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- 0:00:00 The Committee of Finance is hereby call to order. Madam Clerk, can I have a roll call please. Senator Marvin A. Blyden. Senator Blyden, present. Senator Samuel Carrion. Senator Carrion, absent. Senator Dwayne M. DeGraff.
- 0:00:43 He never know. Senator DeGraff, absent. Mark Senator DeGraff as present, he is virtual. Senator DeGraff, present. Senator Donna A. Fred Gregory. Senator Fred Gregory, absent. Senator Javon E. James, senior. Senator James, senior, absent.
- 0:01:16 Senator Janelle K. Saro. Senator Saro, absent. Here. Senator Viale, present. Mr. Chair, you have three present, four absent. The Committee on Finance fiscal year 2022 budget hearing for Thursday, July 1st, 2021 at 9 a.m. in the Earl B. Otley Legislative Hall, Charlotte Amali, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. The Committee on Finance will receive testimony on the proposed fiscal year 2022 executive budget for the government of the Virgin Islands. the Virgin Islands of the United States at 9 a.m. At 9 a.m., the Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation and the Virgin Islands Olympic Committee invited testifiers Calvert White, Commissioner DSPR, Angel L. Morales, President VIOC. At 12:30 p.m., Office of the Adjutant General, invited testifiers, Major General Cujo S. Knox Limbacher, the Adjutant General. Mr. Chair, this concludes the reading of today's agenda.
- 0:02:58 Thank you. Mr. Thank you, Madam Clerk. I also want to welcome Senator Franklin Johnson, who has just joined us. I want to say good morning to the people of the Virgin Islands. Good morning, colleagues. Good morning to the testifiers. Today, July 1st, we have before us the committee, the Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation, along with the Olympic Committee, and later we'll have the National Guard Office of the Adjutant General. Before we begin the proceedings this morning, I want to wish my wife a very happy anniversary. Today marks 32 years of being married to my wonderful, loving wife.

- 0:03:56 I'm working on our anniversary, so it is what it is. But I also want to extend anniversary wishes to my colleague, Noble Francis, who got married 28 years after I did, on the exact same day on July 1st. So happy anniversary to Senator Noble Francis and his lovely wife, Avril. So I told Senator Noble Francis when he got married that I got married in 1989, July 1st, and September we had Hurricane Hugo, a Category 5 hurricane. And 28 years later, Senator Noble Francis got married to Avril on July 1st, 2017. And in September, I wronged the same deed, we had two Category 5 hurricanes. So I'm putting out a warning no more, July 1st, weddings. Okay, now that's be the last of celebrating this wonderful anniversary date, because it somehow brings hurricane.
- 0:04:57 And Category 5, it won't be mild. Commissioner, I'll let you put your name and title on the agenda, along with the members of your staff, and then we will let Mr. Morales put his name and title. We're going to hear the testimony from the Olympic Committee, and we'll have a joint round where we ask questions to both parties. So Commissioner, let's start with you, and then you can go into the subsection, Assistant Commissioner, etc. Good morning, Committee Chair, Senator Kurt Vele. I am Calvert White, the Commissioner of the Department of Sports, Park, and Recreation. Okay, okay, okay, okay, okay, okay, okay, okay, okay.

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- 3x **Senator Janelle K. Saro**
heard in this transcript as: Saro
- 3x **Senator Marvin Blyden**
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- 3x **Senator Samuel Carrion**
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- 2x **Senator Franklin D. Johnson**
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- 2x **Senator Kurt A. Vele**
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- 2x **Senator Kurt Violet**
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- 2x **Senator Marise C. James**
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