Introduction

1. President's Report (5 minutes)

New Business

1. FYRE Presentation: Dean Thompson and Dr. Cook (15 minutes)
2. Portfolium Presentation: Claire Pinciaro (15 minutes)
3. Honor Committee Recruitment: Elizabeth Haile (5 minutes)
4. Transportation Task Force: Elizabeth Bailey and Aditya Shah (5 minutes)
5. Financial Reform Task Force: Brad Spicher (5 minutes)
6. Office Hours: Katya Vera and Isabella Faccone (5 minutes)
7. USLC Committee Update: Tania Bore (5 minutes)
8. International Representation Discussion: Sten Sjoberg (5 minutes)

Consent Agenda

1. Academics Committee Financial Resources Sub-Committee
   a. According to Section 704, Sub-section C, of the USG Constitution, the Academics Chair is allowed to create sub-committees underneath the umbrella of the Academics Committee without introducing a formal resolution, but is required to obtain Senate approval for the confirmation of all new sub-committee members.
      i. Ben Press ’20
      ii. Caleb Visser ’20
      iii. Yousef Elzalabany ’20
      iv. Aditya Shah ’21
      v. Matthew Bomparola ’21
      vi. Alison Shim ’19
2. Communications Committee Confirmations
   a. Julie Shin ’22
      i. Julie Shin is currently a freshman and a prospective Sociology major. She is looking to join the USG Communications Committee. She has had experience interning at American Ballet Theatre under the Director of Marketing as well as attending a summer program in communications at Boston College. She will be working particularly on student engagement, website management, and content creation within the committee.
b. Lily Zhang ’21
   i. Lily is a sophomore from Potomac, Maryland, majoring in Computer Science under the B.S.E. degree. On campus, Lily is involved with the student volunteer group TigerTails, and often goes to volunteer at the animal shelter. As a new member of the Communications Committee, she will be working to promote student engagement and USG transparency through various multimedia projects.
### Description and Objectives

This Task Force will center around transportation. Our first goal will be attempting to have electric scooters brought to campus for the use of students, much like the Zagster bikes. Our second goal will be to compile a comprehensive list of transportation-related improvements that the USG should seek to make the near future. Our final goal is to work with TigerTransit in making sure their resources are fully utilized by the student body.

### Background Information

Harvard and Yale are both seeking to bring electric scooters to their respective campuses, and we know that Notre Dame already has a partnership with Lime. Different scooter companies including Bird, Spin, Lime and Skip offer opportunities for partnerships on college campuses. To our knowledge, this has never been looked into before at Princeton.

As far as other transportation-related topics go:
- TigerTransit currently runs a Weekend Shopper for students to go off-campus in the weekend.
- Thanksgiving buses go to cities around the East Coast at the end of November
- Currently, students looking to carpool/share rides to and from the Airport lack a convenient platform on which to do this

### Potential Activities, Deliverables and Timeline

#### Activities:
- Talk to point people at Yale and Harvard regarding their plans for the scooters
- Investigate metrics on Zagster and whether this would “compete” with Zagster
- Identify possible liabilities for the University and communicate with proper administrators
- Meet with Independent Student Council and other relevant groups to discuss their transportation needs
- Communicate with the students who plan Thanksgiving buses

#### Deliverables:
- Determine whether electric scooters on campus are feasible
- Select a company to partner with for electric scooters on campus
- Come up with a new advertising plan for Weekend Shopper
- Pursue any other suggestions made by Independent Student Council and other relevant groups
- Produce a document with future action items regarding transportation at Princeton that this task force could address in the near future
### Description and Objectives

The Financial Reform Task force will strive to increase the USG budget by working with administrators to examine the possibility of raising student fees.

### Background Information

With each passing year, USG spends more and more money on social events such as Lawnparties, as well as on other miscellaneous events and programs. As time has passed, the USG budget surplus has decreased from around 50k in 2017 to 30k in 2018 and is projected to fall to 10k or lower in the 2019 fiscal year, despite the fact that the USG budget from student fees has increased between 20k and 30k each year.

Lawnparties and event expenditures have increased both because the student body is increasing and because the events themselves are getting more complex. The student body has largely reacted very positively to our increased expenditures on these events, but many people would like to see us do even more. People want even more recognizable Lawnparties acts, and aside from being one of the largest campaign issues during election season, approaching the fundamental issue that lies behind why we don’t have the same level of acts as other schools—the fact that we simply don’t have the money for more recognizable acts—is not often addressed. Additionally, much of the other programming that USG puts on is also funded through student fees. Lawnparties is just one of the many examples of events that USG funds, though. Through increasing the USG budget, many other USG-sponsored events would benefit, and new avenues to achieving our goals on other projects just as the Menstrual Products initiative could be within our reach.

It is critical to note that an increase in student fees would **not** affect students receiving financial aid’s family contribution.

If we continue to increase USG expenditures at the rate we have in the past year, we are quickly going to encounter legitimate financial issues that will keep us from being able to determine our own expenditures. If student fees do not increase, and there is no unexpected increase in the size of the student body, we will soon have no surplus left, which would make funding events like the Day of Action and increasing Projects Board’s funding impossible.

### Potential Activities, Deliverables and Timeline

The first objective of this project is to meaningfully process USG’s Concur financial data (already provided to Brad) to create financial figures and statistics that present a compelling need for an increase in student fees. (Scheduled to be complete and presented to the Senate in two weeks time.)
The further objective of this project will be to take our financial case to the administration. We will meet with whoever in the administration has influence over student fees and wants to have a conversation about the future of USG and of student fees. (It’s hard to anticipate a timeline for this, but I anticipate it to be a lengthy process, and I will be working on this until a conclusion is reached.)
Office Hours - Fall 2018

Logistics
- 3 USG members per office hours
- 1 Senator, 1 U-Councilor, 1 ExComm (at least)
- 2 sessions per person per semester (at least)
- Held 1.5 hours once a week: 8:30-10:00pm, Tuesdays

Start: Tuesday Oct. 9th, 2018
- Spreadsheet for times, snacks
- Transparency Task Force orders snacks via Paper Tiger

Advertisement
- Table toppers at DHall as possible advertisement
- Advertize “snacks” but not specific treats
- Put it in the USG email