



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION 2016-17 SENATE

December 6th, 2016
MU 256, BEGINNING 5:15PM

Call to Order at 5:16 PM

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

Guest Speakers: President Alger

- Updates on the University budget
 - Cuts have been made
- Title IX Updates
 - New Title IX coordinator - office is currently in Burruss
 - Title IX Task force
 - Updated the process for handling complaints
 - Updated Title IX website
 - Policies, procedures, resources
 - Training
 - Haven training for Freshmen- possible future training for juniors
 - Additional training for faculty and staff
 - Bystander training
 - Sexual Assault climate survey
 - Survey rate was low and makes it difficult to assess
- Access & Inclusion as well as diversity
 - Discrimination and harassment will not be tolerated on campus
 - Report such incidents to the Office of Equal Access and Opportunity
 - Campus education and climate efforts
 - Diversity Task force; Diversity Council
 - 22.3% minority students; 15% non-white
 - Valley Scholars Program is expanding; Centennial Scholars Program; AVID; targeting schools districts with especially high percentages of minority students
 - Re-assessing criteria that is used for admissions (standardized testing)
 - Facilitated Departmental Dialogues
 - Student training for organizations
 - Working with faculty and providing resources- Center for Faculty Innovation
 - Annual Diversity Conference
 - DEEP Impact dialogues
 - DACA- Letter calls for a continuation of the program- President Alger has signed on



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- International Students- "You Are Welcome Here" video
- LGBTQ events
- Talk about having Student Diversity Conference
- Martin Luther King Celebration; Women's history month; Black history month; International student conference

Attendance taken by Alicia Campos

Approval of the Minutes from Tuesday, November 29th

*decision to overturn contingency funding to CRU
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Business:

Senate Reports

Zan Guendert, Speaker

- Committee changes
- Talk with others about different committees
- Have a great time abroad Celina and Collin!
- Welcome back the new members next semester
- Congrats on Graduating, Olivia!

Drew Barrar, Academic Affairs

- No SGA Alternative Study Spaces but MU Ballroom and Festival are open 24/7
- Upperclassmen Guide to Success
- SGA Tutoring

John Carr, UServe

- 55 improvements this semester
- Pedestrian and bike safety
 - Installing stop signs by the Grace Street Parking lots
 - Working on Madison Alerts
- Libraries



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- Reward system
- SSC
- Working on getting more seating

Alicia Campos, Membership

- Senator of the week: Eric Hoang; Representative of the week: Collin Williard

Colleen Hall, Communications team

- Finals week posts
- Engagement of the week: Brian Mcgee

Amanda Reeder, Community Engagement

- Bring in your pen pal letters
- Relay for Life- Sign up!

Renzo Olivari, Legislative Action

David Vaughn, Finance

- \$9,158.71 contingency remaining for this semester

Tori Atkins and Austin Zymroz, Class of 2017

- Keep bringing things in for the drive

Seemran Patel, Class of 2018

- Thank you to everyone who came out to Quad Lighting - reach out for feedback

Aaliyah McClean, Class of 2020

- Thank you to everyone who attended Freshmen Don't Freak Out

Jewel Hurt, Diversity Ad hoc committee

- Information on chalkings is available
- I, Too, am JMU campaign is kicking off next semester

Eric Hoang, Elections Commissioner

- Applications are available on sga.jmu.edu
- Automatic seat for next year if selected



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Josh Bacon, SGA Advisor

- Students have reached out to talk to SGA

Matt Mueller, President

- Higher Education Advocacy Day
 - Thursday, January 12th in Richmond
 - Need people to phone legislators in Richmond
- Student Advisory Committee of SCHEV
 - Friday, December 16th

Jenna Anderson, Vice President

- Try better to attend SGA events

Jewel Hurt, Jewel Hurt

- Madison Union is open 24 hours next week; Office may be open only if an LT member is present

Motion to Adjourn at 7:18 PM