I. Call to Order/Roll-Call/Quorum
Quorum was met and the meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

II. Swearing in of Representatives/Senators
Nick Rosoff and a proxy for Prachet Bhatt were sworn in.

III. Singing of the OSU Alma Mater
Speaker Hatlen: Harmony, remember Harmony.
Everyone present sang the OSU Alma Mater.

IV. Approval of the Minutes from Wednesday, March 7, 2012
Representative Van Bossuyt: I move to approve the minutes.
Representative Brantley: Second
A voice vote was taken to approve the minutes. The motion passed.
Speaker Hatlen: Before we move on to new business I would entertain a motion from senate to revote on everything from the last meeting.
Senator Vandever: So moved
Senator Diabat: Second
A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.
Speaker Hatlen: Now we’ll pretend last week never happened.
Senator Diabat: Point of Clarification. I would like to hear an explanation of the changes that happened in the house of a number of representatives who cancelled or who are not in good standing position and they were removed from the house and if there were new appointments in the house. If you can.
Speaker Hatlen: There has been a slight change in the house. There was a resignation from Representative Carron and Fosdick. We have a new appointment of Nick Rosoff. I’d like to say before we start and I hand the mic to Mr. Makepeace, in the discussion if you have questions about the budget there are budgeting board members here. So if you have discussion I highly encourage you to raise those issues before you vote it down. It
would nice to have clarifications before moving into mediation. So with that I’ll hand it over to Josh.

V. New Business

Presentation of SIFC Student Fee Levels

ASOSU

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: Instead of presenting a word document I created a presentation and it’s easier to follow and moves forward in the order of the session. I’m feeling quite under the weather today as well.

Senator Swearingen and Senator Deedon arrived.

Josh Makepeace: So moving into the first budget ASOSU as you spoke about last week in conversation seem to be resolved grad teaching assistantship pay raise. The SIFC approved the budget.

A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: Appropriations and budget voted unanimously for the approval of the ASOSU budget line item mainly because this was passed by the house ways and means committee and we trust that they put due diligence in the budget and it fixed the current set up of pay overages and underages and the addition of a GTA member for a grad task force.

Representative Van Bossuyt: I move to approve.

Representative Brantley: Second.

A roll call vote was taken on the budget. The motion passed.

Athletics

SIFC Presentation

Senator Diabat: It’s very annoying that six people in house and senate are texting right now. It’s very annoying.

Josh Makepeace: Decrease in fees and increase in enrollment what I did was looked at comparative schools in Oregon and Washington. The others if you want to purchase a student seasons ticket it’s $250 you receive those tickets as a digital lottery system. In Washington it’s you pay $120 for a student tickets and they’re 6000 about the same as Oregon State. And what we pay is much
cheaper. The schools in Arizona are about the same as Washington.

**A & B Recommendations**

**Representative Robb:** Appropriations and budget committee recommends the approval of the athletics budget. It passed unanimously and as we heard last week we recommended SIFC for students to accept some responsibility for tickets and to also see how this is done at other schools in the PAC 12. With this going forward we can then from here determine what would be done. This should be approved.

**Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn:** I move to approve the budget.

**Senator Diabat:** Second

**Senator Diabat:** I would like to encourage people to vote down this budget for very simple principle that is these are the easiest 2 million dollars that the athletics department can make and that’s convincing students to pay out of student fees and while they work hard to get the other money for events. That’s my own opinions about it there’s no matter of neutrality if it’s managed as a business it’s not justified we have 50% discount on it they take away half the seats.

**Representative Alvarez:** I want to say that it’s not the easiest 2.5 million dollars that they athletic department can make they could probably because of their location on the 50 foot yard line they could sell them to the general public and make probably double. And I mean it is good to look at going forward and having students accept some responsibility. That’s something we could look for going forward it’s not necessary to reject this it’s a very common practice throughout the colleges to cover most if not all the tickets so students can go to all football games.

**Representative Stuart:** The OSU that I came here for is more community based you can use athletics to build a community outside of the university we can allow outside Corvallis residents to support us and create a stronger city. Competing students for seats that Diabat said. To give away less tickets then it increases animosity and that’s not the community I came here for.
Representative Powell: Actually I had some questions about the budget. How much of that goes towards tickets and how much goes to the travel. So part of it goes to travel for games I heard.

Josh Makepeace: on paper this fee goes 100% to fund student tickets in terms of travel at least from my knowledge that does not pay athlete travel. We addressed a question if this goes to stipend for players and we were informed it does not.

Representative Powell: This is 3.5 % of their budget? Correct?

Speaker Hatlen: could you touch on the memorandum in place between ASOSU and athletics?

Josh Makepeace: Actually I don’t know about the memorandum of athletics and ASOSU. If anyone does I would encourage them to speak on that. In 2007 it was created with ASOSU and athletics in terms of tickets accessibility and bridging the gap in terms of student fees. Ways in which we can work together about the cost to students to attend student events and we are bearing some of the burden.

President Hopoi: Speaking on the MOU you wanted to touch base on it was an agreement three years ago to provide the opportunity for students to attend games. We will update in the spring other than that the spirit was to provide this availability for students to attend game whether they’re domestic or international that was the hope we wanted to give in the spirit of the MOU.

Representative Van Bossuyt: Am I right in assuming when Reser was raised that money was loaned by students to build it and we moved to have seats on that side of the fifty yard line? So with that I don’t think it would be an issue if the student’s fees didn’t pay for this and we had that reserved. If we want to go that way I don think tonight is the right night to do that. But it might be worthwhile to sit down and think if this is what we want to continue doing.

Senator Kennemer: I don’t know about the rest of you but if we somehow took down the athletics for paying for students tickets the entire student body would rise up against us. If we want them to care about ASOSU we should fail it. But if not we should pass it.
Representative Robb: The reason the appropriations and budget committee brought this up was to echo Van Bossuyt’s statements these have been a concern in SIFC hearing and past joint sessions on the budget and with this would like to address that concern and in the future have to look into this.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: Call to question
A roll call vote was taken on the athletics budget.

The motion passed.

CAPS

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: The fee unchanged fall, winter, and spring. An important note is that CAPS is a good example. They have excess working capital and they wanted to look at staff parody and the concern was turnover and the wages were not competitive in comparison to other schools and they were able to bring down that balance and with an organization that’s experiencing unparalleled growth we want to commend caps for their efforts.

A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: Appropriations and budget committee recommends the approval of the CAPS budget. We voted unanimously for this. The main thing was adding extra staff and to allow more councilors so students can be seen they have acknowledged at the SIFC meeting the need to evaluate their current way of getting appointments and they’re currently looking into that. With that the CAPS budget should be approved.

Representative Van Bossuyt: I suggest we vote down this budget so we can add more money to the budget and add more counseling to the CAPS. We need this service on campus so we should add more money to better serve the student population.

Representative Alvarez: Are the CAPS directors or people here? I was wondering perhaps you could come up here and grab a mic too. I guess the question was if this were to happen would you be able to accommodate more councilors in your spaces?

Jackie Alvarez: We are fortunate in one way to be in Snell hall and everyone else is moving out. We are actually acquiring some
space on the fourth floor to accommodate the new staff we are hiring if this budget were to be approved the fourth floor is going to be pretty darn vacant soon. The university facilities are open to us having as much space as we need. There would be enough space available. The issue do we need even more and given where we are with our ratio of students to staff that was one issue we addressed in the proposal. We’re at one counselor per I want to say close to 17 hundred students. Take me out of the mix I don’t see many students. We’re about there. An intern and two new staff would be a portion of 1-115. Our board recommends 1 to 1000 students based on the services we provide and CAPS is a full service. We have counseling, consultation, outreach training. We’re a mid to large institution smaller schools need higher ratios. We have a psychiatrist we don’t have any other male health councilors we’re shooting 1 to 1,250 this package right now gets us to the high end. I’d like to see where we are we’ve been growing every year and there is responsibility to be a good steward. I’d come next year to say it’s still not working if I need to but I’m hopeful with the addition of three positions and the other two would get us to a better ratio. I’m appreciative but I’m conscious of the student fees and wanting to be a good steward of your generosity.

Senator Varin: I went to your budget meeting and I thought you had a good budget and the ratio is one to seventeen hundred but not every student uses the services. If I were to go to CAPS today how long would it take me to see a counselor?

Jackie: If you call at 8:30 a.m. you’ll get seen that day but 100% of people in the morning get seen. If you call at 11 you might not get in that day. You would be asked a question first if you need to speak to counselor today you would make sure you spoke to a counselor today we have on call as well. I’m Jackie Alvarez. So we also have a policy that no student should have to wait longer than 3 days for an appointment. If you let them know you’ve called three times you would put in to that system and we would preschedule to get you on an on call appointment. I feel good about that system in the community the wait is longer than 3 days
you have to persevere. That’s the question is aid in our initial presentation we were unsure of we’re collecting data if the student that calls Monday calls back on Tuesday or Wednesday and if they do I don’t feel bad about a couple tries. That’s pretty amazing to get in a couple days. If they’re not persevering that feels like a problem to me. We have about a quarter of our data on that. For most people the wait is not that long if they perseverer. Representative Powell: How is counseling service similar or different to the other in Oregon and the nation? And their student fees? Jackie So pretty much all universities have some kind of counseling service at this point the major thing we provide is individuals group counseling some provide couples but not all. All provide individual work. The difference is if you provide services beyond that do you provide consultation services? OSU does. Some schools do not. CAPS also provides outreach and engagement service. We do a lot of outreach on things we were going to address is that we served about 14,000 individuals in the OSU community that we met in our outreach activities and if you think about how many use our clinical work it’s not even close to 14,000 how many of us know. How many know someone who has a mental health issue and they struggle and supporting that person and receive indirect service from us. The outreach piece is pretty big. The size of the staff and institution placed can do more or less. Finally we do training with RA’s with faculty and staff with other folks across the community talking with them about how to recognize how to make a referral and how to be a community resource to folks that’s another resource we provide again. Depending on the size of the institution. We’re fortunate to be engaged in all those activities. Some places don’t have that luxury if you’re a single person at a college that will be the one on one service. The size of OSU some really exclusively focus on clinical work some go with more. With the fees I wish I could answer that our fee is a little higher than U of O’s fee and I’m not sure about other places. Some aren’t funded by fees it’s a combination, they’re dually funded. I don’t know the prices
Josh Makepeace: It varies from institution to institution sometimes
they have what CAPS does in a student health here and CAPS
and using them together. The fee dollar I can’t say it’s a general
health fee and if you will and pride institution the organizations are
small and a lot of cases look into comparative student fees. With
private universities you’re going to pay more.

Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I move to approve the budget of
$35.23.

Brant Second

Representative Van Bossuyt: I move to amend to include a note to
reexamine next year that level of services is appropriate.

Struthers Second

Representative Van Bossuyt: It seems like a nice middle ground to
examine for congress and approve this and next year revisit it.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: Call to question.

A voice vote was taken to amend the main motion.

The amendment passed.

Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I move to previous question.

Red Second

A roll call vote was taken on the CAPS budget. The motion passed.

Educational Activities

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: Fall, winter, spring $12.12 that drop for last year
educational activities. In the accessibility issued raised last week
their website has been updated and any confusion for the
organization to seek this out to request fund balances the initiation
of the organization. The ed act commission in the spring the ed act
revisit the funding model and look at receive funding and make
ed act more efficient. Some of the organizations that ed act
support are PanHellenic council, forensic, barometer, KBVR, and
the college republicans/democrats.

A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: Appropriations and budget committee
recommends the approval of ed act. We voted unanimously there
was not much discussion on this it was mostly on this was the last
meeting and this was I believe our gesture has actually had results but back to the recommendation we recommend its approval.

Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I move to approve the budget.

Representative Van Bossuyt: Second

Representative Van Bossuyt: I’m going to vote to approve the budget the last couple of days I have an email as well but basically what he stated the addition I offered is that I would consult anyone else with a concern with this to relook at their charges. That’s why I support this.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: Call to question

A roll call vote was taken on the Educational Activities budget.

The motion passed.

Memorial Union

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: The fees you use $65.78 fall, winter, spring and $59.80 in the summer again another example of stewardship to use your student fees to grow without the increasing fees. A side note you know by now that the SEC was approved to this is an exciting time for the memorial union and as they prepare for the construction on and design of the student for that organization like I said before another example of stewardship for student fee without increase a budget on student fee.

A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: Appropriations and budget committee recommended unanimously the approval of the MU budget. There have been concerns brought up possibly about the fees going up drastically when the bookstore leaves the MU but the committee sees that currently the MU has a committee set up to look into this which we have members for. The MU who could speak on this since they’re acknowledge right is a future problem this is a good way to go forward and recommend its approval.

Senator Redman: When the students voted on the SEC building tin 2009 they approve raising student fees I believe close to $50 a term.
Josh Makepeace: This is not the student facility improvement project that’s something later on in the presentation it encompasses that and the student referendum for the turf project.  
Representative Van Bossuyt: I move to approve the budget as stated.  
Representative Vanderwall: Second  
Representative Powell: I have a question. Out of our student fees how much goes to MUPC?  
Ashley Barnes: In the MU program council generates more revenue than they are funded by student fees next year they will receive 190,000 dollars from student fees and their projects is 200,000 dollars. And it’s for the rest of the budget a small part of the budget. It’s not huge but it goes to the budget.  
Representative Powell: I had another question. So we pay student fees that go to MUPC but we’re charged on top of that for moms weekend dads weekend. The events, how are we justifying charging people that have somewhat paid for by their student fees?  
Michael: Director for the Memorial Union. Since Ashley doesn’t have anything to do with MUPC I can answer this. Simply you’re buying down the cost of that ticket. If they have you pay the price of the full retail you would see an increase in that price. The rest of the funds from all of the positions in MUPC are 8 positions are part of that is salaries part of it is advertising expenses. Small programs that don’t generate revenue. OSU talent is coming up.  
Representative Powell: Thank you.  
A roll call vote was taken on the Memorial Union budget.  
The motion passed.  

Music Ensembles  
SIFC Presentation  
Josh Makepeace: It is unchanged for its approval with no summer fee they provide an array of student on campus. They do a lot with minimal financial support. A testament to OSU’s ensembles itself they do what they can with the resources they have.  
A & B Recommendations
Representative Robb: Following the rationale that Makepeace stated, the appropriations and budget committee recommended unanimously the approval of the ensembles budget.

Representative Brantley: I move to approve.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: Second

Senator Diabat: Can you find how much of this fee going to travel expenses?

Josh Makepeace: Addressing that they do what they can in terms of fundraising in previous travel they’re sought out help from the SIFC for contingency. I believe 170,000 dollars the year before to fund a trip overseas what it funds in travel their actual budget is very minimal at best they struggled to find resources for the travel.

Senator Diabat: Can it change to 30-40% does it get about the budget?

Josh Makepeace: In terms of travel $24,000. So about 8 or 9%.

Struthers So I participated in March of Band. The music ensemble at OSU is wonderful anyone music major or not they have a few where you have to audition for when I was in March of Band each member went to New York and had to shell about 900 dollars that was before SIFC was willing to pay. Students do a lot of fundraising and they get no support for the university. Athletics provides very little support. This is good to show the support for our music on campus.

Representative Van Bossuyt: I appreciate what the music ensembles do on campus to play I wish there were more opportunities for a wider range of commitment levels. Currently its difficult to get into, perhaps not this year but in the future SIFC should investigate a minimum cost for an amount of participation by students to participate.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: Call to question

A roll call vote was taken on the Music Ensembles budget.

The motion passed.

Representative Van Bossuyt: I move for a five minute recess.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: Second

Voice vote was taken. Division

A hand vote for a recess. The motion failed. 12-13-0
Our Little Village

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: With no summer fee with an increase of 28 cents. We also rejected a decision package applied for Our Little Village to receive funding for a drop off spot at Dixon Rec Center. That has yet to be approved by the board. We saw it necessary to not approve the decision package depending on the Rec Sports. They can seek the SIFC for the contingency support.

A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: Appropriations and budget committee recommended unanimously for Our Little Village. The committee has a comment with the childcare subsidies we are a lot of talk had been brought up with the childcare subsidies why they were in Our Little Village instead of the HSRC it was brought up in the members of the committee that Our Little Village in its creation is a childcare entity and we are wondering why they were staring to add in a subsidy based childcare and why that was not moved to HSRC.

Struthers I move to approve the fee as the stated level.

Brant Second

Senator Diabat: This small fee is one of the most important that I think as a parent if you go back and ask you parent how much they appreciate any help they got when raising you. Before voting against it about half of the percent it’s very crucial my wife went to school its huge. It’s not a lot of money for us the subsidy I cannot speak why the subsidy is under Our Little Village but its here now and its very helpful. Extremely helpful. It’s not that much though it does not cover a lot but helps us get by at the end of the month by the fourth week we have no more cash but we can manage.

Struthers Is the subsidy a new thing this year or has it been in the past?

Josh Makepeace: They had it in the past they’re bringing it to more appropriate bundles. Students pay more on childcare and
the childcare economic say student parents should pay more than 10%.

Struthers The reason I see why the subsidy was created before HSRC was created it was never a discussion what subsidy they should get. It was a timeline issue, they might combine together because they are similar and a branch they might join into one budget.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: Call to question.

A roll call vote was taken on the Our Little Village budget.

The motion passed.

Senator Vandever: I move for a five minute recess.

Senator Cushing: Second

Van I have to use the bathroom.

Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: That’s a personal privilege.

A hand vote was taken to recess. The motion failed.

Recreational Sports

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: Similar story, example of stewardship with the student fees. Rec sports has 49 sports club they support help receive funding to start up the ability to meet needs while keeping the ability the same. $66 fall, winter, and spring and $56 summer.

A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: Appropriations and budget committee recommends unanimously the approval for rec sports there was the main topics on the rec sports had to do with the decision packages and the funds being transferred to sports clubs. During the discussion I’ll ask Makepeace to expand.

Josh Makepeace: My understanding is when you hear packages when the SIFC felt that more support needed to be given for support clubs that necessitated a possible fee increase rec sports found wiggle room to provide for these decision packages without bringing the fee up if the decision packages would have necessitated a fee.

Struthers I’ll abstain on my vote. The rec sports asked us to remove one of our packages. They could be used the rational we could
use a contingency request instead and help back up the sports clubs.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: I move to approve.
Representative Vanderwall: Second
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: Call to question
A roll call vote was taken on the Recreational Sports budget. The motion passed.

Student Diversity

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: $13.84 fall, winter, and spring and $8.30 summer term. That’s the upgrade of the decision package of the staff that bring staffing to appropriate levels one staff overseeing workers to support student diversity and their organizational efforts that would be a good gesture to them.

A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: Appropriations and budget committee unanimously recommends the approval of the student diversity budget the new increase for a professional staff would greatly help the culture centers and we feel that the increase that this amount is well worth the cost of benefit on the students body.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: I move to approve
Representative Van Bossuyt: Second
Representative Van Bossuyt: Question
A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Student Health

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: Fall, winter, and spring term $89.09 and summer $89.09. The approved fee level is a decrease of $11.44 and was the largest decrease in the fee tonight. This reflects the spending down of excess capital and work with close with student fees. There needs of the organization are always changing and us working with students help their organization and programming needs are met without over charging students and looking at their capital deceases in fees you use here.
A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: This one is going to need explanation but appropriations and budget committee recommends the rejection of student health services we the committee passed unanimously.

Representative Alvarez: This was done by about 2-3 week ago. I was able to sit down with a director yesterday morning and mainly I was in SIFC I would’ve voted against this budget but the lower more than 10% that was because I felt it was unnecessary to fund. Basically a decrease in revenue and increase of expenses. It’s a transfer fund which is old student fee money which most of it is made of student fee money over charged in the past in reality if you looked at this budge at as standpoint of other budget and got rid of the transfer, there’s a deficit of about $87,000 dollars that’s about $1.85 per term per student. The question comes down to do you want to pay for the increase of expenses that was a decision package by about 5 decision packages and SIFC thought the decision packages were well needed so right now I would change from my old position to voting for it because in the end of mediation would have few time to deal with this much would get done with mediation to make it a worthwhile process. My meeting with them went very well and it was good faith with me to explain the concerns I had. That’s why I think I would change my vote to pass this budget.

Struthers Over starting in June, July I became the Co-chair for the student health committee. Every term I received the student health one thing we were in charge with their budget if they’re using their budget efficiently that was a long process I worked with Josh Makepeace: Makepeace the student health and Ashley Barnes. We worked on a plan that would bring down the student fee and they came back with $11.44. They came back with a better plan it shows good will from student health and they’re working with students fees and keeping their fee down. so you know this about 8 years its projects to the excess working capital and they will increase their fee again that doesn’t count student growth this works with when they bring us budget fees back. Student health gets for everyone at OSU. That’s pro-rated fee
depending on the credit you get. So you don’t get the full amount what student fee get to do is work with student health and see how much they need and how much transfers over. Specifically for student health and they won’t have access to those funds. There’s a lot more work with student health and student fees and even coming back with a better proposal that they need to be working with student fees work.

Representative Robb: Also one thing that’s important for the members of congress to know next year SIFC student health service must present a zero based budget if Josh could you go into talking about this.

Josh Makepeace: So pretty much its expenses and revenue zero out that’s the idea behind it. Enrollment changes number change every year spending down in capital and making sure that relationship stay strong student fees address the needs while making sure the students are not overcharged making sure they can streamline their budget this is a great link between student fees.

Representative Alvarez: Zero based budget is that when they explain every line item?

Josh Makepeace: Yes.

Representative Alvarez: You said revenue equals expenses.

Senator Diabat: I was wondering earlier in the athletic budget we kind of found that we got stuck with a memorandum of understanding since 2007 and I could not find it and maybe it’s not on record but nobody can speak about it but student health services right now we have this beautiful decrease in 11% but most of us are graduating next year the year after and the positions in student health service and two or three years and forget about the memorandum of understanding right now we don’t have any commitment of student health services of how things should be run in the future. I’m graduating next year and I say this previously to the representatives and I really like my son to enjoy this community in twenty years I doubt, I really doubt it this will happen. Just a concern.
Representative Alvarez: Just to speak to that it seem that if student health presented a base budget and they were doing things we didn’t like SIFC could have the power to reject the budget where they see fit that’s where the student work their force to the budgeting board. In my opinion it would be the future SIFC should be doing their job and if not that’s up to congress to do their job if SIFC can’t.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: I move to approve.

Senator Varin: Second

A roll call vote was taken on the Student Health Budget.

The motion passed.

Sustainability

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: $11.07 fall, winter, spring term with no summer fee the decrease is $0.79 decrease the excess fund balance without effecting operation levels.

A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: Appropriations and budgets recommend unanimously the approval of student sustainability.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: I move to approve.

Senator Vandever: Second

Struthers I have a concern how beaver bus is being paid for. I ride the bus daily. Beaver bus is feeless for everyone in the city are student paying of that out of pocket or is there something with the city also I don’t know if that concern for SIFC to look at next year. I see that its fee to everyone. I don’t know how that change works I know everyone in the city rides the bus anytime of the day and I don’t how beaver bus works. That’s my only concern.

Josh Makepeace: I would recommend to make it as a budget note and the future of beaver bus and what it means for the students to use the service. I guess review the beaver bus program to evaluate review programming and what it means for students who are using the service in comparison to the community at large.

Representative Robb: Yield the floor.
Angela Baxter: The beaver bus is not part of the bus. It is not in the budget.

Brian: Co director of SSI. So a couple years ago CTS was brought into the budget what we still have under our budget is the Philomath connection and the beaver bus apart of CTS.

Representative Powell: How much do we pay?

Brian: Philomath collect $5,600. All in all with transportation its $0.90 per student per term.

Representative Stuart: What are you doing to use the funds we give in the year what are you doing to make sure we don’t have excess?

Brian: The budget in general?

Representative Stuart: Yes.

Brian: The budget in general we have outline about four different projects when you’re talking about fund balance and stuff like that that did come from the revolving fund. We do have since there was decrease we’ll have $50,000 less. Because of that decrease there will be a smaller pool. Another thing if we decide to not loaning the money out for efficiency projects there are other project on campus we can fund.

Representative Robb: Clarification, beaver bus runs Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 8 p.m. to2:45 a.m. It’s very limited thing for when normally the bus system has stopped.

Representative Powell: Do residents of Corvallis pay for the beaver bus? Is that their total budget or do resident pay into the budget as well?

Brian: This is the one area I’m the least aware of

Brandon: I’m also Corvallis transit commission. To respond to the question bout 2/3 comes from non-student fee money that’s primarily through the water bills so in the third of the fee comes from what Brian mentioned.

Struthers So I know last year is when the whole thing switched from CTS wasn’t going to charge students to ride the bus. Students live in the community also.

Brandon: Beaver bus was a service targeted for student although it’s available to all community members. It was negotiated with
the university and the city of Corvallis it might be worth reexamining that ratio.

Representative Alvarez: You’re saying the two thirds revenue does that go into your budget?

Brandon: Two thirds of the operating costs stay with the city of Corvallis from the resident of Corvallis.

Representative Alvarez: You give the money for beaver bus to the city and they manage the beaver bus?

Brandon: Correct.

Representative Alvarez: Two thirds is from the city and the other third is from the students. We don’t need this amendment anymore.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: Call to question.

Senator Diabat: I would like to make this amendment to check all of the CTS budget and our agreement with it. The truth is it comes from resident the resident are us. Two thirds we’re not paying 1/3 we’re paying 2/3 of it. We’re making fun of us right now. And anyways it allows its system. It’s not My amendment is once we approve this to reinvestigate the agreement with CTS and question the budgeting items underneath it.

Speaker Hatlen: There had been a call to question.

Representative Powell: I yield to Miss Harris.

Amelia Harris: I have a question do we have an MOU with the city and what we pay them?

President Hopoi: Not that I believe we don’t to have an MOU. Struthers I looked up in auxiliaries where the budgets were student funded and I have actually seen the MOU and it’s the OSU administration and the city. The students don’t sign on to that. It’s a page worth of what the students are going to pay its signed by the university president and the vice president. I know it’s between the administration and the city there isn’t students.

Senator Diabat: As a follow up which means we don’t also have to have this line item at all because we’re not a part of it. Then I would like to encourage to vote this motion down and take this to mediation and ask the mediators to do the mediation to do that. Also SSI would like those as well.
Brando: Actually the intergovernmental agreement is not set until this process takes place I wasn’t the OSU administration are not approve through the student fee process we wait until this process is approved and we do the MOU later in the spring.

Senator Cushing: A point of information. We’re voting on the amendment to include Makepaece’s language so the talk has to be germane to that language.

Senator Boyd: I have question what would happen with the beaver bus if it was removed from the budget?

Brandon: So the city would theoretically have to come up with the remaining if the cost a fairly straight forward answer. I hesitate to speak on the city’s behalf the service runs three nights so you could eliminate one of those nights.

Senator Diabat: Call to question.

Speaker Hatlen: We’ll vote on the amendment to add the budget note.

A voice vote was taken on the amendment. The motion passed.

Struthers I’m going to vote against this because as community members and residents we pay our utility bills and on top of that I have concerns that students are paying for this and the community. That goes against the student fee it really hurts my vote for this. It would kill my insides to vote for this.

Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I want to remind everyone in mediation we can’t change line items we can only change the percentage of the budget. We should pass this budget and make sure it is looked upon next year.

Tran I yield the floor to Angela Baxter.

Angela If we’re paying two thirds but have no say on that contract why are we spending our student money and paying for that without any say? As a student that’s concerning.

Representative Brantley: We’re paying 1/3.

Angela: According to that we’re paying for the one third but also the two thirds.

Senator Diabat: Unlike most, I’d like to encourage voting this down and discuss this line again.
Representative Stuart: Representative Dunn already said we can’t discuss line time and as a member it would be frustrating to have to repeat that in mediation.

Representative Alvarez: From what Van Drimmelen explained to me it’s a part of the budget and if in the case they weren’t able to eliminate the money and the budget cannot give that money to the line item and put it elsewhere.

Representative Van Bossuyt: I’ve been in this university a while. I remember when we talked about green energy credit I was wondering if that’s what SSI oversees and if this is what this budget includes.

Brian: Yes. That was changed two years ago and it was grouped two years ago to include infrastructural.

Representative Van Bossuyt: That was through SIFC and congress. You said there were several projects for funding moving fourth.

Brian: Those are I think suited for the renewable energy funding we’ve been in process working with the Dixon rec center.

Representative Van Bossuyt: Is it revolving fund?

Brian: We have two plots of money that funds renewable energy the small fund and the energy efficiency funds that gets paid back. It’s about $490,000 for renewable energy. But since we stopped capitalizing on that.

Representative Van Bossuyt: Is that all you have moving forward?

Brian: 490 that’s every year. It’s capped at this time any extra money will be student loans.

Senator Redman: As far as funding the beaver bus which is $0.99 per student?

Brian: Everything transportation is $0.99.

Senator Redman: My point is I’m going to vote yes on this even though people in the Corvallis community can use this. I think it benefits all of us to have less cars driving around students take up space in the community for parking. I’m ok with spending less that for my student fees.

Struthers Clarification, it’s a night service it’s not a service to provide fully during the week.

Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: I move previous question.
Representative Davis: Second
A voice vote was taken to end discussion. The motion passed.
A roll call vote was taken on the Sustainability budget.
The motion passed.

SIFC Administration

SIFC Presentation
Josh Makepeace: I included all three on the same slide they all apply. In term so the administration fee what you see before you the SIFC incorporates the business center which necessitate the fee level here. Bad debt this fee is paid for by student to accommodate that not every student can pay that fee what this does is bridge the gap. As of the business center they recommend to bridge that gap the contingency $1 fall, winter, and spring there’s no reason for it to go up.

A & B Recommendations
Representative Robb: For all three, appropriations and budget committee recommends approval of it they were very straight forward on bad debt is bad that was pretty much the committee consensus. They’re very straight forward. SIFC administration goes to make sure the SIFC runs bad debt. Very self-explanatory.
Representative Van Bossuyt: I was wondering if we get anything back on the bad debt from collections? If we actually get money back from that the amount of bad debt than what we see here and some of that.
Josh Makepeace: I’m not sure but the recommendation to applying that to what the bad debt number was it cancelled each other out.
Representative Van Bossuyt: This is used to zero out every year?
Josh Makepeace: Yes.
Representative Van Bossuyt: I move to approve all three.
Brant Second
Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: How much is our contingency fund right now?
Josh Makepeace: $4.4 and $4.7 million.
President Pro Tempore Deedon: Call to question.
A roll call on the approval of SIFC Administration, Bad Debt, and Contingency.

The motion passed.

Facility Improvement

SIFC Presentation

Josh Makepeace: $65 fall, winter, and spring term $48.50 summer term. That $65 includes the $48 for the referendum for the experience center and the Alexander turf house.

A & B Recommendations

Representative Robb: Recommended the facility improvement. They were voted on by the student body at large. They go to improvements that help the entire student body.

Struthers This is administration approval we can’t vote this down. I want to make sure if that’s in or with SIFC.

Josh Makepeace: It is needed to vote through to keep it active.

President Pro Tempore Deedon: I move to approve.

Senator Boyd: Second

Representative Powell: So this wasn’t included in the student fees until we got it approved?

Josh Makepeace: You were not charged the $48 because of the delays.

Representative Powell: Does the fee start next term?

Josh Makepeace: I would say yes the fee would be collected spring term.

Representative Powell: So I definitely support the SEC and the student voting for it why isn’t the state paying for our building on campus?

Speaker Hatlen: I’m not sure they would have funded it. The lobbying trips we’ve taken we voted to pay for this really added weight to our argument to approve that. I’ll yield the floor to Miss Colvin.

Emily Colvin: The SEC is for students by students and giving us power giving autonomy for the students.

Vice President Eath: This was a request for a bond the students and referendum but we voted for the SEC so it would be paid for by
student fees. They approve it for the bond we request and now that they approved the bond we’re going to pay it back. Other building can be paid for by budgets. 

Senator Diabat: How many years will this keep going? 

Struthers 30 years. 

Senator Diabat: That’s pretty damn high. 

Representative Van Bossuyt: I was wondering if you could speak to the current fee level what all is included by that in understanding any is increased. 

Josh Makepeace: It includes the student fees you’ve paid include everything we’ve presented to this point add together. The facility improvements encompass that $65 and it’s brought down in the summer that goes to the turf project in McAlester. 

Representative Alvarez: Why is it brought down in the summer? 

Josh Makepeace: That’s a good question 

Speaker Hatlen: I don’t know. 

Struthers I don’t think anyone has ever asked that question. 

Actually, I think I know. 

Speaker Hatlen: No one has ever asked that question but oh wait, I have the answer! 

Struthers I know there are people who run operations on that campus those services are cut down so the fee that’s being paid for is only needed to operate in the summer for the SEC I don’t know why but that’s being brought down because they’re operating less. 

Representative Alvarez: As in the turf would be the same. 

Struthers That’s for like operational budgets. For capital construction that’s to keep in line I don’t know how those numbers were calculated. 

Representative Alvarez: It’s not like those buildings disappear. 

Speaker Pro Tempore Dunn: Kind of. 

Angela Baxter: One of the reasons some go down is that some building while they’re still here they’re not utilized as much and don’t need as many services that are utilized. Others are utilized while students are in school.
Representative Alvarez: Yeah however it’s the operational budget of rec sports that’s paying to utilize that during the summer so that’s why that would decrease this is to purely to build the turf and renovate it doesn’t make a lot of sense. I wish I would’ve thought of this during the open hearing.

Representative Robb: I find this funny we’re going on so much for this though it’s important to students isn’t it the idea that summer term will be cheaper for students that’s kind of a rationale for this and since everyone here from what I’ve heard is going to approve this anyways, I call to question.

A roll call vote was taken on the Facility Improvements budget. The motion passed.

Josh Makepeace: The SIFC members in the room thank you for your support. The SIFC this year asked critical questions they asked question that safe to say other fee committees didn’t ask. Your SIFC this year cared about this year and how this year goes but how the future goes. They were committed to bringing positive change to the university. No one was scared to bringing the tough questions I thank you for your service and ASOSU for your support.

VI. Speaker’s Announcements

Speaker Hatlen: I wanted to echo that and thank you to SIFC. The process has been extensive to ensure that student fees are appropriate. Thank you again all SIFC member and budgeting boards. I’d like to extend an apology to anyone took the tone of my email too harshly I’d like to thank you for being here it’s not nearly as long as anticipated. Hopefully you can get back to studying I’d like to extend an invitation to you all for the town hall tomorrow in MU 213 following our joint session. I encourage you to be there and participate in that conversation. If you have time to spare meet with student leaders across campus and have you listen to their ideas. I encourage you to go there. Lastly tomorrow we have another join session same place; same time the exact same seating arrangements. We might not have these fancy TVs that’s where we’ll approve the minutes that Brandi will edit tonight and send out it’s the final part of this process and we submit to President Ed Ray. Your attendance will be greatly appreciated thank you for being here and the gallery for sitting through our meeting.
VII. President’s Announcements

Vice President Eath: I’m going to spare my voice but I want to thank everyone for coming today and good luck with finals and what everyone has for dead week.

VIII. House Comments

Representative Van Bossuyt: I’d like to remind everyone that we have legislation tomorrow as well. Don’t leave until you hear the ADA and we’ll hear a resolution supporting the coalition of employees and the second issue is going to be important to grad student and representatives. We’re thankful that the undergrads stick around after approval of the minutes.

Struthers I want to thank everyone in the house members who took an extra hour to get stuff done. Last week was unique it was our first time for the house to not have quorum. I want to thank all those house members for being there. We found that for the joint sessions to not be at the end of the term. It was week one or two in spring term. We learned a valuable lesson and thank you for being here tonight.

IX. Senate Comments

Senator Diabat: Thank you for being here and approving these budgets and the gallery for being here and the budget boards for being here and all of us that really hard to speak with respect myself work hard on that and respect everyone in this room and the time and effort put in to this. It was said by one of the house representatives that we live in a community and the community needs to support itself by supporting each other. This does not mean that any budget in the past will continue to be in the future. Increasing a little does not mean anything guaranteed for the future as well and we could let go any budget in the future and we should work hard to get that for a healthy community as well with those resolution to support GT for the undergrads for the grad they know how important that is just thing about your TA and who’s going to grade your paper and is not paid well for it. You’re going to get a C. Think about that support us. You know that doesn’t mean they’ll give you an A.

Representative Alvarez: I would like to commend Josh for all his time spent over the last several months.

X. Gallery Comments

Angela Baxter: Thanks Josh, you did fantastic!

XI. Adjournment

Representative Brantley: I move to adjourn.

Representative Vanderwall: Second

Acclamation occurred and the meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.