#### **ROLL CALL**

Finance- Sen. DeVivo and Neill Excused, Sen. Fitzgibbons unexcused.

Student Activities- Sen. Weiland (?) excused

Legislative Action- Sen- Lederer-Plaskett excused

Academic Affairs- Sen. Campbell excused

Public Relations- All present

CODEEE- no chair

Student Action- Sen. Matthews EXCUSED

# PUBLIC FORUM (00:01:03)

Jenn Morrison- My name is Jenn Morrison and I am a Lieutenant for the Burlington police and for the past 12 years, prior to that I have done a bunch of other things. For 10 of those years I have been responsible for the police services for the (?) sections which is basically everything east of union or winnoski depending where you are in the city. So that includes pretty much where all of colleagues live and play including the University and Fletcher Allen Health care campuses. It's a big patrol area and it is also the busiest patrol area. I come tonight and I offer you greetings on behalf of the Chief. He could not make it due to a last minute family responsibility. Chief Sherling feels strongly about maintaining a good relationship with the UVM community. He is a Burlington boy, born and raised, spent all of his years in this area. He has both is undergrad and a masters from UVM. So he is very connected to the UVM community both as a person who has lived there and as a student himself. I don't come from Burlington, I have been here 21 years, more than half of my career has been patrolling this part of town. I have had some of my most effective partnerships with students. The most effective group I have worked with was the community coalition. It was made a decade ago, it went away for a couple of years and was rebirthed about six years ago. Since that time it has been the most effect group to actually get things done within the community in terms of college, city officials, other stake holders all coming to the table and making policy level decisions and we actually get things done. I am sure Katie will be able to do a great job spear heading the coalition. I am sure she will be able to tell you about some of the things we will be doing in the coming months. The biggest messages that I come tonight to bring you is that we want to work with you and obviously you guys are very dedicated to your community or you wouldn't be on sga. I am probably preaching to the choir to you folks. You are probably not the ones rolling around drunk at 3am. There is a very real rut between folks in the community and college age this year. Not just UVM. This summer was atypical in the neighborhoods, there were a lot of problems when generally it is a

quite time. For some reason there was a lot of rowdiness and especially fireworks. One ill placed firework can do a lot of damage in these old wooden homes. We have had students die in offcampus fires. These are old homes. I am telling you this that for whatever reason, Nerves are raw. I have had 50 calls in the last 10 days from angry citizens about certain houses and walk by noise problems. There are sometimes that the calls are not so frequent but they are a lot this week. It is more important than ever that we work with you guys. We work proactively, and to educate the students about their impact on the neighborhoods. Try to get the word out to avoid friends getting their wallets hit and pissing off the neighbors. The fines are very large. They deserve the right, but with that right come responsibilities. If any of you have not witnessed it, watch the absolute wall of underclassmen looking for places to drink their alcohol in their knapsacks. I ask you for your creative ideas, you can give them to Katie or email me directly. We are looking for creative partnerships with students to improve everyone's experiences. It isn't fair for residents who are night after night woken. We shouldn't be allowing this to happen. The more this goes on, the more people get upset and that is when the people make the penalties worse. I fear we are headed in that direction again. I come here with a message of collaboration. There is no animosity from us to you. Quality of life is an issue we have. The last part of my message is if you have questions or concerns about anything, the heat of the moment is not really the best place but my door is always open. We don't want to not talk to you. I have kids almost your age. I will take questions, and I have come in 40 seconds under.

## **QUESTIONS**

Sen. Osef- Thanks for coming, I hear the fireworks every night. What is the fine? Do you have to catch them in the act?

Lt. Morrison- Good question, we actually don't catch them in the act. We issue less than 20 tickets a year because it is so hard to catch. Depending what you set off you could get a city ordinance or arrested and charged criminally. There is a state statute about fireworks where only a few small fireworks are leagal. The city ordinance tickets are currently \$50, which is what the noise ordinance was when I started. Now it is 300 dollars. I am afraid that this is what is going to happen with the fireworks if this keeps up.

Sen. Caster- What is the success for the have a heart campaign? Also, if you could speak to the party registration.

Lt. Morrison- I think that (party registration) is stuck on the shelf. The first part about have a heart; there are many initiatives we partake in so it is not like you can measure what each initiative does. I guess at the end of the day if your message reaches 25 people, you have done your job. I like HAH because it is a tangible thing but I think it is only one piece of a multi-prong thing.

Chair Rifken- I was wondering if you could speak about the last 2 weekends

Lt. Morrison- This past weekend was not as bad as I anticipated. The weekend before was horrible. The demeanor and tenor of the students were horrible and aggressive, a bad vibe on the streets, just hoards of them looking for a party. The students are so predictable. Thank you for your time. We are here to work with you, not against you! Good luck with all of your endeavors this fall.

### CAMPUS PLANNING (00:17:00)

Sarah Feltman (?)- I am with an architecture firm in Boston. We are working with UVM, the libraries and campus planning to develop the master plan for the libraries, focusing specifically on Bailey Howe with the potential for a learning commons. The is a planning study, completed at the end of December. It will involve some planning diagrams, a summary of the program, and a lot of tax stuff and summary. Its not a design at this point. We have spent, this is our 3rd time here. We met with focus groups, today we had an open forum with grads and faculty, tomorrow undergraduates and faculty. I am sure throughout the process we will come back to you and get you updates on where we are. I don't want to talk too much. I want to get your input. What do you like? What works, what doesn't work. \*\*EMAIL\*\* <a href="mailto:librarystudy@uvm.edu">librarystudy@uvm.edu</a> is the email to give input. We want to hear from you.

# QUESTIONS (00:20:09)

Sen. Denton- We do a poll every semester of the students and we were thinking about opening it up to about the library renovations. If you are interested we would love to talk later about it.

Feltman- Absolutely, we will meet up later to talk about the questions asked.

Sen. Daley- When is the forum and where?

Feltman-Tomorrow at 12:30 in the gallery at BH. And there is pizza!

Chair Benner- I personally think that whatever happens the main priority is to have more easily accessible desk space and outlet space. I know a lot of students have problem with finding outlets available for their computers and desk space. There should be cubbies with little lights on the top of them. One of my biggest issues is there is not enough light or space. I like the desks with "blinders."

Sen. Lott- Where is the room and who is supplying the pizza

Feltman- The library is supplying the pizza and it is the first floor.

Speaker Monteforte- I would love to have more group space, I envision great rooms with big white boards and projectors.

Feltman- I think they have them already.

Sen. Osef- My only question is do you plan on adding extra square footage or just renovations to the library

Feltman- The answer to your question is the program looks like it will require and addition but nothing is finalized or decided on.

Sen. Lederer-Plaskett- My sorority comes in hoards and uses the media room but a lot of the material is either outdated or broken. Is that something you are looking to improve?

Feltman- I didn't know about the media lab. As architects we don't make those decisions. The intent of a renovation would replace the stuff that is in poor condition.

Sen. Daley- To echo Sen. Lederer-Plaskett, I know group space is a problem. I don't do that but will there we more space for groups to work together maybe a new media; whatever happens to billings, that might open up space. But are there any ideas to move text to make more space?

Feltman- In the immediate future the library is looking at what can be weeded and what can be moved. What we are looking at is all of your collections and what can we move or weed out. I think that is happening in small spaces slowly. The new program is looking at seating in general, what would be good, How much of the population would be able to use the space at one time, right now it is 11%, we are looking to increase that.

Sen. Mansfield- As a student, during exam time there was no space for us to study at all. We were sitting on the floor. I recommend the large desks, I am a space hog and love the big space.

Chair Goodnow- I was wondering, are you talking about actually construction? Also, I am a huge fan of windows, so I would suggest big windows.

Feltman-Yes I think we are probably proposing construction, but nothing is set.

OLD BUSINESS (00:31:14)

**EMERGENCY BUSINESS** 

NEW BUSINESS- (00:31:40)

Chair Benner- resolution disapproving of President Fogel's severance package

EXECUTIVE REPORTS (00:32:00)

Julian- So first of all I will be leaving early today. My summer was very fun. We got to meet with a lot of different deans and people. I went to Brazil and Uraguay. I bought you all bracelets. Did everyone read Nick's new rules. I just sent out the first campus wide, we are going to do that every week. Suggestions for events to do that at, different clubs to spotlight, etc. I am working right now to get a group of South African leaders here to shadow us for 2 weeks. If anyone would be interested in hosting them, let me know. It would be an exchange.

Katie and I are working on having Bernie Sanders here for Veteran's day. Rifken looked into him speaking twice in the same day and they don't want to do that. We met with sga of Champlain and St mikes and talked about having a grand sga meeting. They liked the idea. One giant Burlington sga event!

Finally, I want to help out with tropical storm Irene relief. We are donating to the food shelf as an sga. Both Will and I donated \$100 to the food bank.

Vice President Vitagliano- Mark your calendar for the retreat on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Right here you can see my summer summary (ask him directly for an email of the copy). I have some positions avail. So if you or anyone that you know would be interested in these positions forward them to me. To senate, we have 4 off site positions available and one on campus and chair position. If a lot of you have been in the office it has been revamped and rearranged.

The \$100 donations came from our discretionary funds. Each of us (The President and I) have a fund of \$500 each, totaling \$4000 with the sga fund. Most of it is used for retreats and the awards ceremony.

Treasurer Juaire- (All in an exciting and enthusiastic voice) This summer I made a huge spreadsheet. Weirdly enough, I know more club signers than you. That's silly. So please come to my office so I can meet you. I LOVE LT MORRISON. She is super bad ass. She was my boss this summer. Treasurer's workshops are coming up.

Monteforte- I sent out our updated rules, public forum went really well. I hope you are all pleased. Constitution committee, I am still undecided on what we are going to do. If you want to open the docs, ask me beforehand. If people want to get on pub forum, give them my email. I am always available through my phone, email or office. (In reference to a question) I am going to keep public forum to a strict time limit for everyone, it is just better that way. My goal isn't to get out of here fast but to keep things under control. I want to be more efficient. There are other venues people can talk to us through; email, office, in person, etc. I am also going to make sure that the constitution is updated on the site.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS (01:00:10)

Finance- This week we had one supp request for nationals, that was it. We had committee, 3 were there, Juaire showed up.

Student Activities- Club calendar is looking good, we are starting liaison stuff, I met with sass (?), it went well. Tomorrow I am meeting with clubs.

COLA- Veteran's day, we are collaborating with the vets collaborative organization which is a student group. We are working on getting more students involved. Community coalition; it's a group of neighbors, students and administration, a lot of big wigs go there. Our first meeting is this Friday 2-4. I invite you all. The common grounds summit is used to discuss things in the

neighborhood. Have a heart; we have had 2 meetings, we are having another one Friday. Sign up! Voter registration, we are trying to get students registered to vote! (On a question about the party registration) The philosophy on that, it is meant to curve the house parties but it doesn't do anything about walk by noise. Also there is a legality issue as well for UVM so we have to figure that out.

Academic Affairs- UVM Orientation, Not providing the ISBN to students is illegal and now the admin know we know it. We are working on trying to provide syllabi during class registration, and open reviews for classes as well.

CODEE- (no chair)

Public Relations- UVM map on Iphones isn't going to happen, they are not interested. VSOP for library (survey.) Activities fest, we need volunteers in the morning (9:25.) Also, it was moved indoors. Email is now up and running. We are looking into IFC and SGA is trying to keep up with greek life. If panhel wants to collaborate with us as well they can talk to us. Senate of the week is Melina!

Student Action- Gay Blood Ban, Possibly doing a big fundraiser for VT relief. Finally, graffti on campus. How can we foster that?

ELECTIONS (01:15:30)- we have not officially met yet, thanks for the support. Thanks to the first years for coming out.

SENATORIAL (01:17:13)

Chair Caster- We need to watch what we are saying about the search committee

Sen. Lederer-Plaskett- wants to register 800 first years for voting at least. We are making cupcakes for the first 100 to register. You can try to get people to register in your classes. We are trying to get vans for elections to bring students down to vote.

Sen. DeVivo- I am on the board of trustees as well as on the financial committee. We don't do things to screw all of you. We have to make a lot of tough decisions. It is difficult to get high quality admin for a cheap price.

Vice President Vitagliano-This severance package has not interfered with the pres committee. Chairs, update your oracles. We will swear all of the first years in next week.

Sen. Daley- I want people to go to the library forum if you can. Talk to your friends. Last year we had a big Gen Ed discussion here. Tell me what works for you, what you want to see more. We were thinking of an LGBQTA requirement. I am on the search committee for the Dean of CAS. Our last dean was very good. Think about what you want for a new dean.

Treasurer Juaire- I know part of my job might be a little unclear. I tell clubs how they can and cannot use their money. I think the SA money shouldn't be used for donations. I will give 100 dollars of my own money to the food shelf and I encourage all of you to donate as well.

Chair Goodnow- I like the new rules of order!

Chair Benner- wants to talk about something with people who also are interested in the severance package. Second thing, what are we registering people for? What positions are we voting on.

Sen. Lederer-Plasket- We are voting on some town seats, and a few other positions. Its more for getting ready for next years massive national election for the President.

Chair Denton- We are going to take pics of everyone, get ready for it, Chris has avoided it because he didn't feel pretty.

Sen. Burns- Are you going to be notifying us?

Chair Denton- We are going to be having stock photos. We will be doing senatorial spotlights to get your name out and get info out.

Sen. Mansfield- I wanted to elaborate to the gen ed diversity requirement. It wouldn't be an addition but a change to d1 requirement.

Chair Rifken- what about follow-ups and what are the regulations. What is the policy?

Speaker Monteforte- I don't have a problem with follow ups, I don't see a problem with denying a follow up unless you are getting out of hand.

Chair Caster- Though I do enjoy the humor, I would request that we stay away from the pizza questions.

COMMENTS (01:35:54)

Chair Denton- Market club is looking for new members.

Sen. Osef- 10 year anniversary for 9/11

Sen. DeVivo- my frat is having a candlelight vigil for the 9/11. If you bring donations or canned goods for the food shelf it would be appreciated.

Sen. Daley- Waterbury was devastated (by the tropical storm).

Led-plas- I will be flying home for 9/11. My father is a survivor. I am doing a spare change drive for it. Sorority formal recruitment is next week. Sept 24<sup>th</sup> is slut walk. Slut walk is a huge march on church st. you show up in whatever you deem is slutty attire for your right to wear whatever

you want in the public. I am looking for people with cars who can help distribute food to Burlington families who need it every Friday

Sen. Keenan- go out and help vt residents who were affected by the flood to clean their homes out or do whatever they need. There is no way to avoid conflict, the last thing to remember is that that conflict is what you got together for. Embrace conflict, don't make it personal. Work with eachother, not against.

Chair Rifken- Monday at 12 there is a basic car maintenance thing at the pearl house really close buy. SO cool!

Sen. Weiskotten- Zest is holding auditions tomorrow. I am a member of the food slavage where we not only donate food but create meals for people. We are always looking for volunteers

Chair Benner- I am in a ballroom dancing class, ladies, thurs 2 to 3:30. We need you

Sen. Burns- Kyle, where is the vigil

Sen. DeVivo- on the stage between the dc and the library.

Sen. Zhao- Debate team is looking for new people to join.

Sen. Burns- starting tonight, midnight grundle, join us there

**ROLL CALL** 

Finance-?

Student Activities- Sen. Weiland and Benner both excused.

COLA- all present

AA- Sen.Campbell excused

PR- all present

Student Action- Sen. Matthews and Ravech excused

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