



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION 2015-2016 SENATE MEETING

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

Call to Order at 5:16.

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

Attendance

Business:

- Approval of the Minutes
 - Meeting Minutes for September 8th, 2015 were passed by unanimous consent by the Student Senate.

Senate Reports

- Speaker Joe Demski
 - Reinstating “Weekly Speaker Challenge”
 - “Meet a member you do not know (new or old member), get to know them over coffee or in the office, and then next week sit with them in Senate”
- Academic Affairs: Micah Smith
 - Meeting upcoming with Dr. Benson, Dean of Academic Affairs
 - Send ideas towards the AcAffairs committee!
- Community Engagement: Brooke Price
 - Great ideas are being brainstormed – but CAGE wants your ideas!
 - Apply ASB – Application are due next Friday
- Membership: Alex Pate
 - Attendance taken by membership
 - New Member Retreat is September 25th and 26th
 - SGA Tailgate this upcoming Football Game
 - Sunset Trip day after Retreat (the Sunday)
 - New members will be here next week! Join us for teatime before Senate to welcome new members and encourage them to come as well!
- Legislative Action: Matt Mueller
 - 2nd GOP Debate tomorrow evening at 8PM
 - This Thursday is Constitution Day on the Commons
 - VA 21
 - Campus Republicans
 - Campus Democrats
 - “Madisonian Ethics” interactive performance this Thursday
 - Voter Registration Challenge kicks off Voter Registration Day (this upcoming Tuesday)



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- University Services: Kiersten Schierenbeck
 - #JMUfixit is making a come back – this is a way to keep up conversations between JMU and SGA as to what they need fixed!
 - REMINDER: Meetings are Wednesday at 5:30PM

- Communications Director: Conner Lewis
 - Dan B. has an introductory meeting with the JMU Social Media Team and discussed ways to get more involved
 - Daily Duke is an outlet that we can get more involved with to promote things happening on campus! We will help them and they will help us
 - #JMUfixit is going to be personally supported by Comm. Team, but we need your help to!
 - PLEASE follow SGA on all social media accounts and show them support:
 - Twitter
 - Facebook
 - Main Website
 - Etc.

Class Council Presidents

- Senior Class President: Kathy Corena
 - Junior and Senior Class Council is working together to put on an Educational Event
 - December Grad shirts are in the workings
 - Looking for T-Shirt design

- Junior Class President: Tori Atkins
 - Ball rolling on Ring Premier
 - T-Shirts are in the working as well

- Sophomore Class President: Seemran Patel
 - Contract made within team to set accountability
 - Getting to know one another

- Freshmen Class President: Bruce Springsteen
 - “The best music is essentially there to provide you something to face the worlds with”

Senators

- Abby Stemple: Voting Commissioner
 - Voting this Friday
 - If you know anyone interested in joining, applications are online
- Maddie Cairns: Big Event Ad Hoc



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- Applications have been extended

Advisor Report: Kristin Muncy

- MYMOM applications are due: please help to promote this on social media sites!
 - Make Your Mark On Madison focuses on the development of Freshman and Sophomores on JMU's campus when it comes to leadership and ways to get involved within the JMU community
- If there are issues with our facility, such as fixing things, they need to go through Kristin first – please do not submit complaints or fix things on your own!

Executive Council Reports

- Student Body President: Ryan Windels
 - Smoking Bill with President Alger went over very well
 - The Bill is now working it's way through the upper channels of administration
 - Board of Visitors Report is due soon
 - Vision Update: Meredith and Ryan facilitated discussions with committees that met Monday evening
 - Homecoming: 100 Year Anniversary will be celebrated! UPB and MYMOM Alumni will be celebrating with us in lounge outside office with us
 - Elections are this week (Friday) – advertise and thank Abby for her amazing job
- Executive Vice President: Meredith Parker
 - University Commissions and Committees
 - Positions need to be filled have been turned into document
 - Please look for this on FB page
 - Logo PowerPoint with logos was shared (SGA, JMU Athletics, and SAA)
 - Purple out will be in Bridgforth Stadium on Wednesday October 21st (SNAPS TO MERE-BEAR FOR A WONDERFUL JOB!)
- Executive Treasurer: Casey Donnelly
 - Finance committee took our votes into consideration and giveaways will be ordered and here by Friday
 - Contingency Apps are now live
 - Program Grants are now in motion
 - Date set for Cash For Clubbers
 - Dues are due (\$25 for both semesters, \$15 for one semester)

Executive Staff Reports

- Executive Assistant: Niti Jadh



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- Working to help anyone in SGA with anything they may need
- Diversity Ad Hoc Committee: not about promoting diversity, but accepting and fostering diverse natures
 - Formed by pulling Executive Members from CMSS that are already established at JMU

- Administrative Officer: Heidi Jenkins
 - Senate room set up will be finalized for next week – thank you for your patience!
 - Congrats, Olivia for winning this week's t-shirt – you're a rock star

- Parliamentarian: Haley Aldridge
 - Parli-Pro workshop next meeting when new members join us
 - Only people allowed to be on laptops are Heidi and Conner – thank you for understanding!

Motion to Adjourn at 5:47PM.