

September 27th

ROLL CALL

Finance- Senators Zurlo and Neill excused

Student Activities- Senators Weiland and Etter unexcused, Senator Chaouch excused

COLA- All Present

Academic Affairs- Chair Caster excused

CODEEE- Senators Habib and Talbot excused

Student Action- Senator Manago excused

Public relations- All present

PUBLIC FORUM (00:01:00)

David Wisotsky (00:01:28) - Hi my name is David Wisotsky, and I want to talk about issues regarding discrimination and harassment faced by barefoot students by many of the departmental institutions on campus. Mainly the libraries, gyms, buses, Davis center and dining halls. Without the presence of any Vermont state or Federal law or municipal health code or any university wide policy mandating the footwear of a patron, customer or student at any establishment, these departments on campus institute and enforce a footwear requirement with signs posted only occasionally. As a barefoot student living on campus I have had no choice but to remove myself from the meal plan after many despairing cases of being denied service. For various reasons I do not use the bus system. The Bailey Howe library and Davis Center staff have both contacted campus police services on separate occasions and have me removed due to my failure to comply to these departments' policies, denying me access to many of the services I pay for as a student including my political rights as a student since the SGA offices are located inside the Davis Center. The Bailey Howe library staff and police services have notified me that the library might place a trespassing order on me if I continue to be barefoot in the library. These incidences are not isolated to myself as there is a growing barefoot movement on campus which has been discussed in the past two issues of the Watertower. My goal is to raise awareness of the barefoot student movement on campus to remove the discriminatory policies and wrong the rights so that students may be able to chose their own footwear or lack thereof. I believe students should not only be able to live the barefoot lifestyle but students should be granted the right to take their shoes off when they please. The enforcement of these policies I feel violate student rights 8 and 10 of the student handbook of policies and conduct. I also feel that student right #1 should be

expanded upon to barefoot students. Now I am going to read student policies 8 and 10. Number 8, “Students are free to engage in peaceful and orderly protest, demonstration, and picketing that does not disrupt functions of the University,” and number 10, “Students have the right to freely exercise their full rights as citizens. The University affirms the right of students to exercise their freedoms without fear of University interference.” Thank you for your time.

OLD BUSINESS (00:04:38)

Chair Dougherty- Bill allocating funds to gymnastics club. Bill requests funds for 25 uniforms.

Bill passes

Senator Campbell- Resolution in support of Efforts of Academic Affairs and Office of Provost for Enhanced Section Descriptions and ISBN

Addition of description of higher education opportunity act

Resolution passes

EMERGENCY BUSINESS (00:16:45)

Appointment of Haley Wilich to the SGA

Bill passes

Haley Wilich is sworn into the UVM SGA, appointed to COLA

NEW BUSINESS (00:20:43)

Chair Denton- Bill recognizing SASS as (?)

Senator Campbell- Bill Recognizing

EXECUTIVE REPORTS (00:21:16)

President Golfarini-

Board of Trustees report, wants feedback.

“Men of Color” at Alana is looking for new members.

Dean of students advisory board, looking for first year students.

Needs ideas for a catch phrase for weekly videos, so far “Stay class Catamounts.” Also, swag ideas needed

SENATORS OF THE WEEK- Josh Etter and Alyssa Ravech Question

Senator Daley- #1 Mr. Speaker

Main concern for this week is getting the first year students for the dean of students advisory board, also read the BOT report.

Vice President Vitagliano-

Wants to know what you want to see in the next President.

This week, having a meeting with the Greater Burlington collegiate committee. Meets once a month

Still have 3 off campus positions available on senate and 2 students on the academic technology committee?

BOT committee is looking for a representative

Question #1 Mr. Speaker

Forming the list serve, I have 3 more committees I need to appoint students to.

Speaker Monteforte-

Constitution Committee Sign up! One person from every committee is needed. As necessary meetings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (00:35:11)

PR- Was Emailed out.

Finance- Pretty Awesome week!,

Student Action- 3 supplemental hearings and a lot of Gas? Requests. Thanks for approving the bill!

COLA- Veteran's Day stuff is going well, Voter registration going well also. Needed to be done by October 8th. 18+ is going well, having convos with the police about that next week.

Affordability and Access forum; looking for help to get VT senators to come talk. Did a ride along

CODEEE- Ecoware, it's awesome! Hoping to expand ecoware to cups, soup containers. Dining halls, Harris Millis late night has gone to compost.

Student Activities- Wildlife (?) Society may be coming up soon, possibly her campus UVM. Club policy workshop coming up this Saturday October 1st

Academic Affairs- Mission of Vision, 2020

Student Action- Graffiti wall, a ton of student support. Over 65 names and signatures over an hour and a half. In contact with Woman in charge of physical plant. Starting with forming a graffiti club. L/L mural project, going to be huge. Ad hoc meeting is the way to go with this. Going to run a competition on what will replace the current L/L mural. Looking at getting Printers in living areas, specifically on Trinity. Looking into continuing ecoware and more types of ecoware. Wants to get the water bottle ban going again.

SENATORIAL FORUM (00:55:22)

Senator Campbell- Animal Testing resolution. Next week a member of the Vermont Supreme Court will come here.

Senator Nenopoulos- Shooting videos in res halls for PSA. Idea- having kids and parents have a pizza party in the dorms and then break things as they walk through the halls, mimicking what students do downtown.

Senator Daley- 2020 Vision. Met with 3 deans already, have the meetings with the other deans scheduled this week. Planning on tabling about the 2020 vision asking students to define UVM in one sentence

Chair Burns- Finance committee does an excellent job with writing their bills. Calling to Question is a formality.

Senator Osef- Made a QR code for SGA for smart phones. Transitioning from a facebook friend page to a like page

Chair Rifken- Thanks for everyone who went to help out in Waterbury We are looking to do it again in 3 weeks

Senator Pasterkiewicz- Read the emails that Gary Derr sends you.

Senator Campbell- Senator DeVivo is looking good for a good cause

SENATORIAL COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (01:04:07)

Senator DeVivo- Selling outright Vermont wrist bands, \$2 each. Have 300 left that I need to sell.

Senator Daley- Thank you to all who have been nice and warm to our Chair Gavin Caster.

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