



FIFTEENTH MEETING OF THE 2016-2017 SGA SENATE  
November 29th, 2016

Call to Order 7:00 pm

Minutes: Approved

Public Forum:

- SRIAC: Elizabeth Palchak
  - Socially Responsible Investing Advisory Council comprised of students, faculty, staff, and administrators
  - The Clean Energy Fund initiated in 2007 by students, \$10 fee added to comprehensive fee—track money and make the best use of it
  - New website with old projects, dollar amounts, Richard Watt's report, etc.
  - Areas of focus for Clean Energy Fund: Infrastructure projects, academics & co-curricular education, and innovative student research
  - Opportunities for students to develop ideas and go through proposal process.

Old Business:

- Bill Recognizing Spoon University Vermont
  - *Bill Passed*

Emergency Business:

- None

New Business:

- None

Executive Reports

**Speaker Johnson**

- One more meeting this semester. Please consider time commitments for next semester.

**Vice President Davis**

- Safe Ride resolution will be ready by Friday and will be up for vote Tuesday.
- Socks came in today-- if you're hosting an event and want a giveaway we now have phone wallets, salad shakers, and socks.
- Survey for committees went out today please fill them out, they are anonymous, two-on-ones with chairs will then occur.

## **President Maulucci**

- Cap to be non-exempt employee was raised, but has been postponed. Will keep updated because of implications at UVM.
- Peer Advising Update: expanding to all of CEMS. Going to try pilot with new FYE based on students living in certain res halls and allocate them accordingly. Great usage Advising Center, 500 students stopped by thus far.
- Thursday Senator Dazzo and I meeting to finalize SPARK, have president's blessing as of today. Have resolution supporting it coming out of Finance Committee. Looking for donors in Spring.
- BOT selection process going on, new record attendance. Have new Trustee appointed by Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>—if interested please check out the video records so that you are eligible
- Invited Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2pm to Women's Basketball game in hospitality suite.
- If anyone interested in being Elections Chair for Midterm Election—let Jason know.

## **Treasurer Langham**

- Sending info to Club Signers about last day for spending this semester (Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>) as well as releasing budgeting materials.
- Going to Club Sports Council on Thursday.

## Committee Reports

### **Public Relations**

- SGA newsletter sent out before end of semester
- Senator Sudbay & Fortner-Buczala for senator spotlight
- What is SGA campaign, in conjunction with 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Trying to post Public Forum video (once get password)
- Senator Butler finished survey questions, but will go out next semester.

### **Student Action**

- Next semester implementation of Campus App
- Senator Gomez working on more service projects for clubs and councils on campus
- Working on compiling information about dining portion for FYE course, surveys/tabling for this
- Senator Howley working on addressing transportation concerns

### **Academic Affairs**

- Peer Advising Center (Isora Lithgow) on public forum next week
- More info to come about Peer Advising partnership with FYE

### **Committee on Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity**

- Supply Drive for Standing Rock tabling December 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> from 10-2pm collecting assorted things (check Facebook group for details)
- Working with videographer for Women in Leadership video
- Next CODIE public forum event coming up
- Sifting through GIRT report, will be sent to Senate

- Post-election discussion event with UVM faculty next Wednesday in Rosa Parks room 7pm.

### **Committee on the Environment**

- Creating google drive for Carbon Neutral SGA for future Chair management
- Senator Ford meeting with Office of Sustainability before end of Semester
- During Earth Appreciation Day poll had students voice concerns, number one response was need for more local and real food in dining halls.

### **Club Affairs**

- 8 clubs who haven't check in yet, 5 will be up for de-recognition for next semester
- Senator Pavlow meeting with Lynx Thursday
- Planning new club workshop

### **Committee on Legislative and Community Affairs**

- CSRA launch
- Statehouse visit in Spring
- Community Service for COLCA

### **Finance**

- Women's Ultimate Frisbee tournament
- Alpha Phi Omega conference in Pittsburgh
- Free Skiing Club for trampoline fees
- Last day spending December 9<sup>th</sup>
- Budgeting starting for next semester
- Finished data on survey with Senator Stark

### Senatorial Forum

- Chair Ryan: Meeting with Champlain SGA in response to BLM flag & strengthening relationship

### Senatorial Comments and Announcements

- Chair Ryan: Post-election speak-out Thursday 6pm Davis Center Amphitheatre
- Senator Niemczyk: Next Monday, Chipotle Fundraiser for Accounting Club 2-9pm, 50% proceeds go to accounting club, money goes to students getting to tour big 4 accounting firms in Boston
- Senator Butler: Thank you for putting information on the drive.
- Senator Dazzo: exciting stuff for innovation fund, named SPARK Student, under Office of Vice President of Research, run by students for students. Last meeting December 7<sup>th</sup> 8:30-9:30am in Hills Room 20 with many guest speakers.
- Speaker Johnson: Senator Foley is in the UVM theatre production this weekend if you want to support him.