A.) Call to Order (7:00)

B.) Quorum Call – Roll Call

C.) Public Access (40 minutes)

✓ Cynthia Joyce- Office of the Ombudsperson
  ▪ Presentation
    - The Office of the Ombudsperson this year saw an increase of attendance at the office. Majority of the people that came in were staff, then students, faculty, and other which includes parents. Most of the conflict that we were seeing was with work dynamics. Most of the people we see are white and male, it is hard to conduct a good survey for this so we will not be doing this kind of slide again.

✓ Hawkeye Caucus
  ▪ Presentation
    - So during the spring we have a day where we go to the capital and lobby for various things. This year we are focusing on medical amnesty and tuition affordability.

D.) Old Business

E.) New Business

✓ S.S.R#22- Prairie Restoration
Presentation – Senator Meyer, Senator Kepner
- Prairies have been around for about 800 years. They are great places with natural grass and flowers, they are also great for pollinators and natural woodland animals as well. They are good as being a natural buffer for run off water. Right now we were given one acre of land, the sports turf manager has begun preparing the land. Two small temporary signs that have been installed and hopefully we will be getting seeds in the ground in the fall so they can begin growing. Phase two would include getting student involvement with the prairie and maintenance of the prairie. We also want to work with rec services and CLAS to create recreational programming. Phase three is to make sure that it is working and to move into a bigger space. Right now we are here to ask for money to buy seeds. We got GIF funding for $200 so we are going to be asking for $1,300 to buy one acre of seeds and we have made sure that the seeds are hyper-local.

Questions
- Senator Correa: With the chemicals is there any fear about that effecting the water run off?
  o Nope!
- Senator Miller: Is the signage also going to include braille?
  o Yes! We have been talking about getting braille on the signs as well.
- Senator Verry: Why are you going through the senate rather than applying through the finance committee?
  o We decided to come through here because through the finance committee, the funding would probably have to be cut and we want the whole amount.
- Senator Haider: What is required in the budget in the pilot program?
  o Right now we are hoping that we would get grant funding so we don’t have to come back to senate to ask for money.
- Senator Muller: Would any maintenance be shared between athletics and the office of sustainability?
  o We are already working with athletics and they have been already working on getting the prairie going.
- Senator: How many students have you spoken to that have interest?
  o I feel like I’ve been talking about this every day! In terms of student orgs I am talking a lot with the environmental science club so they can use that space.
- Senator Miera: Will we include milkweed?
  o Yes! We have already collected form a local site and with the seeds that we are buying will help diversify the
- Senator Khassai: Have you thought about getting a land acknowledgement?
- Senator Qi: Have you decided on a full-time and an internship?
  - Yes but we need more funding in order to get a full-time
- Senator Wicks: In case that you don’t get funding for the full-time what is going to happen?
  - We don’t have a back-up plan but I think we are just going to continue using students and trying to fund more funding.

**Discussion**

- Senator Heid: I will be in support in this because helping establishing the praire will be something good for the university and the greater Johnson county area.
- Senator Harvey: I will be voting yes because it will have amazing impact on the local environment.
- Senator Verry: Call the previous question
  - Seconded by Senator Drahos
    - Aye have it

**Voting**

- Aye have it

✓ S.S.B#20- Student Athlete Representative

**Presentation – Senator Qi**

- Senator Verry: With the introduction of the liaison position, will we have to do this to every position we add?
  - Yes but with the way the bylaws are set up it would be easy.

**Discussion**

- Senator Harvey: Amendment to section 2 a 1 to change to NCAA, team rules
  - Senator Heid: Call previous question
    - Aye have it
  - Ayes have it
- Senator Harvey: Amendment to part 2 of 2a to longer a member of university sports team roster because some don’t participate because of medical issues. Friendly amendment accepted.
- Senator Muller: The amendments have been discussed previously with Senator Kerst and myself.
- Senator Rodriguez:

✓ S.S.B#21- UI Lecture Committee Appointment

**Presentation – Senator Schnack**

- This is a bill to appoint John Dickens to the UI Lecture committee.

**Discussion**
- Previous question called
  o Seconded
  o Ayes have it

▪ Voting
  - Passes
✓ S.S.B#

▪ Presentation – Senator Roeder
  - A hundred years ago today the first meeting for UISG happened. I have been working on compiling the history of UISG and in the end will be coming up with papers with the history of UISG.

▪ Discussion
  - Senator Correa: I will be in support of this because Senator Roeder has spent so much time on this and I want to be able to see what comes of it.

▪ Voting
  - Ayes have it

F.) Announcements

✓ Herky’s Hero

G.) Adjourn and Move to Committees (30 minutes)