Call to Order & Roll Call  

Vice President Palm — 7:30PM

Presidential Announcements  

President Flaherty — 7:30PM

- President Flaherty informed Senators of an upcoming Senate event on December 14th at 7:00 to 9:00PM. There will be snacks, prizes, and hot chocolate. The event is titled Holiday Trivia which will include questions on general winter holiday themes, music, movies, and a miscellaneous category.
- President Flaherty also gave a restroom signage update. She informed senators that there is a meeting scheduled with marketing about signage options.
- She also updated about the stairs in Booth and Centennial. The suggestion for adhesive non-slip tape for stairs will not be a viable option because it is not sustainable. The tape can wear off and damage the stairs by leaving residue when removed or from being worn out. ABM has suggested placing carpet or a non-slip spray on the stairs. The options are still being weighed by multiple parties.

Advisor Announcements  

Advisor West — 7:32PM

- Advisor West announced the Village Pass that will be coming up soon. The pass is $25 a person for village members to attend some of the college events and use some of the facilities. In return, villagers can be part of the garden club, Friends of the Library, they can adopt a student, or a department. They can also participate in Sugar Day.
- Advisor West also announced the addition of Morg Kush as a co-advisor for Student Senate. Dean West will still be an advisor; however, her role will be mostly administrative. With her role changing at this current time, she doesn’t want Senate to suffer with the potential future absence. Advisor West will handle more immediate, time sensitive issues while Advisor Kush will handle the groundwork and immediate questions from Senators and the Executive Members and day to day activities.
- Advisor West informed senators that they are investigating the recent car egging. They are taking it very seriously and students have submitted pictures for the investigation.

Guest Speaker  

James Workman – 7:38PM

- James Workman is the Director of Residence and Commuter Services. He let Senators know about the winter break contract that was sent out that day (12/4). There was a small change compared to last year. Airport shuttles will require a $20 deposit that will be added to your student bill. It will be returned if you used the requested shuttle or let them know about time or date changes. If you do not show up to your shuttle without notifying them of a change beforehand, the deposit will be kept, and you will be required to pay it. It is still a free shuttle service if you show up to the shuttle.
- Vice President Mongold brought to attention that some of the Townhouse doors don’t shut all the way or don’t remain closed. She brought up how this is a safety concern and a
concern for peoples pet potentially getting out, which seems to have happened once already. When asked to clarify, she explained that often times they actively push on the door to make sure it is closed and when doing a pull test, it pops back open. James Workman said he will get it looked at.

- **Vice President Chatman** brought up a hole located at the bottom of the steps on the back of Centennial by the ledge. She also brought up concern for a limb on a tree on the side of Centennial.

- **Senator Streator** asked how the R.A. retention is doing from semester to semester. James Workman responded that it’s doing well.

- **Senator Galecki** asked if there would be salt placed around the Townhouses or if students would have to get it themselves. James Workman responded that the ABM is responsible for everything besides the walkways to each townhouse. The walkway and the foyer are the responsibility of the residents. There will be buckets of salt around campus that you can utilize. He did want to make sure students know that the salt is not typically pet friendly. ABM has started and will be continuing putting out shovels across campus.

- **Senator Travis** asked if there was another option of salt to potentially be pet friendly. James Workman said it’s something that the house is responsible for so they can purchase more pet friendly salt, but he will also bring it up to Ryan Olszewski, the Physical Plant Director, to look at the potential for pet friendly salt.

- **Senator Calvey** asked who is in charge of maintaining the commuter lot during the winter. He responded that ABM is in charge of maintaining it. In regard to the most recent snowstorm, it was more than projected so they were caught off guard when it was a much larger amount in the time frame. He reiterated that if there is a notable accumulation of snow to let him know.

**Executive Board**

- **Vice President Mongold** asked senators of their feeling of having security cameras in more public spaces like outside, and campus wide common spaces. This was asked to be brought up by Interim President Robert Bohrer to gauge campus opinion.

  - **Senator Calvey** expressed her support for it, and many other senators expressed similar feelings.
  - **Senator Felvus** was curious as to the procedure when it comes to monitoring the cameras. Will it be to look at times of a reported incident?
  - **President Flaherty** confirmed this assessment of how they will be monitored.
  - **Senator Marin** expressed her support especially if the cameras are outside, she did express there may be push back with communal spaces.
  - **Senator Calvey** was curious if this was part of a previous discussion or in response to the car egging.
  - **President Flaherty** stated that this is a frequent discussion that is brought up particularly when something happens on campus.
  - **Senator Shannon** was curious if there was a plan or if it was strictly to see senator and student opinion.
  - **President Flaherty** said that at the moment they are just looking for feedback.
  - **Senator Felvus** wondered if campus wide common spaces that already have cameras, if they would be reactivated or if the talk with President Bohrer was strictly outdoor spaces.
President Flaherty said the talk only mentioned outdoor spaces to start. They plan to start small with outdoor spaces and will further discuss and consult about other spaces in the future.

- Vice President Mongold mentioned there was a second question from President Bohrer. What are the things at Hiram that would make you stay or leave?
  - Senator Felvus said what would make her stay is the professors and how they care about our education and how we do in classes. Something that she said would make her leave is the poor communication across the campus, especially with the consistency of answers.
  - Senator Jones mentioned that the small beautification details would be a point of contention.
  - Senator Shannon shared this sentiment and listed specific places such as the bell and areas that are difficult to reach.
  - Senator Travis stated she liked how accessible it is to reach people on campus but dislikes the confusion across campus surrounding the connect requirement.
  - Senator Hartman dislikes how difficult it is to set up accommodations for disabilities or the difficulty to understand what is needed regarding pets.
  - Senator Streator said something that could draw people away from Hiram is that it is lacking in daily resources and not very accessible to get things without a car.
  - Senator Calvey expressed that something that would make her leave would be the lack of temperature control and lack of accommodations.
  - Senator Marin expressed that how the feeling of nature would get her to stay but is the core requirements because they don’t always make sense.
  - Vice President Chatman expressed how the bar would be a good thing for campus.
  - Senator Jones mentioned athlete retentions because of students leaving for lack of play time, or academics.
  - Senator Felvus followed up this sentiment and also asked when the bar will be opening.
  - Advisor West informed senators that they are waiting on finalizing the license and that they have all the money including potentially moving the Bistro to the basement. What would replace the Bistro’s current space is unknown, but some suggestions at the moment are a coffee shop of sorts. The goal opening of the bar is January 8th.
  - Senator Streator brought up that there were previous talks that failed with Cellar Door, a local business located in Garretsville, to open a second location. When the mention of a Dunkin Donuts or Starbucks was mentioned
  - Senator Jones voiced his concern with effecting Maggies, a Hiram local business.
  - Advisor West explained that she talked to the owner, and they did not think it would affect then because they have community and travelers who visit their establishment frequently.

Clubs and Student Organization Updates

- Vice President Chatman mentioned that the Hill-day party will be happening from 7 to 9PM. This will be held at the first-floor lounges of Whitcomb and Miller Hall. December 7th there will be Ugly Sweater Bingo that T.A.B. Is hosting. There will be another bingo with a twist. The Dining Hall is hosting a holiday dinner from 4:30 to 7:30PM on December
12th. You can bring your immediate family; you just need to let Heidi Vance know by December 5th. If you sign up the meal is free, but if you didn’t it’ll be 15 dollars and it will not be open to meal swipes. The Office of Strategic Marketing and Media Relations is looking for student highlights to be put on the website you can let them know by accessing the link in the Hiram Highlights. You can let them know about specific research, internships, or other such things.

Committee Reports

Vice President Mongold — 8:12PM
- **Senator Marin** informed senate that the Environmental Sustainability Committee is touring the Whitcomb Basement as a potential location for the Thrift Store.
- **Senator Galecki** gave updates on the S.A.F.E committee. They will be meeting Thursday at 5PM in the Library in Meeting Room 1. They are trying to organize an educational event on toxic relationships. They had guest Scott Pohlman and Charles Gullet at the last meeting regarding the athletic support group. It was discussed at the meeting potentially making it a three-week course and that Scott Pohlman would bring it to President Bohrer.
- **Senator Travis** gave updates on the Mental Health Committee. She said the committee was looking for student input on the covenant.
- **Vice President Palm** gave updates from the last Village Council Meeting. The last meeting there was a public meeting regarding the chickens. There was not enough notice to the public, so it was unofficial. There will be an official public hearing regarding regulations of chickens in Hiram Village on December 19th at 6PM. The Finance and Safety Committee meeting will start after the public meeting. The ordinance regarding handheld radars was passed. The ordinance regarding feral cats has been tabled. **Vice President Mongold** reiterated not to feed the cats because of Veticus’ catch, neuter, release program.

Senator Action Item Updates

President Flaherty — 8:17PM
- **President Flaherty** informed senators there were no updates at that moment.

New Senator Action Items

Vice President Mongold — 8:17PM
- **Senator Jones** mentioned that they have started the search for a new head men’s lacrosse coach. If people want to see anything particular regarding the coach reach out to Senator Jones at JonesBM@Hiram.edu. He also wanted to express current rumors circulating about some lacrosse players on YikYak. **Vice President Mongold** wanted to request that regarding YikYak rumors if names, or pictures are posted please report these.
- **Senator Shannon** brought up that H.P.P. meet yesterday and they felt that their program has not been marketed enough to the entirety of campus. The people in the program will be actively marketing it to campus to spread the word on what the program is and what they do. When asked to clarify what the program is **Senator Shannon** explained it is a program lead by Professor David Kukurza and is open to people with entrepreneurship minors. When invited you can attend a meeting to see how it is structured, what they talk about, and other things regarding the program. They meet once a month on Wednesday from about 7 to 9PM at the Welshfield Inn. Your dinner is also paid for. **Senator Turk** asked if it was invite only and **Senator Shannon** confirmed yes, and that it also is for entrepreneurship minors.

Notes from the Gallery

Guests — 8:25PM
Adjournment

Vice President Mongold — 8:25PM