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24th Meeting of the 2017-2018 Student Government Association Senate
March 20, 2018 | 7:00 PM | Livak Ballroom

Call to Order
Roll Call
Public Forum

- Kieth Pillsbury – Ward 8
  - Thank you to everyone who voted and to those who volunteered.
  - 896 total votes in Ward 8, the most amount ever.
  - First motion that he wants to make is allowing city counsel members to visit public schools before being sworn in.

Old Business

- Bill Allocating Funds to Free2Be
  - Passed
- Bill Allocating Funds to Hillel
  - Passed
- Bill Allocating Funds to Outing Club
  - Passed
- Bill Allocating Funds to UVM BJJ
  - Passed
- Bill Recognizing UVM Linguistics Club
  - Passed
- Bill Increasing Funds to Diversity Enhancement Fund
  - Passed
- Resolution Supporting the Hiring of a CAPS Counselor to be staffed in the Mosaic Center for Students of Color
  - Passed
- Resolution Supporting Refugee Resettlement
  - Passed

Emergency Business

New Business

- Bill recognizing Students for Justice in Palestine
- Bill recognizing Contra and Folk Dance Society
- Bill recognizing Social Work Club
- Bill allocating funds to Fencing
- Resolution supporting an increase in the budget for the Diversity Fund
- Bill approving the budget for Fiscal Year 2019
- Resolution supporting reopening to renegotiating funds for Springfest from UPB
Executive Reports

- **Speaker Tracy**
  - Trying to figure out how to get students who are abroad to run for SGA.
  - Polls are open for the presidency and vice presidency.

- **Vice President Woodcock**
  - Will have details for election timeline.
  - Completing portion of NEASC on transparency.
  - Attending the first meeting for the search committee for the new director of student life.
  - SGA banquet is on April 17th. From 5-7 pm.
  - Look for an invitation from President Sullivan for a dinner on April 10th.
  - Student Research Conference is April 19th.

- **President Petrillo**
  - Annie Stevens will be the interim advisor to SGA next semester.
  - Negotiations meeting went well.
  - Talked to WE about how they can help the student body as a whole.
  - Working with the Catamount Recovery Program to make sure when Hillel vacates their space they can move in easily.
  - Serving on the common ground review committee.
  - Meeting with the Career Center.

- **Treasurer LaPierre**
  - LuvMyClub campaign is over, over 1,100 donors and a little over $32,000.
  - Did the negotiations and addressed to Kevin from NoNames for a list of people who donate to the foundation.

Committee Reports

- **Public Relations Committee**
  - WILS coming up. SaveOhno coming up and elections. Making posters for all these events. Stickers for WILS.

- **Student Action Committee**
  - Looking at the cost of textbooks and relation with food insecurity.
  - Looking at getting lockers in the Davis Center.
  - Finishing up a Reslife Resolution.
  - Continuing discussion on CAPS and dining implementation team.

- **Academic Affairs Committee**
  - Meeting to talk about diversity training for faculty.
  - Attended a demo on possible software for course registration.

- **Committee on the Environment**
  - SaveOhno starts the 26th.
  - Waste Fair is on April 25th.
  - Had conversations with ECO about planning Earth Week and mental health in the environmental field.
  - Environmental Forum on Thursday at 12:30 in the Sugar Maple Ballroom.
  - Got data on shipping which is helpful for carbon neutrality.

- **Committee on Legislative and Community Affairs**
  - 3rd community coalition will be taking place this Friday the 23rd.
  - Working with University Officials to go down to the state house to testify about student housing affordability.
- Community clean up is Sunday April 22\textsuperscript{nd} from 11 am – 1 pm.
  - Club Affairs Committee
    - Working with officer election transition guides.
  - Committee on Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity
    - Met with the presidents committee on academic excellence.
    - Meeting with the interfaith center regarding religious spaces on campus.
    - WILS is less than 3 weeks away.
  - Finance Committee
    - Budgeting season comes to an end next week.

**Senatorial Forum**

- Senator Van Arsdale – UVM Students Suffering from Concussions
  - To help support students heal during their concussion recoveries.
  - They are not licensed professionals but they are trying to provide a safe space and help direct them to professional resources.
  - They meet on Friday’s at 3 pm in the Fireplace Lounge.

**Senatorial Comments/Announcements**

- Senator Deng
  - Catamount innovation fund looking to get more analysts involved.
- President Petrillo
  - Pancakes at the fire station on Saturday from 8-12.
- Senator Steinlauf:
  - This Sunday from 2-5 pm Pi Phi and Pike are hosting a dodge ball tournament, teams of 6. $5 to enter.

**Final Roll Call**

**Adjournment**