



MINUTES

10th Meeting of the 2017-2018 Student Government Association Senate

October 17, 2017 | 7:00 PM | Livak Ballroom

Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Forum

- Kelly Lennon – Student Athlete Advisory Council Chair
 - Rally Around Mental Health.
 - Trying to potentially do some co-hosted events.
 - 75% of student athletes had a teammate or were struggling themselves with mental health at UVM. Athletic Department wanted some more counseling services.
 - Trying to host at least one mental health awareness game for every team this year.
 - Found it hard to schedule appointments with CAPS because athletes have to already dedicate 20 hours a week to their sport.
 - Stigma around being a Division 1 Athlete and being stressed.
 - NCAA has said that in the next 5 years the biggest issue they will face is student athlete mental health.
- Jack Doane – Student Climate Culture
 - Support SCC in getting UVM to divest in fossil fuels.
 - SCC wants greater transparency with UVM.
 - See PowerPoint.
 - Friday (10/20) attending Board of Trustees meeting to try and make this movement escalate. Need to show them that there is still student interest.
 - Monday (10/23) protest down at TD Bank in downtown Burlington.

Old Business

- Bill Allocating Funds to Outing Club
 - *Passed*
- Resolution Urging The Board of Trustees of The University of Vermont To Divest Its Endowment from Fossil Fuel Holdings
 - *Passed*

Emergency Business

New Business

- Bill Allocating Funds to BJJ
- Bill Derecognizing Aikido Club, CEMS SMART, Climate Change Adaption and Relief Efforts (CARE), Real Food Revolution, Students for Disability Advocacy Awareness, VIA-Prison Project and World Club
- Bill Allocating Funds to Nordic Ski Club and Ski & Snowboard Club

Executive Reports

- Speaker Tracy
 - Reminder: All rules that were set out at the retreat.
 - Update: Students Rights meeting on Friday (10/13), established basic format and handed out tasks.
 - Announcement: Third Place is Finance. Second Place is Club Affairs. And the Winner is PR for choosing the theme for Senate Meeting on Halloween!
- Vice President Woodcock
 - Appointment interviews started today. Four more left, done by Thursday. (10/19)
 - Bystander intervention pilot. Will be doing one with senate as a whole.
- President Petrillo
 - Board of Trustees Selection Committee process. 9 members, from all around campus. Application going out soon, you have to attend 3 informational sessions. On November 7th, 14th, and 28th, applications are due by January 15th. Sophomores and juniors are welcome to apply.
 - Board meeting on Friday (10/20) at 8 am.
 - Student Health, Fresh Check Day went really well.
 - Meeting the provost earlier this week; talked about 18 credit cap and bystander intervention training for club sports.
 - Meeting coming up with Raf from Residential Life.
- Treasurer LaPierre
 - Working with Blanka on funding for clubs.

Committee Reports

- Committee on Legislative and Community Affairs
 - Community Cleanup. Sunday November 5th at 11 am, please get there at 10:45.
 - Still planning Veterans Day on Friday November 10th, and taking place on Saturday November 11th.
 - Trying to get Mayor Weinberger on public forum. Coffee with him in the fishbowl on November 1st.
 - North East Conference on Public Administration is November 3rd-5th. Howard Dean is the keynote speaker.
- Finance Committee
 - Met with 9 clubs and had 15 requests.
- Public Relations Committee
 - Met with Rory on behalf of Catamount Recovery Program.
 - Meeting with Nora King about athletics and marketing.
- Committee on Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity
 - Meeting with the Women's center staff Wednesday morning. (10/18)
 - Meeting with MCSC Wednesday afternoon. (10/18)
 - Meeting Thursday (10/19) 3-4:30 Waterman 427A about D1 and D2 classes.
- Club Affairs Committee
 - Club check in forms going out next week.
 - Voting on club recognitions: feel free to vote however you want, don't feel pressured by group mentality.
- Academic Affairs Committee
 - Advising award launched. Please nominate and advisor!
 - Starting an advertising blast.
 - Trying to get a sense of first year support systems.
 - Meeting with College of Arts and Sciences administration Wednesday about distribution requirements.

- Looking more into the 18 credit situation.
- Looking into Office of International Education and Residential Life and making sure that international students are getting enough support.
- Review of General Education requirements here on campus is in process.
- Committee on the Environment
 - Clean Energy Forum, October 25th 11:30 am in the Livak ballroom, requesting funds from clean energy fund.
 - Investigating plastic bag use on campus.
 - Water resources from department of public works from Burlington to talk at Senator Merson's water event.
 - Trying to create a campus wide committee on environmental leadership.
- Student Action Committee
 - Working with President Petrillo's advisory counsel for President Sullivan and working the UVM Inter-Residence Association to be used in all Res halls.
 - Got library lights accepted by the clean energy fund, presenting October 25th.
 - UVM Inter-Residence Association holding "town hall" November 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Jeanne Mance Hall, McAuley Hall, and WDW.
 - Looking into elevator use in Resident halls.

Senatorial Forum

- Senator Foley: "Lead By Example"
 - Job shadowing program for kids 11-15 interested in employment skills at local organizations, businesses, schools, and other potential places.
 - Refer to PowerPoint.

Senatorial Comments/Announcements

- Senator Riley
 - UVM CAPS website is down.

Final Roll Call

Adjournment