



Student Council General Body Meeting
Missouri University of Science and Technology
Tuesday, November 28, 2024 at 6:30 PM Central Time
Havener Center, Carver-Turner Room
1346 North Bishop Avenue, Rolla, MO 65401
Official Meeting Minutes

Officers Present:

Sammi Young, Jordan Ropp, Martin De La Hunt, Grace Giesler, Lucas Ethington

Executives Present:

Aiden Adams, Madison Jolly, Trevor Stammler, Markus Baur, Dylan Fritz, Auston Obsuth, Venkata Gurram, Sai Ghowtham Madala, Venkata Velamuri, Reese Newland, Josh Rehwaldt, Mohamed Elshiekh, Sai Ganesh Boora, Cameron Ashley, and Thomas Strohmeier

Voting Representatives and Proxies Present:

Lacy Chapman, Aidan Tow, Connor Bell, Braeden Hawkins, Caroline Buechter, Meimona Ibrahim, Connor Gasparich, Alexander Saigh, Morgan Taylor, Thomas Merchiori, Charlie Heil, Gabriel Snyder, Jackson Loehr, Michael Madrid, Sarah Carpenter, Austen Solvie, Kate Fogarty, Jordan Walters, Trent Holtgrave, William Codner, David Theodorou, Ethan Keuhn, Nathan Poelzl, Charles Carter, Liatrix Parker Reece, Nicholas Driscoll, Xavier Uveges, Jacob Henderson, Riley Salmi, Trevor Stammler, Michael Lowes, Jack Snider, Ryan Liley, Daniel Bugarin, Hanna Condrey, Bruce Burgo, Antonio McKay, Mercedes Lane, Remy Haire, Sudeep Potluri, Landon Alexander, Pranoav Kondapaneni, Yanni Fu, Lana Dizdarevic, Breanna Breedlove, Jack Vortmeier, Ethan Schoonover, Elizabeth Reyna, Caleb Skornicka, Noah Rutkowski, Talon Jones, Emily Olendorf, Kathryn Zychinski, Jay Balasubramanian, Gwyneth Baggett, Silas Porter, Ethan McMillian, Zander Kimberlin-Poore, Vincent Stanfill, Miles Jaques, Samuel Steele, Keith Kasitz, Dalton Bealer, CheyAnn Johnson, Emily Meyer, Xavier Ross, Shawn Rottinghaus, Piper Ansell, Dylan Vanbuskirk, I Rodrigue, Michaela Hickerson, James Hopkin, Gerald Obermeyer, William Hisey, Everett Yan, Connor Kelley, Lexy Custer, Bradley Marshall, Lucy Fritz, Hawa Golamee, Gemma Flores-Olivas, Hope Smiley, Cater Lawson, Samuel Heffer, Jackson Chirstian

Speaking Members Present:

Finnian Murdock, Syeda Fatima

Proceedings

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30, presided by Sammi Young.
74 Voting Representatives were in attendance, 57 were required to meet quorum.
2. The agenda was approved as published with no objections.
3. The minutes from November 7th were approved with no changes.
4. Fall Semester Appreciation, Recognition, and Awards

- a. Mark Potrafka, Former Advisor and Director of Havener Center

Student Council has passed a resolution recognizing and showing our thanks to Mark Potrafka for 33 years of service, his contributions to the Havener center, and his enormous amount of support for this schools' students.

John Gallagher gave a speech about Mark Potrafka's service: Mark Potrafka gave decades of work. He had unequivocal passion that can inspire us remind us that we can be inspired. I've learned quite a bit from him, including to keep learning and exploring. Mark, your attitude has been a help for all of us. There is a lot on campus that is thanks to him. Mark helped shape the process on all these activities. He really encouraged student development and growth.

The full text of 2324R1 was read by the Vice President of Operations, and the signed copy of the Resolution was presented to Mark Potrafka. Mark Potrafka was also awarded a plaque recognizing his service to the school.

Mark Potrafka – Thank you for 20 years of service to Student Council and thank you for your career of support for the awesome students at this school.

- b. Recognition Pins were given out to members of Student Council who served for over a year:

- Jacob Henderson
- Jordan Ropp
- Jordan Walters
- Ryan Highfill
- Josh Rehwaldt

- c. Graduating members

- John Baker
- Sarah Carpenter
- Trent Holtgrave
- David Theodorou
- Josh Rehwaldt

5. Old Business

- a. The Election Procedures Committee – Elections

Liatrix Parker-Reece declined her nomination.

Lexy Custer and Michael Madrid were nominated.

Q: What does the Election Procedures Committee do again?

A: Sammi Young: They review, discuss, and approve the campaigning window, and other related things before the election begins.

- Michael Madrid

I am a sophomore in need of a committee. I want to be useful and helpful to the student Council.

- Lexy Custer

I am a senior here for Chi Omega, I have served on the By-Law Committee. I am very experienced, and I can recognize people's opinions.

- Trent Holtgrave
- Xavier Ross

I was on the committee last year, I am also the Student Council representative for the Thomas Jefferson Hall Association.

- Austen Solvie

I am a graduate student. I am in many organizations with which I have leadership experience including ACM.

Due to a miscommunication from the last meeting a vote was never called for the proceeding members of the EPC. The proceeding candidate were then given the opportunity to give their speeches.

Remy Haire: Can proxies vote?

Martin De La Hunt: Yes, contact me if it isn't working.

[Discussion Redacted]

The question was called. Representatives were allowed to vote for up to 4 candidates. A simple majority was required for approval for each candidate. The vote was taken by Electronic Ballot.

Xavier Ross	65 Votes (94.20%)
Lexy Custer	64 Votes (92.75%)
Daniel Larson	62 Votes (89.86%)
Austen Sovie	62 Votes (89.86%)
Wyatt Stafford	62 Votes (1.45%)
Michael Madrid	1 Vote (1.45%)
No Confidence	3 Votes (4.35%)

Xavier Ross, Lexy Custer, Daniel Larson, and Austen Solvie were elected to serve on the Election Procedures Committee as representatives for Student Council.

6. New Business

a. Student Activity Finance Board Chair – Election

SAFB is electing Markus Baur to its Chair Position. Markus has served on the Committee for only one semester, however none of its other members were willing to serve on the committee. According to the SAFB Code, in the case where an eligible SAFB Chair cannot be found, the Student Council Officers put forward a candidate for confirmation.

Markus Baur – Hello you know me; I have served as the treasurer for Women in Nuclear many times. I was in boy scouts, 4-H, Women in Nuclear and other roles that qualify me for this position. I am very excited to take this role.

Q: What are your other organizations?

A: Markus Baur: I am a part of the Student Success center, Student Council, and Women in Nuclear.

Q: Auston Obsuth: Are there any big plans you have for SAFB?

A: Markus Baur: Yes, I want to streamline SAFB while keep efficiency high. I also want to keep a chart of all the fees that we (the students) pay for and where those fees go.

Q: Is there anyone else who is eligible?

A: Josh Rehwaldt: many are eligible, little are willing, Markus has served for 1 semester and is willing to take the position.

[Discussion Redacted]

The question was called. A two-thirds majority was required for approval. The vote was taken by Electronic Ballot.

Markus Baur	72 Votes (96%)
No Confidence	3 Votes (4%)

Markus was elected as the new SAFB Chair.

b. Motion to Suspend By-Law 450

- Motioned by Josh Rehwaldt
- Suspend Section 2 of By-Law 450 to award a single point for service on the Student Activity Finance Board, effective this semester only.

Josh Rehwaldt: I have served on SAFB for 2 years now, one year as chair, and as a Student Council representative before that. SAFB time is covered by STUCO By-Laws, but it doesn't count as time toward the graduation cord.

The floor was opened for discussion.

Anyone who earns 8 points would be eligible for the cord. The SAFB membership points will only be counted this semester.

The question was called. A three-fourths supermajority was required for approval. The vote was taken by Electronic Ballot.

Aye	65 Votes (95.6%)
No	3 Votes (4.41%)

By-Law 450 was suspended as motioned. As a result, Josh Rehwaldt was awarded with an Honor Cord.

c. Interest Ranking of Projects on Campus

Josh Rehwaldt: Please discuss the proposals and what are you all interested in. I would like to get a poll of what people want for increases to recreation fee. This will be split up over 10 years. These numbers are ballparked. Over 10 years 1 million is 15-dollar fee increase.

1. Replace floor in rec center, oldest thing which needs to be replaced.
2. Volleyball amenities – Quality of life stuff, cheap, better use out of the things
3. Rec center entryway remodel – Takes out a racquetball court.
4. New sound system for the facilities.
5. Adding a boulder wall.
6. Outdoor – New multipurpose recreation field to replace the rugby field that which has been destroyed by construction. Optional Field Amenities: Option 1: \$500,000 for additional drainage and irrigation. Option 2: Turf field, \$1.5 million. Additional funding will be available in 2-5 years to fund these additions.

Q: Where is the field?

A: Golf course is what they said. The Baja club may also be losing their proving grounds, though this is not confirmed.

Q: What are the problems with turf?

A: Health concerns, burns and injuries are more common on turf.

Motion from last spring was brought up and considered then.

We are trying to work on things, but Melissa is hard to get a hold of. Try not to think about those other charges when picking these things.

Nothing is also an option or just maintenance. Those are all neutral costs.

The floor was opened for discussion.

Remy Haire: As a rugby member option 2 is better, turf sucks.

Unknown: Injury wise turf sucks, sprains and burns are more common. Additionally, murals can be painted. Grass is better for scrapes softer landings.

Unknown: Pickle ball courts are a nice pleasure, please put them in. Bouldering wall also sounds good.

Auston Obsuth – Pickleball is an up and coming sport, and the City of Rolla is making its own courts.

Q: Do we have to pay more?

A: Josh Rehwaldt – yes it will go up, but it is over 10 years.

Q: Baja uses the old golf course. What is happening and where are we going to go? We only have that place.

Q: Racquetball courts what is happening to them. What are the plans for them.

A: Josh Rehwaldt – They will be leaving some of them, but they will also be getting rid of some.

It was pointed out that a lot of people on the design teams use that court for their projects.

Sammi Young: We will be looking into more detail on what is happening to the racquet ball courts.

d. SAFB Campus Events Funding Request – ASA Gala

Josh Rehwaldt: The ASA Gala night happens every April, it is very popular and follows all SAFB guidelines.

No ASA student representative was present at the meeting to give the General Body a description or reason for the funding. We expect all the events, but we can only recommend \$9,500. We have a lot of events next year. Together ISC student day and ASA account for 2/3 of the budget and we have more events that need money.

Q: Shouldn't they be able to pay their own budgets? They are out of school club.

A: Josh Rehwaldt: They get all their funding from campus events because we give them the money.

Q: Can we just table this until the next meeting.

A: Sammi Young: Yes

A motion was made, and the item was postponed until the next General Body Meeting.

e. SAFB Campus Events Funding Request – International Students Day

Josh Rehwaldt: This is an event for all students to participate in the international students celebration.

No representative from International Students Club was present at the meeting.

A motion was made, and the item was postponed until the next General Body Meeting.

f. SAFB Campus Events Funding Request – ISC Welcome Picnic

Josh Rehwaldt: The ISC picnic is a picnic in early in January.

Josh Rehwaldt – We are confident they can secure this funding. They get approval from the New Campus Events Fund. Basically, it is not going to hurt students if it is a failed event. The New Campus Events Fund is separate and not taken from the same pool as standard campus events.

Austin Solvie: Is there any advertisement for this event?

Sammi Young: No, we haven't seen any yet. This could be very useful for the new students in January.

The question was called. A two-thirds majority was required for approval. The vote was taken by Electronic Ballot.

Aye	53 Votes (84.1%)
No	10 Votes (15.9%)

The SAFB Campus Events Budget for the International Students Club Picnic was passed.

7. Reports

a. President – Sammi Young

- EPC meeting this Monday at 4pm!!!
- Let me know if you are interested in officer positions for next year.
- Starting a new ad hoc committee: Administrative Innovation Committee
- THANK YOU FOR A GREAT SEMESTER :D

b. Vice President of Engagement and Outreach – Jordan Ropp

- Let me know if you need any help advertising!
- We are doing free snacks in the library for finals (Praying for everyone)
- Question of the Day: Jason Kelce or Travis Kelce
- Please let me know what you want to see from Engagement and Outreach for next semester and let me know if you have any questions/comments/concerns.

c. Vice President of Operations – Martin De La Hunt

- Go demolish your finals, and have a good break!
- Take some time to hibernate and relax!
- I'm still accepting ideas for:
- New Member Orientation
- By-Law Revisions and Executive Structure
- Been Working On:

- Looking at Proposals for Havener Center Revitalization
- d. Vice President of Student Services – Grace Giesler**
- Student Interest Survey for Spring 2024!
 - <https://forms.office.com/r/f09kecJPcY>
 - If you are in a Student Service committee...
 - Check your email for an email from me fill out the When2Meet...QR codes are coming in the next slides.
- e. Vice President of Academic Affairs – Lucas Ethington**
- The school is considering changing how student feedback on instructors is collected.
 - They would appreciate student feedback on two points.
 - Putting together a list of features that must be available in the software package.
 - Participate in a review of the software package.
 - If you want to volunteer to be on the committee, send me an e-mail.
 - Library currently collecting student feedback. Please give some.
- f. Wellness and Professional Services Liaison – Gavin Hays**
- Check the slides for QR codes.
- g. Auxiliary Services Liaison – Will Jeffries**
- Fitness and Rec: "We not a fan of paying for spaces."
 - Havener: "Looking to change Park Quiet Lounge and S&T"
- h. College of Engineering and Computing Committee Lead – Markus Baur**
- Committee update:
 - The CEC committee will begin creating a peer based advising program to better help students in departments with class expectations and planning.
 - Tomorrow is last CEC committee meeting of the semester.
 - This is your final chance to have attendance recorded for this semester.
 - Best of luck on finals and Merry Christmas!
- i. College of Arts, Science and Education Committee Lead – Madison Jolly**
- Committee meeting THIS FRIDAY (December 1st) @ 1:00
 - Email me if you prefer to join via Zoom.
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k. Campus Infrastructure Committee Lead – Venkata Gurram

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l. Academic Resources Lead – Dylan Fritz

- Meeting with Provost Potts to discuss Graders, Advisors, etc.
- If you have any concerns you'd like us to voice, email me (dafhcf@umsystem.edu) or tell me after and we will bring them up!

m. Leadership Development Committee Lead – Sai Ghowtham Madala

- Currently working on Launch your Leadership is going to happen on 25th Feb 2024.
- SwiftKey/Alumni Panel- either the Cum Laude or Magna Cum Laude (in person either way) package and we will be having the Alumni present on different leadership roles they have in their jobs as well as how to transition from being a college student to going into the workforce.
- Going to involve UMS, University of Advancement – Fund Raising, UMSL Student Involvement
- We facilitate students with lunch, thinking about merchandise too and some artwork.
- Curate and engage on college campuses.

n. Student Activity Finance Board Lead – Josh Rehwaldt

- Bye
- Outstanding correspondences will either be addressed by me prior to the end of the year or passed along to Markus in the SAFB transition paper and addressed ASAP.
- Any emails sent to the SAFB email won't be viewable until Markus is fully processed into the organization account.
- Clubs - Please be sure to spend your allocated FS23 funding before the end of the semester.
- Will require several days to process and there are a limited number of cards available for checkout, so please don't wait until finals week.
- I'm so tired.

o. St. Pats Board President – Lex Rauer

- The board is moving to become an RSO once again.
- Parade this Saturday!

p. Associated Students of the University of Missouri – Nathan Poelzl and Lucy Fritz

- Survey closing 12/15!!
- Link found here: https://missouri.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9NwxxBMcT1CQxXo

8. Say Anything (Complaint and Suggestions Forum)

There were no remarks during Say Anything time.

9. Announcements

- Student Council Administrative Innovation Committee – Contact sibaie@mst.edu with questions.
- IT looking for information on printers and CLCs. Considering opening 24-hour labs. <https://forms.gle/fEnxf5ERUJP89T2z9>
- Women’s Rugby – Check Instagram to support their trip to tournaments
- Fri 7pm/Sat 7pm/Sun 2pm: ALP Musical “You’re a good man, Charlie Brown.”
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10. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11.

Information Regarding Minutes

Minutes Completed By: Cameron Ashley, Clerk of the Council
 Minutes Completed On: January 18th, 2024
 Minutes Reviewed By: Martin De La Hunt, Vice President of Operations
 Minutes Reviewed On: January 21st, 2024