



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION 2015-2016 SENATE MEETING

MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 22, 2015
MADISON UNION BALLROOM
BEGINNING 5:15 PM

Call to Order at 5:18.

Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

Attendance

Business:

- Approval of the Minutes
 - Meeting Minutes for 9/15/15 were passed by unanimous consent by the Student Senate.
- Final Vision Statement
 - **SGA Vision:** *To be the (engaged) advocates for the James Madison University Student body by representing (serving) and addressing student issues (interests) and opinions regarding all aspects of student like (with integrity and transparency)*
 - **FINAL VERSION:** To be determined.
 - **LT Vision:** *We are group of committed leaders. We believe in empowering those around u to be active and engaged members of the community. Therefore we patiently, listen, accept differences, guide with passion, and demonstrate credibility.*
 - **FINAL VERSION:** To be determined.
- Parliamentary Procedure Workshop
 - Parli Po Sheet was handed out (more copies can be found through our Haley Aldridge or Adam Minor)
 - Haley Aldridge, Parliamentarian
 - Keep order during senate meeting
 - Non-voting member of the organization, maintain impartiality
 - Also here to help Joe make the meetings go as smoothly as possible
 - Adam Miner, Sergeant of Arms
 - A replacement for Haley
 - Here to answer any questions, comments, or concerns
 - Second set of eyes
 - What is Parli-Pro?
 - Shorthand for Parliamentary Procedure
 - What we use to keep Senate in order
 - Sheet can be used as a reference throughout the year
 - Chart Explained
 - Motion: when you want to move to get something down
 - EX: amend house rules
 - Points: If you have a question or think a rule is being broken
 - EX: "Point of order" aka "I think that was against the rules"
 - When Rules are Broken
 - Haley will stand up and tell you that something is wrong



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- Please be respectful and listen
 - Everything will be explained
 - Mock debate was held featuring the Constitution of the Student Government Association and the names of Class Council
- House Rules
 - Changes to Committee Absences
 - Before, the chair would decide whether or not something was excused – Membership would like to unify the meaning behind an excused absence
 - Purpose: to standardize the process
 - New: You are able to miss **three** Committee Meetings in total, after that the Membership Committee will evaluate the absences and determine if they are excused or not
 - Section B, sub-section 3 was debated and the motion was passed with unanimous consent
 - Rule VI, Section A, sub-sections 1 and 2 were debated and the motion was passed with unanimous consent.
 - Rule VI, Section A, sub-section 4 was debated and the motion was passed with unanimous consent.
 - Rule VI, Section A, sub-section 5 was debated and the motion was passed with unanimous consent.
 - Rule VI, Section B, sub-sections 1 and 2 were debated and the motion was passed with unanimous consent.
 - Rule VI, Section B, sub-section 3 was debated and the motion was passed with unanimous consent.
 - Rule VI, Section B, sub-section 4 was debated and the motion was passed with unanimous consent.
 - Rule VI, Section B, sub-section 5 was debated and the motion was passed with unanimous consent.
 - Rule VI, Section C, sub-section 2, point 2 was debated and the motion was passed with unanimous consent.
 - House rule as a whole was voted on and passed.

Senate Reports

- Speaker Joe Demski
 - Introduction of all new members, Welcome!
 - Clickers will be assigned after training takes place – easier way to vote
 - Master Calendar will be on Facebook later this evening
 - Contingency groups start next week
 - Contingency is the money that we give organizations to put on events around campus



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- Speaker Challenge: Eat an entire jar of peanut butter in under 1 minute
- DHall Dinner: after every Senate we all eat together!

- Academic Affairs: Micah Smith
 - Meetings are Mondays at 5:30, Madison Union 311
 - AcAffairs deals with all academics here at JMU! (Professors, Gen Eds, etc.)
 - More information to come about Madison Collaborative (8 Key Questions)

- Community Engagement: Brooke Price
 - Meetings are Mondays at 5:15, Madison Union 203
 - CAGE focuses on the community service of the group
 - Alternative Spring Break in New Orleans – Project Homecoming
 - Applications are due THIS Friday
 - SGA Week – this upcoming week devoted to promoting our committees and hearing the voices of the students
 - 11AM-2PM
 - Shift sign up sheet will be posted this evening
 - Zombie Run
 - Cross Road to Brain Industry – benefiting people with brain and spinal chord injuries
 - Dressing up as Zombie
 - Saturday Oct. 17th

- Membership: Alex Pate
 - Meetings are Wednesday at 5:15, Madison Union 311
 - Retreat
 - Email being sent tonight with all the information you will need
 - Bring donations for the SPCA as a thank you to the people who are being generous enough to let us use their space for the Retreat
 - **Friday:** New Members are expected to arrive at 4PM (Godwin Steps for Carpool at 3:45PM), Returning members arrive at 6:30PM for Vito's dinner
 - **Saturday:** Wilson Steps at 10AM, wrap up around 1PM
 - Wear comfortable cloths
 - No need to bring money
 - Sunrise
 - Sunday morning
 - More details to come

- Legislative Action: Matt Mueller
 - Meetings are Thursdays at 7PM, Madison Union 311
 - Political Arm of SGA
 - Happy National Voter Registration Day!



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- Turbo Vote Campus Competition kickoff today
- University Services: Kiersten Schierenbeck
 - Meetings are Wednesdays at 5:30
 - This committee focuses on the facilities offered at JMU
 - Please let us know if you have any questions, comments or concerns
- Communications Director: Conner Lewis
 - Meetings are Monday at 5PM
 - The Dailey Duke is a student run blog (like BuzzFeed)
 - Looking to help us promote our news and have us help them
 - Weekly Broadcast
 - Implementing a weekly update for the student body
 - Light but informative

Class Council Presidents

- Senior Class President: Kathy Corena
 - Social media video (#wewenttoJMUwhen)
 - Meeting with Kristin tomorrow about upcoming event
 - CAP partnership about GRE, Recruit a Duke, etc.
- Junior Class President: Tori Atkins
 - Focus heavily on Ring Ceremony
 - Invite was sent to all purchasers of ring
 - Donna Harper, Guest Speaker
 - Jazz Band
- Sophomore Class President: Seemran Patel
 - Team contract was laid out
 - Ring premier committee being formed
- Freshmen Class President: Julianna Boettger
 - Dinner to get to know one another
 - Class Council meeting planned with Meredith

Senate Report

- Maddie Cairns
 - Big Event Coordinator
 - Day of service projects around the city and around the world
 - Please apply to be apart of the Committee (DUE FRIDAY)

Advisor Report: Kristin Muncy



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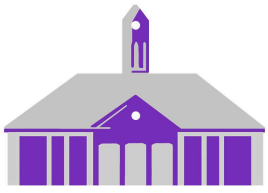
- Works in Office of Student Activities and Involvement: Make Your Mark on Madison, Presidential Leadership Academy, etc.
- Stay in town to stay more local for retreat – Eagle Carpeting Room with kitchens/tables/chairs
 - When arriving there is a stairwell that leads upstairs
 - Donations made to the SPCA – please remember to bring \$3/4 dollars or something for the animals

Executive Council Reports

- Student Body President: Ryan Windels
 - Vision will be readdressed on Friday
 - Leadership Team Meets in Taylor 303 at 5:15PM
 - Please come!
- Executive Vice President: Meredith Parker
 - Purple Out Updates
 - The kickoff to homecoming in the Stadium
 - Kristin, Conner and Meredith met and are scheduling a meeting to do a walk through of the stadium
 - Wednesday, October 21st, 5PM-9PM
- Executive Treasurer: Casey Donnelly
 - Taylor 311 on Mondays
 - Big thank you to Abby for holding the elections this past week!
 - Oversee the finance committee
 - DUES ARE DUE (\$25) OCT. 6th
 - Adam and Julia
 - Dues are going towards promotional items
 - Issuing Facebook Poll (t-shirt, long sleeve with frocket, go towards reserve account instead) starting tonight and select what you would like to see
 - Contingency
 - Three groups are coming next week
 - Be very critical, ask questions
 - It is YOUR money we are delegating

Executive Staff Reports

- Executive Assistant: Niti Jadh
 - Leads Diversity Ad Hoc Meetings
 - Any ideas about events, please share!



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- Meets twice a month
- Administrative Officer: Heidi Jenkins
 - “Plug-In Competition” new rule: from now on, the winner will be determined based off of who emails me first after Joe, the speaker, sends out the minutes on Sunday nights! The winner will be announced at Senate on Tuesday nights! ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE!
EMAIL: hjenk123@gmail.com
 - Master Calendar is coming at ya! Will be posted later this evening on the Facebook page
 - Kathy Corena won this week!
- Parliamentarian: Haley Aldridge
 - Thank you for corporation!
 - Non-voting, impartial member

Motion to Adjourn at 7:11.