1. **Consensus Agenda**
   a. Allocations
      i. Capital:
         1. Bike Shop: $0/$50
            a. Not a capital fund item
         2. Big Night In: $7.77/$7.77
            a. Small item needed
      ii. Discretionary
         1. Vassar College Democrats: $742/$742
            a. Collab with vassar republicans
         2. ASA: $250/$250
            a. Speaker
         3. Comedy Normative: $960/$1010
            a. Did Not approve $50 ask for something unnecessary
         4. KoDC: $210/$210

2. **Executive Board Updates (Executive Board)**
   a. Equity and Inclusion
      i. Disconnect with remote/international students
      ii. Planning event to help remote students connect with on campus students (on the weekend)
   b. Residential Affairs
      i. Indoor dining has begun on second and third floors of the deece
      ii. Food truck -- TAs on wed and THs on thursdays
      iii. Survey coming out about fall dining experience
   c. Health and Wellness
      i. In collab with VCPP -- shared resource bins in all basements of doors and TA/THs
         1. Menstrual, safe sex, and first aid supplies
      ii. Participating in spooktacular stroll
         1. Trick-or-treat simulation
         2. Event from 11am-1pm
   d. Organizations
      i. Pre org applications and interviews almost done
      ii. At least 7 more preorgs coming
      iii. New guidelines for org advisors coming to campus were revised and released
   e. Academics
i. Spring semester vote coming this Wednesday

f. Finance
   i. Allocations
   ii. Spending has increased

g. Programming and Traditions
   i. Finishing up halloweekend planning

h. Operations
   i. Continued conversation from last week’s senate discussion
   ii. Sat on alumni association board/meeting yesterday
      1. Discussed climate plan for next 10 years

i. VSA President
   i. Changing Traditions (In regards to their origins and practices)
      1. General VSA practices
         a. Make things more equitable and inclusive
   ii. Board of Trustees Meeting
      1. New logo
      2. Told them we’d appreciate more/better communication
   iii. Censuring
      1. Be respectful about the situation

3. Committee Chair Updates (Committee Chairs)
   a. Environmental Action
      i. No updates
   b. Planning
      i. Meeting today at 5
      ii. Meeting with admin about communication (brought up at operations meeting)
   c. First-Year Programs
      i. Planning end of semester event in cooperation with first year experience

4. Senator Updates (VSA Senators)
   a. Class of 2024
      i. No updates
   b. Class of 2023
      i. Meeting tomorrow about concept of student union/student government in general
   c. Class of 2022
      i. No updates
   d. Class of 2021
      i. No updates
   e. College Planning
      i. Working on short statement to send out on mental health and academics
5. Constituent Concerns
   a. Space for music orgs and clubs to participate indoors
      i. Orgs should reach out to Alistair

6. Open Discussion
   a. Chair of Finance: On the Record about Office Renovations
      i. “As the Chair of Finance, given the circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic, the large discrepancy between the amount allocated and amount received from the students actives fee, and consequent the org budget cuts, I am not in favor of office renovations beyond basic repair to make the space functional this fiscal year.”

7. Workshop
   a. VSA Statement re: Mental Health, Academics
      i. Space to talk to admin/faculty about how students are struggling
      ii. Students have gone to faculty directly but not always helped
      iii. Not a lot of support right now; campus is very isolating
      iv. Recommendations could be better/more strongly worded
      v. Points need to be more fleshed out
      vi. Brainstorming/suggestions
         1. Some professors trying to finish the syllabus/all assignments before thanksgiving break
         2. Encouraging standardization among faculty
            a. Faculty reaching out to remote students
         3. Difficult transition for first year students
            a. Be more lenient for class participation-- advice for this
         4. Send out wider survey
            a. Can send out survey today -- will have data for ops meeting on wednesday
         5. Faculty needs to know that mental health is worse during covid/this semester
            a. Emphasize how added workload/added stress is causing this
         6. Can send both this and the survey at the same time. Data can come in ‘live’
            a. No delay in sending out second email with results
            b. Can just include results for wednesday Ops meeting
         7. Work on it over the next 2 days
            a. Want strong and influential wording--can’t be rushed
            b. Have it checked by Ops and send it out Wednesday night
         8. Faculty should value quality over quantity
a. Should not be compensating for different learning experiences by substituting new work

9. Current version seems very geared towards on campus
   a. Add question to specify if student is remote or on campus at the beginning
      i. Add a couple questions about remote learning
      ii. Can lead to different form depending on the answer
      iii. Ideal to have same form sent to all students

10. Will send the form out to group Wednesday night to have it approved, and then will send it out to student body

b. VSA Slack
   i. More effective messaging app
   ii. Can help with communication

c. Feedback about structure of Senate
   i. None