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

Emergency Business
  o Bill Approving Student Activities Fee
    • Passed

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

Executive Reports
  o 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.
o 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.

o 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.

o Treasurer LaPierre
  • None

Committee Reports

o 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.

o Finance Committee
  • 10 requests this week.
  • Financial literacy workshop planning getting started.

o Public Relations Committee
  • Meeting with the Athletic Department committee next Thursday.
  • Starting more regulated posting schedule next week.

o 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.

o 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.

o 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.

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

**Final Roll Call**
**Adjournment**