



General Assembly 09/20/2021

1. FORMAL CALL TO ORDER: 8:30pm
2. OATH OF OFFICE:
3. GUEST SPEAKER: President José Padilla
 - a. 95% vaccination for faculty/staff and students
 - b. Off campus we should mask up.
 - c. Terminating relationship with Confucius Institute
 - i. Hopefully will be creating a successor program
 - d. Inaugural October 30th in chapel with reception at the library
 - e. 5 year plan for the university is being formed
 - f. Inviting student senate to speak with the university cabinet
 - g. Questions:
 - i. Any other major expansions, like the bioengineering lab?
 1. Not soon, but at some point a building for the nursing and health care professionals may be built, ARC renovations, business college upgrades
 - ii. Thoughts on a more sustainable campus?
 1. Big supporter, especially of solar.
 - iii. How do you plan to bring more international students to campus?
 1. Currently evaluating the best way to do that.
4. ROLL CALL: All present
5. FORUM OF CONCERNS:
 - a. None
6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
 - a. Motion: Senator Chenoweth
 - b. Second: Senator Bakri
7. SENATORS' REPORTS:
 - a. Senator Raimondi
 - i. Once office hours get figured out, I plan on having my office hours in Gellersen. I am also going to hang some posters in Gellersen with the approval of Tina Konke to make sure engineering students know where/when/how to get ahold of me
 - b. Senator Chenoweth
 - i. I'd just like to encourage everyone (myself included) to really get in touch with their constituents this semester and to report what they're saying in Senators' Reports!
 - c. Senator Martin
 - i. Integrate business skills with others on campus. A club is being formed.
8. ADVISORS' REPORTS:
 - a. Dean Blevins
 - i. Ultimate Cookie Recipe shared below

9. OFFICER REPORTS:

- a. PRESIDENT: Jolie Foor
 - i. Working on Board Report
 - ii. The Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics is a standing committee of the University Council. The Student Senate has a voting representative on the committee. During the fall semester the committee will be meeting the first Monday of each month at 12:30pm. The meetings will be done by video. The next meeting will be October 4th.
 - iii. Email senate.president@valpo.edu if you would like to be involved
- b. VICE PRESIDENT: Ben Jacobs
 - i. Review of the Bylaws and our internal procedures
 - ii. Will be working on promoting Student Senate
 - 1. Eight positions are still open
 - iii. Second retreat being planned
 - iv. Be cautious when looking at the Bylaws - they need to be updated
 - v. Discount Card information
 - 1. Working on using One Cards for discounts, rather than a separate card
 - vi. Committee Emails
- c. SECRETARY: Katelyn Shouse
 - i. No Report
- d. PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR: Chris Grimpe
 - i. Transparency
 - ii. Please share the posts being made on the Senate PR social media and share information with your peers
- e. EXECUTIVE & ASSISTANT TREASURER: Mark Lorenz/Owen Doyle
 - i. Presence organization account number
 - 1. No longer using Google Sheets
 - ii. Review of finance bylaws
 - iii. Screening committee- Like to start the search process for an executive aide to take over the treasurer position for next year.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. EXECUTIVE: Jolie Foor
 - i. To those on the Executive Committee Please fill out the Doodle Poll to find the best time for us to meet.
- b. FINANCE: Allison Pariso
 - i. Welcome all new senators and welcome back to everyone returning!
 - ii. Finance committee meetings will be at 7:30-8:30 ish on Mondays. Right before the senate meeting.
 - iii. To all orgs, please be patient as we all navigate this new presence process together
- c. ADMINISTRATION: Ian Chenoweth
 - i. To my committee as well, if you have not already please read the email I sent you!
 - ii. Please refer any new organizations that want to be recognized to me so I can help them create their required documents and find an advisor if need be!
 - 1. Email administration.studentsenate@valpo.edu
- d. COMMITTEE ON MEDIA: Sophia Behrens
 - i. Finding a time for the committee to meet
- e. SCREENING: Emily Bakri
 - i. No report
- f. COMMITTEE ON RESIDENCE: Franco Raimondi

- i. Looking to get some more members for my committee! Need two more senators for the positions, I will be getting in contact with Katie Bye soon to connect with the House Council Presidents for my meetings.
- g. DINING SERVICES: Georgia Martin
 - i. No report
- h. DIVERSITY & INCLUSION: Allison Howard
 - i. Setting up meetings with presidents of OMP and OIP clubs

11. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Discretionary Funds Committee (DFC) nominations
 - i. 6 senators
 - ii. Senator Chenoweth, Senator Behrens, Senator Hernandez-Garity, Senator Wilcoxson, Senator Robb, Senator Flanagan
 - iii. 2 non-senators
 - 1. Lanna Sirhan, Laura Reid

12. OLD BUSINESS:

13. FORUM OF CONCERNS:

14. POSTMORTEM:

- a. The 8 open positions will soon be filled
- b. New senators, please contact us with any questions

15. ADJOURNMENT:

- a. Motion: Senator Westphal
- b. Adjourned: Senator Raimondi

Ultimate Cookie Recipe

This is essentially a hack of the most famous cookie recipe in the world, which we all know from the back of the Nestle "morsel" bag. Extra chewiness is attained by substituting bread flour for regular all purpose, replacing one egg white with milk, and changing the ratio of brown to white sugar.

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8 ounces unsalted butter

12 ounces bread flour

1 teaspoon kosher salt

1 teaspoon baking soda

2 ounces granulated sugar

8 ounces light brown sugar

1 large egg

1 large egg yolk

2 tablespoons whole milk

1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract

12 ounces semisweet chocolate chips

Melt the butter in a 2-quart saucepan over low heat, then set aside to cool slightly.

Sift together the flour, salt and baking soda onto a paper plate.

Pour the butter into your stand mixer's work bowl. Add the sugars and beat with the paddle attachment on medium speed for 2 minutes.

Meanwhile in a separate bowl, whisk together the whole egg, egg yolk, milk and vanilla extract.

Slow the mixer to "stir" and slowly work the egg mixture into the butter and sugar. Mix until thoroughly combined, about 30 seconds

Using the paper plate as a slide, gradually integrate the dry ingredients, stopping a couple of times to scrape down the side of the bowl with a rubber spatula

Once the flour is worked in, drop the speed to "stir" and add the chocolate chips.

Chill the dough for 1 hour.

Heat the oven to 350 degrees F.

Scoop the dough into 1 1/2-ounce portions onto parchment paper-line half sheet pans, 6 cookies per sheet.

Bake two sheets at a time for 12 minutes, 6 minutes on top shelf; 6 minutes on bottom self, rotating the pans halfway through.

Remove from the oven, slide the parchment with the cookies onto a cooling rack, and wait at least 5 minutes before devouring