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14th Meeting of the 2017-2018 Student Government Association Senate
November 14, 2017 | 7:00 PM | Livak Ballroom

Call to Order
Roll Call

Public Forum

- Eco Reps
  - Not a club, they are a group of student employees.
  - Pushing the student body towards more sustainable practices.
  - There are Davis Center Eco Reps and Residential Eco Reps. (2 campaigns per semester)
  - 1st Campaign was EcoWare Everywhere: Reaching out to stakeholders in Sodexo to coordinate better awareness on sustainability.
  - 2nd Campaign RE Campaign: Waste audit of the residence halls through trash composition by weight. Also looked at recycling in regards to contamination.
  - Current Campaign: Composting in the residence halls. Teaming up with other events like hall council to get a good presence in the res halls and tabling in the lobbies of res halls.
  - Bike Share program coming in Spring 2018.
  - SGA and Eco Reps: More communication and potential sharing of resources.
  - Main purpose for Eco Reps is trying to reduce overall food waste, aim more at retail dining locations on campus.
  - Currently taking steps to try and reach the broader UVM community by partnering with other groups on campus. For example, working with Hall Council on the Compost Campaign.
  - The aim is at least 2 campaigns per semester.

Old Business

- Bill Allocating Funds to Kayak Club
  - Passed
- Bill Recognizing Disc Golf
  - Passed

Emergency Business

New Business

- Bill Recognizing Family Business Club
Executive Reports

○ Speaker Tracy
  • Over the break will be looking into student rights and baking cookies.
  • An emergency meeting can be called at anytime by the speaker of the senate as long as there is a 24-hour notice and approved by the executive board.

○ Vice President Woodcock
  • Attending the water workshop tomorrow.
  • Attended student research planning committee meeting on Friday.
  • Sending out a survey for President, Vice President, and Treasurer evaluations.
  • SGA has lots of giveaways, if you are throwing an event please use them.
  • Senator of the Week: Senator Biondolillo

○ President Petrillo
  • Attending a student health talk on Friday about masculinity.
  • Board of Trustees selection committee meeting earlier this evening, selection will be decided in the 1st week of February.
  • New WE contract.
  • J-term, changing winter term, which is part of spring semester, into a j-term.
  • Spoke with Gail from OSCR to potentially make NARCAN more available to students.
  • Speaking with United Academics this Friday.

○ Treasurer LaPierre
  • This past Friday had a meeting about the budgeting model UVM uses. As tuition is increasing, tuition increases happen where the school has to give more financial aid.
  • Freezing all clubs that have fundraising efforts in the negative.
  • President Petrillo, Vice President Woodcock, and Treasurer LaPierre are having a meeting about fundraising efforts for all clubs.

Committee Reports

○ Public Relations Committee
  • Trying to plan an SGA sponsored game with athletics.
  • Continue to table. Willing to be flexible on the hours.

○ Student Action Committee
  • Vermonster giveaway has ended.
  • Working with dining implementation team, talking about food insecurity, and EcoWare.
  • Looking into alternative seating in library.
  • Taking on Voice submissions, big ones are more trashcans on campus and cigarette butt removal.

○ Academic Affairs Committee
  • Student Affairs committee is continue talks of implementation for course evaluations.
  • Potentially changing the online academic calendar to include more holidays.
  • Meeting with the Registrar Office to talk about textbooks and syllabi.
• Meeting on Friday to discuss getting students on general education review committees.
  o Committee on the Environment
  • Water forum tomorrow (November 15th), getting reusable straws as giveaways.
  • Campus wide environmental committee, all environmentally minded individuals and organizations received an email to setup a meeting to talk all things environment.
  • Campus planning subcommittee: UVM is aiming to put more bike racks on campus and add more trees to campus.
  o Committee on Legislative and Community Affairs
  • Going to have next committee meeting at a Burlington Resident’s house.
  • Final Community Coalition meeting is December 8th from 3-4:30 pm at 12 Colchester Ave.
  o Club Affairs Committee
  • Going through fall check ins.
  • After thanksgiving break there are 2 more recognitions.
  o Committee on Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity
  • Meeting with CAPS after break.
  • Meeting with Leon to discuss implementing bystander interventions for clubs and organizations.
  • Finalized 2 out of 3 WILS speakers today.
  o Finance Committee
  • Posted the financial report on SLACK.

**Senatorial Forum**

**Senatorial Comments/Announcements**

  o Chair Sudbay
    • Rally outside of Bailey Howe this Thursday at noon, some students are running for city council.
  o Senator Niemczyk
    • Accounting Club is doing a Chipotle fundraiser.
  o Chair Corcoran
    • Lets make a conscious effort to not say “you guys.”
  o Senator Foley
    • Have stamps and envelopes for “Lead by Example.”
  o Senator Patel
    • Driving to Arlington, VT if you need a ride for break in the area.
  o Senator Gomez
    • On December 5th at 2:30 in the library, having a meeting for alternative seating.

**Final Roll Call**

**Adjournment**