

WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

32nd Student Government Association

19th Meeting of the Thirty Undergraduate Student Government Association To
be held in Innovation Studio 105
6:00 p.m. – October 25th, 2022

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the Minutes
- III. **Public Comments**
 - A. ODIME DEI Training
- IV. Special Orders
- V. **President's Report**
 - A. Happy B-Term!
 - 1. President Wilde welcomed everyone back for B term and hoped everyone had a great break.
 - B. Board of Trustees Meeting
 - 1. President Wilde will be attending their meeting this week, however, she will not make a presentation.
- VI. Vice President's Report
 - A. No Report
- VII. Secretary's Report
 - A. No Report
- VIII. **Treasurer's Report**
 - A. B Term Projects
 - 1. Treasurer Mullenberg shared there is a financial board tomorrow in the CC Taylor Room from 6-8 pm.
 - 2. This term Treasurer Mullenberg is looking to add more people and projects to financials including the 30k idea, club audits, adjusting the student life fee, opening budgeting early, etc. You do not need to be a financial senator to be on the project, and if you are interested reach out.
 - 3. SOC is the Student Organization Committee that recognizes new clubs on campus from 1-2 and they need a senator representative, so if you are interested in hearing about new clubs on campus you should reach out to attend.

Questions:

Chair Link asked if the financial board was themed with Halloween decor, candy, and costumes this week.

Answer: Yes!

- IX. Parliamentarian's Report
 - A. No Report
- X. Cluster Reports

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- A. Student Services Cluster
 - 1. No Report
- B. Internal Services Cluster
 - 1. No Report
- C. Financials Cluster
 - 1. No Report
- XI. Faculty, Institute, and Special Committees
 - A. President Wilde shared that there are still vacancies and to reach out if interested. There is a new student health insurance committee as well that needs representatives,
- XII. Old Business
- XIII. **New Business**
 - A. **S.12 - 33rd Executive Board Slate**
 - 1. Elections Chairperson Peeriz presented the executive board slate to the senate. Chair Rios was slated for president, Chair Bowles for treasurer, and Chair Cormier for vice president.
 - 2. President Wilde shared that after questions and discussions on the slate, nominations for running off the floor are held. $\frac{2}{3}$ vote is required to add someone to the slate. Ground rules were established for respecting those who run off the floor.

Motion to Slate Chair Jerusal for Secretary

Chair Jerusal was nominated to run off the floor for secretary. She has been making efforts to connect with SGA since her freshman year, and she has worked alongside many different organizations across campus. She has had a lot of experience in internal services as an internal affairs senator, interim CI working on Title XI and mental health advocacy as an interim, a CO senator, and efforts for club outreach and DEI training as DEI chair. She will carry this DEI knowledge and outreach within her role in any position in SGA. She went above and beyond her role's expectations as DEI chair. Her goal as secretary would be to audit accessible points of contact to limit the lack of productivity for projects on campus due to low responsiveness. Additionally, regarding senator involvement, she aims to institute mandatory check-ins conducted by chairs and execs and improve attendance records. She also shared it is important to ensure chairs are engaged with their products as opposed to tradition.

Questions:

Treasurer Mullenberg asked what is the biggest challenge facing SGA?

Answer: There is a lack of communication with chairs and exec. She aims to create more communication with exec and chairs through progress reports and reflections throughout the senate year.

Senator Schroeder asked given that there are fewer senators than we would like right now, and senators are required to fulfill certain responsibilities, how will you

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enforce the responsibilities more?

Answer: We should ensure that people are not joining this organization just as a resume booster and that they actually are passionate about the impact they could make on campus.

Vice President MacGregor asked about her other involvements and time commitments.

Answer: She is a writing center tutor and error coding lab assistant however she is organized and feels like she can manage all of these commitments.

Secretary Damon asked how she deals with conflict and if she can provide an example.

Answer: One time a senator felt like their voice was not heard on the DEI cluster, and she organized a one-on-one meeting and an ODIME meeting to improve understanding.

Chair Cormier asked what her biggest weakness would be going into the position.

Answer: She will be taking on a lot with her MS in four years, however, she tailored her schedule to not interfere with SGA meetings.

Vote

Outcome: Passed

Motion to Slate Chair Link for Treasurer

Chair Link communicated how much she loves SGA, has been doing as much as she can, and would love to elevate her role through the treasurer. What she lacks in time and experience as a sophomore she makes up for in passion for the role, she would love to continue a legacy event, destigmatize treasury, and maintain strong communication. She has the time to dedicate to the role and is good at focusing and prioritizing tasks.

Treasurer Mullenberg asked what is the biggest challenge facing SGA?

Answer: Communication between clubs and SGA as a whole.

Chair Cormier asked what her biggest weakness is in applying for the role?

Answer: She has trouble stepping back and allowing other people to work and help.

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Secretary Damon asked if she could share a time in which she dealt with conflict in a professional setting.

Answer: Working with a director for casting a production in high school. She had to maintain open communication and separate expectations from personal relationships.

Point of Information:

If there is only one person slated for each position on the slate then the student body will have a vote of no confidence option

Vote

Outcome: Not Passed

- XIV. Questions, Comments, and Ideas
 - A. Treasurer Mullenberg encouraged everyone to come to the spooky financial board from 6-8 tomorrow in the Taylor Room.
- XV. Announcements
 - A. Senator Schroeder encouraged everyone to come to Workshop Wednesday at the CDC.
 - B. Secretary Damon encouraged people to go audition for Guerilla Improv tomorrow at 6:30 in Fuller Upper.
- XVI. Advisor's Remarks
 - A. Advisor Sharry encouraged everyone to come to decorate tote bags tomorrow and participate in trick-or-treating, pumpkin carving, and other SAO weekend programming.
- XVII. President's Remarks
 - A. President Wilde encouraged anyone interested in recruitment and rush to stay active on tech sync for information on Greek Life.
- XVIII. Adjournment

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