I. Call to Order/Roll-Call/Quorum
The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Quorum was met with 9 Senators present.

II. Swearing in of Senators
None
Senator Coon: I move to approve the agenda.
Senator Vandever: Second
A voice vote was taken to approve the agenda. The motion passed.

III. Singing of the OSU Alma Mater
Senator Vandever: I move to forgo singing the OSU Alma Mater.
Senator Kennemer: Second
A voice vote was taken. The motion passed.

IV. Approval of Minutes from Tuesday, October 11th, 2011
Senator Redman: I move to approve the minutes from Tuesday October 11.
Senator Vandever: Second
A voice vote was taken to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

V. Standing Committee Reports
Student Government Committee
Senator Boyd: The student government committee met again last week after senate and after discussing it and working off of feedback from the previous meeting the current bill wasn’t going to work with the ideas we heard. We now have scratched the bill and started over.
President Pro-Tempore: When can we expect that bill?
Senator Boyd: Within the next week we’d have the new copy of the bill. We’re also going to do a town hall type of meeting when we have more ideas.
Senator Diabat: Who’s on the bill to decide what’s written?
Senator Boyd: We have a couple senators including Senator Vandever and myself. If anyone else is interested we have some great ideas. We’ve met to finanilize what to incorporate in that bill.

Senator Diabat: Did you think to invite the ones that objected to it?

Senator Boyd: That’s what our last meeting was about. We sent around a piece of paper of who would like to be involved in revising the bill. Anyone else interested let me know.

Senator Diabat: I received an invite by the multi cultural centers that they’re hosting a space to discuss the bill.

Senator Boyd: The BCC invite?

Senator Diabat: It’s going to be at the end of October.

Senator Cushing: That’s for the other bill.

Senator Diabat: I might be mistaken. But I think it was this bill.

Senator Boyd: I’m not sure. If you want to compare afterwards we can do that.

VI. Joint Committee Reports

Joint Committee of Congressional Correspondence

Senator Boyd: The JCCC meetings are Mondays at 4 in Snell 149. And we met this week to discuss last week’s meeting. I yield the floor to Representative Robb.

Representative Rob: I believe a lot of you heard especially in the Barometer what happened last week or from students on campus. The actions besides the articles of impeachment, we passed three bills on the floor I believe you have two in front of you and the third one was a house committee. The two before you are one for reinstatement of representation to OSA. And the other one is reinstatement of funds to be paid to OSA. We decided to separate them. Even if funding would be stopped we must continue to represent at that organization. The third bill we passed was a House committee to look into the relationship between OSA and ASOSU. And I asked any senator if they would like to sit in on that please come in and we’ll give you voting rights. We want this to be as open as possible.

VII. Delegate Reports

President Pro-Tempore: Is anyone from any student organization that would like to report anything? You can share what has been going on in your organizations or current events. Anderson I believe you all got emails about the cultural centers having a formal event on just spreading the word of what’s going on. The majority of students about 80% didn’t know we had a student government. Just to educate them about what’s going on and
that there is a student government is really needed. We thought it would be good to have a neutral event. If you want to speak you can talk to me afterwards.

Senator Boyd: Is that the Monday night event?
Anderson: Yes I believe its at 7 on October 24.
Senator Diabat: According to the email. Its October 24th 7 p.m. That’s what the senate received.
Anderson: You all got emails on that correct?
Senator Diabat: What do you mean by neutral place?
Anderson: We realize as an organization when informing students there’s a lot of ways you can tell a story. We wanted to make sure that we’re not saying one side. We want to get the story straight out and leveled so that students can decide on their own what they want to do.
 Senator Diabat: Is this meeting not neutral or is the ASOSU offices are not neutral?
Anderson: It’s not that. We just want to make sure this meeting we’re having stays neutral. Guest speakers we might invite that we have everybody’s opinion offered. Its not any shots out at anybody its to make sure everyone is heard. Does that make sense?
Senator Diabat: If you believe in that it makes sense.
Senator Vandever: I want to commend you guys for putting that on and getting enough information out as we can.
Senator Boyd: Besides sending invites to us what are you doing to promote this?
Anderson: We’re sending out flyers and we’ll be sending them to dining centers, the library, all the dorms, also facebook invites have been sent out. Of course listservs the BCC has their own listserv, which also gets sent to other cultural groups. Possible chalk on the MU.

VIII. Old Business
None

IX. New Business & First Readings

Guest- Colby Whitaker

President Pro-Tempore: This is the time to go over the judicial procedures for how impeachment trial will run and discuss when and where that will take place. We need to know the procedures of how that will take place.

Colby Whitaker: I’m not sure where you want me to start with this but the basic thing is that the time for the trial. The soonest the trial could occur is tomorrow. Its in the judicial policy that it cannot take place within 7 days of its approval. And so the soonest would be tomorrow but that wouldn’t be happening and the latest is Saturday November 12. 30 days within the passing of the articles of
impeachment. That's the basic time keep in mind. Is there anything specific you want me to go over?

President Pro-Tempore: Just the basics. I'm looking more at coming in here and not knowing having an impeachment talking about both sides and how they represent each other.

Colby Whitaker: So I'll give it a shot. I'll be presiding over the trial. So basically you have your plaintiff and defendant. Our plaintiff will be Drew and the defendant will be Tonga. Those will be the people representing. They will submit witnesses for the case 72 hours before to me and the opposing party. So I'm not sure what else.

Senator Coon: I heard a rumor and I was given that we would have to be writing opinions of our vote. There's a majority and minority or is it all together.

Colby Whitaker: For judicial councilors it works that all people must partake in the opinion whether that's your own minority or you contribute to the majority opinion. You can write your own opinion for that.

Chris Van Drimmel: So all senators are obligated to contribute to the majority or minority opinion?

Colby Whitaker: It has been that typically one person will write the lead. You can write a concurrent opinion. Otherwise it's one big one taking everyone's opinions into account and everyone signs off on it.

Senator Diabat: Is there a way between the house and trial to try and work something out without trial?

Chris Van Drimmel: No not really. The trial impeachment is one of those things that since it moves legislatively there isn't a whole lot of stuff to be done between the articles of impeachment and the trial. The senate has leeway of how they can approach the trial even if they do find the defendant to be guilty of the charges that have been levied against her by the house. A punishment can be handed down that isn't removal of office. You can do nothing you could hand down and injunction which is essentially a set of stipulations she has to abide by and by the time the injunction expires and she's good it goes away. Censure that's a formal reprimand. There's the ultimate decision to remove the offending person from office. To answer the questions we can work towards a restorative solution but not before going to trial.

President Pro-Tempore: Does the gallery have questions about how it will be run?

Gallery Member: You mentioned there are hours for senate to have witnesses and statements am I hearing that correctly?
Colby Whitaker: Your plaintiffs and defendants cases have to be submitted to me and the opposing party 72 hours before the trial starts. You have up until 72 hours before the set time so you can’t at the last second throw in a witness without anyone knowing. There’s no avenue to add in witnesses we’re suppose to be scheduling enough time before now and the trial for everyone to get heir ducks in order and make sure they have the witnesses and evidence to support their case.

Chris Van Drimmelen: That is something to consider before scheduling the trial because that 3 day trial may land on a weekend.

Gallery Member: Who is the judge in that situation?

Colby Whitaker: The people that will decide is the senate I will preside over it and maintain order and uphold partiality of the process.

Gallery Member: They’re a collective judge?

Colby Whitaker: Think of them as the jury. They will decide guilty or not guilty.

Gallery Member: Is there a way for student voices to be heard?

Colby Whitaker: No I don’t not believe so.

Chris Van Drimmelen: As a trial it’s not the place for commentary unless one is called as witness. As a trial it functions a little differently.

Anderson: You said something about injunction what’s an example of the list of things she may have to do?

Chris Van Drimmelen: So the terms of the injunction could be put to the senate. But for example if there are unresolved issues to leave the ASOSU and state provisions in effect requiring that relationship. If there were an injunction the senate would want those questions resolved. That would be an example.

Angela Baxter: I was wondering as representatives of the student body how are you going to go about getting the opinions of the student body? Because apart of this decision has to rely on what the student body wants as well. How are you going to go about making sure what you decide is represented of that student body?

President Pro-Tempore: For anything to pass it has to pass for 2/3 senate. We do have emails or if you want to personally connect with us to discuss what your opinions are we’re more than happy to hear those.

Senator Cushing: We’ve also received emails from the student body and hold office hours in Snell hall. The fact that you’re all here is representative of that. And I want to clear something up that was said earlier, it was said that the senate was the plaintiff but it’s the house.
Gallery Member: I was wondering what is more of a deciding factor, the opinions of the student body or whether the Constitution was followed.

President Pro-Tempore: It would be a matter of looking at the situation that happened. Whether those rules were followed and to whether the consequences of that. We do have to make that decision it comes to student voice and what we represent as well. If you have an issue with it please bring that forward so all the considerations are there to see what people are saying. As Senator Cushing said we have gallery time at the end if you wish to speak at that time to the impeachment trial I ask that being its midterms week to keep it respectable in length.

HB-03.01 “Articles of Impeachment”

President Pro-Tempore: This is the bill here. Pertaining to when we should be holding this as a possibility for next Tuesday? We have senate in this same room here and work on mics so everyone can hear us.

Senator Vandever: With that does that sound resonable?

Speaker Hatlen: I believe more time would be appropriate to coordinate witnesses for both sides to make sure they can be in attendance as well. So possibly the end of that deadline.

President Pro-Tempore: How much longer?

Speaker Hatlen: I would like to find consenus of the house that is adequately represented.

President Pro-Tempore: Can you find out at the meeting tomorrow?

Speaker Hatlen: I will definitely ask the opinion of the house. It’s just a courtesy of both parties.

Senator Redman: Could we do a doodle poll?

President Pro-Tempore: We could. If we could get it in within the next 2 weeks that would be nice. There is a lot of work that is being suspended because of the suspension of the president.

Senator Vandever: If we could stick to a tuesday night since obviously that works for all of us I would appreciate it.

Senator Coon: One way or another we’re going to have to hold this. So I think we should tell them we have two weeks from today if that is acceptable to the rest of senate.

President Pro-Tempore: The next Tuesday is following Halloween that would be November 1.
Senator Redman: What’s our time frame? How long should we allot for this? How long will the trial actually take? If it’s 4 hours I don’t think anyone would want to be here until 11.

Chris Van Drimmelen: The judicial council policy lays out a time limits so if we’ll follow along on page 13. 1. Oral arguments shall take the follow the ordered progression of presentation of evidence as follows: opening statements, presentation of evidence by the Plaintiff, cross examination of the Plaintiff by the Defendant, presentation of evidence by the Defendant, cross examination of the Defendant by the Plaintiff, examination of the evidence by the Council, and closing statements.

i. Each party shall have 3 minutes to present their opening statement.

ii. Each Party shall each have 20 minutes to present evidence and testimony.

iii. Each party shall have 10 minutes to cross examine the opposing party.

iv. Each party shall have 3 minutes to present their closing statement.

v. The Plaintiff shall present his or her opening and closing statements before the Defendant.

A grand total of 1 hour and 12 minutes and however long deliberations of the senate after that of guilt or innocence and sentencing.

HR-03.02 "OSA Representation"

Clerk Wolff: “HR-03.02 Resolution to send ASOSU Representatives to OSA. “OSA Representation”

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE 71st ASOSU Congress:
That ASOSU send representation of our President and their delegate to the OSA Board of Directors meetings.

President Pro-Tempore: This is first readings this has been brought forward as a quick measure. We can wait for next week or possibly move on to second readings tonight.

Senator Coon: I move to take HR-03.02 to second readings.

Senator Boyd: Second

Senator Cushing: Why did they try to rush this before the trial? Is it because there is a directors meeting. I think we should wait until after the trial.
Speaker Hatlen: There will be a directors meeting for the month of October and the concern was that we have membership and opinion from ASOSU as a whole and from students in that meeting.

Senator Vandeaver: The house created a committee to deal with the relationship?

Speaker Hatlen: Correct

Senator Cushing: Is it possible to send representation without sending funding?

Speaker Hatlen: With discussions of OSA we can have representation at the meeting by our two delegates of the president and who they see fit but we will not have voting rights until we reinstate the funds but actually have the final decision with all the other delegates we wont have that without the funding.

President Pro-Tempore: This meeting pertains to the direction of OSA?

Speaker Hatlen: Yes.

President Pro-Tempore: So that’s not just a rumor that is the agenda for that meeting?

Speaker Hatlen: I don’t have their agenda but that’s what I was told.

Alfredo: I spoke to one of the OSA board of directors, the president from U of O and he gave me a survey that would get our students input so we wont have to be apart of them right now I have that student survey and we could still have students input without reinstate funding.

President Pro-Tempore: At the time we’re on a discussion to move onto second reading. We can continue discussion or close discussion vote.

Senator Cushing: I move to end discussion.

Senator Redman: Second

A voice vote was taken to close discussion. The motion passed.

A roll call vote to move into second readings was taken. The motion passed.

President Pro-Tempore: There is a survey for students to fill out?

Alfredo: Yes we don’t have to pay them to vote because our voices will be heard anyways. We can give it to them and they would take that openingly.

Speaker Hatlen: Alfredo is correct in OSA did send us a survey they would like us to pass out to students I was assuming the executive side would send that out to the listserv to students can weigh in on that. This bill is concerning the representation of sending the president and delegate as stated in our statutes that they will do that duty. This doesn’t have anything to do with funding.

Chris Lenn: I want to clarify something that the OSA every two years take issues and pick three to direct their issue towards. An internet survey is distributed and they pick and narrow down the top 3. As an OSA member if they don’t fund can
choose to not vote. When it comes down to the narrowing they cannot vote if they don't fund.

**Gina Ramos:** My concern is timelines. I’m curious when the OSA meeting is going to occur that we have enough time to get our surveys in. What’s the timelines we’re talking about?

**Angela Baxter:** OSA usually give approximately a month for the survey to be submitted and returned. Normally they go back to the student government that would be ASOSU and for a period of usually 3 meetings they’re determining the results of the survey that wouldn’t go into the next month. And the actual votes won’t even start until later on.

**Andy Derringer:** Point of Clarification. Within the statutes it says the second representative will be the executive director of regulations. As a second rep with Tonga.

**Senator Vandever:** I was going to say with that if voting isn’t going on at the next meeting it shouldn’t be a problem with that?

**Senator Cushing:** If this bill is passed since the president is still suspended does that mean the vice president would go instead?

**President Pro-Tempore:** Technically yes, he is filling the vacancy at this time.

**Speaker Hatlen:** With clarification with the surveys, the other universities that have been participating have been giving the surveys out. 9000 surveys have been returned already. Currently they’re at 80%. The issue will still be going on because the other universities have already weighed in their decisions. They might or might not wait until all the OSU surveys are in. It might be a good idea to ensure the president and their designee have some voice at that meeting.

**Robby:** Clarification, those surveys start at the beginning of the summer and on top of that as OSU students we have sent things into OSA. I’ve been apart of emails to them about what OSU wants to do. We have been talking to the board and sending things like that. We haven’t gone to retreats or meetings because they conflict with things we have pre determined.

**President Pro-Tempore:** I hope everyone has been able to hear that are the opinions as to how people feel towards this resolution?

**Senator Boyd:** I think it’s a good idea we send representatives that’s what the issue that made the impeachment come across and I think if the president is held to that standard we should abide by it. We should send representatives when these issues are chosen.
President Pro-Tempore: I think there is a reason behind pulling out of OSA. OSA’s lobbying interest has been minimal as far as a message. It puts a statement if we are paying one quarter of the budget our issues do need to be heard. I would vote down this resolution. We do have our own team here that’s doing things in OSA until they get the message that we’re necessary to them.

Senato Cushing: I move to table this bill until after the impeachment trial on November 1.

Senator Coon: Regardless of your feelings the constitution still stipulates that we send a representative. However if we don’t pass this we’ll be in violation of the Constitution. I agree the underlying principle is that OSA isn’t doing right by us but at the same time we should hold ourselves to our own standards.

Senator Cushing: We wouldn’t be, the executive branch would be.

President Pro-Tempore: We would be saying yes you are in the correct standpoint but if you look at current standpoint.

Patricia: I want to make a point of clarification, if OSU was to be a member of the OSA we would fund a third of their budget opposed to a fourth of that.

Senator Boyd: I’m not exactly sure it’s a statutory violation to not a Constitution. But since we haven’t changed the statutes we should uphold what we stand for. I also wanted to clarify what I’ve heard of this if we go along with this it’s reinstating representation and funding for this term until the committee has decided if we want to be apart of OSA.

President Pro-Tempore: That is at least the funding, yes.

Senator Cushing: I yield the floor to Angela.

Angela Baxter: Considering we’re looking at $1500 that if we’re not apart of OSA. I’m talking about just this term. If its $25000 looking at whether we want to be involved with OSA would it be proactive to air on the side of caution and say we’ll send represent without voting. We don’t have voting rights if we pay our dues or not. That’s a lot of money we could use for other issues. We won’t get that funding back if we pay it. Looking at the budgetary constraints we have because of the recession that could help in other areas. Do we want to air on the side of caution it would be good to have representation there.

Senator Boyd: Question, you said whether or not we pay our dues?

Angela If you miss more than 3 board meetings you do not have the vote in OSA. Over the summer they met and we don’t have the vote and last year we missed a number of meeting that then contributed to having a vote as well. I’m not sure how many.
Senator Vandever: I want to applaud the House for splitting this into two separate bills that makes it nice. Unless there’s something I’m unaware of we should send representation.

President Pro-Tempore: I entertain a motion for this bill.

Angela: Point of Clarification. This is just for representation?

President Pro-Tempore: Yes.

Senator Boyd: I move to pass HR-03.02.

Senator Redman: Second

A voice vote to approve HR-03.02. Motion passed.

HR-03.03 “OSA Funding”

Clerk Wolff: “HR-03.03 Resolution to reinstate OSA funds. “OSA Membership Funds”

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE 71st ASOSU Congress:

To reinstate funding for OSA membership."

Senator Boyd: I think we should keep it in first reading. To talk about who knows about it more.

Senator Redman: I’d like to know if paying gets us a voting right or not.

Robby: With the house stated last meeting even if we pay this term we’re not going to get the vote.

Senator Redman: I would just like a final answer on that.

President Pro-Tempore: Robby is the one to talk to.

Speaker Hatlen: If you all want, I can call or contact the director or event the chair to find out if they can come down here and talk to you next week to clarification you might have.

President Pro-Tempore: That was first readings for the bill. We’ll move on next week if we could get that set up that would be nice.

Senator Vandever: Where are we at for the committee for the student bill of rights?

President Pro-Tempore: As far as appointing.

Speaker Hatlen: Has there been a signature?

Chris Van Drimmelen: If its been 7 days it becomes law. It’s the opposite a of pocket veto. That would automatically be validating if it was not signed.

Speaker Hatlen: We have three spots.

President Pro-Tempore: If you wish to be apart of that committee let me know about that. If we have more about that we’ll figure out a just way to do that.

Robby: Quick clarification. Who is qualified for the committee?
President Pro-Tempore: Three representatives three senators and then there’s the opinions.

Speaker Hatlen: We need clarification for that. Its 4 senators appointed by the president of the senate 4 reps by the speaker. 1 non-voting ex officio by the president. And I believe as a stipulation of one of the students has to be a grad student that would be Mousa or one of the grads from the house. Once we start getting things together it will be sent to delegate groups and faculty senate for input if we have everything in there that we need. To potentially get on the ballot in the spring to take into account student organizations.

President Pro-Tempore: Its the student bill of rights that we do not technically have right now. It would be a addition to the Constitution. Each either through the president or speaker of that house that’s what that was about.

Senator Boyd: Since it’s a Constitutional amendment it will have to be voted on by the student body. And a majority of those votes wont get into the Constitution without student votes.

X. Other New Business

None

XI. President’s Announcements

None

XII. Senator Comments

Senator Boyd: As you will see I passed around a sign in thing with your basic information on it. The House did this as well and they have their information posted on the website under the legislative branch section I’m going to ask that be post on as well. Hopefully within the next week our contact information and office hours will be available.

Senator Vandever: I wanted to express my appreciation whoever sent me emails. I would encourage everyone else to do that as well. I appreciate the one guy that came to my office hours.

XIII. Gallery Comments

Patricia: Something that I wanted to bring up this meeting this is my third senate meeting I’ve attended and I wanted to bring up that we should all be inclusive as possible. If we could be aware of how we speak in terms of using the term guys. I personally don’t identify with that so you are not talking to me. If we could watch the language we use. As an advocate I would like to express my disappointment in these meetings and how uninclusive they are for the disabled community. I identify with the able bodies person but I can’t hear what’s going on we should make all these meetings as inclusive as possible. I’m not sure who’s in charge of that. I know you were talking about having mics
for the trial choose spaces maybe not like this but where people can hear you and mics are available but also for the House. I’m not sure how much training the legislative branch has done to be culturally competent. I’d be able to help you get more information to better serve our community.

**Gallery Member:** I second that motion.

**President Pro-Tempore:** We’ll work on the sound system. It is in the Constitution that we have to be in this room changing it might have to look into that in the future.

**Brina Powell:** The publication of minutes on the website, I don’t know if its required to publish the minutes or not but the ASOSU minutes have not been updated since 2010 and I don’t know where to access those minutes or information from the meetings. I emailed the executive director of publica relations and I got the standard response that they’re woking on it I was wondering if there was any way to suggest to them that they publish the minutes.

**Vice President Eath:** Point of Clarification. We’re in the process of remodeling our website and working in the background and main frame.

**Speaker Hatlen:** They included in both listservs the executive director of public relations and the editor of the Barometer. All our minutes are being sent out its just a matter of getting them on the website.

**Angela:** Is the possibility that you get our names that emails go out to who ever is in the gallery?

**President Pro-Tempore:** That could happen we know that gallery attendance has increased tenfold.

**Britton:** I had a friendly suggestion I’m on my first year here the only reason I know about ASOSU is that I’m in the internship class. You guys spoke about representing students and you said that you come to my office hours that was them seeking you out but I wouldn’t know about this if I wasn’t given the resources. Maybe seek out students and see how they feel about that. You’re here for us and there aren’t many us here tonight. There are thousands out doing homework and stuff that you might want to talk to and see how they feel about it.

**President Pro-Tempore:** I did write many of those things down here for senators to work on and continue to represent students and that students know what is going on. Those are appreciated.

**Speaker Hatlen:** This is a question for Senator Vandeve, you have your facebook page for senate would it be possible that if the website is under construction can you post the minutes on there?
Senator Vandever: Yeah I have been posting on there. It’s jacob vandever asosu senate page.

President Pro-Tempore: we’ll put that on the minutes.

Senator Diabat: Can we publish minutes that are not approved? The minutes have to be approved by the senat and then the minutes are sent out? Just so everyone knows that. It’s not directly afterwards.

President Pro-Tempore: One week late. Or one week afterwards. We’ll have representation for OSA and talk about the funding if those are approved than in two weeks we’re hoping to have the impeachment trial whether that is in this area or in a different area we’ll get the information on that. We’ll see about getting minutes out to those who attend the meetings. Tonight was a great opportunity to provide those comments to the senators.

XIV. Adjournment

Senator Boyd: I move to adjourn.

Senator Coon Second

A voice vote was taken to adjourn. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.