Hiram College Student Senate
Meeting Agenda

Date: September 12, 2022  Time: 7:30pm  Location: East Hall Forum

Call to Order & Roll Call  
Vice President Hussain — 7:30PM

Guest Speaker  
Dr. Bohrer, VP of Academic Affairs, "Changes in Student Affairs"
Dr. Rob Bohrer – 7:35PM

Dr. Bohrer started off by introducing himself. He then discussed the modern day perspective of student affairs. Hiram has worked on moving student support to the library so that students have better access to resources. He also discussed Hiram's "green space" and how taking advantage of this can help with mental health. He emphasized the importance of listening to students and then opened the floor to student questions.

- **Vice President Flaherty** asked Dr. Bohrer about his transition to Hiram. He talked about how both Hiram College and Gettysburg College are very similar but appreciates that Hiram is very student centered.

- **Senator Cambareri** asked about what changes at Hiram students should be aware about. Dr. Bohrer talked about the move of student resources to the library and how he and Dee West, Dean of Students, are always open to student feedback. He discussed the need for better development of student leadership since this was greatly affected by the pandemic. He mentioned that student support from administration is important to improve this.

- A guest, Ryan Davidson, asked about an MCAT (Medical College Admission Test) preparatory course and how many students are having trouble passing this exam since this course is no longer offered. Dr. Bohrer agreed that this is important and said that he will look into this.

- **Senator Bolton** asked how administration plans to improve staff retention. One of the things Dr. Bohrer mentioned is the importance of both students and faculty feeling a sense of belonging and if they feel that they are making an impact.

- **Vice President Hussain** asked if there are any plans for creating more academic programs in partnership with graduate schools for students planning to attend graduate school. Dr. Bohrer said that he would like to continue that discussion and would like to hear more student input.

- **Vice President Flaherty** asked about plans on moving forward post COVID regarding mental health. Dr. Bohrer talked about how he is in contact with Rev. Chris McCreight and school directors and has been discussing mental health with these individuals. Dr. Bohrer then emphasized the importance of having a mutual understanding between faculty and students about what they expect of one another.

Presidential Announcements  
President Johns — 8:00PM

President Johns expressed her excitement for the year and reminded Senators to send their committee applications by this Wednesday, 9/14. She also talked about how Senators are always welcome to start a new committee and can contact any executive board member if they wish to do so.
She also discussed that if any Senator would like to add anything to the agenda in future meetings, they may send an email to the Senate account by each Thursday before the meeting to make sure it is on there.

**Advisor Announcements**  
*Advisor Steiner — 8:05PM*  
Advisor Steiner and Dean West reminded students about Campus Day and asked students if anyone was interested in volunteering for this event. Dean West also touched on what Campus Day is and talked about the details of this event.

**Executive Board.**  
*President Johns— 8:10PM*  
President Johns swore in new Senators and these new Senators introduced themselves.

**Clubs and Student Organization Updates**  
*Vice President Flaherty – 8:12PM*  
Vice President Flaherty talked about the Involvement Fair which took place a few weeks ago. She then talked about President’s Roundtable and let students know that if they are leaders in any clubs, they can attend these meetings for more information and guidance. Lastly she reminded Senators that if they are club leaders to please sign up for an individual meeting time.

**New Senator Action Items**  
*President Johns – 8:13PM*  
- **Senator Fritz** talked about the lack of salt, pepper, and napkins on the tables in the dining hall. She also mentioned that students had about a new Dining Hall policy. If students forget their ID, they are no longer allowed to type in their ID’s.  
- **Senator Travis** talked about how students mentioned that Terrier Cash has not been working at the Clocktower Café.  
- **Senator Harris** mentioned an issue regarding dress code in the weight room.  
- **Senator Brogan** mentioned complains about a lack of cleanliness in Colton.  
- **Senator Murphey** mentioned a leak in the Frohring Music Hall roof.

**Notes from the Gallery**  
*Guests — 8:17PM*  

**Adjournment**  
*President Johns — 8:19PM*