

LSA SG Regular Meeting (Hybrid)

1427 Mason Hall / [Zoom Link](#)

Meeting ID: 940 6091 3035

Sept 29, 2021

8:00 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Opening Roll Call () - Present, E - Excused, A - Absent

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|--------|----------------------|---|----------|---------------------------|---|
| i. | Watt, Tyler | | xxiv. | Addison, William | E |
| ii. | Farah, Zackariah | E | xxv. | Tedrick, Vincenzo (Vince) | |
| iii. | Rifkin, Cameron | | | E | |
| iv. | Cohen, Jacob | | xxvi. | Neff, Ethan | |
| v. | Theuerkauf, Caroline | | xxvii. | Burgaj, Roland (Ron) | |
| vi. | Rich, Sophia | | xxviii. | Vidhya-Ponraj, Mithun | E |
| vii. | Salino, Sarah | | xxix. | Juliao, Jordan | |
| viii. | Goodsell, Alli | | xxx. | Ramos, Lissette | A |
| ix. | Hamamy, Salma | E | xxxi. | Smith, Lauren | A |
| x. | McLean, Claudia | | xxxii. | Crews, Tiffany | |
| xi. | Rothstein, Kayla | | xxxiii. | Berglund, Mollie | |
| xii. | Williams, Erik | E | xxxiv. | Crespo, Maleny | E |
| xiii. | Dai, Carol | | xxxv. | Mulliken, Ryan | A |
| xiv. | Fioritto, Tyler | E | xxxvi. | Pierangeli, Cody | A |
| xv. | Jonaitis, Cody | | xxxvii. | Sommerfeld, Elizabeth | A |
| xvi. | Stoneman, Max | | xxxviii. | Wojtara, Magda | |
| xvii. | Slack, Caroline | | xxxix. | Colvin, Anna | |
| xviii. | Gunasekaran, Gaurie | | xl. | Orleans, Louis | E |
| xix. | Zhao, Suki | | xli. | Goodstein, Danielle | |
| xx. | Kado, Lydia | E | xlii. | List, Riley | A |
| xxi. | Nelson, Erica | E | xliii. | Altimemy, Zahraa | A |
| xxii. | Tam, Peter | | | | |
| xxiii. | Chakraborti, Aditya | | | | |

3. Announcements

- a. The Campus Conservation Corps Task Force has been terminated, effective September 17, 2021 (Watt)
 - i. It will be continuing as a project within the TREES subcommittee
4. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. *Motion: Juliao*
 - b. *Second: Slack*
 - i. *consent*
5. Approval of Previous Minutes
 - a. *Motion: Stoneman*
 - b. *Second: Neff*
 - i. *consent*
6. Constituents' Time
 - a. Abigail Nighswonger - 2nd meeting she/they
 - b. Noah Rich - he/him, freshman, 3rd meeting
 - c. Gabriel Ervin- sophomore,
 - d. Mouhamadou -
 - e. Emanuel Vordonis - freshman, 3rd meeting
 - f. Michael Wilson - freshman , he/him, 2nd meeting
 - g. Noah Gadola - 3rd meeting
 - h. Makayla Kelley - 3rd meeting
7. Guest Speaker(s)
 - a. Claudia McLean & Alli Goodsell
8. Appointments, Elections, and Nominations
 - a. Approval of Riya Gupta as F2021 Election Director
 - i. Gupta: Used to be in government freshman and sophomore year. Last year I served as the election director for the fall and winter semester.
 1. Watt: Do you have any ideas for maximizing our turnout?
 - a. Maximizing email listservs (admin and organizations) to find applicants and for the election itself. Utilizing the networks of our government members

2. Watt: Motion to approve the nomination for Riya Gupta by acclamation
 - a. Second: Vidhya-Ponraj
 - i. Ayes win
 - b. Approval of Danielle DiFranco as F2021 Assistant Election Director
 - i. DiFranco: Served as assistant election director in the fall semester, and super excited to be up for nomination again.
 1. Watt: Do you have any ideas for maximizing our turnout?
 - a. Potentially having a table in the diag during the voting period.
 2. McLean: Motion to approve my acclamation
 - a. Second: Cohen
 - i. Ayes win

Cohen: Motion to remove “Subcommittee on Technology, Advising, and Academic Resources Vice-Chair” from agenda

Second: Juliao

9. Executive Officer Reports

- a. President - Tyler Watt (trwatt@umich.edu)
 - i. Zack doesn't have anything to announce.
- b. Vice President - Zackariah Farah (zfarah@umich.edu)
- c. Treasurer - Cameron Rifkin (crifkin@umich.edu)
 - i. We got our budget! \$48,829 for this semester so we get the budget next week.
Get hyped everyone
- d. Counsel - Jacob Cohen (jacohen@umich.edu)
- e. Academic Relations Officer - Caroline Theuerkauf (theuerkc@umich.edu)
- f. External Relations Officer - Sophia Rich (sserich@umich.edu)
 - i. Colvin: Could you change the settings? I dont have access to the report
- g. Student Life Relations Officer - Sarah Salino (smsalino@umich.edu)
 - i. If interested in being M dining liaison
- h. Secretary - Alli Goodsell (goodsela@umich.edu)
 - i. Watt: Thank you for everything you do. What does it the process look like for

being recognized as an Associate Rep?

1. Goodsell: I will send you an email by the end of the week to confirm your status and make it official. Coming into next week's meeting, you will have your own placard in front of you, to recognize your speaking rights. Hooray!

10. Committee Reports (in alphabetical order)

a. Budget Allocations Committee - Louis Orleans (lorleans@umich.edu)

- i. I am not here because of an exam conflict but BAC's wonderful vice chair, Danielle, is filling in for me tonight!

1. Our report: BAC needs help with advertising and outreach as we are looking to get more funding applications and at-large committee member applications. I sent graphics in the chat to be posted on Social Media and sent to anyone that you may know, and would really appreciate it if you all could spread the word! With this, the At-Large application will be shifting to rolling admissions until we fill all 12 seats. That is all for now and please reach out to us with any questions.

2. Watt: Do we know how many applicants we have so far?

- a. Goodstein: We have two applicants, but hoping to get more. It's also rolling now.

3. Burgaj: When it comes to BAC At-large members? Why is it that BAC has this option? How did it come about?

- a. Rifkin: LAST Force also has at-large members.

- b. Burgaj: What was the purpose?

- c. Rifkin: Not sure. It existed before I joined SG.

b. [Committee Advocating for Transfer, Nontraditional, and International Students](#) - Jordan Juliao (jjuliao@umich.edu)

- i. The CATNIS liaison position is closing tonight (11:59pm)! Fill that out if you're interested.

c. [Diversity Affairs Committee](#) - Gaurie Gunasekaran (gaurie@umich.edu)

11. Task Force and Subcommittee Reports

- a. [Appointments Subcommittee](#) - Claudia McLean (mclaudia@umich.edu)
 - i. Appointments hash this Sunday after 8pm. The when to meet is linked in my report - please fill it out. Next week is flannel - where a flannel to general! Ideas include: jeaneral, greeneral, michiganeral, twin day, pajamaral, etc.
 - b. [Health Subcommittee](#) - Gaurie Gunasekaran (gaurie@umich.edu)
 - i. Get your flu shots! Also come to health at least once so I can see how health can help you out
 - c. [Judiciary Establishment and Election Code Amendment Task Force](#) - Max Stoneman (maxstone@umich.edu)
 - d. LSA Annual Scholarship Task Force - Vince Tedrick (vtedrick@umich.edu)
 - i. Hello everyone, I am missing this meeting due to an Exam conflict. LAST Force did not meet last Sunday, but we will be meeting this Sunday to discuss topics at hand. If you are interested in fundraising, or just want to see what we are about, come visit the LSA SG Offices Sundays at 1pm.
 - e. [Subcommittee on Technology, Advising, and Academic Resources](#) - Jordan Juliao (jjuliao@umich.edu)
 - i. Center for Academic Innovation liaison position also closing at 11:59pm tonight. There is now the STAAR vice-chair open! I'm more than willing to talk to anyone who is interested, I just want to make sure you have reflected on whether or not you can take on the commitment.
 - f. Taking Responsibility for the Earth and Environment Subcommittee - Erik Williams (werik@umich.edu)
 - i. Jonaitis: Nothing super pressing. I was not at last week's meeting. I'm sure next week we'll have something more interesting for you.
12. Individual Representative Reports
 13. Budget Allocations Committee Recommendations
 14. Old Business (YES-NO-ABSTAIN)

Watt: Motion to extend the voting right of appointed representatives until the end of this meeting.

McLean: second

Ayes win

- a. [B W2021.13 Termination of Party Ban](#)
 - i. Stoneman: If you were at last weeks meeting you know I talked a long time about this. Hopefully you had the chance to read through it. We came to a good conclusion 2.06.10 - campaign finance - change is to the purpose of campaign vs purpose of party. It's the same system as you saw earlier and how it relates to the election director. This is ready to be voted on tonight.
 - ii. Watt: Names of parties, essentially forbidding having the same party name as in another government election.
 1. Burgaj: Can you explain what the previous justification was for terminating the party ban?
 - a. Watt: The parties were originally banned 15 years ago. It was causing clique-like behavior. Same group kept taking power. It was becoming exclusionary. But we think it's important to respect the first amendment. We want to reintroduce parties but in a controlled way.
 - b. Burgaj: What caused us to change it now?
 - i. Cohen: There was a conversation where the government was told that if this was challenged on any grounds that we would lose. It felt irresponsible to not change it. It was made explicit and obvious that it should change.
 - iii. Friendly Amendments:
 - iv. Unfriendly Amendments:
 - v. Crespo: Motion to vote by secret ballot
 1. Second: Burgaj
 - a. Consent
 2. Vote - 22:1:1; W2021.13 passes
- b. [B W2021.19 An Amendment to the Twelfth Chapter of the Bylaws Refining the Complaint Process of the Internal Review Committee](#)
 - i. Cohen: I am currently figuring out what needs to happen here and if it even needs to happen at all. There's no need to talk more about this. It won't be ready for awhile. Ideally it's tabled for two weeks.
 - ii. Cohen: Motion to table for 4 weeks.
 1. Second: Crespo
 - a. Consent
- c. [B F2021.16 A Resolution for the Use of LSA Student Government Office to be a Place Where Voting Members Display Cultural Diversity](#)
 - i. Burgaj: Because one of the authors is tabled.
 - ii. Burgaj: Motion to table for two weeks
 1. Second: no second

- iii. Watt: Motion to vote by secret ballot
 - 1. Neff: second
 - 2. Burgaj: objection. Not ready to have this out. Requesting more time.
 - 3. Watt: We can't have a vote by unanimous consent. Turn to Ayes and nays for this motion to move forward
 - a. Ayes win; will vote by secret ballot
 - 4. Vote - 3:21:0; the bylaw amendment fails
 - 5. Burgaj: this is considered tyranny of the majority
- d. [B F2021.18 An Amendment to the Fourth Chapter of the Bylaws Incorporating the LSA Student Judiciary](#)
 - i. Stoneman: This is incorporating the LSA Student Judiciary into our bylaws. It's in the constitution but should be in our bylaws. Ideally, vote on it today. Nothing major needs to be covered that hasn't before.
 - ii. Salino: Motion to vote by acclamation
 - 1. Stoneman: second
 - a. Burgaj: objection because of tyranny of the majority. Motion to vote by secret ballot
 - i. Second to vote by secret ballot: no second
 - b. Consent
 - 2. Vote: ayes win; F2021.18 passes
- e. [B F2021.19 An Amendment to the 13th Chapter and Establishment of the 22nd Chapter of the Bylaws Codifying Public Health Protocol](#)
 - i. Gunasekaran: Motion to table for a week
 - 1. Second: Cohen
 - a. consent
- f. [B F2021.20 Health Committee Reclassification](#)
 - i. Gunasekaran: Change Subcommittee into committee. It would lead to better organization and it would look pretty. We would like to pass this week.
 - 1. Watt: In reading the nominations would immediately be opened up for committee chair and vice-chair tonight?
 - a. I believe so.
 - 2. Cohen: Are you aware you're able to have task forces behind a subcommittee?
 - a. We are. This would have to do with organization as a whole. It was really Tyler F's thought so he might be a better person to ask for this
 - 3. Salino: The reason health is currently under SLC is because it falls under student life. Why would we separate it from SLC? Is it strictly for organization?

- a. SLC definitely places a huge role in SLC
 - 4. Salino: So committees chair is on exec, so is this happening next week if it passes or will it happen during restructuring.
 - a. Cohen: That change would happen immediately. There's a block restructuring that will be coming in the next week. If this were to be passed, the health chair would become a health exec position. 2-3 weeks from now
 - 5. Goodsell: Would you be willing to table it for a week
 - a. Yes
 - ii. Cohen: Motion to table for a week
 - 1. Second: Watt
 - a. consent
 - g. [B F2021.21 An Amendment to the Second Chapter of the Election Code Addressing Donations by Non-Candidates](#)
 - i. Tam: I'm hoping this is passed this meeting. Some changes occurred. If you have any questions feel free to ask.
 - ii. Friendly amendments:
 - iii. Unfriendly amendments:
 - iv. Neff: Motion to vote by acclamation
 - 1. Cohen: second
 - a. Consent
 - 2. Vote: ayes win, F2021.21 passes
 - h. [B F2021.22 An Amendment to the Second Chapter of the Election Code Expanding the Scope of Prohibited Campaigning Areas](#)
 - i. Tam: Again not much change. There are few new whereas clauses. 2.08 tweaks. Hoping to have this passed today.
 - 1. Stoneman: I'd like to thank the author for putting this together. All exciting stuff.
 - 2. Burgaj: Can I be an endorser?
 - a. Rothstein: Yes just comment your name on it
 - ii. Friendly amendments:
 - iii. Unfriendly amendments:
 - iv. Tam: Motion to vote by acclamation
 - 1. Second: Cohen
 - a. Consent
 - 2. Vote: ayes win; F2021.22 passes

15. New Business

- a. [R F2021.09 A Resolution Advocating for Academic Accommodations during the](#)

Pandemic

- i. Theuerkauf: Ideally we vote on it tonight. Students are showing up to class sick and not getting COVID tests out of fear of missing out on lecture material. We offer solution to this problem - hybrid learning, etc.
- ii. Juliao: We included accessible wording (using CC) to make sure that all students are able to access class material.
- iii. Tam: Discussing our collaboration with CSG and we're looking forward to working with them.
- iv. Friendly amendment:
 1. Cohen: If you would like to include some explicit mentioning of CC and other accessibility issues I just wanted to throw out this suggestion.
 - a. Theuerkauf: This is an ongoing project.
- v. Juliao: Motion to vote by acclamation
 1. Second: Stoneman
 - a. Consent
 2. Vote: ayes win, F2021.09 passes with unanimous consent

16. Matters Arising

- a. Burgaj: Today is a holiday today - Veterans of Foreign Wars day
- b. Lobodzinski: I'm the vice speaker of CSG, CSG has been getting a lot of complaints about the mail issue in residential halls. Apparently it takes the residential staff 6-7 days to sort it because of the lack of staffing. This is how you contact housing:
<https://housing.umich.edu/help/contact>. They need to pay them a decent wage.
 - i. Crespo: Thank you for bringing awareness to this.
 - ii. Salino: could people volunteer to help out with that? Or is that a legal problem?
 1. Lobodzinski: I don't think you can volunteer. Goal is to have them pay a decent wage.
 2. Theuerkauf: You have to do 10 hours training to handle the mail.
 - iii. Hamamy: Is there a way to protest the university not paying their workers a living wage?
 1. I recommend just filling out a complaint. We want to keep things

professional and less angry. If you want to do that though have at it.

- iv. Theurkauf: AAC is having a social this Sunday at 9am. All the info is in the AAC groupme!
- v. McLean: This Sunday after 8pm we are having Appointments Hash. If you don't feel like being in the office that late - zoom is in fact available. We very much need this to happen. If you have other commitments please consider making this a priority
- vi. Crespo: Hope Clinic helps a lot of people and are looking for people to help garden and upkeep their facilities. If anyone is interested I'll send the link in the unofficial group chat.
- vii. Juliao: Calculator program is up and running. I have a signup sheet for availability while in the office. The entire procedure sheet is in the STAAR folder.

c. Snaps

17. Closing Roll Call

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| i. | Watt, Tyler | | xx. | Kado, Lydia | E |
| ii. | Farah, Zackariah | E | xxi. | Nelson, Erica | E |
| iii. | Rifkin, Cameron | | xxii. | Tam, Peter | |
| iv. | Cohen, Jacob | | xxiii. | Chakraborti, Aditya | |
| v. | Theuerkauf, Caroline | | xxiv. | Addison, William | E |
| vi. | Rich, Sophia | | xxv. | Tedrick, Vincenzo (Vince) | |
| vii. | Salino, Sarah | | | E | |
| viii. | Goodsell, Alli | | xxvi. | Neff, Ethan | |
| ix. | Hamamy, Salma | | xxvii. | Burgaj, Roland (Ron) | |
| x. | McLean, Claudia | | xxviii. | Vidhya-Ponraj, Mithun | |
| xi. | Rothstein, Kayla | | xxix. | Juliao, Jordan | |
| xii. | Williams, Erik | E | xxx. | Ramos, Lissette | A |
| xiii. | Dai, Carol | | xxxi. | Smith, Lauren | A |
| xiv. | Fioritto, Tyler | E | xxxii. | Crews, Tiffany | |
| xv. | Jonaitis, Cody | | xxxiii. | Berglund, Mollie | |
| xvi. | Stoneman, Max | | xxxiv. | Crespo, Maleny | |
| xvii. | Slack, Caroline | | xxxv. | Mulliken, Ryan | A |
| xviii. | Gunasekaran, Gaurie | | xxxvi. | Pierangeli, Cody | A |
| xix. | Zhao, Suki | | xxxvii. | Sommerfeld, Elizabeth | A |

xxxviii. Wojtara, Magda

xxxix. Colvin, Anna

xl. Orleans, Louis

E

xli. Goodstein, Danielle

xlii. List, Riley A

xliii. Altimemy, Zahraa A

18. Adjournment

a. Motion: McLean

i. Second: Neff