

# WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

## 29<sup>th</sup> Student Government Association

20<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Twenty-Ninth Undergraduate Student Government Association

To be held in Salisbury Labs, Room 411

6:00 p.m. – November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the Minutes
- III. Public Comments
  - a. Club of the Week – Order of Omega
    - i. Order of Omega is an organization that seeks to recognize outstanding members of the Greek community. They collaborate with students, faculty, and staff to improve Greek life on campus. Any affiliated juniors and seniors with a GPA of 3.0 may join with a letter of good standing from their chapter. They can accept no more than 3% of campus Greek life members. The organization has been on campus for 30 years now. Order of Omega has been a struggling organization due to low numbers, officer turnover, and the target audience for the organization is usually very busy. They have rewritten the bylaws and constitution and focused on increased applicants to make the organization more sustainable. They are working to reach their target active membership number of 3% of Greek life, and act as the “United Nations of Greek life.” This acts as another place to bounce ideas off other students in Greek life to work with IFC and Panhel to improve Greek life.
    - ii. Accountant Bimonte asked what SGA can do for the Order of Omega.
      1. SGA can help by spreading the purpose of Order of Omega to campus.
- IV. Special Orders
- V. President’s Report
  - a. SGA Promotion
    - i. With elections next week, President Wilson encourages senators to talk to campus about what SGA does on campus. She also encourages any student who did not finish the Senator Application to run as a write-in candidate.
  - b. Awards Committees
    - i. Every year, senators sit on the awards committees on campus. Senators are needed for the Outstanding Teachers Awards, the Denise Nicoletti Award, and the Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award.
    - ii. The Goats Head award is an SGA award given to a first year elected Senator who has made great strides in their position. Submissions for this award are due Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- VI. Vice President’s Report
  - a. Welcome Friends!
  - b. Paper Plate Awards

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- i. Another tradition at SGA Banquet is the Paper Plate Awards, which are superlatives given to all Senators. Vice President Toomey will be sending a form for Senators to write in superlatives for senators.
  - c. Term Question
    - i. Senator Bell's favorite memory in Senate was bonding with Kahoot in Financial Board while waiting for clubs to present their funding requests.
- VII. Secretary's Report
  - a. Guess the SGA Member
- VIII. Treasurer's Report
  - a. No Report
- IX. Parliamentarian's Report
  - a. Trivia
- X. Cluster Reports
  - a. Student Services Cluster
    - i. Free Printing – Chair Nunez
      - 1. Instead of tracking sheets, Academic Improvements will be working on bringing Free Printing to campus.
    - ii. SGA Flyer – Chair Serven
      - 1. This flyer contains information that explains what SGA does for campus. This was initially meant to be ready for senator elections, but can still provide campus with a general idea behind SGA. The flyer will also have contact information for SGA chairs.
  - b. Internal Services Cluster
    - i. No Report
  - c. Financials Cluster
    - i. No Report
- XI. Faculty, Institute, and Special Committees
  - a. Senator Charles spoke about the Committee on Advising Student Life. In the committee, they discussed about the ability of seeing other students who have the same advisor. Any Senators interested in serving on CASL should reach out to Senators Charles and Stabile
- XII. Old Business
  - a. S.14 Amendment to the Standing Rules
    - i. **Motion to pass the standing rules with the amendments proposed during the last Senate meeting**
      - 1. **Pros:**
        - Having this change will be efficient and keep consistency between Senates
      - 2. **Outcome:**
        - **Motion Passed**
- XIII. New Business
- XIV. Questions, Comments and Ideas
- XV. Announcements

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- a. Accountant Bimonte Announced that the Taste of Latin America is in Alden on November 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - b. Trivia is in the Goats Head every Tuesday at 8:30.
- XVI. Advisor's Remarks
- a. The SAO has more tickets for the Worcester Railers College Night on November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Tickets are for free. The SAO's trip this weekend is to the Museum of Science. The SAO will also be hosting a workshop on how to make programs for accessible.
- XVII. President's Remarks
- a. President Wilson thanked everyone for a good meeting. If senators have any feedback on project work, they should let exec know. Senators should promote Senator elections to get as many votes as possible. Students can pick up to 10 senators in the election.
- XVIII. Adjournment

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