

THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
SENATE, FIFTH SESSION
MINUTES

Date: October 8th, 2024

Location: Murray-Aikins Dining Hall, Second Floor

Time: 8:05pm 9:30pm

Member	Attendance		Manakan	Attendance	
Member	Yes	No	Member	Yes	No
Chair Maxwell	\boxtimes		Senator Koegler	\boxtimes	
Senator Andrade	\boxtimes		Senator Kostbar	\boxtimes	
Senator Ararba	\boxtimes		Senator Lai	\boxtimes	
Senator Aybar	\boxtimes		Senator Lederman	\boxtimes	
Senator Barnes	\boxtimes		Senator Lobron	\boxtimes	
Senator Besikof	\boxtimes		Senator Majiedt	\boxtimes	
Senator Bigelow	\boxtimes		Senator Malloy	\boxtimes	
Senator Castillo	\boxtimes		Senator Minkah	\boxtimes	
Senator Chen	\boxtimes		Senator Ochoa	\boxtimes	
Senator Ferrigno	\boxtimes		Senator Seck	\boxtimes	
Senator Flamenbaum	\boxtimes		Senator Siby	\boxtimes	
Senator Glogov	\boxtimes		Senator Situ	\boxtimes	
Senator Harelick	\boxtimes		Senator Ziek	\boxtimes	
Senator Kadets	\boxtimes				

Others in Attendance: SGA Clerk Izzy Bryant, Director of Leadership Activities Zach Schwan, SEC Chair Bailey Gerson, SEC Vice Chair Bennett Metzger, SEC Treasurer Nila Rothman, Associate Director of Leadership Activities Emily Poole

- f. Club Affairs Report with VPCA Besikof
 - i. VPCA Besikof reported that she emailed all groups who submitted a request to the Club Creation Form, and that discussion on faculty advisors remains ongoing.
- g. Institutional Diversity Report with CID Vice Chair Ochoa
 - i. Committee on Institutional Diversity Vice Chair Eloise Ochoa reported that

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9. New Business

a. Overview of the Student Events Council

- Introduction by SEC Chair Bailey Gerson, SEC Vice Chair Bennett Metzger, and SEC Treasurer Nila Rothman
 - 1. Gerson, Metzger, and Rothman introduced themselves.
 Gerson overviewed the organizational and procedural changes made to the Student Events Council (previously the Student Entertainment Committee) during bylaw review process. Gerson described the four SEC subcommittees: the SEC Subcommittee on Major Events, the SEC Subcommittee on Campus Events, the SEC Subcommittee on Campus Traditions, and the SEC Subcommittee on C. Maxwell reminded the Senate that the SEC Chair, SEC Vice Chair, and SEC Treasurer are the three elected members of SEC.

ii. Q/A Period

1. Associate Director of Leadership Activities Emily Poole asked about meeting times. Gerson replied that SEC meets on Wednesdays. S. Kostbar asked about potential ideas for the Spring Fling. Gerson answered that ideas are in the works. S. Chen asked about student attendance at SEC events. Gerson answered that there are currently over 720 RSVPs for Big Show, and that over 100 students attended the Movie Night. S. Ziek asked for examples of recurring SEC events. Gerson replied that Big Show and Earth Day are the most notable, but also mentioned Junior Ring, Spring Fling, and Senior Week. S. Flamenbaum asked if there is an event this Friday. Gerson replied that SEC is hosting pumpkin painting on Case Green at 4pm. S. Flamenbaum asked

involvement in SEC. Gerson noted that between five and eight first-year students consistently attend meetings. S. Ochoa asked about the degree to which events are based on student feedback. Gerson answered that forms are consistently sent out for student feedback. Poole added that event ideas are always appreciated.

b. Ben Scali Senior Senator Willingness-to-Serve Application

- i. Introduction by SGA President Maxwell
 - 1. C. Maxwell introduced Ben Scali as a Willingness-to-Serve applicant. Scali introduced himself and described his goals around various student life issues.

ii. Q/A Period

1. S. Harelick asked about student concerns. Scali answered that art majors would like to have a fridge in the art building. S. Glogov asked why he run in the Fall

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c. SGA Presidential Nomination

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- 1. Introduction by SGA President Maxwell
 - a. C. Maxwell overviewed his nomination of Lobron to the Bias Response Group. Lobron described how bias response protocols influenced her college search and to adequate bias response. Lobron overviewed a two-pronged approach to bias response: policies regarding response, and measures to prevent bias incidents. C. Maxwell clarified that students on the Bias Response Group are not involved in responding to bias incidents.

2. Q/A Period

a. S. Ziek asked when the Bias Response Group meets. Lobron answered that BRG does not have a meeting time yet. S. Castillo asked about specific policy ideas. Lobron replied that her role would pertain more to event planning. S. Malloy asked for clarification on combining the Title VI and Title IX offices. Lobron replied she needs to gather more information.

3. Discussion Period

 a. S. Flamenbaum voiced support and commented on Lobron S. Besikof voiced support and noted the Bias Response Group needs more student input. S. Ledermen voiced support and

S. Harelick noted concerns about how the dining hall prohibits taking food out.

11. Announcements

- a. C. Maxwell reminded Senators about the workshop on creating an affirming campus for trans & nonbinary students on Friday at 2pm.
- b. S. Aybar announced there is a college council for women in student government.
- c. S. Kadets announced a voting encouragement contest.
- d. S. Chen announced a domestic abuse awareness walk.
- e. C. Maxwell announced there will be a Senate accessibility form coming out soon and reminded Senators about the SGA mixer.

12. Adjourn

a. On motion of S. Kadets, seconded by S. Aybar, to Adjourn at 9:30pm.