



Student Council General Body Meeting
Missouri University of Science and Technology
Tuesday, October 11th, 2022 at 6:30 PM Central Time
Havener Center, Carver-Turner Room
1346 N Bishop Ave, Rolla, MO 65409
Official Meeting Minutes

Officers Present:

Wulfe Retzlaff, Trevor Pyron, Martin De La Hunt, Raheemat Rafiu

Executives Present:

Chase Johnson, Jack Hayes, Natasha Spangenberg, Aaron Berkhoff, Mark Cavanaugh, Olajide Adetunji, Christopher Castro, Andrew Winingar, Jared Caldwell

Voting Members and Proxies Present:

Chase Johnson, Christopher Castro, Andrew Winingar, Jared Caldwell, Arnold Nguyen, Aamir Iqbal, Evan Simer, Sarah Bogel, Tanaya Kashyap, Jacob Ward, Emily Pitz, Sara McDaniel, Adam Jones, Teagan Brohman, Benjamin Peterson, Abid Hasan Rafi, Chambre Garcia, Logan Dietz, Lucas Ethington, Weronika Bobula, Meghan Maples, Elijah Ventura, Paige Oden, Ryan Highfill, Tate Heislen, Daniel Steinmeyer, Caleb Moellenhoff, Rose Ross, Dylan VanBuskirk, Andrew Winjum, Cameron Ashley, David Theodorou, Radwa Eissa, Bryce Cambers, Santhoshkumar Sundaramoorthy, Liatris Parker-Reece, Nathaniel Blanton, Keely Grady, Margaret Boecker, Regan Hubbard, Jarrett Ely, Christopher Ryan, Nicholas Mincemeyer, Jake Lockey, Dylan Fritz, Xzavier Rainey, David Miloshewski, Benjamin Young, Kevin Shannon, Lana Dizdarevic, Cade Hilger, Xavier Uveges, Jordan Walters, Hans Pommerenke, Ian Herling, Katelynn Schulte, Patience Murphy, Riley Salmi, Bruce Burgo, Daniela Sangurima, James Kirtley, Wesley HardenII, Dakota Wood, Benjamin Tolson, Landon Surber, Brock Eyster, Logan Ostermann, Landon Viers, Thomas Benson, Jacob Henderson, Anthony Aholt, Allison Poe, Benjamin Rodrigue, Brian Wolf, Jack Beyer, Alex George, Tyler Belina, David Starkey, Anna Buchholz, Nicholas Driscoll, Xavier Ross, Sammi Young, Regis Ung, Isabelle Kane, Vince Santiago, George Kietzer, Joseph Snyder, Andrew Simily, Owen Moeller, Lucas Navarro, Dalton Bealer, Ethan Paxson, Hannah Dinwiddie, Kingsley Amatanweze, William Strecker, Lara Elkady, Casey Reed, Nolan Hall, Jacob Stacy, Darryl Scheer, Austen Solvie, Amelia Martinez, Cameron Ray

Guest Speakers Present:

Doug Roberts, Alysha O'Neil

Proceedings

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30, presided by Wulfe Retzlaff. 103 Voting Members were in attendance, 61 were required to meet quorum.
2. The agenda was approved as published with no objections.
3. The meeting minutes from September 13th, 2022 were approved with no objections.
4. University Police Chief, Doug Roberts, gave a presentation about campus safety.

The University Police has moved location to now be the only building between Pine and Rolla, facing the campus, near the alumni house. When discussing the handling of offenses, Chief Roberts stated that University Police tends to be very forgiving, however your attitude dictates the result of the encounter. He then noted that over the past few years, cameras have been integrated, the blue emergency phones on campus have been replaced by the Rave Guardian app, and other security advancements have been made, explaining that as a science and technology school, our security technology should be cutting edge. The Rave Guardian app allows students to text University Police and allows officers to help lost students know where they are from the GPS system on their phone. Within this app there are campus phone numbers, one press police and 911 calling, as well as alerts and safety timers to further the amount of safety offered on campus. This department hosts many planning and training events so that local and all university police are prepared, such as a Secret Service Threat Assessment that will occur in the coming week. Rolla is on an island of sorts: "We are an hour away from the nearest Chipotle and Target." He continued that within our island, we need to watch out for each other, so if we see anything of concern to let University Police know. It is their responsibility to watch out as much as possible, but it is also the responsibility of students to report safety and security concerns.

Q: Rave Guardian tracks students if they are lost. Can you tell us how that works?

A: If GPS is on, we can see where students are and see their location through the Rave Guardian system when they text us.

Q: What are the specs on the cameras that were installed?

A: Avigilon brand. The exact specs are unknown; however, you can come over to the station and see for yourself

Q: Where are you located?

A: On 12th street between Rolla and Pine. Where dining services office used to be. This is an overall good location that is on the way to downtown, that we have been trying to get for 3 years.

Q: What Is the relationship between UPO, HWY Patrol, and RPD?

A: Chief Roberts is good friends with the chiefs of those departments. UPO brings great trainings to town, along with venues and equipment. All the departments work together, as we need them more than they need us, so we supply things to them to make ourselves relevant.

Statement: Wulfe Retzlaff: A couple of weeks ago, an officer died in Rolla and the UPO covered all beats so that the Rolla officers could attend the funeral.

5. Differential Tuition Model Presentation

a. Alysha O'Neil

- Vice Chancellor of Finance & Operations and S&T CFO
- See presentation slides at <https://stuco.mst.edu/2022oct11>

"Show of hands, who has heard that the model is changing?" (Over half of the room raises). There will be a new website out in a couple of weeks to explain information to families and such. All of UM System has been planning over the past 3 years to implement a new differential tuition model. This new model will encourage students to enroll in full courseloads, as this model is designed to encourage students to take more than 12 credit hours. It is not being advised for students to take 18 credit hours, although the financial incentive is there. Because there is the encouragement for students to take more credit hours, there will be a larger focus on student success.

Student Initiatives Underway:

- Curriculum review, streamlining degree programs, ensure all courseload is truly needed. We want the right number of courses for each degree.
- Accelerated Course retakes: Students that don't receive a grade they needed or wanted can retake the course quickly over break to do some review and replace that grade.
- Focus on courses with high DFWs at 1000s level (redesign courses)
 - High DFW meaning high rates of Ds, Fs, and Ws (withdrawals).
- Mental Wellbeing ambassador certification
- Early intervention with grade checks through advising and success center
- Improved tutoring and LEAD, targeted peer mentoring and (possibly discounted) targeted summer programming so more students take courses over the summer (since actual part time rates are expensive)
- Increased advising touchpoints

Q: Is it cheaper?

A: This solely depends on the number of credits you enroll in. If you take 12 the whole time, it will not be. If you take 15 or 16, it will be.

Q: Dylan Fritz, FCA: With proposed new structure, under 3.5 year to 4.5 year, is that by semester? And does this include Co-op?

A: Yes, this is by semester. If it's a co-op, it will not charge you unless you take it for credit. Still working on it.

Q: Natasha Spangenberg: Why are we having a 4-year push?

A: The longer the students are here, the less likely they are to graduate. Other costs are associated with being a student for longer.

Q: Laura, Multitrotor: If students take 11 credits instead of 12, do they get charged extra? Also, if students dual major from different tiers, what happens?

- A: Students will be assessed the higher tier. You can game the system and figure out the lowest cost with this situation.
- Q: Amelia Martinez, KMNR: Any surveying of students who take longer? I'm not sure if taking 15-16 credit hours per semester is doable, so will raising cost really make it faster?
- A: Lots of studies out there. The biggest reason students leave an institution is for financial reasons.
- Q: Amelia Martinez, KMNR: Financial incentives don't always work out. Why are students taking longer?
- Q: Katelyn Schulte, Solar House: If the goal is to make people take more credits, will we see a decrease in involvement?
- A: We hope not, we want students to take 15-16 hours per semester. It's an individual decision per student.
- Q: Jack Ryan, Student Veterans: You are implementing other measures like course redesigns, is that targeting specific peer mentoring programming or peer support in general?
- A: Specifically lower-level courses with high DFW.
- Q: Weronika Bobula, Rocket Design: We have academically competitive students, and they will likely commit to 18 hours, are you worried about that? Also, what if they start at 18 and drop because there's no penalty?
- A: Working on that, potentially adding a drop fee for dropping a class to discourage that. When students drop it prohibits other students from getting into that class. What are your thoughts?
- A: Weronika Bobula, Rocket Design: Personally, I'm going to load up with 18 credit hours. We're all math.
- Q: Alex George, Makerspace: If I'm taking a tier 3 and a tier 1, which do I get, also when does information on graduate get release?
- A: The higher tier one. See Slides.
- Q: Hans Pommerenke, Rugby: You compared us to Mizzou, which costs less. Why is the UMSys setting us up directly in competition with the flagship school for financial reasons? I can get the same degree there for cheaper.
- A: Our program is, quite frankly, better than Mizzou's and us slightly more expensive to match.
- Q: Hans Pommerenke, Rugby: People paying their way through school without scholarships and stuff – are they being punished? They have jobs and stuff to deal with.
- A: We don't have a lot, and part time rates still exist. Every situation is different.
- Q: Abid Hasan Rafi, Mars Rover: Incentives to more courseload and course redesigns, why now in conjunction with the budget change?
- A: We have interim deans to take a fresh look at things. It takes a lot of effort to change, and I appreciate the work of my colleagues in doing that challenging work.
- Q: Abid Hasan Rafi, Mars Rover: Initiatives are still happening regardless of tuition plans?
- A: Yes.
- Q: Ian Herling, SAE: In state, undergrad students will be paying 27% higher at 12 credits. 38% take 5 years and financial reasons are the highest drop-out reason.
- A: We're trying to decrease the number of students who take so long.

6. New Business

a. SAFB Professional Projects Budget Amendment

➤ We received information on an error and would like to correct it.

Q: Alex George, Makerspace: What is MAV? Is this money they weren't supposed to have anyways?

A: They weren't planning on having it, so it creates no issues.

Q: Jack Ryan, Student Veterans: How was the error discovered and how are we preventing it from happening again?

A: Mars Rover turned in previous budget and new budget, but Jared didn't notice and used the wrong numbers.

Q: Weronika Bobula, Rocket Design: Is MAV keeping the money?

A: No, the money is moving to Mars Rover and the rest is coming from safety margin.

Q: Cameron Ashley, Nuclear: Where does safety go? Does it just sit there for next year?

A: That is usually the plan, we are currently working on a system to use this overflow. New funds could possibly be created.

There were no points of discussion. The question was called.

A $\frac{2}{3}$ supermajority vote was required for approval.

Aye 76 Votes (89.41%)

Nay 9 Votes (10.59%)

The amendment to the previously passed budget (passed on September 26, 2022) was approved as presented.

7. Reports

a. President – Wulfe Retzlaff

Enter your organization for the Pumpkin Decorating Halloween Contest:

<https://cglink.me/2nk/s293>

For those who attended committee meetings: fill out this form to help us evaluate for the Committee of the Month: <https://cglink.me/2nk/s266>

b. Vice President of Operations – Martin De La Hunt – mjd3k9@mst.edu

I am forming an ad-hoc committee in the coming weeks to modify the constitution and bylaws of Student Council, as well as review the constitutions of SAFB and the St. Pat's Board. Please contact me if you are interested.

Please go to your committee meetings!

c. Auxiliary Services Liaison – Mark Cavanaugh

Havener Advisory Committee – Sunday October 16th at 12:00-12:30pm in Centennial 203

Agenda:

- New meditation space in Park Lounge
- Plans to change out furniture throughout the building

d. College of Engineering and Computing Lead – Aaron Berkhoff

CEC Committee Meeting – Every other Wednesday starting Oct. 12 from 6pm to 7pm in Toomey 348

Agenda for this meeting:

- Non-university courses (physics, math, and Mechanics of Materials).
 - Better CET reporting ideas.
 - Lab funding for classes and design teams.
 - College wide curriculum review.
 - Looking to appoint proxies to discuss with individual departments.
- e. Leadership Development Lead – Chase Johnson

Nominate someone to be recognized for their leadership and achievements here:
<https://cglink.me/2nk/s291>. Also direct members of your organizations to that link.

f. Student Activity Finance Board Chair – Jared Caldwell

~~The Club Appropriations is due this Friday at 5:00PM~~

~~Club Sports workshop will be this Friday from 5:00 – 6:00 PM in EMAN 103~~

I will be traveling October 28th

I am holding office hours:

Thursday from 2:00 – 6:00 PM

Friday from 3:00 – 5:00 PM

SAFB Deadlines (5:00PM):

Professional Projects ~~09/16/2022~~

DSF ~~09/30/2022~~

Club Appropriations ~~10/14/2022~~

Club Sports ~~10/28/2022~~

SAFB Workshops (5:00-6:00PM):

Professional Projects ~~09/02/2022~~

DSF ~~09/16/2022~~

Club Appropriations ~~09/30/2022~~

Club Sports ~~10/14/2022~~

g. St. Pats Board President – Andrew Winingar

THERE'S ONLY 156 DAYS UNTIL THE NEXT BEST EVER ST. PATS!! LET'S GET FIRED UP!!

~~150 DAZE Celebration Saturday at Tater Patch from 4-7pm~~

Sweatshirt reveal Friday the 21st at 3pm at Sunnywall, located at 12th and Pine

- h. Associated Students of the University of Missouri – Ryan Highfill – ryan.highfill@mst.edu
– asum@mst.edu

https://linktr.ee/ASUM_MST

Survey and Intern Application closes the 26th!

- o Intern Informational 10/18

Tomorrow (October 12) is the **Last Day** to register to vote in MO

- o Absentee Ballots are open now

- i. Panhellenic Council – Maggie Boecker

~~It's Zeta's Pink Week~~

- j. Residence Hall Association – Logan Dietz

~~Smoke Brisket Not Weed~~

- ~~Get some Brisket from the S&T BBQ club~~
- ~~Learn about the effect of Marijuana~~
- ~~Tomorrow (October 12), TJ dining, 4:45 – 7:30 PM~~

Q: Do we have to take a drug test to get into smoke brisket not weed?

8. Say Anything (Complaint and Suggestions Forum)

Note from ASUM: Recreational weed is on the ballot in Missouri this November.

Feedback through ChatBack is ONLY seen by dining services and is not public.

RHA Food is ALWAYS talking with Dining Services—they are the official check on dining services

Also talk to Havener Advisory Committee on STUCO

Should we get CET surveys sent to department heads and provosts?

Mechanical engineering looking for Student Success Center Tutor

More complaints about the roundabout:

Two nails in someone's tire from construction

Pedestrians are not using crossing lights and need to pay attention.

9. Announcements

SUB and MTG are partnering for a theatrical performance and movies on October 30th

SUB Homecoming events over the coming weekend

KMNR Freaker's ball, with a "SAW Con" theme on October 22nd
Ceramics is selling in the Havener Atrium Monday through Wednesday, 11AM-2PM
Improv show on Friday at 6:30 in the Blackbox theatre. Free to attend.
NSBE Gala is 9PM on October 21st at the Rolla Event Center
MSTGA Board Game event on the night of Homecoming

10. The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 (81 Minutes)

Information Regarding Minutes

Minutes Completed By: Christopher Castro, Executive At Large; Martin De La Hunt, Vice President of Operations
Minutes Completed On: October 17, 2022
Minutes Reviewed By: Martin De La Hunt, Vice President of Operations
Minutes Reviewed On: October 17, 2022
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(Added missing Voting Member)
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