



SIXTEENTH MEETING OF THE 2016-2017 SGA SENATE
December 6th, 2016

Call to Order 7:00 pm

Minutes: Approved

Public Forum:

- Isora Lithgow, Peer Advising Coordinator: 377 students have come in the center thus far, first two weeks and two weeks prior to course registration busiest. 48% who have visited have asked academic related questions; 58% were first year students. Partnering with OSCR for off-living concerns, currently doing study-skills tutoring, and finding other means of programming during the slower weeks. Have an end of semester survey for students who used the Advising Center to get feedback, working to build better presence.

Emergency Business:

- Bill Allocating Funds to UVM Club Gymnastics
 - *Bill Passed*
- Bill Allocating Funds to UVM Cycling
 - *Bill Passed*

Old Business:

- Amendment to the SGA constitution
 - *Bill Passed*
- Resolution Expressing Deep Gratitude to Rich Bundy for his Remarkable Achievements as CEO and President of the UVM Foundation
 - *Bill Passed*

New Business:

- None

Executive Reports

Speaker Johnson

- Feedback form going out soon, please fill this out. Going to be reviewing Roberts Rules and cleaning up drive over break.

Vice President Davis

- Spring Retreat FEBRUARY 12th—put in your calendars

- Finishing up chair performance reviews
- Cosponsoring the t-shirt giveaway Friday night at the hockey game, 750 shirts
- Blanka and Treasurer Langham agreed we shouldn't entirely fund Safe Ride, most plausible launch is Fall 2017; voting on resolution early next semester—max contribution from SGA \$25,000 and get matching funding from other administration offices

President Maulucci

- Officially starting next semester is SPARK Student program—given us the green light, last stage legal team of UVM goes over documents. Next semester raising money and recruiting people to be a part of the team itself.
- Over break revamping to ensure our priorities in collective bargaining agreement are met—week before we come back for classes faculty are required to report, going to send email to all faculty at this time.
- All applications will be due for Board of Trustees before break is over, individual selected the week we get back.
- Meeting with Chair Brandt and Provost Academic Leadership Council next week to talk about Peer Advising center—urging to contribute additional materials, incorporate academic advising into advising center.
- Meeting with President Sullivan, Provost, and Wanda Heading-Grant

Treasurer Langham

- Student Alumni Association decided senior philanthropy project will be geared toward clubs & organizations, meeting with SAA President to go over what that looks like.
- Updating club signers on fundraising requirements
- Also doing expense transfers from donations
- Preparing for budgeting season

Committee Reports

Public Relations

- What is SGA Campaign, 75th, looking towards next semester.

Student Action

- Break buses happening to airport & train station, check the bus app

Academic Affairs

- Many meetings next couple of weeks for Peer Advising and mentoring – thank you for passing the resolution
- Excellent meeting with associate provost Reed-- talked about how we can optimize the Advising Center, how we can make the most of the resources, how the FYE is morphing

Committee on Legislative and Community Affairs

- CSRA implementation with President Maulucci and Vice President Davis

Committee on Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity

- Tomorrow, Post-Election Discussion with UVM Professors, facilitating and adding to the discussion tomorrow in Rosa Parks room from 7-9pm
- Next Tuesday-Thursday, 10-2pm space reserved for Standing Rock Supply Drive— adapting to changing events at Standing Rock, may turn it into a drive for local Burlington. Looking for warm clothes and monetary donations accepted.
- Filmed “stoke” video last Friday for WILS, thank you to those who participated.
- A few instances of students reporting incidents with roommates and not feeling they are getting an appropriate response – working with ResLife to make sure that isn’t an issue and what the protocol is
- WILS Update: happening mid-spring, still looking for student speakers

Committee on the Environment

- Had one-on-ones with committee members
- Working on Carbon neutral SGA, Earth Day
- Planning Mt. Philo hike for next semester

Club Affairs

- Met with Assistant Director of Campus Programs in Student Life for next semester lynx, forms, risk assessment, virtual ems, etc. More to come on that.
- Starting recognitions again in the spring.
- Meeting with people in Risk Management they’re hiring a new liaison next semester

Finance

- Heard from Gymnastics, Woodsman team, cycling, and society of athletic trainers
- Meeting in Hills 20 for SPARK
- Budgeting next semester in February

Senatorial Forum

- Chair Scott: are we doing the trash bags again for NBR? Possibly having College Undergraduates Not Tolerating Sexism or some other organization taking this on?
- Vice President Davis: each committee will be hosting an event for Senate to do as a body outside of the meeting capacity.

Senatorial Comments and Announcements

- Chair Ryan: Please be safe on Friday evening.
- Chair Scott: Are we doing more SGA sports? – broomball and kickball