

MUSG Senate 2014-15

Marquette University Student Government

Monday, September 8th, 2014

7:30 PM – AMU 227

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Reflection

A. *Legislative Vice President Wallace*

4. Forum for Concerned Students

5. Presentations

6. Officer Reports

President

Kyle Whelton

- Inauguration of Dr. Lovell
 - Whelton on planning committee, planning details for coming week.
 - Dr. Lovell says he wants an event every day of inauguration, planned by students
 - MUSG is going to contribute \$13,000 to week, \$10,00 to Ball
 - All outreach funds spent on t-shirts, other funds will be reallocated
 - Unprecedented degree of student involvement
 - Schedule
 - Briggs and Al's Run
 - Inaugural Ball, 8-12 pm
 - Interfaith Prayer Service
 - Monday: Welcome Banner to sign in AMU (throughout the week), dinner with Cobeen residents
 - Tuesday: Hot cookie night in McCormick; you will likely need a meal plan; carnival in Westown Square (President Whelton will be in a dunk tank)
 - Wednesday: Men's soccer v UWM; Glow Bingo 9pm, prizes including basketball tickets, dinner with Lovells, chance to meet Laverne Cox
 - Thursday: Inauguration Ceremony; Reception with MU community
 - Saturday: Greek Week music festival
 - Sunday: Student Organization Institute
- Provost Search
 - September 22nd student session in AMU 163, President Whelton will update as he can but candidates must remain anonymous
 - President looking to have somebody by February
- Dean Search

- Looking for students to participate
- Letters signed by the president
 - Lean Six Sigma course to examine SOF process
 - Review of Program Board
 - Structure has not changed since 1996, PVP Twaddle will review to ensure system is best as possible
 - By end of last year, \$30,000 underspend (used to purchase items like water bottles and cozies, CLSI TVs, etc)
 - After Ozzi and other expenditures, reserve fund is currently at \$163,000
- Call with the White House about Sexual Assault on Campus
 - President Whelton and EVP Pinkney
 - Co-facilitate ways in which students can get involved, let President Whelton know
- New DPS Chief, Paul Mascari
- Ozzi launch
 - Local coverage, e.g. Milwaukee Journal Sentinel
- Wednesday, meeting with local business owners regarding community standards and housing
- Emily Peterson is the new judicial administrator
- President Whelton, EVP Pinkney and Jen had a meeting about bringing in businesses, bringing in Pita Brothers for Campus Dollar location, will be moving in soon

Executive Vice President

Natalie Pinkney

- Committee met this Saturday, allocated \$25,000 to club sports
- Allocation Requests
 - PT Student Council
 - Naturals

Communications Vice President

Sarah McClanahan

- Hiring two new assistants
- Please report if there is anything not working with website
- Turn in packets for election
 - Table for the election, giving away stickers

Program Vice President

Ryan Twaddle

- List of all September programs to come
 - Concert this Friday, SHAMU
 - Inaugural Ball
 - Battle of the Sodas outside Raynor on election day
 - Farmers Market Tuesday, 11-2
 - Senator Quill free to help out at table around noon
 - Fr. Naus Day of Kindness in the AMU
 - Applications for Program Board due soon
 - Commit at your own level, email or come to office, due Friday but will be taken afterwards

Financial Vice President

Nick Ciccone

- Come and say hello

Parliamentarian

Olivia Slusarek (pending)

- 24 students required to pass

Legislative Vice President

Zack Wallace

- Meetings on Monday nights
- New mode of discussing and passing amendments in an effort to be more time-efficient and have time to discuss with constituents
- Currently scheduling speakers for next semester, please come with suggestions
- Attempt to decrease length of emails
- Senate training after elections, Monday Sept 22nd
- Next meeting in 163
- Last meeting for residential senators next week

Advisor

Jennifer Reid

- Excited about changes in organization, including interaction between students and required involvement of advisors
 - Encourage all to be patient in order to better communicate between each other

7. Committee Reports

Business and Administration

Thomas Schick

- Hired 6 receptionists, positions in communications department, and other positions pursuant to constitutional duties

Student Life

Natasha Hansen

- Encourage all to think about being a committee chair

Academics

PPT Nathan Craft

- No report

Student Organizations

Christian Evans

- Excited to work with everybody

8. Outreach, Council, and All-University Committee Reports

A. **EVP Pinkney**

1. **Openings in Teaching, Parking, Student Health, Student Orgs, Assessment, Mission committees**
2. **All come to MUSG retreat**

B. **Senator Guc**

1. **University Academic dissolution, please meeting at 6 if concerned**

C. **Senator Stanko**

1. **Honor Code**

9. Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of Minutes from 5/01/2014

10. Old Business

11. New Business

- A. Legislative Clerk Approval

1. Evans moves, Schick seconds
 - Questions

1. Leaving in end of 2014? Yes

- Debate
 1. Speak in favor: Professionalism and wit
 - Voice vote > carries
- B. Parliamentary Approval
1. Senator Baker moves, Senator Stolz seconds
 - Questions
 1. How well do you know Parliamentary procedure? Willing to learn
 - Debate
 1. Speak in favor: went to HS together, works hard
 - Voice Vote > carries
- C. SOF Period Two Allocations
1. Senator Hansen moves, Senator Elizondo seconds
 2. Naturals
 - \$3,319
 3. PT Student Council
 - \$7,250 for registration fees for conference
 4. Questions
 - Senator Baker, were there percent reductions? No; How many are going? 17 more or less
 - Senator Hansen, all undergraduates? Yes
 - Senator O'Rourke, considered pairing Naturals with MUSG? Hopefully will in the future
 - Senator Quill, transportation for what for the Naturals? Equipment
 - Senator Guc, PT registration covers what? Just registration
 - Senator Hansen, what is total amount allocated this semester? \$25,000, unsure on total granted
 5. Debate
 - PT Student Counsel
 1. No Debate
 2. Voice Vote > carries
 - Naturals
 1. Senator O'Rourke (negative): exorbitant amount, too much spend on equipment and lighting
 2. Senator Evans (affirmative): amount is reasonable
 3. Senator O'Rourke moves to go back to questioning
 1. Hand Vote > 9 in favor, motion fails (still in period of debate)
 4. Hand vote > carries (one nay vote by Senator O'Rourke)
- D. *Introduction & Presentation:*
1. Amendment #1 – Coordinator for Diversity, Inclusion, and Social Justice
 - Senator Baker moves to consider, Senator O'Rourke seconds
 - President Whelton:
 1. MUSG has been involved in diversity issues since 2011 with ad hoc diversity round tables, later diversity task

force, difficulty since most efforts are ad hoc and are not codified

2. We are behind in the field of diversity when compared to other Jesuit institutions, other schools have codified diversity advocates, cabinet positions, etc.
3. Seek a coordinator position at a cabinet level position
4. In Higher Learning Commission (HLC), there was a large concern about diversity, required to have a two year follow up, no serious comprehensive plan in terms of admissions, etc.
5. Student involvement not very high, purpose of proposed position is to coordinate with committee and bring codified version to Senate body for approval
6. Work with representatives from MUSG, residence hall board, Greek Life, OSD, and other organizations, e.g. Muslim and Jewish student organizations, etc., report to MUSG
7. Questions:
 1. Senator Krajewski, what were elements in terms of judging diversity? HL criteria in the study, full detailed report from commission has not been declassified. What do you mean by diversity? Task force with MUSG supervision to incorporate conversations in previous task forces, meeting to discuss issues and how to move forward, e.g. enrollment management, e.g. religious spaces for non-Christian groups like JSU, all students bring diversity to the table. Any other examples of 'frustrations?' LGBTQ concern over gender neutral language, bathrooms, etc., LIMO services do not stop for black students
 2. Senator Hansen, how is this different, i.e. why does there need to be a new position? Past initiatives have not been structured enough, should be permanent, different groups outside of MUSG all in one room focusing on diversity, other students feel more included. How will work get done with only students? Will possibly have an advisor but that might be cumbersome, should be focused on students.
 3. Senator O'Rourke, is an issue going to be a gender-neutral bathroom? Not necessarily, just an issue expressed.
 4. Senator Rynerson, any financial component? Any financing would have to come through the Senate.

Why was there not a committee in 2013? Does not know

5. Senator Miller, any specific organizations that must be on it and if so, how would they be selected? Discretion of committee chair. Position can change? Yes

12. Announcements

- A. Senator Baker, if anybody needs a campus job they should apply to DPS and student safety
- B. Senator Stanko, roughly 1000 students registered for Honor Code
- C. President Whelton, Provost Office is rolling out bias incident reporting system
- D. PVP Twaddle, MUSGer of the week

13. Adjournment

- A. Senator Stolz moves, Senator Hansen seconds
 1. Voice vote > carries