



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION 2015-2016 SENATE

FEBRUARY 16, 2016
MU 256, BEGINNING 5:15PM

Call to Order at 5:16PM.

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

Attendance: Alex Pate took Attendance.

Guest Speakers: Big Event Ad Hoc Committee

- Leadership
 - Big Event Director, Maddie Kairnes
 - Gabby, Marketing
 - Allison, Logistics
 - Lindsey, Advancement
 - Brooke, Community Relations
- Ad Hoc Committee through SGA
 - Director is chosen by the Student Body President
 - Overseen by the CAGE Cair
 - Funded primarily by SGA
- 12 members, 4 sub-committees
 - Advancement
 - Community relations
 - Logistics
 - Marketing
- October 15'- April 16'
- Advancement
 - Has informed many departments about the events
 - Made partnerships
 - Psychology department
 - College of Business screen advertising in Showker
 - Raised \$1,000 in sponsorship so far
 - Partnered with Athletics
 - Partnered with Madipalooza
- Community Relations
 - 40 Community Organizations Registered so far
 - Total of 630 volunteers requested
 - Deadline on Feb. 28th
 - Student Volunteer Registration will open THIS WEEK



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- SGA already has the link up, so you all can registered before anyone else! (cool)
- Working with Kelly Junco of Blacks Run Cleanup Day
 - Make more streamlined registration process
- Team captain Folders/Meetings
 - This is a super cool idea that my subcommittee came up with
- Logistics
 - Breakfast provided on the quad
 - Aramark Donations
 - Less waste in comparison to boxed lunches
 - T-shirt
 - Daniels
 - President Alger, Dr. Evans, Mike Houston-Football coach
 - Dr. Warner will not be able to attend
 - We have invited the guest speakers to participate in a local project as well
 - Performers
 - Mass outreach followed by individual contract
 - Beyonce will be performing on Wilson steps!
 - Transportation
 - SafeRides partnership
- Marketing
 - The Big Event sign ups are now live
 - Sign up through SGA website
 - Thanks Conner!
 - The Big Event 2016 FB Page/Twitter
 - Outreach to other student organizations
 - Goal: to increase volunteer numbers
- One Big Thanks Conference
 - Notable Highlights
 - Heard from Joe Nussaum, the mastermind behind the first Big Event
 - Participated in roundtable discussions with delegates from other universities
 - Made connections with Texas A&M staff and students that work on The Big Event



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- Moving Forward...
 - Making The Big Event it's own organization that is university funded
OR able to accept donations on a large sale
 - Grow The Big Committee
 - Make The Big Event a more well-known university tradition that students look forward to every Spring!
- Big Event Information:
 - April 9th, 2016
 - Registration at 8AM on the Quad
 - Register on the SGA Website
 - Start your SGA Team today!
 - SGA Team Captain: Philipa Owusu-Antwi

Business:

- Approval of the Minutes.
 - Meeting Minutes for February 9, 2016, were passed by unanimous consent by the Student Senate.
- Contingency
 - **Colleges Against Cancer**
 - Group Details:
 - The event benefits JMU because it raises awareness of cancer, risk factors for JMU Students
 - Event Expense:
 - Beach chair
 - Chain link fence
 - Beach umbrella
 - Kiddie pool
 - Cancer Awareness Week Banner
 - Promotional Shirts
 - Stickers
 - Each day there is a difference cancer chosen that affects our demographic



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- Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Student Senate of James Madison University, that the Student Government Association allocate \$893 in contingency funds to allow CAC to host Cancer Awareness Week.
- Finance passes 4-0-1
- The request is called to a vote and passed by the Student Senate.

○ American Medical Student Association (AMSA)

- Group Details:
 - How does it benefit JMU?
 - Representation in the medical field
 - We are being awarded the outstanding small chapter award
 - Students networking in their field
 - Total fundraising = \$125
 - Future fundraisers are different proceeds night and cleaning up the convo
- Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Student Senate of James Madison University, that the Student Government Association allocate \$2150 in contingency to allow AmSa to participate and represent JMU at the National AMSA Convention.
- Finance passes 4-0-1
- The request is called to a vote and passed by the Student Senate.

○ Air Force ROTC

- Group Details:
 - How Does it Benefit JMU?
 - Leadership experience for JMU student
 - Networking with other cadets
 - Renown guest speakers
 - Currently nominated for seven different awards
 - Fundraising: \$1,583.70
- Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Student Senate of James Madison University, that the Student Government Association allocate \$2047 in contingency funds to allow Air Force ROTC to participate and represent JMU at the National Conclave.
- Finance passes 4-0-1
- The request is called to a vote and passed by the Student Senate.



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○ Phi Sigma Pi

- Group Details:
 - Hip Hop Charity Event
 - Cirecilce is a charity event for multiple sclerosis that bring the 4 elements of hip-hop together in a fun competition
 - Break Dance Club has already received contingency
- Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the Student Senate of James Madison University, that the Student Government Association allocate \$2150 in contingency funds to allow Phi Sigma Pi to host circles.
- Finance passes 5-0-0
- The request is called to a vote and passed by the Student Senate.

Motion to table the Note-Ority presentation to a later week was passed.

Senate Reports

- Joe Demski, Speaker
 - Thank you again to Adam
 - Committee Paper Minutes will need to filled out so that your report can be counted as committee attendance
- Micah Smith, Academic Affairs
 - Mid-Semester Review
 - Post Career Info from CAP
 - Posted office hours
 - Madison Vision Teaching Award
 - Library Laptop Theft
 - Reading Days
 - SGA Congratulations to Dean's and President's List Students
 - Improving relationships between students and Deans (w Town Halls)
 - The "Today I Learned" program
- Brooke Price, Community Engagement
 - Shoutout to Caroline who has raised \$310 for Relay For Life!!
 - Thank you to everyone who helped with the Dingledine Scholarship Day!
 - Olivia
 - Relay For Life goal \$33
 - Fundraising against UVA and Tech right now!



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- Sign up for Madithon \$35
- Pen Pal Letters are coming next week!
- Alex Pate, Membership
 - SOFTBALL!!!!!!
 - Sign up using the intramural sports link
 - Monday 9-10, 10-11
 - Senator & Rep of the Week: Julianna & Dianna
- Matt Mueller, Legislative Action
 - no report
- Kiersten Schierenbeck, University Services
 - Library Update with Madison
 - Thefts in the library
 - Madison Collaborative video
 - Pinwheels in library didn't work -- they are looking to be redone with durability
 - Stress balls for finals week
 - 2nd Floor of Career has better wifi
 - This Thursday, library event Demystifying the Expert
 - Towana Update
 - Path leading from East Campus to Walmart made of turf (completed in the next week)
 - Resolution to thank facilities management
 - Dining Update
 - If you hear of anyone wanting to drastically changing their meal plan because of DHub, let Michael Comer know
- Conner Lewis, Communication Director
 - Props to Coleen and Diana for making the Meet & Greet/Debate graphics
 - Major Elections are tomorrow -- social media will be active

Class Council Presidents

- Senior Class President: Kathy Corena
 - Goodbye DHall menu survey is live -- fill it out!
 - Using texting service for updates for Seniors
 - March 16th - 50 Day Countdown
 - 25 Day Downtown Countdown



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- 10 Day Countdown venue confirmed
- Junior Class President: Tory Atkins
 - Working on design
 - Come to me with any Class Council questions!
- Sophomore Class President: Seemran Patel
 - Ring Premiere is in less than a month
 - Madison Monday on social media to use at sideshow (memories so far)
- Freshman Class President: Julianna Boettger
 - Pick up your freshman t-shirts
 - Downtown businesses -- we need contacts!

Advisor Report: Kristen Muncy

- UBP Director Application live and due Friday

Executive Council Reports

- Student Body President: Ryan Windels
 - Office of Student Accountability Office
 - More bricks are being found in dorms, and these students will be held accountable
 - Leadership Team will not be meeting Thursday
 - Holding meeting tonight after Senate instead
- Executive Vice President: Meredith Parker
 - Please be engaged with class council on social media
 - Office of Orientation - Dukes Step Up!
 - Bystander intervention
 - Facilitators needed
 - Go to DHall after Senate
- Executive Treasure: Casey Donnelly
 - Finance Report
 - FEB Rep: Shout Out to Kate Ely
 - Contingency cards were passed out as a help-sheet so we all can be experts!
 - FEB Amendment Process (Andrew):
 - Review the budgets in the SGA office - they will be available starting Monday Feb. 22nd



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- If you want to make an amendment, send an email explaining WHY to Paula Lam and Andrew Haveles BEFORE Friday, 26th at 5PM
- Meet with Paula, Andrew, and the org treasurer to discuss changes
- Present Amendment on March 1st to Senate
- SGA Budget Overview
 - Deletion of Breeze Ads
 - Addition of Presidential travel
 - Addition of ASB and Lobbying Travel
 - Deletion of LT Lodging
 - Addition of Elections Commission
 - Addition of Party in Polls
 - Increase due to Purple Out shirts cost
 - Increase due to Printer Costs
 - Decrease due less apparel purchases
 - Decreased to put more fund in Reserves

Staff Reports

- Executive Assistant: Niti Jadh
- Administrative Officers: Heidi Jenkins
 - Congrats Olivia!
 - The office has been so cleeeeeeean -- thank you, everyone!!
- Parliamentarian: Haley Aldridge
 - Concerning elections:
 - No talking about elections in the office
 - No campaigning in the office
 - No campaigning within 100 feet of the libraries
 - So far, so good -- let's finish strong!
 - Concerning the contingency group that did not come, unless someone comes to Finance to bring it back to Senate it will expire at the end of Senate this year.
 - Please be respectful during presentation



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Motion to Adjourn at 6:43PM.