

TUESDAY, February 23, 2010 23rd MEETING OF 2009-2010 SENATE

CALL TO ORDER: 7:03pm

START TIME: 7:03pm

ROLL CALL

FINANCE: Senator Vivas Excused

STUDENT ACTIVITIES: All present

COLA: All present

CODEEE: Senator McDonald; Senator J. Adams Excused

STUDENT ACTION: Senator Church Excused

PR: Senator Wilich Excused

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS: Senator Henley Excused

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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PUBLIC FORUM

Kesha Ram, Vermont House Representative

Emma Mulvaney-Stanak, Candidate for Burlington City Council

Emma Mulvaney-Stanak. I am going to stand in for Jeff it that's ok. I don't know how many other city council candidates have come through. I was a candidate in Ward 2, now from buyers tax credit, I've bought a house, and I am running in Ward 3. Clarence Tomas is leaving his seat vacant. It's important that students and community members know what is on the ballot. On the back of my handout is the 6 points on the ballot. Often when races aren't contested people don't

vote. A lot of students live in Ward 3, it's from Elm Wood, parts of North Winooski to the lake. The other items on the ballot display my involvement as a city council and school commissioner. Every March the school budget is up, personally I don't think we can spend enough; the increase this year is moderate at about 4.2%. In our neighborhoods we have a lot of English language learners that will be part of the budget. Those of you who frequent our airport, we are asking for a bond to build a green roof over the airport parking lot. The third is support of our fire dept, which needs a new ladder truck, and repairs on existing trucks. The forth, Burlington is one of the first to in ate the Clean Energy Acceptance district, It's a new federal program, that will provide loans to property owners to do energy efficient upgrades and installations for their building improvement, the property owner will pay them back over the next few years, and would cost the city nothing. Lastly, for those lovers of democracy, is a two part question, the first is about the way we vote for mayor, as instant run off voting, and the second is about what constitutes a majority. I am voting against it because any less than 50% is not democratic, and I am supporter of instant runoff voting, it provides more opportunities for other candidates to run and I think it works. The last is about a charter change about how the mayor hires the heads of departments. We want more involved in those decisions. You have 24 hrs to change over you voting status to Burlington. What I'll do know is answer any questions you have about my candidacy or the ballot issues.

Senator Filstein: What your opinion on the Ward 2 elections?

Emma Mulvaney-Stanak: In Ward 2 there is two races, the one I vacated, and the other is a two year term is up. In the one year seat you have two candidates, one is Max Tracy, a recent UVM grad involved in the student leader action coordinate, being young is a great thing, he knows a lot about campus life issues. He is standing up for working peoples issues. He is also standing up for working student issues against Bram. Bram is a Democrat, and Tracey a Progressive. Bram is a state prosecutor, and his platform is based on safety in the old north end. David Bresniac is the incumbent. He has lived in the old north end for a few years. The other option is Jon Levitt, who lives on Green St. and running as a progressive. I am supporting Jon, he's a strong supporter of health care legislation, and is very engaged.

Speaker Ash: Any further questions? Seeing none, thank you. With that I would like to introduce our next guest, Kesha Ram.

Kesha Ram: Hi everybody, I'm a Vermont state legislator representing Burlington. At one point when Emma was Ward 2 city councilor we shared part of our districts. I know most of you and have still served with some of you. I graduated in 2008 was the SGA President, and I know what it's like to sit where you are and now it's vital to share about what's going on in Burlington on campus and Montpelier. I would like to commend you for those who are on your way out, and for those who are gearing up for you next elections, I wish you the best of luck. I would like to inform you and get your feedback on. One, is about a change we made, a bill we passed in the House, is about the primary date, dealing with the elections date in VT. The federal government urged states to pick up the pace on electronic voting or push the date back so that we provide for our service men – and thus, the alternative is moving the date back to late August. It would be

three weeks prior that it is now, and would preclude a lot of student from voting. That would take away a lot of the student influence, and our hands are tied. I will be working with student leaders and member of student life, for those to get absentee ballots here in Burlington, the reason most of you vote here is because you are here. Now you would be away for the primary. and back here for the actual election. Its an important issue, and we want student leaders to have a voice. We just held a higher education caucus in the legislature, and it mission is twofold, one to learn about the issues facing students and the issues facing higher institutions around the state. Two, its mission is also to show to our legislators so that they have an understanding of the impact higher education has to the economy, and around the state. Every year the question comes up to increase the tuition of UVM, VSAC and other VT state colleges. It's one of the highest employers in the state. We want the legislator to hear from student faculty about how we can make it more affordable. I heard a statement from VP Ash that rocked the boat, I was impressed and your voices are often heard when we are sent legislation from your resolutions, it makes an impact on our legislators. Recently the resolution about VT Yankee made its way to us, the senate is voting on it tomorrow, and we feel they have your understanding of to where you stand. I personal if it comes to the house will vote against it. There are a lot of complexities if it does come to a vote. As some of you may now, the plant is up for relicensing until 2012, so the plant is still open for operation until 2012 and is still leaking Tritium at levels unbeknownst to us. There is strong push to figure how much of this radioactive isotope is leaking into the ground water and into the river. They don't know where exactly the pipes are that are leaking, we see this is a management issues or lack there off. There has recently been discovered a ancient creek bed moving under the plant. The Federal Regulatory Board, and Dept of Health are the only authorities that have the power to shut down the plant before its closing date. All the faculty needs is in order to be shut down is a negative vote in either body. It would need a positive vote in both bodies to keep it running, if the house votes no, there done. It a very complex issue. We think it's unreliable, but were not sure when the vote is coming to place. Its non binding because they have until 2012 to relicense. I am on Generalizing and Military Affairs council. Generalizing and Military Affairs has to do with a wide range of issues, ranging from tribal affairs, alcohol policy, labor issue, and anything that can't be assigned to other committees. I have been exploring the drinking age, combined with no education except no tolerance Is actually serving our population, or if it's actually curbing our drunk driving. There is education and technology making drunk driving obsolete, but the drinking behavior, has become forced into the dark, and become unhealthy. I have introduced a bill allowing minors to drink in their own homes and with their own parent supervision. This is also for religious purposes. We are conservative on this issue. We have been working with Dr. J from UVM, to get a resolution passed through Congress to separate funds from the federal highway funds and the drinking age. Several states are afraid of the discussion because they don't want to be forced into losing money from the highway department. Finally I know many of you care of about climate change, and environmental issues. I was the first SGA president to come from Rubenstein school, and thought it would interesting for you to know, I will be lobbying in Washington on more stringent federal climate change regulation, I'm working for energy action now, and will am climate change ambassador from Oxfam, to speak out on the international

urgency for climate change. I will be meeting woman from around the world, to show the affects of climate change going on now. I will be working with Christen G. Senator from NY, and with Joan Carter, and am looking forward to lobbying on capitol hill, and would like to share more with you about that. Right now where trying to get sate legislation based, from Barbra Pulaski, a Nebraska senator, trying to reverse the EPA carbon emission legislation. I know that Emma came and spook about items on the town meeting day, get out there and vote. The stick I have in the election is with ballot issue number 5, we are better served when we can vote for a number of candidates rather than one and done, and I think it's important we elect our mayor with a 50% majority.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: You applauded our VP on rocking the boat, and I like that alcohol policy, but I wonder what you are doing in Montpelier to rock the boat.

Kesha Ram: What am I doing, well being 23 in the state house rocks the boat. I have taken the led on the issues of tribal recognition, for Abenaki and other state tribes. They have fought for centuries, and it has come to a head recently, they want to sell their crafts as authentic, they can't get federal education dollar, there is some infighting among there tribes as who gets what, and there is some concern over the belief that there will be land claims and casinos, this will not be the case, because there not eligible for federal representation. It is certainly a controversial issue. We are working on paid sick days in my committee, when I explain it a lot of people they feel it's a no-brainer, it would allow workers up to 56 of paid sick time. In my life, in my spare time I help women helping battered women, paid sick time could help for those to bring those women the care they need, and with H1N1 it would give more time for recovery, and for care to be provided, it has been an important piece of legislation. Its controversial because they say it inst the time, and we can figure out our won policy, its important right now, A lot of people think that is a small margin that doesn't have paid sick time, but its 56% of our workers. To say that we have great jobs, come and get them, isn't true if people don't have the options, it make it less of a good job market. Tomorrow, we have the vote on VT Yankee in encourage you to come down for that.

Senator Church: First real quick, I am going to do a plug that during student action committee report, I am doing to a presentation on academic trends of UVM and will be interesting for you, because you mentioned your work in the legislator on higher education, please stick around. My question is about health care bills going through the legislator. It looks like there is a lot of great stuff, with about 6 bills about 5 of those are in house, do any have a chance of passing, and what if the national government gets there through, does it push ours back?

Kesha Ram: I would love to spend the rest of the night about your issues it's the one night I get to spend with my partner, I would like to hear more later about the tuition increase its hard to impart anything on that, and I'm hoping we can level fund higher education. What really resonated in the higher education caucus and the legislator is what VP Kate Ash highlighted about being nickel and dimed with new fees at every step of the way. This has been a huge problem, it was highlighted by Kate's letter, and this is the new alarm that we have to sound in higher education, it's not just about the sticker price, because added to that are small fees here

and there that add up to nearly the same cost. We need to take this into consideration as we structure scholarship and higher education money. It's more affordable to go to private VT schools then public at this point. If you need me to speak up for you against the administration, that what I'm here for. Let me help you. My big victory this year will be to get the budget level funded but with a 150 million dollar deficit that is best we're looking at, if you want me to speak up, I'm happy to talk to with you more about the quality issue here at UVM, about the spires of excellence and other quality issues of higher education as it become hyper strategic. I support the single payer health care bills, and believe that there are more of us that do, and we may get them, passed. The unfortunate thing is what we are haring form the health care committee, is that what the feds to affect what we do here. We have to get a waiver just to change the year gap from when you loose your health care to when you can replace it, just to close that gap to 6 months, its about a year process. It's also largely about who our governor is, the bottom line is that If we had a governor who was working with our federal government to achieve things for us. Currently our gov, is likely going to veto anything that is like single payer or covers others he doesn't agree with. Get involved in the Gubernatorial race.

Chair Glynne: Thanks for accepting my town meeting invitation on facebook. I am wondering who you are supporting in the democratic caucus and what they'll do to make more jobs.

Kesha Ram: I am not publicly supporting any of them; we have 5 very good candidates. A lot of them are trying to use my access to a lot of you folks, trying to use my influence with younger demographics. There are all great candidates, and would like to work with you to get them all here debate, so that they can hear from you in regard to higher education, green jobs, jobs options, let's have a forum, and go forth. Unfortunately Dubie will only do it when its down to only one other candidate.

Senator Simmons: Thanks for joining us, I'm wondering what are the levels that states have in terms of autonomy, to change the drinking age?

Kesha: Right now from what I can gather, It's really just parental supervision. It's new to me that you are allowed to drink at bars and restaurant with you parent. That is the furthest it's been pushed while maintaining their federal funding. The states have had conversations about service member, and active duty military members drinking at 18, that will cost you highway funds. This affect from the federal highway transportation act, were talking about an issue that affects young people, in dorms, walking downtown, we need to move it out of the federal highway fund.

Senator Michel: Basically I have seen you as role model for my last three years. This is philosophical question for you. There are a lot of different quotations surrounding leadership, some say they do and don't talk other say they take responsibility and share credit. I wanted to know what your feelings are toward leadership.

Kesha Ram: I don't feel like a leader, I just see problems and want to solve them. It's really in higher education and popular to talk about leadership as getting involved, as speaking up, and trying to figure out what color leadership is. That is not who I have been. At the age of 10 the

fifth grade student council president no other female was running so I stepped up. I've had school board members from then congratulate me on my victory in the legislature, so things come full circle. If somebody comes to me, yelling upset, and they feel they exhausted other means, and have a burning desire to solve a problem, then I'll take them in to find the right channel to use their voice to solve those problems, its come down to communication. I was the first student body president, to include what is going on in depth in my emails to the student body, give as much information as we possibly can and you'll get some back.

Speaker Ash: Thank you very much. Please welcome our next guest, Greg Jenkins, a member of our Burlington community and a candidate for the upcoming City Council election.

Mr. Jenkins: Hi everyone, I am running in Ward 7 as a democrat. The area of North ave, form the right hand side down to the river, and a little bit around Burlington College. I got involved in the community about 3 ands half years ago. Burlington and Cleveland are the only two cities that carry Al-Jazeer carry on their cable. There was a move to get rid of it, I did like that at all. Having been a member of the military and one who care about freedom of speech. I got involved in that and I spook on public forum, and after that a lady came to me and said "I want to talk to you about the neighborhood planning. In terms of steering committee." We have front porch forum, so that we can get info out to people, and so that we can meet with the public once a month, and its started snowballing, and then I heard about the disc golf controversy, that they were trying to put a bad disc golf course in Leddy park, I am proud of Burlington, if were going to have one, make a real good one, and not just push it into Leddy park. It was a firestorm, I loved it, it caused some ruckus. And then I got a little angry about the school budget for last year, not so much because of the increase, but I couldn't see how they were taking into the fact of what the public wanted. The school budget is complicated and its not about all they could do to cut cost. I urge you to pass it. I got an email form David Kane the Burlington Democrat chair, asking if I'm going to the caucus on Friday, and Asked me to run for city council and now I Am, this is what I learned. Local politics is all about knocking on doors. I go out form Thursday 10:15 until 4:30 knocking on doors. I've knocked on 1400 door, I hard about. The first person to ask me about what I am going to do about the pension fund, its a lot like social security, we have not enough money going in and to much coming out. It's a big problem. And good hearing form those who know about it and want things done. Don't support ballot number 5. We are not a two party city. And Burlington telecom has been on the news, another thing I am proud about, that is was printed by small local Burlington business. I put on there about the north forty, from the marina plant to north beach, the last unprotected spot on our water front its unprotected and no body has a clue what to do with it. The city just last week got 3 million to improve that area, mostly for projects around the marina, and to address the parking. I'm banging on doors, doing the honk and wave, and get up earlier for work, its pretty good, and I have support, which is a great feeling, I have people going out last weekend, I've got another 1500 going out next weekend about the issues, but thats my grass roots effort to become a city councilor. That keeps me busy during my night, with my son off at college; he's at Berkley School of Music, yeah Zak. That's about it.

Chair Glynne: Thank for coming, I frequent city council meetings. What makes you different than the character you're running against? You would take out one of the two republicans and this, I am asking what change will you bring?

Greg: Two years ago there was a charter change to have citizen oversight over Burlington Telecom. The republican s, independents and progressive banded together to vote against it. Last august the same thing happened and it was the same vote, but now we do have some citizen oversight. We agreed on one thing, about how to get better jobs and green jobs, through a new fiber optic network, and then question was a question should there be smoking ban on the market place. It will encourage families to go down.

Chair Glynne: Your opponent talked about the fact that you're an army Veteran, and we all thank you for that. During the controversy about the mayor sending a proxy to make a speech – how did you feel about that as a vet, and potentially as a city councilmen, the decision making around the formal apology of Mayor Kiss?

Greg: I was ripped about that. The mayor said he didn't know what he was going to talk about, that was an administrative fumble.

Speaker Ash: Anyone else to speak on public forum? Now we'll move on to Emergency Business Is there any emergency business for this evening?

EMERGENCY BUSINESS

Chair Maciewicz: motion to suspend the rules.

Seconded,

Speaker Ash: All those in favor, all those against. The rules have been suspended.

Senator Buswell: The figure skating club is waiting outside.

Ana Ellis: So I want to thank everybody, and I would like to apologize first because this won't be easy, but I would like to thank everyone. I had a really great time, I have learned a lot. I know that there have been some time that didn't go smoothly as we would have wanted and there are those times we have untied. Those are the good and the bad that we need to remember, that I have learned from, and I urge each of us to take the skills we've learned from this body onto the endeavors we continue onto in the future. Whether it's another SGA term or whatever the future holds for us next. At this current time, and after a conversation with some people, I have decided to step down, not only from Speaker, but from SGA as a whole. There is a lot going on for me and I cannot be as focused and as attentive and offer all I can to be the best speaker for all of you. I want to thank you all for what I have learned and wish you all a lot of luck.

Continuous Applause

Chair Cafarelli: Motion to reinstate the Rules.

Seconded, Voted on and Approved. Rules are reinstated.

Chair Cafarelli: Emergency Business. Bill allocating funds to UVM Triathlon Club.

The club is requesting money. They need a decision on before next meeting, regarded their nationals trip fees. The way this works, if it's over 2000 dollars if goes before the senate and requires a 2/3rds. What I will do is, tonight we have the triathlon, club, they have nationals in Texas. They had high variable cost, flights, hotels, entry fees, shipping fees, and transpiration, out of the 4000\$ there asking only for 1000\$, they are observing most of the cost themselves. Each rider for their bike pays the shipping costs to ship their bikes, that dropped the coast down about 2500\$ as well, we worked on getting the lowest possible number. I will read the bill allocating funds.

Reading of the Bill.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: How the supplemental account doing and how much is left.

Chair Cafarelli: Its depleting, its first come and first serve, as o now we are looking to ship some money around, to make it work. We have a rough night with three clubs asking for over 1500 dollars. This is one of the lowest requested. The supplemental funds have seen better days.

Chair Chevrier: When did they realize they we going, I was under the impression they knew it they were going for a long time.

Chair Cafarelli: Nationals are tricky, when clubs ensure this large cost; they need to work out the logistics and not just something the go ahead with. We rather they work the numbers down, then just request also. I bring it up as emergency as flights get more expensive as time goes on, its not appropriate to have them wait. Setting back deadlines would be harder on us and the clubs. It the finance committee decision to bring it up as emergency business.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: To be clear, how much is it initial fund, how much it begins with, how much is left, how much is coming out soon?

Chair Cafarelli: Yeah. Capital funding is at \$6,000 dollars, started with \$28,000. The diversity fund at \$8300, started at \$10,000 initial. Gas \$35,000, now at \$5,00, alternative spring break requesting some of that. Nationals started at \$18,000 down to \$4,000. Supplemental \$48,500, now \$10,000. Uniform started at \$15,000 now down to \$11,000.

Senator Waldvogel: As my liaison, they are the only club to not email me.

Senator Henley: They have been good to fund-raisers, for themselves. They have been trying really hard.

Chair Cafarelli: One member did a 24 hour ride raising 1,500, and in response to your comment, if they didn't email their liaison back, every club has flaws and there is emailing you back and I would like to keep this focused to the finance.

Senator A. Adams: If they went last year, why are they not planning again?

Chair Cafarelli: they have to qualify for it. They cannot request money for something they must quality for it, we grant it ahead of time, for risk of it becoming a slush fund.

Speaker Ash: All those in favor of passing the Bill Allocating Funds to Triathlon Club.

Bill Passes.

Any further Emergency Business, seeing none, moving onto

OLD BUSINESS

Chair Chevrier: Bill Recognizing Colleges against Cancer.

Reading the Bill

Yields the floor to

Katherine, Maggie and Breanne, the tri chairs for forth annual the relay for life 2010

Katherine: We are passionate about started the Colleges against Cancer chapter here at UVM.

Maggie: It's a solely dedicated to fight against cancer, the benefit having CaC on campus, would be to inform how it affects students, and to advocated for better health care, and most importantly, be a community for survivors and care givers. I myself, my mom had breast cancer, it's been way for me to come to terms with that, We will be available for other clubs to support fight against cancer.

Breanne: Current Relay for Life is under Greek life, we'll take over that. We'll host the Great American smoke out, to help them quite. In February well have a Kiss Away Cancer event, which is caner education, and then daffodil days, were people buy daffodils, and send them to others In march. And host awareness and education events.

Katherine: How we plan to make ourselves successful, Currently the relay for life and we feel that many may not feel welcome m, and we could open the doors to incoming freshman, sophomore and those outside the Greek community, and offer those opportunities to those who want to join. We can work with different organizations, and any can help organize these events. How we meet the mission of UVM has to do with sustainability, specifically with changes such as directing people to the website, instead of printing. Position of leadership within our committee; we have a lot of freshman and sophomores taking leadership roles as chairs.

Speaker Ash: Any further questions?

Chair Rifken: How many members do you currently have?

Katherine: With Relay for Life, as our base, we have around 30 but are hoping for more.

Chair Cafarelli: The infamous financing question. What kind of funding are you looking for?

Breanne: Renting rooms and paying for the survivor dinner, and those cost that the AMC doesn't cover.

Speaker Ash: The bill is called to question.

Approved.

Senator Buswell: Bill Recognizing the Figure Skating Club as the Club of the Month, yield the floor to

Amanda and Erin: We are the figure skating club, with 30 plus active members and a synchronized skating team, we are skating to mission impossible, we did the same music, this is our second year to this music. We had 15 girl come up for the synchronized skating. What it is, is moves done all together.

Presentation ensues

Senator Buswell: Reading of the bill. They practice at 6:30, it's a calming scene to watch.

Chair Chevrier: Not a question, but I would like to say, I am in full support of this, Amanda is normal the first to respond back to us. Not only to they spin and twirl really cool, they are a good managerial aspect of leading a club.

Chair Cafarelli: Why is nobody on the Olympic Team?

Amanda: There is not a synchronized competition at the Olympics.

Speaker Ash: Called to question

Approved, Passes.

Chair Cafarelli: Motion to suspend the rules.

Chair Glynne: The reason I said this a emergency business, because it s not old business, and it's our duty to elect a new one. Constitutionally the VP takes over.

Senator Hannaford: Point of inquiry, how do we elect one without a new candidate?

Chair Glynne: It's done with people submitting candidates.

Chair Glynne: Motion to suspend the Rules.

Senator Cafarelli: Division.

Speaker Ash: Majority has it, the rules are suspended.

Chair Cafarelli: I nominate Mike Glynne as Speaker.

Senator Glynne: I nominate Maciewicz

Speaker Ash: I would like to clarify the current situation, as President Jones and I have moved not to make a formal nomination for Speaker. The role of speaker falls to me until we have done so, or until a candidate is nominated and approved by the Senate with a two-thirds majority vote. Since we have only seven weeks left, we have decided not to nominate and also, that I would continue to act as speaker. I yield the floor to President Jones.

President Jones: She willing to take on the role as speaker, and take into consideration if those who have been nominated accepted that before we go forth.

Speaker Ash: I acknowledge that the rules are suspended, but for our guests and this meeting, I ask that we please go by the speaking order.

Senator Henley: [Directed to VP Ash] It is generous for you take on this position. However, we have had a lot of senators leaving us, due to their work load. Can you promise us as VP you won't leave us?

Speaker Ash: In response to that, it is a lot of work, I am not going to promise not to bust from time to time, but I'll do the very best. I would not have offered to take on this role if I didn't believe I could do the job. I believe I have provided all information to do this for tonight's meeting. In addition I have worked out some technicalities with the staff, I do work one on one with staff, this will allows me to have biweekly check in an will allow me to better manage the passing on of legislation and strengthen many of the issues from earlier this year. I wouldn't be standing here if I dint have the support of several other individuals, and a promise that I can take on these positions.

Chair Cafarelli: [Directed to VP Ash] While I respect you and love you, I decline you offer and promise. I would love to see Chair Glynne, He is the most efficient and qualified person. We shouldn't give the VP another task when we have qualified people here for that. I want to see us run at 100 % efficiency.

Senator Buswell: Point of inquiry, when a chair becomes speaker do they lose status as chair? Secondly, Chair Glynne has been the Speaker in the past, correct?

Senator Monteforte: Ash has the abilities, and I think that that she can do the best for this task; I feel that we should not waste our time getting new chairs it would get us off track.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: If those nominated please say why they are qualified.

Chair Chevrier: I would like to yield the floor to see if they're interested, yield to Glynne.

Senator Glynne: I still support Maciewicz as the new speaker; it's our role, as part of the legislation and not the executive. We want consistency, with 7 weeks, that's a long time. I decline my nomination and fully support Maciewicz.

Chair Maciewicz: I do accept, and would have to have to get a new chair of CODDEE, I would be interested in hearing more if we want to elect anyone, and I would serve as your speaker.

Chair Glynne: Know that we have someone who has accepted the nomination, it time to go through the appointment process, I want to reiterate we need a member of the legislator and not the executive, I feel it's easier to fill a chairship then a speaker, we have a qualified candidate to do the job.

Chair Chevrier: Point of Inquiry. Does this change VP Ash from a voting to nonvoting member?

Speaker Ash: Correct.

Chair Rifken: I would like to nominate Michel.

Senator Filstein: I would like to nominate Gould.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: I still would like to hear from Maciewicz as to who would take over as chair. I don't feel comfortable unless there is something ready to take over as Chair.

Senator Brendalen: I would prefer Ash because I feel the no one is ready to fill the space from Maciewicz on our committee.

Senator Topper: I encourage someone who is a senator and not a chair, to make things more efficient, and not disrupt flow.

Senator Gould: I don't feel comfortable doing that, I don't feel comfortable, and I support Maciewicz. I think Ash would do a great job, but you have large work load already.

Senator Monteforte: I like what Maciewicz does on CODEEE.

Chair Maciewicz: I would still be on CODEEE but not be chair. McDonald as vice chair would be chair until the executive filled the position. If you decide that I should be the new speaker, I will fill the role, if not I shall continue as chair.

Senator Monteforte: Senator Michel to hear her thoughts.

Senator Michel: No thanks.

Chair Maciewicz: Yield to Frye.

Senator Frye: Can we have a three minute recess to speak to our committees?

Senator Buswell: Why can we not table this until the next meeting?

Senator Frye: Motion for three minute recess.

Passes

Vice President Ash: We will now hold a three minute recess, please return no later than 8:49.

8:50

ROLL CALL

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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS: All present

Senator John-Freso: it's not efficient to have one person doing two jobs. It wouldn't be right to split one person. Have one person due one job, they will still be apart of a committee, the last thing we need is inefficiency.

Senator Waldvogel: Anyone who feels possibly qualified to do the job please raise their hand.

Speaker Ash: Motion for an informal poll to all those potential assuming the speaker position

Senator John-Freso: Poll to change to those who are capable.

Senator A. Adams: What is the current plan for appointment, and who is chair of academic affairs,

Speaker Ash: Please reiterate that.

Senator A. Adams: Two senators have resigned, thus, what is the next step with the appointments?

Senator Ash: According to the constitution, and immediately after a seat opens a position process will open, unless otherwise decided by the Vice President. I have discussed with others, and I have made the decision that we will not open the appointment process due to efficiency. Because of the current process, it would take a great deal of time. Consider we have 3 positions open.

Senator A. Adams: Follow up: we'd be down 3 voting members and a chair.

President Jones: For the whole Senate why we weren't going to get another appointment is because it takes 4 weeks, senate packets have already gone out, you'd be running a campaign.

Senator Linde: Because Maciewicz has accepted the position, is any senator sitting on CODEEE ready to assume the position of chair as he leaves?

Chair Maciewicz: The vice chair will take over, until the Executive will assign another.

Chair Cafarelli: Bryce Jones comment about censoring him, can I not appoint some tonight right now. Please respond.

President Jones: It's not written in the Constitution, but as senate if you want to interpret it as that.

Chair Cafarelli: I nominate Kofi Mensah.

Chair Rifken: We have suspended the rules, even if we not following the rules.

Chair Cafarelli: In that case, good luck.

Chair Maciewicz: If there are any others who want to run for the position of Speaker. I move to vote to for this soon.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: I don't want to see CODEEE be stuck in a rut, and Ash is perfectly capable, there is no reason she can't do both jobs, if she believes she can, we have to trust her. We need to have a hard working CODDEE committee, it takes time to organize yourself, David has so much chair experience. VP Ash is doing a fine job, and see any reason why to change this.

Chair Chevrier: We are here to represent the Students, to act on their wishes, and not do focus solely on our own internal business, I motion for an informal poll as to who wants Ash to be the speaker:

Speaker Ash: All those in favor of myself to remain as speaker.

Informal poll: Majority rules against.

Chair Chevrier: Can we move this until next week, so that we are not rushed into this, I motion and informal poll to table until next week.

Speaker Ash: Motion to for the informal poll: Majority rules in favor of tabling issue.

Chair Chevrier: Motion to reinstate the rules.

Speaker Ash: All those in support of reinstate in the Rules

Rules Reinstated

OLD BUSINESS

Chair Glynne: Resolution Supporting the Neighborhood Initiative Grant.

Before I read this, thanks for sending in your critiques and friendly amendments, I hope you have read the proposal. I prefer not to read it and go right to the resolution. Reads the resolution.

Speaker Ash: I now open the floor for questions, are there any questions for Chair Glynne?

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: I'm going to put treasurer on the spot, and would like to hear from the treasurer's perspective, is this an appropriate pattern for an SGA committee to follow?

Treasurer LeMieux: The budget hasn't been finalized, you have the power to vote on that, we do have professional development grant. You could pass it to support it, but you're not passing it as the Finance Committee has to put it into the budget first.

Chair Glynne: The funds come from the COLA budget, and come in favor with treasurer and finance.

Chair Cafarelli: I am not quite sure what the resolution or bill is, I feel it mandates the Finance Committee to your ability to raise this money, why could you simply put it in your budget and use your money for this grant?

Chair Glynne: Technically I didn't have to come to the body and not come to the body. To be honest the grant itself will already have 250 from an award that I received, the Scotty Award. That money is going to toward this grant, and whatever the next COLA chair gets they can set aside for the this.

Chair Maciewicz: This is a good idea, and my only question is, the grant process has a lot of chances to do good things. Do you have any thoughts like neighborhood cleanup, things that tie into the grant process but would be more hands on?

Chair Glynne: Its really more of a spring board for more. Noise is a big problem but not the biggest. This would be unique projects –ones that all students could be involved with.

Senator McDonald: Friendly amendment to change the first Where As from "Be it" to "have stated". One other thing, what do you mean in the last stanza as established?

Chair Glynne: A few other members that would be involved, as formal recognition of this grant, to get the money we could put in.

Senator Michel: Scotty award not just given to a COLA member, if was original going to be used to build a multicultural library.

Chair Glynne: It's given to a member of COLA, the last two chairs have decided to put it towards the library. I had support from Dan, Gail and Alicia to start the funding for this.

Senator Michel: My concerns are philosophical. The student activity fee, dubbed the SGA fee, the comprehensive fee, we are asking for the part of student comprehensive fee to help establish this so just to through that out there, I would wonder A how we'd do that and B...

Chair Glynne: What was the second thing you said?

Senator Michel: I'm pretty? No it was nothing.

Chair Glynne: Our budget gets money from the student comprehensive free, I'm not taking money away from the SGA budget.

Senator Michel: Its zero sum game, you cannot say you're not taking money away from SGA budget cause that were is coming from.

Chair Glynne: If they come to COLA, its formal process for them to us their funds from their fees, to fund their project. I don't understand philosophically how that's a bad thing.

Senator Frye Are you asking to increase the budget by \$1000 for this?

Senator Simmons: Someone raised a good point, about if someone rights only few good proposals, would the money trickle down to bad ones? Can we put in if the quality doesn't meet the threshold, then wouldn't really be worth it. Can we make a motion to put that in?

Chair Glynne: Money that is not used as a club, is recycled, it doesn't role over.

Senator Simmons: If there is proposal and it not over the limit, would you have to grant them?

Chair Glynne: No. Selection committee has the right to disapprove.

Chair Church: To address the philosophical point. About using student money, I think it's really cool, because we put a measly grand in this, and the University puts a ton of money, let's give students power, leverage funds.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: Call to question.

Speaker Ash: Called to Question

All those in Favor.

Resolution Passes.

Moving on to New Business for next week.

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Chevrier: Bill Recognizing the Quidditch Club.

Senator Michel: Resolution Supporting the Student Actions Definition of the Student Comprehensive Fee.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

TREASURER LEMIEUX: I haven't met a lot of you, after the swine flu I've been out. But I'm tonight, I am going to read my report straight. It's been awhile since I've been here. I enjoy your banter. It's the last week of February so you'll hear my report. I generally keep it light and fun, but don't have much to do with senate, but a lot to do have to SGA. I do not ask much of you, and often maintain a third party view outside of the Finance Office. I don't want to bore

you with the nitty gritty. But to update you, we aren't doing a great job. I would like to congratulate Dmitri. He had the quantifiable info I had with not prior knowledge of UVM or SGA finances. He did more than any others. His budget was on time, he didn't alter any formulas, and under Dmitri, great decisions were made. In our hearings we assign one person to generate our questions, this for those budgets over \$15,000. Dmitri made the decision to look over each and every fact. From the finance committee I received the lowest amount of work possible. I have failed the body and I apologize. I wasn't table to assist the finance committee to demonstrate what they needed. For that I apologize for my lack of leadership. That concludes my report.

Senator Altendorfer: Thanks for your hard work.

Senator Simmons: In your professional relationship between you and Cafarelli who wears the pants?

SPEAKER ELLIS: Formerly stepped down.

SPEAKER ASH: This has been quite the evening, there is confusion about how this transition will happen, and I recognize that it's not the smoothest night due to these multiple resignations. I apologize for not announcing the time limit of public forum. I didn't have the time to discuss the time with the former speaker or guests in light of the recent resignation. Although I do think we heard some interesting things. We will abide by the same rules of order, in order to keep most consistent and clear for all of you. With that, the New Business for next week, please have that to me by Thursday. In addition to that, feel free to ask questions, the other thing is about the nomination, and how that will run, for next meeting, we tabled the discussion. I want to mention for next meeting, we can do this again under emergency business, well open up this nomination, go forth with a 2/3 vote, look at the rules of order and the constitution please before coming to next week's meeting. You should all be familiar with this process. Email me with questions, or just ask.

President Jones: Any questions for Acting Speaker Ash?

Senator Simmons: Thank you for stepping up to take on this role, great job.

VICE-PRESIDENT ASH: This is the first meeting of such a transition. The resignations are a very recent act, and I do acknowledge that it has not been as smooth as it could be. I want to take responsibility for not sending out my report last week. I wasn't present during senate, and due to family issues, didn't send out. Tomorrow morning, the executive is to have a meeting with Richard Cate. That's likely to be proactive meeting, and there's a lot of work about the comprehensive fee, if you do have questions or concerns, that you want to bring, make sure its prior to 7:30am. The foundation has been established. I would like to take a few minutes to explain this\. The General Consel and the Board of Trustees have created an ad-hoc group for the establishment of a UVM Foundation. For those with an understanding of the budget, this is similar to a second endowment. Basically this is an endowment fund, with gifts and fund raising from external donors that allows the University specific benefits not available within the current

endowment protocol. I did ask a clarifying question during the meeting to mention that students may see this as an effort on the part of the Administration to bring in greater funds in order to support their own iniatitives, without having to answer to students paying the fees of tuition. I was assured however, that the spending of these Foundation funds would go through the same spending protocol as all other University monies, and thus the SGA would be involved as typically seen. The money will go through the same protocols as an endowment. The reason this is being created is because UVM needs more money and want to do it form donation, and other outside sources. You may wonder how it differs from a regular endowment, and the answer to that is it opens up a larger variety of who can donate. At this time, there is a timeline which includes the next several months until it'll go before the board in May. Ill keep you updated.

April 13th is the night of SGA banquet, I am planning this, and we will invite a number of those in the community, and I can't guarantee we can invite all, but we can invite a number. We have that ability to expand that, and a very good friend of SGA, the Gormley family, will be there to present their award, at 5:30pm in Billings, keep that time open. April 7th will be our banquet with President Fogel. Its recognition with them, in Waterman Manor. Chairs, and the majority of you have, if haven't send me the times of your committee meetings, please do so. Please let me know all office hours as well. I can say this enough, office hours; you are expected to hold office hours. It's expected, that you be there. In addition that send me your info, I need your pictures, and the President's Office has asked for that information for their recognition ceremony. I apologize for not being as responsive over email in the last two weeks as well. Finally, due to town meeting day next week, the public will be talking about this, go to your town meeting. In general I encourage you to check that out. Finally I touched on the appointment process we have made the decision to not open the decision process, if there are concerns approach me.

President Jones: Any questions for VP Ash?

Senator Thomson: Do you know of any other school doing the second endowment?

Vice President Ash: Oh yes, but let me clarify. Do not think of this as solely a second endowment, because this Foundation does differ, and is a formal and commonly practiced fundraising tool for institutions. Yes, most schools do this. Also, I asked about who is able to be a part of the Foundation Group. Technically, anyone can be on it, as you just need to apply. However, those who join these groups are typically large donors to the University, either who are on the Board, or who would like to be involved and help the University prosper, but who cannot or do not want to make such a large commitment as a Trustee. SGA will be involved in this to keep giving you feedback on how that process is developed.

President Jones: Any other questions?

PRESIDENT JONES: Real quick, a lot of Universities created a Foundation 15 years ago. I'm not sure why they waited so long. I heard a form a lot of you that you enjoyed us not being here. The Student Affairs Committee of the Faculty Senate has asked that an executive sit on it. Ill be

there. They want to know where we line up. The folks of you new to senate, there will be chair application open for the position of Chair of Academic Affairs now available on the Lynx. I also sit on the International Advisory committee, which has been created and chaired by the VP for Enrollment. It is currently comprised of deans, a staff member of OID, a few professors, and they look at how and what UVM will look with internationalization. They have several cool ideas, such an interactive world map that would display our involvement as a UVM community throughout different countries of the world. At this time, they have created subcommittees and divided us up. Contact me if you're interested. We are currently looking into natural mobility program and the US Sino-Pathways Program. Something that Kate and I have to mention is the presidential leadership campus forum that took place 2 weeks ago. They were very disrespectful. to VP Ash, and they made a horrible a metaphor. To Fogel, it seems that we have a philosophy that we screwed up, and I'm going to follow up on that, have him say that to us, and to the senate. I will let you know when that is. Next Wednesday is our Student Rights Forum to talk about illegal substance on campus, what are the laws in regards to it. The timing is Wednesday 4pm. Census is approaching, fill them out as a house, and for those on campus, it'll be through your RAs. We are also working closely with Melanie Brown, President of the Graduate Student Senate. We have to figure out, as, there going out for formal recognition, and that will create a formal divide between us. After talking to Hannah and a few others, the Executive has decided that all pay the fee whether they participate or not. If you want to participate in SGA you still have to pay the fee, I you have any great ideas send them our way, on that, if anyone else is think of resign out of the blue, please come and talk us. If there are issues, talk to us, we can help you, if there are time issues, but take them accountable those who have dropped off, with academic affairs, well figure out a solution. We want to communicate with you.

Speaker Ash: Any questions?

Chair Cafarelli: Hockey? The scarf giveaway is at 5:30pm?

President Jones distributes tickets and nods.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE- SEN. CAFARELLI: Hopefully everyone heard the hasty words our Treasurer said. I don't want our committee to get a bad rap. I take responsibility for that. I will give more formal report once budgets are posted. We have been slugging out some budgets, our hearing has gone up and down. It's been long and tiresome semester. Look for more details next week.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES- SEN. CHEVRIER: If you're in office at someone about the website, is going live this week. The SGA website is away to eliminate the clubs snail mail, it'll be direct and can be used for tax purposes. We have had a joint meeting with PR, to liven up the gallery space, to get pictures of clubs around. April 5ht is our club banquette. I'm, putting forth legislation about the Quidditch club. If you watch it a brutal sport, its like a mix rugby and bode ball.

COLA- SEN. GLYNNE: Thanks for agreeing to pass the legislation, its great its final done. I saw the World cup of Quidditch at Middlebury once, it was awesome. About city council I yield the floor to Senator Morgan.

Senator Morgan: They brought up a point about the noise ordinate; I believe that Ward 6 wants police officers to be allowed to enter homes, which is against the law.

Chair Glynne: I want to talk about the resolution about h VT Yankee resolution, will be voted at city council. Shumlin invited us to come down to see the vote. Be there around 9 am. The one thing has to do with whether or not it will be voted on tomorrow – as there is delay being asked of the vote. VSAC is approving new members. We are waiting to hear what the state is going to do about the budget. Lastly Town meeting day, if you not from VT, or if your town doesn't, come to ours, its away for student to voice concerns feedback and etc, Max said we haven't been heard, so come, we have Ira Allen reserved, Chip Sawyer will be the main component. This key not speak the SGA will be brief. If you some reason we cannot answer the question on the spot well get back to them later. Transparency and being to get the them out there. Hit the list serve, word of mouth,

Senator Kerschner: I want to follow what is going on, is there a VT CSPAN?

Chair Glynne: If you have cable, they will have it. The state legislator web will likely have it, or channel 17.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: Vermont Senate still uses the Pony Express.

Senator Buswell: About town meeting day, protesting not getting the day off – why?

Chair Glynne: We think we should be able to practice it, and for many different reasons, having town meeting day off, it's an indirect protection. What better way to fix it than to hold our own!

CODEEE- SEN. MACIEWICZ: VT Yankee is very exciting, we are working with. Bottled water is going really slow. Our new goal is going to get rid of Fiji water. It's by far the worse. It's about the climate action plan to go carbon natural. What the university is doing to enact that. Recycle paper audit from last semester. Its university policy that all departments use recycled paper. But very few departments actually follow the policy. American Red Cross understand, noncompliance is the term of the week form the others. In a little bit of other news, were sponsoring cookies and hot cocoa, at Allen house,

STUDENT ACTION- SEN. WILKINSON-RAY: I yield the floor to Senator Church.

Senator Church: Presentation of UVM stats, previously sent out to all Senate.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray. That was a very good intro, about creating student vision, after seeing that, it's clear there are a lot of those who have written visions where to go. At the Board of Trustees they were shocked and surprised by the feelings of students and by the fees themselves. We owe it to them to give them a vision as to that we want. I will keep this brief. With 6 or 7

weeks left were very busy, part of our job is dismantling info, part of it, to represent to the staff and to the board. Created a comprehensive student vision a very doable project. That will be very well received. Fist I want to thank all those who came last week. This is a breakdown of what we think should be include. It can be change a molded, I sent it out to the list serve. I would like involvement form all committees, and all those who want to help out. I want you to take this seriously, if there is discussion on this, I would like to find out whose interested in working on this. We had town meeting last week. What I would like is to have people email me if you interested in being involved in this. The other big topic of this to come up bringing gin outside sources. After listening to that, Any thoughts on getting feedback and getting you to the table with us.

Senator Hannaford: Church do you think that diversity ad socio-economic are overlapping?

Senator Church: I have no idea.

Senator Hannaford: Tons more need based financial aid, to the measure of academic quality.

Senator Kerschner: I am a big fan of announcing things in classes; announce this in your classes. A question to chair Wilkinson-Ray what do you envision?

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: We put our opinion out there, but there is now what one point, having one document, we can put forth what we seek. On the most important issues there would be one doc.

Chair Glynne: great work church, I know that we have talked about his vision, I now the town meeting day would be a great spring board. Will you be willing to report o us at town meeting day.

Chair Rifken: I want to make sure that is you opinion about the piece here, is it SGA endorsed and do we all agree with that.

PR- SEN. RIFKEN: Exciting stuff about our committee, we have new banner. I'll bring more info, and lastly we are talking about VSAC and the Vermont student opinion poll. Two out a year. Any suggestion as to what it should include, please provide.

Elections: the date for all packets in next Friday, there is still time, senate elections, the packets will be available after spring break. I will be sending out more info about that.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS- SEN. Hannaford, every up and do jumping ten jumping jacks,

We want to switch up the report order. We lost Lindsey, we didn't have much time left, and we need to pick up slack and move through the rest of the semester. And step I t up, and I want to say, I spoke to VP Ash, and she'll be into our committee meetings, we lost our key leadership, on the point of return, Taylor had a list our former former chair, had a list of 10 issues has been working on. The course registration system. Better course descriptions. A piece about academic quality, and that in addition to concert thing AA would like to get involved in the academic quality of the student initiative. Would like to explore we have done, we have wanted

to assess the landscape department by department to identify how they feel about the budget cuts, so the committee know who needs more academic support and staff support.

Senator Church: Will we see the landscape mapping report?

Senator Hannaford: Yes.

SENATORIAL FORUM:

Senator Buswell: Slideshow.

Senator A. Adams: Shout to Claire for the first neighborhood noise task force meeting - and yay to our bill – we are very excited about our resolutions.

Chair Chevrier: We had success; and the next meeting will be back from after spring break. Lastly I realize last week I sent something from my iphone to Senate during our meeting, then I realized that happens a lot, wait to send after our SGA meeting please.

Senator Tepper: Can we please change the time on the computer? It's quite misleading!

Senator Henley: Thank you Tyler. AA has a rough time, this is the second chair we have lost, but I want to address is people leaving about the committee chairs leaving without talking to the body, I want to express disappointment, I know that Lindsey must have had discussion with you, I talked with there last week, and that she talked about being excited what we have to do next week. Yield floor to VP ash

Speaker Ash: Thank you for passing on your criticism, but I would like to provide you wit hsome additional context. The Executive was notified yesterday, via email, text, phone and a letter. I believe that the senate deserves to know this. I will try to step in, and we want to help be there, to not step on any ones toes, and not leaving you in the dust.

Senator Henley: Wilkinson-Ray I think the landscaping that we have a committee would be exited to provide that info.

Senator Monteforte: More raves!

Chair Glynne: I second it, I definably heard what Jeff said, I'm not going anywhere, I promise. This town meeting day is o important, we get the opportunity to stick it to the man, and we get to listen to the students, and to what they have to say, and it's great. We hear a lot of different opinions and viewpoints. Church as to what you brought up, after talking to the administration, they're scared. Tia bout time we have stood up to them.

Senator John-Freso: On the topic of resignations, sitting in on any meeting, no matter what it is, when you think of the biggest burden on yourself, when have things to say, maybe write down you points before you get up. In the future let's try to more conscious of our time.

Senator Church: As to the concerns about the presentation – send them to me.

Senator Buswell: I am trying less to be an out write out opponent to certain things. I thought today was counterproductive, when we continue in speaking order and the recess, was more productive, talk when we're not in pseudo state of rules, and not waiting to speak at each other.

Senator Altendorfer: I will be resigning from senate body, I will be resigning, please don't be discouraged to those news recruits. This semester has been different, and I'm not able to put enough in my academics. Keep up the good work and thanks so much.

O'Brien: About the student vision and the academic affair, I interested in leveling into the faculty contract, and where we want to see what is expected from student and coming up with ideas, I am interested in working with AAF on that. It needs to be legitimate. And we'll have more points, more will be generated form that. Its SGA's responsibility to the student body.

SENATORIAL COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chair Rifken: come to winter carnival tomorrow chili fest 4 to 6, downstairs, Thursday a concert 7:30pm in Ira Allen.

Chair Wilkinson-Ray: I know you are down for more raving! There is one in Slade basement, wear white, there's going to color powder from India festival.

Senator Maciewicz: Peter Shumlin is coming to the college democrats meeting, 7:30pm tomorrow, Wednesday. Tomorrow is also the CCQ at 4pm at the Allen House.

Senator Doran: Vagina Monologues – come get your tix!

Chair Glynne: Godspell last Friday go see it. For Town Meeting - you'll receive a bunch of email. Lastly, Claire – you and I may not get along but I fully support you as the next SGA President.

Chair Chevrier: I am on UVM insurance, and had little about going to Fanny Allen, and it completely adornment in crucifies, it made me feel largely uncomfortable, and I've tried to find a place to voice this concern. I will be taking action to address this, and adding to the report of the problems of disabilities access on campus.

Senator O'Brien: The Ebony Fashion Show hosted by BSU will be at 7p, in the Grand Maple Ballroom. Will be ending at 9 to then go to Slade. Thanks Altendorfer, for you hard work, I have felt very welcome, I am much happier here at UVM since joining SGA.

Senator A. Adams: Painting of the chairs in Brennan's. \$25 donation per chair,

Senator Hannaford: I'm applying for AA chair, its job that has to be down, we cannot just not have a chair, she was good a delegating, We are at point we need to start doing the work in our committees, and break down the lines between our committees, I am going to step up and make sure, we do a great job. Students Stand up, activists, there back on the scene march 4, the national day of action, 43 schools, on board, were not going to occupying buildings, but well be out.

Senator Topper: Check out our cool banner. In fact, when walking in the Davis Center, think outloud, and think about "Wow, that's a really cool banner about what the SGA is doing!" Also,

check our the Peace and Justice Center at 60 Lake Street near the skinny pancake. It's great place for fair trade, American certified and other projects.

Chair Rifken: You do not need a vagina to come to Vagina Monologues.

ROLL CALL:

FINANCE: Senator Cafarelli & Senator Vivas Excused

STUDENT ACTIVITIES: Senator Waldvogel excused

COLA: Senator Shushereba excused

CODEEE: All Excused except Maciewicz

STUDENT ACTION: All present

PR: Senator Wilich excused

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS: All present

ADJOURNMENT 11:12

MEETING ENDS: 11:13