

AGENDA

7th Meeting of the 2018-2019 Student Government Association Senate

September 18, 2018 | 7:00 PM | Livak Ballroom

Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Forum

Richard Galbraith- Office of the Vice President for Research

- Have to let people know about research – more than just publications
 - Need to extend what is researched out to the community to see
- More people want and need to learn about entrepreneurship
- Pitch it, Fab it – event run for community
 - For creating prototypes/ engineering beginnings
- What should we be doing at UVM to empower students to be more curious and creative?
 - Students at UVM would take advantage of this but do not hear about it or know who to reach out to.
- Encouraging faculty to attend Student Research Conference
- We want SGA to participate – leadership getting involved will encourage other students to get involved. Word of mouth is incredibly powerful.
- Maybe run some sort of event focused on this – having to do with creativity, curiosity, or entrepreneurship?
- Would like to see growing interest and participation in entrepreneurship-related clubs, events, and activities on campus.

Old Business

Emergency Business

New Business

- Bill derecognizing Climbing Club
- Bill changing name of Chinese Student Union
- Bill allocating funds to College Democrats

Executive Reports

Speaker Scannell

- Thanks to VP Natanagara for retreat.
- I will be starting the Constitution Committee next week so chairs please appoint a senator to serve.
- If you did not make it to the retreat come see me after Senate

Vice President Natanagara

- Thank you for coming to retreat. Anyone who could not make it, please see me.

President Foley

- Thank you Speaker Scannell & VP Natanagara for retreat help.

- Thank you to everybody who showed up to consulting firm meeting.
 - There is an opinion document that has been requested from the search committee with a few questions that we as a group need to answer. Make your voice heard!
- President's picnic was a success – thank you for a great turnout!
- ResLife projects are in the works, spoke to IRA & ResLife to clarify information regarding projects
- Met with Provost Rosowski this week – thank you for helping working on raising 18 credit gap
- HCOL & CALS Dean search committees have nominated names.

Treasurer Percoco

- Not in attendance

Committee Reports

Club Affairs Committee

- Makeup work for club signer workshop is due tomorrow, 9/19/18
- Delegated recognitions – 12 total packets that need to be sorted through
- New club workshop tomorrow at Advising Center at 5:00pm
- Derecognition of Climbing Club
 - Finance related situation – ask Treasurer Percoco or Chair Peters

Finance Committee

- Met with 9 different clubs and totaled up requests that totaled up to \$21,000 dollars

Student Action Committee

- Starting conversation about student health
- Collecting data about feminine products in campus bathrooms
- Printing solutions in library are being looked into
- Handling request from student for raising money for Hurricane Florence
- Read Cynic regularly – good to keep up.

Committee on Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity

- Will be working with Student Accessibility Services to improve accommodations
- Will be working with OIE to get more international representation on SGA
- Mosaic Center will be having breakfast every Friday 9-11
- Reached out to leaders of multicultural organizations – still awaiting responses
- Looking for recommendations for Women Leadership Summit (For anyone that identifies as female)
- Practice self-care – it is a busy time of the school year.

Committee on the Environment

- Had an overview of year with socially responsible investing
 - Trying to increase transparency of UVM's investments
 - Looking for consistency
- Created foundational document for Eco
- Looking for more points of view for COE, will send out a survey to students

Committee on Legislative and Community Affairs

- Worked on Google spreadsheet with action items for this semester that they hope to share on Slack soon.
- Voter registration – met with Student Life grad student to get good ideas about getting students to sign up to vote.
- Hope to have Election Day viewing party
- Trying to get vans to go down to polls on election day, or a march downtown
- Hope to meet with Pres. Sullivan about safe rides.
- Fresh check day – sign up, please!
 - 11-2 Wednesday, October 10th.

Public Relations Committee

- Tabling setup for fall semester – look out for those dates.
- Maybe will do coffee or food handout during finals
- Social media posts
- If you need posters or promotions, let me know – talk to the senator liaison to your committee.

Academic Affairs Committee

- Talking about syllabi, textbooks with CEMS
- Looking for course evaluation software recommendations.
- Faculty senate looking forward to meeting about student rights.
- CNHS having meeting this week with an AA rep

Senatorial Forum

Chair Benson- Slack

- Communicating & organizing tool used in many business environments
- Integrates with Google Drive well.
- Play around with it to get used to it and see what functions it has.
- Any questions, I'm happy for a 1:1 session

Vice President Natanagara- Senator Checklist

- Was thought about like a points system for committees – want to put more meaning into it, possibly even eliminate points.
- Want to create a list of 20 things senators can do or events they can attend.
- Should be some sort of recognition for attending events.
- We could penalize people for not attending events, but we want to instead encourage and recognize student attendance.
- All, please sign up for Slack.
- Want to make a running list of clubs and make it a recognition at end of year for attending.

Senatorial Comments/Announcements

- Speaker Scannell
 - Had an internship planning Vermont Youth Climate Summit
 - Will have speakers on leadership and the environment. We'd love to see you there.
- VP Natanagara

- Thank you cards – please leave a note on COE desk.
- Senator Short
 - Vermont Political offices and campaigns are looking for interns

Final Roll Call
Adjournment