

MUSG Senate 2014-15

Marquette University Student Government

Monday, October 20th, 2014

7:30 PM – AMU 227

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Roll Call**

3. **Reflection**

A. *Communications Vice President Sarah McClanahan*

4. **Dear MKE**

5. **Forum for Concerned Students**

A. **Bollywood Dance**

1. Competitive team, going to competitions throughout the nation
2. Not much diversity at Marquette, particularly from an Indian standpoint
 1. There are organizations focused on diversity, but not enough; Bollywood Dance was a reason that some stay
 2. Some have considered transferring because they do not feel like they fit in, belonging to the team has been beneficial
 3. Dance has introduced member to new cultures
 4. Performed at various universities and community events
 1. Want to go to New York as well as throughout the Midwest
3. **Questions**
 1. Senator Kouhel: how many teams compete? In New York, 8 teams
 2. Senator O'Rourke: how you paying dues? Yes, fundraising as well as performance for money, local ventures funded more so by the team. What are dues? \$100/person
 3. Senator Quill: how many competitions each year? About 4 or 5

6. **Presentations**

A. *Dr. Susannah Bartlow – Director, Gender and Sexuality Resources Center*

7. **Officer Reports**

President

Kyle Whelton

- Academic Symposium at 4 pm in one week in Weasler,
 - Civil Rights movement in Milwaukee, Equal Opportunity Program, discussion with those who worked with Dr. King
- Work with DPS for a mobile safety app
 - Met with developer, hoping for deployment by January
 - No cost to university or students
- Sunday, November 9th at noon, Mandatory bystander intervention training
 - Must let your VP know if you cannot attend
 - Challenging other organizations to do the training as well
- Next week Monday at 6:30, town hall meeting about DPS commissioning

- Please come if you do not have class
- Quarterly reports
 - working on a report for the first quarter
- FVP search
 - Apps available until November 7th
 - Committee will convene next week to discuss
 - Interview of 2-3 finalists
 - December 1st, candidate will be presented to Senate
- "I Lovell Lovell" t-shirts

Executive Vice President Natalie Pinkney

- Allocated around \$38,000 of SOF applications
- Club sports deadline, November 15th

Communications Vice President Sarah McClanahan

- Launched sustainability page tonight
- Applications are live
- Academic integrity tutorial due by Friday
- Animal Rights discussion this Thursday, 7pm in the Weasler

Program Vice President Ryan Twaddle

- Program board review finished, present to Senate next Monday
 - Come to me if you wish to speak in person
- Late Night programming meetings this Thursday and Friday to discuss how to plan and get funding
- Photo booth for elections

Financial Vice President Nick Ciccone

- FVP apps available

Parliamentarian Olivia Slusarek

- 31 seated, 29 present, amendment (15) and SOF (16)

Legislative Vice President Zack Wallace

- Let me know if there are any changes in programming, office hours, etc.
- Avenues West partnership, keep thinking about ideas, updates will come
- Upcoming election, still need volunteers for election day itself (November 4th)

Advisor Jennifer Reid

- Lunch with the President, this Wednesday and another date later this semester

8. Committee Reports

Business and Administration Courtney Guc

- Growing Power Initiative has been approved, pilot will start in the next few weeks
- LIMOs

Student Life Estefania Elizondo

- UPass over summer
- Scholarships available to students
- Sexual Assault awareness
- Diversity amendment

Academics Ricky Krajewski

- Discussed academic policies regarding dead week and transfer process

Student Organizations

Amanda Stolz

- How to tell other organizations what MUSG does, going to their meetings to share info with them, please come with ideas

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

- A. President Whelton: Provost search committee, active *prospects* were presented, strong pool of individuals, all still confidential and will remain so in perpetuity
 1. Reach out to John Su with questions
- B. Senator Schick: Off Campus caucus meeting, open Campus Dollar space and Pita Brothers, DPS issues, Landlord Tenant Council meeting
- C. Senator Schmidt: Academic Senate
 1. rewriting university statutes for dissolving CAPI
 2. Public safety and deputization of DPS
 3. New guiding values for MU as a whole

10. Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of Minutes from 10/06/2014
 1. Approved

11. Old Business

12. New Business

- A. *Introduction & Presentation:*
 1. *Amendment #1 – Coordinator for Diversity, Inclusion, and Social Justice*
 1. Senator DiVittorio moves to consider, Senator Hatzenbihler seconds
 2. Presentation
 1. Senator Elizondo: amendment establishes position that will promote social justice and diversity matters on campus, help program board in planning events related to diversity, most immediate form of action that MUSG can take and satisfies needs of administration to apply permanent plan to increase diversity, diversity is a challenge not only here but in other Jesuit institutions, positions such as this are being instituted in other schools (e.g. Georgetown, Loyola Chicago)
 2. Senator DiVittorio: alternatives to this have been considered, only solution that is sustainable and permanent
 3. Senator Bear: please consider that diversity includes more than race or ethnicity, we would like to give all organizations a voice, outlet for others to speak
 3. Questions
 1. Senator Bowman: necessity to including member of Greek life? Want to work with all major student orgs on campus, such as RHA as well as senators, Greek life has a huge

presence on campus and has connections with students not connected to MUSG. Typo? Will be corrected

2. PPT Manjee: how will coordinator interact with other diversity-related positions on campus? Will work with program board, meet with other diversity orgs. Relationship with administration, e.g. GSRC? Would be up to the coordinator, did not feel that all duties should be stipulated in the amendment.
3. Senator Kouhel: what will size of group be like for each meeting? Coordinator will reach out to however many they feel is pertinent, size to be determined by coordinator. Should coordinator pick and choose who is on committee? If all members of all orgs were involved, it would be inefficient, if they were randomly chosen they might not all be very invested, orgs that want to be a part will be targeted more specifically, e.g. all university committee at the discretion of the EVP, based on St Louis University where all orgs are involved and represented.
4. Senator Biagi: outreach to gauge how many people would be interested? GSRC, Campus Ministry interested as well as other orgs, e.g. NAACP, JSU, GSA, etc.
5. Senator Miller: limitation to org wanting to participate, e.g. could it be Dance Inc.? Based on discretion of coordinator, diversity related to many issues, university strives to be inclusive, all students should leave the university ready to fight for justice
6. Senator O'Rourke: what if all members of committee all represent same representative group? People will not be excluded based on any background.
7. Senator Schick: how often will meetings with Senate or President occur? Monthly basis, weekly conversation.
8. Senator Quill: will committee need any funding?
Programming has funds for diversity programs.

- B. Resolution #4 – Commending Vice President of Planning Tom Ganey
 1. Senator Elizondo moves to consider, Senator Hatzenbihler seconds
 2. Presentation:
 1. Senator Vrana: commemorate retirement of Tom Ganey, active with student government, architectural planning, presidential transition period
 3. Questions
 1. None
 4. Debate
 1. Senator Elizondo (affirmative)
 5. Voting
 1. Voice vote > carries
- C. SOF Non-Club Sports Period 3 Approvals

1. Senator Hatzenbihler moves to consider, Senator Stolz seconds
2. Presentation:
 1. African Student Association
 1. Senator Krajewski
 2. Marquette University Students for Life
 1. Senator Thiry, trip to Washington DC, student contribution as well
 3. Native American Student Association
 1. Senator Stolz, food and other activities, film
 4. Masaa
 1. Senator Stolz, allocated half of airplane cost
 5. NROTC
 1. Senator Murrar, drill team travel expenses and registration fees, did not contribute to food and living expenses request
3. Questioning
 1. Senator Hatzenbihler: for 3, are they contributing any money? They are not
 2. Senator Quill: for 1, did they say how big the event will be? Last year there were 300+ students
 3. Senator Haines: for 4, similar cost to Mardi Gras trip? Divided among students is about \$100, similar cost
 4. Senator Vrana: have we funded students to go to a protest in the past? They are a recognized student organization, not a basis to deny them funding by infringing on their beliefs, SOF rather than MSUG funds political events
 5. Senator Bowman: total amount through fiscal year? About \$50,000-60,000. 2 is lodging costs which is prohibited? It is for registration for a protest, not for a conference.
4. Debate
 1. None
5. Voting
 1. Voice vote > carries (2 abstentions from Senators Bowman and Biagi)
6. Senator Guc moves to reconsider 2 (Marquette University Students for Life)
 1. Voice vote > division > carries
 2. Questions
 1. Senator Schick: travel is to DC for protest and then second application is for conference? Yes, second conference application was denied and not included, (Advisor Reid) they are not going to a protest but a 'rally'
 2. Senator O'Rourke: does funding go according to tradition, i.e. if org applies and gets funding in past does it typically get funding next year? No. Open to all students? Yes.

3. Senator Biagi: total bus cost? About \$5776. How will other cost be covered? Probably fundraising
4. Senator Gucci: March for Life and rally are connected, march begins after the rally but it is different
5. Senator Kouhel: does religious affiliation of university sway funding? No, based on whether or not beneficial for community.
6. Senator Biagi: conference same weekend as rally? Yes, right after the rally
7. PPT Manjee: same students going to both events? Yes
8. Senator Elizondo: conference they are going to is same conference they applied for funding? Yes
9. Senator Gucci: does funding cover bus there or back? Both ways because it is a charter bus
10. *Senator O'Rourke calls the question, no second*
11. Senator Kouhel: does this allocation interfere with financial policy? In application, they are not going to the conference

3. Debate

1. Senator Bowman (negative): org is trying to cheat the system, SOF committee allowed to look at other applications, clear intention to limit funding for transportation to conferences
2. Senator Biagi (negative): SOF is to better community, money should be invested on campus
3. Senator O'Rourke (affirmative): if this logic is followed, other orgs would not get funding, e.g. Masaa
4. Senator Hatzenbihler (affirmative): should not look at other application
5. Senator Schick (affirmative): there are two different events in question, to deny *both* would be incorrect
6. Senator Bowman (negative): we should not provide funding to other off campus events, e.g. Masaa or NROTC, SOF is for on campus events

4. Voting

1. Roll Call > 20 affirmative, carries (see Appendix 1)

13. Announcements

- A. PPT Manjee: promoting Election Day, early vote starting today
- B. PVP Twaddle: safe zone training October 22nd and 29th from 4-7 pm
- C. LVP Wallace: MUSGer of the Week to Senator Stolz

14. Adjournment

- A. Senator DiVittorio moves to adjourn, Senator Stolz seconds

Appendix 1

Senator	Vote
Barelli	Nay
Bear	Nay
Biagi	Nay
Bowman	Nay
Dearden	Yay
DiVittorio	Yay
Dobrich	Yay
Elizondo	Abstain
Guc	Yay
Haines	Nay
Hatzenbihler	Yay
Kouhel	Yay
Krajewski	Yay
Luvianos	Yay
Madeen	[Absent]
Maglio	Yay
Manjee	Abstain
McInerney	Yay
Miller	Yay
Murphy	Yay
Murrar	Yay
O'Rourke	Abstain
Quill	Abstain
Schick	Yay
Schmidt	Yay
Smilanich	Yay
Stolz	Yay
Thiry	Yay
Touhy	Yay
Vrana	Nay
Wogernese	Yay
TOTAL:	
Yay	20
Nay	6
Abstain	4