

# WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Thirtieth Undergraduate Student Government Association

To be held in Foisie Innovation Studio, Room 105

6:00 p.m. – January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the Minutes
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Special Orders
  - a. Interim President Tocci appointed Mia Buccowich and Tarik Ourdyl as Senators at 6:03 p.m.
  - b. Interim President Tocci appointed Kenny Rhodes as the WSGA Delegate at 6:04 p.m.
- V. President's Report
  - a. Interim President Tocci explained how another person was needed to sit on the Committee on Academic Policy on Thursdays at 10 a.m., and Tarik Ourdyl volunteered.
- VI. Vice President's Report
  - a. No Report
- VII. Secretary's Report
  - a. Secretary Gruner-Mitchell encouraged Senators to fill out the Mentor/Mentee form.
- VIII. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Treasurer Nunez presented on Funding Request Training in preparation for the funding request that will be coming to the Senate (see attached PowerPoint for more detail).
- IX. Parliamentarian's Report
  - a. Interim Parliamentarian Sanchez quizzed Senate, via Kahoot, on general SGA knowledge. Congratulation to Chair Puhalski for winning!
- X. Cluster Reports
  - a. Student Services Cluster
    - i. No Report
  - b. Internal Services Cluster
    - i. Chair Guerrero asked the Senate to fill out a feedback form on SGA's current social media platforms to gain more perspective on how to improve them.
  - c. Financials Cluster
    - i. Chair Rosenthal presented on budgeting in preparation for the upcoming budgeting season (see attached PowerPoint for more detail). **Note that clubs and organizations need to submit their budgets by 11:59 p.m. on February 15<sup>th</sup>.** After the presentation, Senators were allotted time to reach out to their constituent clubs via email to make them aware of budgeting details and to offer to meet with a club representative(s) to assist with budgeting-related needs.

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- ii. Treasurer Nunez emphasized that **if someone asks you a financials question and you do not know the answer, do not guess**. Utilize the budgeting channel in Slack, reach out to a Financial Senator, a Financial Chair, or to herself.
- XI. Faculty, Institute, and Special Committees
  - a. Senator Rhodes explained how WSGA is doing a consortium wide student survey and needs help getting the word out.
  - b. Senator Shah shared that the Committee of Academic Operations wants student input on ideas for new courses.
  - c. Asking for students input on new courses because they are wondering what sort of new courses. Additionally, they meet every Tuesday at 1 p.m.
- XII. Old Business
- XIII. New Business
  - a. Senators were assigned their projects by Vice President Serven. Chairs and their assigned Senators sat in groups to discuss projects, modes of communication, make slack channels, google drive, email aliases, etc.
  - b. Senators were split into groups to set their goals for the 30<sup>th</sup> Senate. The groups covered personal senator goals, exec and cabinet goals, and goals for the whole senate.
- XIV. Questions, Comments and Ideas
  - a. All senators are welcomed and encouraged to come to the SGA Office.
  - b. The Mentor/Mentee form will be sent out later in the week.
- XV. Announcements
  - a. Financial Senators are encouraged to come to office hours on Wednesday at 5 p.m.
  - b. Today is National Kazoo days
  - c. Smack Pack Hyundai Commercial
  - d. Tell clubs to reach out to Chair Guerrero if they are putting on an event, and she will put it on the SGA Instagram story.
  - e. SGAabs is a new channel on slack.
  - f. Vice President Serven is bringing brownies in for the next Senate.
- XVI. Advisor's Remarks
  - a. Christine Sherry introduced herself and thank everyone who was able to come to retreat and thanked Vice-President Serven for organizing the event. If a Senator ever needs her, her office is in the Student Activities Office, so feel free to stop by or send an email.
  - b. The SAO is selling Railers Tickets for \$10/ticket for any home games. Also SAO does weekend trip series thanks to SGA support. This weekend is a shopping trip to Blackstone Valley, and next weekend will be to an escape room.
  - c. If a Senator is hearing back from constituents that they are not the correct leader, encourage them to reach out to the SAO if they do not know how to update the roster on TechSync.
- XVII. President's Remarks

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- a. Interim President Tocci thanked senators for another wonderful Senate! Also, after Senate, he wanted to speak with the Student Services cluster chairs.

XVIII. Adjournment

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