

SGA Senatorial Meeting: Tuesday September 15, 2015 at 7pm

- Attendance
 - Club Affairs: All Present
 - COLA: Senator Morgan absent
 - AA: Senator Fortner-Buczala absent (Late Arrival)
 - Finance: All present
 - PR: All present
 - CODEE: All present
 - Student Action: All present
- Minutes
 - Approved
- Public Forum
 - No one scheduled
 - No comments
- Old Business
 - Bill to change Alpine Ski to UVM Alpine Ski Racing Club (Senator Brown)
 - Student representative: David Colson President of UVM Alpine Ski Racing Club
 - Wanted to change name to eliminate confusion with Ski and Snowboard Club
 - Questions
 - None
 - Approved
- Emergency Business
 - Amendment for Student Government Association for the University of Vermont
 - To remove financial policies from operational documents and to establish them as a separate document
 1. Operational documents for the Student Government Association of the University of Vermont will no longer include a section for the financial policy
 2. Financial policies shall be compiled each year by the Student government treasurer and will be presented to the senate at the first meeting of the fall semester
 3. Financial policies must be approved by a 2/3 vote of senate and signed by president to be enacted
 - This is to save senate time and makes things easier in the future (President Maulucci)
 - Questions
 - None
 - Approved
 - FY16 Financial Policies (Treasurer DaGama)
 - This is a document where the procedures and policies aren't changing, but dates are always changing
 - Documents need to be tweaked
 - Procedural legislation that happens every year
 - Questions
 - None
 - Approved
- New Business

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- Bill allocating funds to Women's Club Rugby (Chair Langham)
- Bill allocating funds to Crew (Chair Langham)
- Bill derecognizing Linguistics Club (Chair Brown)
- Bill derecognizing Student Led Division United to End Genocide- STAND (Chair Brown)
- Executive Reports
 - Speaker Simpson
 - Thanks for a great retreat weekend
 - Missed Meetings
 - If you haven't email about any missed meetings, you will be at all of them
 - Robert's Rules- brought and passed out
 - Changed item: Leggings- can wear them
 - Look nice, look professional, follow dress code
 - Women and Leadership Summit
 - Chair Ryan and Speaker Simpson met with former president and working with current president
 - Planning on having summit mid-November
 - Would love help
 - First- Year Elections
 - Wednesday (9/16) and Thursday (9/17)
 - CODEE
 - Talked to Chair Letendre about starting a mental health campaign
 - Big thing on people's mind these days
 - October is mental health awareness month
 - Questions
 - Chair Ryan
 - Are there enough of the Robert's Rules for people
 - Yes, continued to being passed around
 - VP Davis
 - Thanks for a great retreat weekend
 - Public Forum- September 29
 - Last Ward 1 and Warp 8 NPA meeting; Burlington resident's have concerns about students now that school has started
 - Visitors from the were invited to come and talk about concerns they have on September 29
 - Ward 1 and 8 City Councilors, Community Relations Officer, and head of the Office of Student Community Relations (OSCR) were invited
 - Bring questions
 - Mental Health Awareness
 - Talked about it at the retreat, bar graphs were made
 - We need to start addressing it as a senate
 - Think on this for next week's senatorial forum
 - First-year Elections
 - Wednesday (9/16) and Thursday (9/17)

- 7 applications
- Be friendly and open to new people
- Questions
 - Senator Johnson
 - How many first-year students are running?
 - 8 packets submitted with 130 signatures
 - 5 spots currently open/need to be filled
 - 7 of the 8 candidates made platforms
 - Chair Ryan
 - Is there more info on the “It’s On Us Video?”
 - Combatting sexual assault plan hasn’t progressed much in planning
 - Thursday at 4:30pm there will be an app demo
 - Maps buildings on campus and use GPS locator on phone to know exactly what room you’re in; essentially a mobile blue light
 - Speaker Simpson
 - How does the app’s response work?
 - From understanding, works like a mobile blue light with a GPS capability
 - Also, submitted a request to the new Companion App
 - Friend’s you give permission to can track your movement home. Alerts friend(s) if headphones are ripped out, walking pace changes, or if you hit a nervous button.
 - Chair Brandt
 - Where does the University stand with RFP cross-platform UVM app?
 - Chair Cares
 - Student Action Committee is trying to create a universal app for UVM
 - Mobile blue light, dining information, sports’ schedule/calendar, UVM map, UVM Bored calendar, personal schedule, UVM voice, etc.
 - Will get started with or without university support
- President Maulucci
 - Peer Advising Program
 - Will go to Steering Committee, September 30th, with final vision of Peer Advising Program
 - Will be ready to be voted on by October 6th so the Fee Increase Proposal can be circulated
 - Online Course Syllabi
 - Spoke with Dean Falls and Joe Goldberg
 - Dean Falls gave personal support and as Chair of the Psychological Sciences Department, he required all psych professors to put their syllabi online

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- Admissions and Enrollment management Summit
 - Breakdown of class of 2019
 - Retention rate
 - 86% get to 90%
 - Acceptance rate
 - 71% get to below 70%
- Student Selection Committee
 - Selecting another student representative for the Board of Trustees
 - Need to have three informational sessions regarding the position of a trustee
 - History lesson on the position
 - Talk to UVM administrators
 - Talk to Trustees
 - November 4, 11, and 18
 - Want a large pool to pick from, so every senator should find a good applicant
 - Applications are due January 15, interviews are mid-February, term starts March 1
- President Sullivan
 - President Maulucci has a one-on-one 9/22
 - Coming to public forum 9/22; informal
 - Have questions: what do you think is going on at UVM?
- Memorandum of Standing
 - VP Davis and President Maulucci met with former president of UVM
 - Working on getting UVM and Burlington to come together and put out a public release on what we expect from each other
- Women and Leadership Summit
 - Chair Ryan, Speaker Simpson, and Senator Cleary are heading up the committee for it
 - Working with UVM Tower Society
 - Sent request for funding to the President's Office
 - Will tentatively happen on December 2nd
- International Student Issues
 - Want the committee to start meeting
 - If anyone wants to be a leader, see President Maulucci
 - Extended an invite to Kim Howard in the office of International Education to come to public forum
- Communication with club leaders, signers, and executives
 - Worked on with Treasurer DaGama, VP Davis, President Maulucci and Club Affairs
 - Want to make transition from member to leader an easier process
 - Standardize when transitions take place
 - Probably around budget season
 - Gets information out to everyone at once instead of individually
 - Will grant waivers for clubs who *need* a different transition time

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- May be done through a bill in the next several weeks
 - Questions
 - None
- Treasurer DaGama
 - Reconciliation of debt for all organization
 - September 25th deadline
 - Having meetings with organizations about financial planning and reconciling debt
 - Welcome Back Activities are being processed
 - Thanks for support on financial policies
 - Questions
 - None
- Committee Reports
 - Club Affairs (Chair Brown)
 - Thanks for passing the name change of Alpine Ski to UVM Alpine Ski Racing Club
 - Finalizing social justice training
 - Derecognitions
 - Two clubs haven't been in contact for 3 consecutive semesters
 - Questions
 - Chair Ryan
 - When you derecognize, do they not reach out to SGA or does SGA reach out to them and they are unresponsive?
 - Both
 - COLA (Chair Lachlan)
 - Thanks for a great retreat weekend
 - Veteran's Day
 - Collaborate with Chair Ryan and UVM Administration counterparts, University Relations, and Student Veteran Services
 - A lot of volunteer opportunities
 - Coffee with the Mayor
 - Coffee, questions, chatting with students
 - Joined by Provost Rosowsky
 - September 28th 3-4pm in Mansfield Room (President Maulucci)
 - Burlington Public Safety Committee
 - Meeting in Aiken on 9/16 from 7-9pm
 - Talk about concerns about safety in Burlington and on campus
 - Committee of Student Resident Ambassadors
 - Working with VP Davis
 - Let them know if you know anyone who wants to work with SGA, community members, and residents about improving relationships
 - Questions
 - Chair Brandt
 - Is there an agenda with Coffee with the Mayor?

- More or less the same as when he does biweekly “Coffee with the Mayor” in local coffee shops
 - He hasn’t gotten to campus, so they are bringing him up here
 - Informal event
 - Speaker Simpson
 - How are you advertising for Coffee with the Mayor?
 - President Maulucci will send out in biweekly email
 - May be a big enough deal to be in Gary Derr’s email
- AA (Chair Brandt)
 - Thanks for a great retreat weekend
 - Peer Advising Program
 - More discussions to come- one every week during the Senatorial Forum
 - Goals
 - Course Evaluations
 - Forming a sub-committee to get course evaluations published
 - Will produce a separate form to send to the university, collect the data, and then publish it themselves
 - Working on exploring this idea
 - Online Course Syllabi
 - Will be figuring out a strategy for this
 - Revive College of Arts and Sciences Deans Advisory Committee (CASDAC)
 - AA chair would maintain channel of communication with CASDAC
 - International students
 - Worked on by Senator Yang
 - Coordinated accessibility for international student through communication with the ACCESS Office and Office of International Education
 - Trustees Retreat (9/18-9/19)
 - Talking about the future of University and the President’s Strategic Action Plan
 - Will report back next week (9/22)
 - Questions
 - None
- Finance (Chair Langham)
 - Hearings
 - American Society of Foresters
 - Women’s Rugby
 - To come: Bill for transportation
 - UVM Crew
 - To come: Bill for new boats
 - UVM Climbing
 - Questions
 - None

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- PR (Chair Ryan)
 - Thanks for a great retreat weekend
 - Women and Leadership Summit
 - Tentative date is December 2nd
 - Spoke to former SGA president
 - Big announcement next week
 - App Demo
 - Thursday (9/17) 4:30pm
 - Veteran's Day
 - Working with COLA
 - Self Defense Class
 - Kelly Thorn teaching wants to do another class
 - Questions
 - None
- CODEE (Chair Letendre)
 - Thanks for a great retreat weekend
 - Religious "speaker" outside Bailey Howe
 - Happened 9/10 and 9/11
 - Campus offices have been collaborating how to respond and how to help students
 - Mental Health campaign
 - Specifically want to work with student leaders
 - Goals
 - Start a campaign to move ALANA
 - PR campaign to combat waste on campus
 - Questions
 - None
- Student Action (Chair Cares)
 - Thanks for a great retreat weekend
 - Breakage Cards
 - Worked on by Senator Patel
 - Figuring out the Cat\$cratch, cash, check situation
 - When STEM is built, there won't be any more breakage cards, so won't tackle this issue
 - Campus wide app
 - Has features to make you want to use everyday
 - Looking into independently developing the app
 - Campus outreach
 - Want a more active role; want to go to people instead of just having them come to us
 - Limited Printing
 - Looking into this idea
 - Certain amount of pages a day
 - Senator Patel
 - New dinning system

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- Met with Director of Student Correspondences
- Late Night at Harris Millis took too long to start up
- New: Skinny Pancake will be at Late Night on Thursday, Friday, Saturday
 - Hopefully starting the first week of October
- Can't use a 6 point swipe at the Marche before 10am on the weekends
 - Will compensate with opening Simpson at 8am
- Trying to extend Cook Commons hours
- Staff Appreciation Week
 - Video played
- Questions
 - Senator Fortner-Buczala
 - If you want to develop the app independently, there's a class at UVM that does that
 - Chair Ryan
 - Would you consider combining new app and bus app?
 - Good idea, but we want to avoid an app with overwhelming features
 - Chair Letendre
 - Dining concern
 - Green Roof Deli won't allow substitutes and doesn't have GF bread
 - Senator Brattstorm
 - Is Simpson currently open at 8am on the weekends?
 - Yes
- Senatorial Forum
 - Chair Brandt
 - Peer Advising Discussion Point
 - Outreach in Peer Advising
 - Haven't had discussion with student body yet
 - Ideas
 - Panel with people
 - Letter to Editor for the Cynic
 - Any ideas?
 - Speaker Simpson
 - Have the Cynic do a full story
 - Chair Brandt and President Maulucci meet every week or two with the Cynic. They have expressed interest in this once plans are solidified. (President Maulucci)
 - Chair Brown
 - Likes the idea of committee; great to get different view points on the matter
 - Senator Andrews

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- Have you done a VSOP poll?
 - No, but good idea to keep in mind
 - Feel free to talk to Chair Brandt about any further ideas
 - Chair Langham yields floor to VP Davis
 - Forgot to mention in report, will be sending out an anonymous survey to get feedback on the retreat
 - Senatorial Comments
 - Senator Francis
 - Working on campaign for gubernatorial candidate: Matt Dunn
 - Coming to campus next Tuesday (9/22) from 5-6pm
 - If you have any questions or want to get involved
 - Free pizza
 - Speaker Simpson
 - Apologize for messing up names, new plaquerds are coming soon
 - Senator Ryan
 - Senator Chik suggested interest in getting names on both sides of the plaquerds
- Adjourned