

MUSG Senate 2014-15

Marquette University Student Government

Monday, October 6th, 2014

7:30 PM – AMU 163

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Roll Call**

3. **Reflection**

A. *Program Vice President Ryan Twaddle*

1. We are here to get down and address the issues presented to us, be the difference and enact changes

4. **Forum for Concerned Students**

5. **Presentations**

A. Keith Stanley – Executive Director, Avenue’s West Association

1. Keith Stanley
 - Graduated from Alabama State, worked in an economic development group for 5 years, Common Council
2. BID (Business Improvement District) #10
 - 150 businesses, started in 1956
 - Jimmy Johns, Starbucks, the Rave, Ambassador Hotel, etc.
 - Improve and bring safety to the community to a diverse community
3. Try to figure out how to work with city, state and federal governments to improve the city (e.g. 27th street)
4. Cannot just focus on business
 - Work with businesses and associations in district and around
5. Marquette has been an outstanding partner for past 20 years
 - DPS has helped make campus beautiful and safe
 - More concern for crime outside campus, e.g. residences past 20th street
 - Marquette in past helped rebrand neighborhoods
 - Retail patronization from students
6. Call to action; tour for students, discussion on what people want in the community, i.e. how to get ‘our’ community to have more going on
 - Continued support of academic research
 - Art in the community
 - Don’t overlook assets in the community
 - Facebook publicity campaign
7. Questions:
 - Senator Guc: How many schools and churches? 10 schools, 15 churches

- Senator Bear: Open to coalition between community and art students? E.g. Neighborhood House community center, would love to have students work with them
- Senator Kouhel: what are you planning to do or have done in 2014? Revamped website, online promotion in general, solidified landlord compacts, promoted 12 businesses using video, safety security initiative with cameras in the neighborhood, reconstruction on 27th street, looking to work on Wisconsin Ave., future goal to promote art, expand west, continue work with cameras.
- Senator DiVittorio: How do we contact you? Cards to distribute, LVP Wallace will distribute as well.
- Senator Elizondo: possibility of festival or competition for art, e.g. with MIAD or Art Works? Very open to the idea, just need approval of board and funding to make it happen.
- President Whelton: What are your plans to attract a grocery store in the area? Board has been fighting for it for 20 years, not a lot of disposable income in the community, grocery stores only interested in coming if they know people will have an income to spend at a store, need to find a partner willing to take a chance on the community, issues for an urban store, e.g. parking space.
- Senator Kouhel: Have you considered Walmart Market? Yes, not impressed with effect it has on the community.
- Senator Schmidt: Have you considered architectural assets, e.g. older homes or art? Rich history on Wisconsin Ave, e.g. Pabst Mansion, would support a walking tour.
- Senator Elizondo: Are there not already Milwaukee architectural tours, reach out to them? Spoke briefly to representatives of the Pabst Mansion.
- Senator Hatzenbihler: Have you tried to partner with MIAD, e.g. Post Cards of Milwaukee/Post Cards of 'Avenue West'? Great idea.
- President Whelton: commemoration of civil rights movement in the area through art? Good idea, want to deal with question of crime as well as perception, focus on new developments and improvements, e.g. cultural heritage center about beer and history in the city.
- PPT Manjee: do foreclosed homes affect financial issues of community? Not as affected due to high number of rentals in the community, a lot of vacant city lots, retail vacancy is the most important issue to address.
- Senator Gu: Do our students work with police programs? Yes, will have to check into it

- A. Highway and road infrastructure change coming soon, public input sessions starting soon as well
 - 1. Construction to begin in 2019 or 2020.
 - 2. Models for proposed changes at in Engineering Hall currently
- B. If contacting administration, please coordinate with President, LVP, or Advisor
- C. Keith Edwards coming to campus, please come
 - 1. Meeting with student leaders about sexual assault reform, Tuesday from 2-4:30 PM
- D. Financial Vice President search has begun, applications open today's, please send nominations to the President
- E. University has a Sexual Violence Education committee to tie up loose ends for prevention on campus, please come if you'd like to know more

Executive Vice President Natalie Pinkney

- A. 7 pm on Friday, SOF deadline

Communications Vice President Sarah McClanahan

- B. Come to see Keith Edwards tomorrow
- C. Speakers Series brochure available for the year
- D. Registration to vote
- E. Core review with committee, 4-5 PM on Thursday
- F. Please come in for headshots, will be up on the website
- G. Hired new PR Assistant, Katie Gallo

Program Vice President Ryan Twaddle

- A. Speaker series brochures will be given to RAs
- B. Fright Fest tickets, \$15
- C. MU Madness, 9 PM to 1 AM on Friday
- D. Program board review, presentation on the 26th of October
- E. Diversity initiative, come see flyers on office door for diversity programming
 - 1. E.g. GSRC 'Safe Zone' training

Financial Vice President Nick Ciccone

- A. Period 3 deadline this Friday, please apply

Parliamentarian Olivia Slusarek

- B. 27 present

Legislative Vice President Zack Wallace

- C. Welcome to Senators Smilanich and Wogernese
- D. No Senate next week
- E. Everybody has been assigned programs, please come to LVP if there is an issue
- F. Please come to core curriculum review session
- G. Community lunches
- H. Voter registration, thanks to all who have been deputized, registration open until next Monday
- I. Questioning and Debate, time to bring up issues that will benefit the **entire** body

Advisor Jennifer Reid

7. Committee Reports

Business and Administration Courtney Guc

- A. First meeting this past Sunday, please join if interested

1. UPASS Map
2. Growing Power
3. DPS policies and alcohol fines
4. Bikeshare
5. Apartment culture and lease signing dates
6. MU Cash working with other Milwaukee vendors

Student Life

Estefania Elizondo

- A. Best benefit from the UPASS, looking to extend to students living over the summer
 1. Informal survey to measure demand for summer passes
- B. Scholarships, how to better promote opportunities and resources to students, e.g. utilizing D2L
- C. Sexual assault, video initiative involving Basketball team and other Jesuit institutions
- D. Diversity, diversity coordinator amendment

Academics

Ricky Krajewski

- A. First meeting this Monday
- B. D2L gradebooks
- C. Academic policies regarding 'dead week'
- D. Core curriculum

Student Organizations

Amanda Stolz

- A. Initiative for the semester, please contact if you have any questions

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

- A. **No reports**

9. Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of Minutes from 9/29/2014
 1. Approved

10. Old Business

11. New Business

- A. *Open Discussion (15 Minutes): MUSG & Avenue's West Partnership*
 1. PPT Manjee moves to consider, Senator Schick seconds
 2. General reactions?
 - Senator Barelli: O-Fest and art clubs that would be interested in opportunities, MUSG should reach out to these orgs
 - Senator Hatzenbihler: might be huge for MUSG to take on, but delegation to other student orgs as well as MIAD would be a good idea, Marquette must get on board with this
 - Senator Krajewski: Marquette as a whole can do a lot, MUSG can promote current initiatives with BID, e.g. patronize local businesses
 3. Idea of an MUSG community service project to work on throughout the year, foster connection with the greater community, student initiative to break misconceptions of our neighborhood

- Senator Kouhel: e.g. initiative in Waukesha, incorporate multiple stages with a strategic plan rather than small, isolated projects
 - Senator Hatzenbihler: small initiatives used to slowly break down negative image, stepping stones
 - President Whelton: utilize Keith's connections to the community, MUSG should foster deeper ties with the community, e.g. working with community to bring in a grocery store
4. Senator Guc: leadership presentations and seminars for students, giving grants to schools with potential for growth, investing in other schools in the community.
 5. Senator Bear: great addition to meeting, wonderful speaker, we should delegate this to student orgs and instill values to the community
 6. Safety walks to show that certain parts of the neighborhoods are fine to go through

12. Announcements

- A. PPT Manjee: Keith Edwards will be at Soup and Substance
- B. Senator Bear: Schroeder Hall council tailgate, 12:30-2:30 PM Campus Ministry celebration of Sukkot, come and hang out
- C. Eid celebration dinner this Friday in Raynor, 6 PM

13. Adjournment

- A. Senator Bowman moves to adjourn, Senator Stolz seconds > voice vote carries