



AGENDA

8th Meeting of the 2017-2018 Student Government Association Senate

October 3, 2017 | 7:00 PM | Livak Ballroom

Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Forum

- Meg Nyce – Office of Institutional Research
 - Help with university-wide data, disseminate data in order for those in the UVM community to make informed decisions.
 - Aiming for student success and tracking that through the college experience.
 - Partnership with SGA, this partnership would help give context to the information they receive.
 - NSSE (National Survey of Student Engagement) survey is used to compare certain standards of engagement to other schools. Given every three years to first-years and seniors.

Old Business

- Bill Changing the Name of the Asian American Student Union
 - *Passed*
- Bill Changing the Name of Katayak Kayak Club
 - *Passed*
- Bill Changing the Name of Voices For Planned Parenthood
 - *Passed*

Emergency Business

- Bill Approving Student Activities Fee
 - *Passed*

New Business

- Bill Allocating Funds to the Diversity Enhancement Fund
- Bill Allocating Funds to Brazilian Jujitsu and Judo
- Resolution Requesting the Board of Trustees Divest its Endowment of Major Fossil Fuel Holdings

Executive Reports

- Speaker Tracy
 - Harmony Edosomwan from the Black Student Union will tentatively be in next week on public forum.
 - Constitution committee met today for the first time. (10/03)
 - Continuing the Students Rights conversation.
 - Appointments: 2 Seats left on Senate. GGP (Global Gateway Program) students can run for senate.
 - Please take a look at SharePoint.

- Vice President Woodcock
 - Appointments process getting started, sent information on it to groups and organizations throughout campus. Due Date is Wednesday (10/11). Would like 4 senators to help with the interview process.
 - Confirming date for Spring Retreat by next week.
- President Petrillo
 - Going to be increasing funds for the Diversity Enhancement Fund.
 - Presidential Advisory Committee, working with administration to reform this committee.
 - Met with Student Athletics, feels that Varsity Athletes are isolated. Want more student appearances at games.
 - Meeting with Board of Trustees member, Chair Daigle, this Friday.
- Treasurer LaPierre
 - None

Committee Reports

- Committee on Legislative and Community Affairs
 - Continuing the conversation with Senator Sanders office, trying to organize college for all rally meeting. Still trying to plan the event.
 - Ward 8 neighborhood planning assembly member, going to come in on public forum about concerns in community.
 - 7-9 pm McClure lobby on Wednesday, October 11th in the UVM medical center, neighborhood planning committee for Ward 1 and 8.
 - Community coalition, Friday, October 13th. 12 Colchester Ave. From 3-4:30 pm.
 - Community Cleanup Sunday, November 5th at 11 am.
 - Saturday, November 11th around 4 or 5 am, planting flags on UVM green for Veterans Day.
- Finance Committee
 - 10 requests this week.
 - Financial literacy workshop planning getting started.
- Public Relations Committee
 - Meeting with the Athletic Department committee next Thursday.
 - Starting more regulated posting schedule next week.
- Committee on Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity
 - Attended the student forum regarding the demands BSU has given.
 - Reaching out to office of international relations.
 - Looking into the GIRT report.
- Club Affairs Committee
 - Fall club check ins starting in a week.
 - Finalizing a list of clubs that didn't attend the club signers workshop.
 - Working on sending out tips of the month to clubs.
 - Continuing ongoing recognitions.
- Academic Affairs Committee
 - Working with student life and PR for advertising the advising award.
 - Met with Dean Falls and talked about the curricular committee.
 - Task force being formed to evaluate undecided and exploratory major students.
 - Reactivating the advisory committee in the College of Arts and Sciences.
- Committee on the Environment
 - Mission statement for carbon neutrality is almost done.

- SRIAC started last week – controls the fund and does research related to energy use on campus, also how to invest funds sustainably.
- Coordinating a mindfulness walk with living well.
- Resolution proposed stems from student climate culture, students believe we need to divest from fossil fuels.
- Senator Gladstone met with Corey Berman of UVM, he is in charge of recycling. He wants to pass a 0 waste initiative for all of UVM and approach all spending at UVM in a more sustainable way.
- Student Action Committee
 - Fresh check day chugging along, October 12th, free group fitness classes that day.
 - Trying to get feedback on Resident Halls and Dining Halls.
 - Trinity gym project chugging along, meeting this Friday with Raf.
 - Speaking to energy manager at the energy plant about light efficiency.
 - Working with Heidi over in Student Support Services, going to get her on public forum.
 - Working on rebranding the UVM voice.
 - Meeting with athletic student group on mental health awareness.
 - Real problems with student safety at the intersection of South Prospect and Pearl Street.

Senatorial Forum

- Senator Patel
 - Put everything you said on SharePoint.
 - FRESH CHECK DAY, October 12th. Please volunteer, and if you can't, please come and enjoy the activities.

Senatorial Comments/Announcements

- Chair Sudbay
 - Senator Foley is in The Exonerated, first performance is tomorrow (10/04) at 7:30 pm. Saturday, both shows are fully booked.
- Senator Natanagara
 - UVM Acapella concert this Saturday (10/07) in the Ira Allen Chapel at 7:30 pm.
- President Petrillo
 - Fallfest is October 14th, buy tickets.
- Chair Mako
 - Soul food social is this Saturday (10/07), buy your tickets!
- Senator Steinlauf
 - Senators Deng and Doherty raised over \$600 for victim's families in light of the Las Vegas atrocity.

Final Roll Call

Adjournment