



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION 2015-2016 SENATE MEETING

MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015
MADISON UNION BALLROOM
BEGINNING 5:15 PM

Call to Order at 5:24.

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence **Attendance**

Confirmed Joe Demski as Speaker of the Senate by majority vote.

MOTION TO SUSPEND HOUSE RULES

Voted to add Sargent of Arms Nomination to agenda. Motion passed with unanimous consent.

Business:

- Vision Statements
 - SGA: To r the advocated for the James Madison University student boddy by representing and addressing student issues and opinions regarding all aspects of student life.
 - ELT: We are a group of committed leaders. We believe in empowering those around us to be active and engaged members of the community. Therefore we patiently listen, accept differences, guide with passion, and demonstrate credibility.
- Sargent of Arms
 - Serves as back up parliamentarian
 - Adam Minor accepts nomination
 - Debated. Called to a vote by Joe Demski and Adam Minor was confirmed as Sargent of Arms with majority vote.

Senate Reports

- Speaker Joe Demski
 - If you have items for announcements, please send Joe an email at least 1 hour prior to Senate
 - Currently scheduling speakers for Senate
 - Membership drive coming up, so please be prepared for that
- Academic Affairs: Micah Smith
 - Committee Meetings at 5:15PM, please always feel free to come and sit in – input is always welcome!
- Community Engagement: Brooke Price
 - Meetings are Mondays at 5:15PM
 - Focuses on community service
 - Alternative Spring Break has been confirmed in New Orleans



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- March 6th to March 12th

- Membership: Alex Pate
 - If you need information about Proxies, please contact Alex about the procedures
 - Student Org Night is tonight (9/8)
 - Interest Meeting this Thursday at 7:30 Taylor 309
 - Retreat Sept 25th and 26th (mandatory)
 - Please email Alex ASAP if you cannot attend
 - Watch Facebook page for upcoming events

- Legislative Action: Matt Mueller
 - Leads the political arm of SGA
 - Sept 17th – Constitution Day on the Commons
 - Cake
 - Pocket Constitutions
 - Special Guest
 - Sept 22nd – National Voter Registration Day

- University Services: Kiersten Schierenbeck
 - First committee meeting tomorrow at 3:30PM – please attend if you have idea!
 - Working with Amy Meck at the Health Center for an alcohol prevention event

- Communications Director: Conner Lewis
 - Communications Team focuses on SGA social media sites and promotion of SGA
 - Mondays at 5PM in Taylor 309

Class Council Presidents

- Senior Class President: Kathy Corena
 - Mia is speaking for Kathy
 - 100 Days Spaces already booked
 - Educational event coming in November
 - Senior Kickoff was a success

- Junior Class President: Tori Atkins
 - Focusing on Ring Ceremony

- Sophomore Class President: Seemran Patel
 - Ring designing

- Freshmen Class President: NOT YET ELECTED
 - NOT YET ELECTED



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- Abbie Stemple, Elections Commissioner
 - Interest meeting this Thursday

Advisor Report: Kristin Muncy

- Vision discussion
- Two ears, one mouth – make sure we are mindfully listening and allowing everyone the chance to talk
- Please be a part of making the vision what YOU want it to be
- Door is always open to personal or professional comments, questions, or concerns

Executive Council Reports

- Student Body President: Ryan Windels
 - There were 12 changes to the Constitution in the 2014-15 year
 - This is almost half of the meetings
 - We need to make sure that the changes we are making are worthy of this amount of time and effort
 - Vision week was a success – thank you to everyone who attended
 - Meeting with President Alger about Smoking Bill tomorrow evening
 - Two Ad Hoc
 - Niti Jadh will be running Diversity Ad Hoc
 - Maddie Cairns will be running Big Event Ad Hoc (application will Due next Friday 9/18)
- Executive Vice President: Meredith Parker
 - Dukes After Dark was cancelled but thank you for your willingness to help!
 - Purple Out
 - Wednesday October 21st, 2015
 - Bridgforth Stadium
 - Video will be shared and published at event featuring SGA
 - Athletics and SAA who will both be helping with funding and man power
 - Motion to open debate concerning whether or not to put logos (SGA, SAA, Athletics) on T-Shirt. Moving into a vote. Logos were voted to be added to the shirt.
- Executive Treasurer: Casey Donnelly
 - Cash for Clubbers is used to explain Contingency
 - Frank is working to record EIN (tax number) for on campus organizations
 - Vani/Joanna are working on updating the website
 - Josh/Adam are promoting contingency
 - Dues are due by October 4th

Executive Staff Reports



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- Executive Assistant: Niti Jadh
 - REPORT

- Administrative Officer: Heidi Jenkins
 - If you are I need of a room, please give me at least 72 hours and contact me via email
 - If you read the minutes and find the plug-in (a clearly intentional “funny” joke) I will give you a million dollars (see , that was the plug in!)

- Parliamentarian: Haley Aldridge
 - Parli-pro work shop coming up

Motion to Adjourn at 6:21.