022 Updates from the Vice President

- Spring formal is for everyone on campus (all students, all colleges)
- April 16: Casino Night

- April 18: Marathon Monday
- April 22: Spring Formal
 - Earth day correlation
- April 23: Spring Concert
- April 24: Service Sunday
 - Cosponsored by the money water initiative
 - Work for environmental justice

Spring concert

- BU beach in the afternoon
 - Student performers
- Free food
 - From local restaurants, low carbon meals, plant based options
- Outdoor Games

8:50: Floor opens to questions

Bakre: Are we allowed to bring people that aren't from BU?

A: Yes!

Bakre: Are we allowed to interact with penguins?

A: You will be "socially distanced", but yes, you can take pictures

Asitimbay: Is that location (with the penguins) where people normally have events?

A: Yes, other events are held there

Shamsi: Is there a place where info about the spring festival has been posted?

A: Not yet, this is out first announcement

Samuels: How are you choosing who the student performers are?

A: Right now, we have a working list. I'll send the slack for suggestions. "Me being me, I ranked them by the amount of monthly listeners on spotify"

Justice Keusch: Has there been any discussion about transportation for the formal?

A: Not yet. The challenge is, we need to know how many T-passes are needed. This would be a little hard.

Aznavoorian: Can we talk to Uber or Lyft about getting money off? Perhaps a promo court?

A: My COS met with Lyft. But we would have to pay for it on the back end, so this is contingent on the allocations board.

8:57: SR010 (Impact and Q Resolution)

- Gender Neutral housing, LGBTQ+ Task Force
- Trigger warning

HOUSING:

- Quotes of examples: Gender Neutral housing causing trauma in students
 - GN housing is in the more expensive dorm options
- No process for freshmen to designate GN housing
- Limited availability, no priority access for those who must live in GN housing
- Housing portal has no way to designate pronouns
- Ongoing issue: decades of evidence

Solution: BU needs to update the housing portal, expand available GN housing options

TASK FORCE:

- Over 3 years– no designation for students, only employees

9:01: Time elapses

Aznavoorian: Extend time by 5 minutes

Seconded by Stant

Passes with 35 votes, time extended

- BUST
- Comprehensive student survey
- Community where marginalized students can join with allies
- Educate
 - Posting infographics, petitions/surveys, etc
- Engage
 - Talk with other senators, meet with admin
- Encourage
 - Lead senators discuss this endorsement with admin and their senators
 - Sign the petition

9:06: Balboa: are you aiming for all freshman students to have access to GN housing? Or all dorms to have it?

A: One of the barriers is cost. So it incorporates both, as GN housing is in upper-class, more expensive dorms

Aznavoorian: How will you mitigate this cost?

A: We want to open it to the cheaper dorms, and get financial aid for others

Follow up: Will every circumstance cost the same?

A: I'm not sure but I can ask BU Q to follow up with you

Shamsi: I had a meeting with Dean B, who mentioned Peer and Peer+ institutions. I will share this with you

Newell: What is the plan for tackling anonymity for these circumstances?

A: Yes, the surveys will be anonymous

Aznavoorian: Motion to enter voting procedure
Brumfield seconds

Passes with 37 votes in the affirmative

Brumfield: Motion to vote on SR010
Balboa seconds

Passes with 37 votes in the affirmative

9:12: Voting on SR010

Passes with 34 votes

9:13: SEIU L509 Salaried Lecturers Union (SR 06)

- Update from an initiative last semester
- Negotiations for more equitable contracts
- Open letter to administration and online
- Quick goals recap
 - Security, Providing necessary tech, equity (GN bathrooms, racial and economic inequities), workload and pay

They reached a contract!

- Increase in minimum pay, many funds increased
- Pay increases each year

Aznavoorian: Motion to extend by 5 mins

Brumfield: Motion to extend by 10 mins
Second by Balboa

9:20: Time resumes

- Changes in workload
 - Full time workload definition will not change within duration of a lecturers app
 - Joint labor management committees to address workload issues
- Concerns of equity largely unaddressed
- "Hold the line" going forward

9:23: 10 minute discussion periods

Shamsi: How many signatures did you receive?

A: Several hundreds from different organizations

Balboa: Why was the performance requirement reduced to writing?

A: So it's not specific to verbalization and its documented in record for their files

9:25: Community Service Center Partnership Bill

- Starts on April 8
- Cleaning up is a huge part of student government!
- Event from 10-11:30 am
- Sign up and volunteer through th eventbrite
- Endorsement bill for the community service center; So the event can take place

Aznavoorian: Motion to enter voting procedure

Second from Muowow

Passes with 37 votes

9:31: Niato: Motion to vote on SR011

- Second by Bakre

Voting on SR011

Passes with 37 votes in the affirmative

9:33: Open forum

- Senate chair elections
- Walk on Saturday
- Vote!
- Open house events, offer help to students every friday of april

Aznavoorian: Motion to adjourn

Many seconds

35 votes in the affirmative

9:40: Meeting adjourns