

University Committee on Student Life & Engagement

Agenda

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Zoom Meeting

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Voting Members

Students: Katrina Groeller, Carl Austin Miller Grondin, Connor Le, Belle Letcher, Jairahel Price, Harshita Rathod, Grace Hocking

Faculty: Nicolas Gisholt, (Ms. J.) Jonglim Han, Joyce Meier, Jeffrey Tsang

Non-Voting Members: Shannon Burton, Ray Gasser, Vennie Gore, Genyne Royal, Allyn Shaw, Anthony T. Williams, Jr.

Students Absent: Kayla Braggs, Jo Kovach, Myles Overall, Stevie Quijas, Claire Smith

Guests: Marlon Lynch, Mark Patishnock, Olivia Scott, Swapna Hingwe

- I. Call to Order, Welcome
 - a. Called to order at 8:31 AM
 - b. Chairperson Grondin presided over the meeting
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Review of the Minutes
- V. Presentations
 - a. ELPD and the PEACE Team (Chief Marlon Lynch)
 - Marlon Lynch presented about an initiative between MSU and ELPD to help reduce weapons-related crimes
 - Questions:
 - Ms. J
 - Asked about what areas the PEACE Team is active in and what falls under the East Lansing Entertainment District
 - Marlon Lynch: Around Abbot Road and M.A.C.
 - Nicholas Gisholt
 - Asked about what would be attributed to the rise in gun violence in East Lansing
 - Marlon Lynch: The density of people living in the area and the number of bars and clubs within the area
 - Dr. Allyn Shaw
 - If a student group was wanting extra protection at an event downtown, could they request the PEACE

Team for security:

- Marlon Lynch:
 - If the PEACE Team knows there's events in the area, they may be present, but they might not stay for the entire time

b. CAPS (Mark Patishnock and Olivia Scott)

- Mark Patishnock and Olivia Scott presented about updates, services, and feedback from CAPS
- Questions:
 - Belle Letcher
 - Thanked and showed appreciation towards CAPS
 - Joyce Meier
 - Asked what time meetings are for faculty QNA sessions and what happens if something comes up in the first week of the month
 - Olivia Scott: The last day of the month that the CAPS Connect Provider hold office hours. If something daunting pops up in the first week of the month, use the CAPS Crisis Line
 - Ms. J
 - Asked about what the process is when you refer someone to CAPS
 - Olivia Scott: Explained the referral process
 - Asked if there were better referral management processes in place to help students
 - Mark Patishnock: Explained more behind the referral process and management
 - Olivia Scott: If any student is having a problem with the system, please let CAPS know so they can figure it out
 - Swapna Hingwei
 - Introduced themselves and stated that they believe the larger issue is a sense of belonging from students and the correlation with being referred off campus. Also stated that there is a team for those suffering from eating disorders

c. SRR and GSR Updates (Anthony T. Williams, Jr)

- Anthony T. Williams, Jr presented updates from the SRR and GSR and have stated that they are now in the rewrite phase for the SRR and GSR
- Questions:
 - Jairahel Price
 - Asked about what students are involved in the drafting of the SRR and GSR
 - Anthony T. Williams, Jr: A consulting group does the drafting, so no students are involved with the writing

v I. reports

a. Steering Committee

- Discussed the qualifications for the next Board of Trustees Chairperson.

b. Faculty Senate

- No report

c. Council of Graduate Students

- First meeting was held on Wednesday, passed one resolution

d. Associated Students of Michigan State University

- East Lansing has become a Sanctuary City, President Woodruff came to the last ASMSU meeting, all OOTP stand in solidarity with the students at Indiana University after a recent hate crime

e. Fraternity & Sorority Life

- No report, but happy to be here

f. Residence Halls Association

- No report

g. Board of Trustees At-Large Student Representative

- No report

h. Vice President for Student Life & Engagement

- Trying to bring in offices where student issues have come up to our meetings and hopes we find these presentations beneficial

VII. New Business

VIII. Discussion

a. Donor Accountability

- Chairperson Grondin:

- After a meeting with Dr. Shaw and VP Gore, I as well as Vice-Chairperson Le have created a statement regarding donor accountability and would like UCSLE's opinions on it
- Discussion:
 - Nicholas Gisholt: What are some examples of behavior that do not embody MSU's values
 - Vice-Chairperson Le: The biggest example is the Larry Gaynor situation
 - Joyce Meier: Supports the resolution and asked why University Council is involved instead of Faculty Senate
 - Chairperson Grondin: Explained the explanation behind why University Council and the options where we can send it
 - Ms. J: One thing they believe is missing is sending the letter to advancement and also supports the letter
 - Belle Letcher: Echoes the importance of this letter. Would like to see more specific language of how the university has failed in equity
 - Vennie Gore: Explained the background of the lack of naming policies and investment policies

b. Second Year Live On Policy

- Chairperson Grondin:

- ASMSU brought forward this problem to discuss this as a committee

- **DISCUSSION.**

- Belle Letcher: Showed their disdain for the two-year live on requirement
- Nicholas Gisholt: Shared a personal story that students have difficulties finding where to live. Supports anything the students say
- Jairahel Price: Echoes what everyone else has said. Stated that MSU doesn't have enough space for MSU students and off-campus living is inequitable. Believes we should recommend the removal of the policy as a whole
 - Ray Gasser: Explained strategies to manage enrollment numbers and the two-year live on requirement
- Ms. J: Believes that just revoking the requirement would not fix inequalities in housing
- Shannon Burton: Explained background on reasonings for the two-year live on requirement. Believes that we should consider a sense of belonging

IX. Roundtable

X. Adjourn

a. Adjourned at 10:07 AM

Next Meeting: February 17th,
2023