

LSA SG Regular Meeting (Remote)

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Meeting ID: 940 6091 3035

Oct 13, 2021

8:00 PM

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

i.	Watt, Tyler		xxvi.	Neff, Ethan	E
ii.	Farah, Zackariah		xxvii.	Vidhya-Ponraj, Mithun	E
iii.	Rifkin, Cameron		xxviii.	Gadola, Noah	
iv.	Cohen, Jacob		xxix.	De Martínez, Brandon	
v.	Theuerkauf, Caroline		xxx.	Bernstein, Dylan	E
vi.	Rich, Sophia		xxxi.	Vordonis, Emanuel	
vii.	Salino, Sarah		xxxii.	Watson, Lauren	E
viii.	Goodsell, Alli		xxxiii.	Ervin, Gabriel	
ix.	Hamamy, Salma	E	xxxiv.	Berglund, Mollie	
x.	McLean, Claudia		xxxv.	Wojtara, Magda	
xi.	Rothstein, Kayla		xxxvi.	Colvin, Anna	
xii.	Williams, Erik		xxxvii.	Orleans, Louis	
xiii.	Dai, Carol	E	xxxviii.	List, Riley	A
xiv.	Fioritto, Tyler	E	xxxix.	Altimemy, Zahraa	A
xv.	Jonaitis, Cody		xl.	Crespo, Maleny	A
xvi.	Stoneman, Max		xli.	Juliao, Jordan	
xvii.	Slack, Caroline		xl.ii.	Crews, Tiffany	A
xviii.	Gunasekaran, Gaurie		xl.iii.	Bromberg, Luke	
xix.	Zhao, Suki		xl. iv.	Kelley, Makayla	A
xx.	Kado, Lydia	E	xl. v.	Nighswonger, Abigail	
xxi.	Nelson, Erica		xl. vi.	Wilson, Michael	
xxii.	Tam, Peter		xl. vii.	Rich, Noah	A
xxiii.	Chakraborti, Aditya	E			
xxiv.	Addison, William				
xxv.	Tedrick, Vincenzo (Vince)				

3. Announcements
 - a. (Rothstein) Welcome to Greeneral! Please put your name in the chat if you care to speak.
4. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. Salino - Motion to Approve
 - i. Seconded by Stoneman
 1. Approved by consent
5. Approval of [Previous Minutes](#)
 - a. Gunasekaran - Motion to approve
 - i. Seconded by Colvin
 1. Approved by consent
6. Constituents' Time
 - a. *None*
7. Guest Speaker(s)
 - a. Jacob Cohen on Government Restructuring
8. Appointments, Elections, and Nominations
 - a. [Executive Nomination](#) of Peter Tam to the LSA Academic Judiciary Committee
 - i. Watt: This is a once a month commitment and hear about academic integrity.
Suki was approved about a meeting a go - he will be filling the same position.
 - ii. Tedrick: Motion to approve Peter by acclamation
 1. Rich: second
 - a. Consented
 - b. Ayes win; Peter is approved
 - b. Nominations for Appointed Representatives
 - i. Wojtara, Magda
 - ii. ~~Manzoor, Aleczah~~
 - iii. Moon, Austin
 1. McLean: Motion to approve by acclamation
 - a. Zhao: second
 - i. Consented
 - ii. Ayes win; Magda and Austin are approved

- c. Nominations for Subcommittee on Technology, Advising, and Academic Resources
Vice-Chair
 - i. Kado, Lydia
 - ii. Watt: Motion to table this for two weeks
 - 1. Second: Juliao
 - a. Consent
 - d. Nominations for Health Committee Chair
 - i. Gaurie Gunasekaran - accepted
 - e. Nominations for Health Committee Vice-Chair
 - i. Magda Wojtara
 - f. Election of Subcommittee on Technology, Advising, and Academic Resources Vice-Chair
 - g. Election of Health Committee Chair
 - i. Juliao: Motion to approve Gunasekaran by acclamation
 - 1. Second: Addison
 - a. Consented
 - b. Ayes win, Gaurie is approved
 - h. Election of Health Committee Vice-Chair
 - i. Cohen: Motion to approve Wojtara by acclamation
 - 1. Tam: second
 - a. Consented
 - b. Aye's win; Magda was approved
 - i. Nomination for Appointed Representatives
 - i. Manzoor, Aleezah
 - ii. McLean: Motion to approve by acclamation
 - 1. Stoneman: second
 - 2. Ayes win, Aleezah is confirmed
9. Executive Officer Reports
- a. President - Tyler Watt (trwatt@umich.edu)
 - b. Vice President - Zackariah Farah (zfarah@umich.edu)
 - i. Please fill out office access form so you can have access to our room in the LSA

building. Volunteering opportunity this Friday from 3-5pm to once again plant trees in low income areas.

- c. Treasurer - Cameron Rifkin (crifkin@umich.edu)
 - i. If the budget passes tonight I will create spreadsheets for committee leadership by this Sunday.
- d. Counsel - Jacob Cohen (jacohen@umich.edu)
 - i. *There was initially a trial tonight - this will not be going forward. The representative resigned so we cannot go through with the trial. I know people were concerned about prevention of holding further office - we will be talking about this in IRC. I'm happy to answer any questions.
 - 1. Watt: How's the EOYR going?
 - a. After some confirmation issues between me and the printing company, you will have your EOYR in the next few weeks.
- e. Academic Relations Officer - Caroline Theuerkauf (theuerkc@umich.edu)
 - i. Watt: Do we have any updates on the fourth semester language requirement?
 - 1. We have decided to table because there's not a lot of progress, but we want more data.
- f. External Relations Officer - Sophia Rich (sserich@umich.edu)
- g. Student Life Relations Officer - Sarah Salino (smsalino@umich.edu)
 - i. The application for Mdining liaison is in my form. The deadline is Tuesday at midnight.
- h. Secretary - Alli Goodsell (goodsela@umich.edu)
 - i. Quick announcement: Because we have so many new people, I want to go over member responsibilities. If you are an appointed elected or Exec, you have to be at the entirety of general meetings, plus one committee per week.
 - 1. If you can't make it to some part of a meeting, do let me know. ~15 minutes ahead of time is needed. You will be marked as unexcused if you do not; 4 absences leads to removal
 - ii. Associate reps need to come to General meetings!
 - iii. Quite a few of y'all are close to exceeding the number of absences. My rule now

is to look at attendance; if it is wrong, do let me know. If you do not bring issues to my attention, I will assume you do not want to be in LSA SG anymore. If you come to me and let me know, we can motion to excuse your absences. We don't want to abuse this power. Please, please, please come to your responsibilities. If you have any questions, you are always welcome to reach out to me.

10. Committee Reports (in alphabetical order)

- a. [Budget Allocations Committee](#) - Louis Orleans (lorleans@umich.edu)
 - i. BAC met for cycle one this past Sunday. The report is on agenda.
 - ii. Addison: What was HEADS organizations applying for?
 1. Their app wasn't considered because they turned in the wrong spreadsheet.
- b. [Committee Advocating for Transfer, Nontraditional, and International Students](#) - Jordan Juliao (jjuliao@umich.edu)
- c. [Diversity Affairs Committee](#) - Gaurie Gunasekaran (gaurie@umich.edu)
- d. [Health Committee](#) - Gaurie Gunasekaran (gaurie@umich.edu)

11. Task Force and Subcommittee Reports

- a. [Appointments Subcommittee](#) - Claudia McLean (mclaudia@umich.edu)
 - i. Today is the last day for mentor/mentee sign up which is linked in the report. The corn maze will be at 4pm on Sunday the 24th. Cowboy frog is dominating - grump frog is in second place.
- b. [Judiciary Establishment and Election Code Amendment Task Force](#) - Max Stoneman (maxstone@umich.edu)
- c. LSA Annual Scholarship Task Force - Vince Tedrick (vtedrick@umich.edu)
 - i. Not too much to report on, overall a light meeting last Sunday and just preparing the next Alumni Newsletter. We will not be meeting this coming Sunday.
- d. [Subcommittee on Technology, Advising, and Academic Resources](#) - Jordan Juliao (jjuliao@umich.edu)
 - i. The calculator rental program is having a difficult time with giving out calculators to students because I have no idea when people are coming in. So if you know you will be here in the office please put your name in the spreadsheet

so I know you're in there. Office hours will be required - this will be part of it.

1. Addison: Is there any news with the laptop loaner program?
 - a. No I don't have an update but I can look into it. Thank you for bringing that up and I will look into it.
- e. [Taking Responsibility for the Earth and Environment Subcommittee](#) - Erik Williams (werik@umich.edu)
 - i. Watt: How'd the trees planting event go and will there be more in the future?
 1. It went well and there is another happening this Friday in the Bryant neighborhood. We will also be removing invasive species in parks.
 - ii. Colvin: Is trees doing more clean up events after game days?
 1. We are doing more! The problem with the game on the 24th is because it mixes with the project that were working on with the city.
 - iii. Addison: Is there a way for us to get to the tree planting event on Friday?
 1. We usually carpool, and I'll send out more information in the TREES email. There are also Ride stops in this neighborhood. It would be nice though to do a carpool.
 - iv. Bromberg: Do we need supplies?
 1. I would bring a water bottle, long pants, closed toed shoes and a mask, but other that that that should be it.

12. Individual Representative Reports

- a. **Claudia McLean**
 - i. This is my second term. I was elected Fall of my first year. As the appointments chair, I've been able to work with outreach. It is the biggest, most important thing to me. We had a great turn out for appointments this semester. I really like to build connections with the underclassmen where we make friends and have fun. In the future, I want to continue working with COMM and refining the outreach process.
 1. Watt: Did you know you are so hard working and we wouldn't be the same without you? Do you see appointments taking on an orientation role in the future?

- a. If people felt patiently about that then I definitely would be excited to get projects like that off the ground.

b. [Caroline Slack](#)

- i. I was elected this past winter semester. Currently vice chair of CATNIS. I've detailed the work we've done in my report.

1. Juliao: Did you know you are absolutely the best vice chair?

- a. You are so sweet and I appreciate that. Thank you.

c. Mollie Berglund

- i. I'm vice chair of COMM. Recently, we visited the Never free to rest art exhibit and hoping to stay in touch to see any future projects. Goals: increase interactions with students and government appearance on campus. Have utilized our instagram more and did tabling on the diag. I'm looking forward to more in person events this semester. Come to COMM!

1. Farah: I was wondering what were your tak aways from the exhibit? Are you looking for the next exhibit that will be there?

- a. It was incredible. I'm looking forward to future exhibits that hold similar important messages. The artist is also looking to move the exhibit to other schools, and I would like to help with this process as much as I can because I think the message is very important.

13. Budget Allocations Committee Recommendations

- a. \$400 for Mentality Magazine
- b. \$200 for Ethical Investments
- c. \$360 for Lambda Theta Alpha
- d. \$40 for Tamil Film Club
- e. Orleans: BAC send out funding cycles each semester and orgs apply to use based off of our funding criteria, and we discuss during our meetings which orgs we will fund and for how much.
- f. Colvin: Motion to approve by acclamation
 - i. Watt: second

1. Consented
2. Ayes win

14. Old Business (YES-NO-ABSTAIN)

- a. [C F2021.01 An Amendment to Article III of the Constitution of LSA Student Government Increasing the Number of Elected Representatives](#)
 - i. Watt: We will see tabled for two weeks. The council talked about this in his special speaker speech. Happy to take new endorsers on this.
 1. Cohen: Did you know this amendment has merit even without the block restructuring?
 - a. Explain more please.
 - i. We have had a lot of vacancies taking place throughout the semester. We find this voting body to be too small to accurately represent all of our LSA students.
 - ii. Watt: Motion to table to two weeks
 1. Stoneman: second
 - a. consented
- b. [B F2021.19 An Amendment to the 13th Chapter and Establishment of the 22nd Chapter of the Bylaws Codifying Public Health Protocol](#)
 - i. *B F2021.19 was tabled for two weeks on 10/6/21; no meeting is scheduled for 10/20/21, so a motion to table this until 10/27/21 may be useful.*
 - ii. Fioritto: Table it for an additional week. It still needs to be worked on. Motion to table for two weeks in total.
 1. Second: Colvin
 - a. consented
- c. [B F2021.27 An Amendment to the 6th Chapter of the Bylaws Optimizing Committee Reclassification Procedure](#)
 - i. Fioritto: With block restructuring coming up, it would keep the original leadership unless you want to change it. I would like it to pass tonight.
 1. Watt: So we wouldn't have had to just elect new health leadership had this been in place?
 - a. Yes.
 - ii. Fioritto: Motion to vote by acclamation
 1. Watt: second
 - a. Consented
 - b. Ayes win, B F2021.27 passes
- d. [R F2021.10 A Resolution Authorizing the Fall 2021 LSA Student Government Budget](#)
 - i. Rifkin: This resolution lays out the budget for this semester. This is pretty standard. It's my intention to pass it tonight.

1. Farah: Have there been any major changes since last week?
 - a. No. Totals have not changed.
 2. Farah: Have any chairs or vice chairs contacted you with concerns?
 - a. No
 3. Addison: Is the total budget expenditures mean? And the outstanding balance from W2021?
 - a. Total budget expenditures are the predicted amount to be spent this semester. Expenses that haven't been resolved yet are for past projects - as of right now these expenses are in limbo.
 4. Watt: For elections, would that include the wages of the director and assistant director?
 - a. Yes, tabling and wages included
 5. Watt: So they would have \$700 to play around with for the election?
 - a. Yes
- ii. Farah: Motion to vote by acclamation
1. Second: Wojtara
 - a. Consented
 - b. Ayes win; B F2021.10 passes

15. New Business

- a.  B F2021.29 An Amendment to the Fifth Chapter of the Bylaws Allowing Email Re...
- i. Tam: I hope to pass during this meeting. There is a clarity between the absences of being at a bloc head meeting and just being able to send a report in.
 - ii. Fioritto: This is a smaller change, but it is important.
 1. Watt: Is there why task forces are excluded for having to report?
 - a. This may have been an oversight.
 2. Goodsell: We consistently have a problem with people not doing their responsibilities: not doing their report, not putting attendance into their folders. Do you think this will actually improve these problems?
 - a. I'm just doing this because it seemed like we were missing something.
 3. Watt & Cohen: Would the authors be open to amending f to include task force chairs?
 - a. Yes
 - iii. Watt: Motion to suspend the rules to allow for B F2021.29 to be voted on during

this meeting.

1. Wojtara: second
 - a. Consented
- iv. Juliao: Motion to vote by acclamation
 1. Second: Neff
 - a. Consented
 - b. Ayes win; B F2021.29 passes
- b.  B F2021.30 An Amendment to the Seventeenth Chapter of the Bylaws Addressing ...
 - i. Tam: Still in its infancy. We are allowed to remove appointees, but when we have a CSG appointee we would be unable to remove them. Motion to table for two weeks.
 1. Fioritto: second
 - a. consented
- c.  B F2021.31 An Amendment to the Sixth Chapter of the Bylaws Regarding the Add...
 - i. Tam: This has to do with email lists. We can forcefully add someone to an email list.
 - ii. Fioritto: motion to table for two weeks
 1. Stoneman: second
 - a. consented

16. Matters Arising

- a. Central Student Government appointee Jarek Schmanski [report](#)
 - i. Addison: If you guys could look at this report. This is a small loophole we discovered. Schmanski was supposed to be giving us a monthly report, but we didn't know about this. This is a little bit of everything.
 - ii. Watt: I can confirm that he filed for reelection, did you know that?
 1. I did not
- b. Cohen: I made some minor bylaw edits to present those to the government. Some numbering changes so numbers skipped or not present. There was a deletion of the fundraising committee. You can object but there's no need to approve these.
- c. Farah: If you haven't gone to a committee this week we still have a few more so make

sure to go. There are so many projects to do so if you want a project to work on message more or show up to committee. I would like to say on the resignation we had, I know this has been an emotional experience for all of us. If you have any issues or concerns about how this was dealt with please let me know. We want to know when we did something wrong.

- d. Vidhya-Ponraj: I was at a protest today for Dr. Anderson. It was very powerful. There’s a meeting tomorrow at 6pm in MH in 2449 where Jon Vaughn will be speaking.
- e. Watt: 1. I will be offering presidential 1:1 office hours the week of and after fall break. 2. All of LSA SG’s reports and everything is on our google drive. 3. The next meeting is on the 27th, and we will be having a state of government discussion. 4. A few guest speakers (turn up turn out, Sustainability coalition, SAPAC, and CSG president and vice president). 5. Non-binding ballot questions need to be talked about by the 27th - we have to have them in 3 weeks before the election. 6. The next meeting is intended to be in person!!

17. Snaps

18. Closing Roll Call

i. Watt, Tyler		xix. Zhao, Suki	
ii. Farah, Zackariah		xx. Kado, Lydia	E
iii. Rifkin, Cameron		xxi. Nelson, Erica	
iv. Cohen, Jacob		xxii. Tam, Peter	
v. Theuerkauf, Caroline		xxiii. Chakraborti, Aditya	E
vi. Rich, Sophia		xxiv. Addison, William	
vii. Salino, Sarah		xxv. Tedrick, Vincenzo (Vince)	
viii. Goodsell, Alli		xxvi. Neff, Ethan	E
ix. Hamamy, Salma	E	xxvii. Vidhya-Ponraj, Mithun	
x. McLean, Claudia	E	xxviii. Gadola, Noah	
xi. Rothstein, Kayla		xxix. De Martínez, Brandon	
xii. Williams, Erik		xxx. Bernstein, Dylan	E
xiii. Dai, Carol	E	xxxi. Vordonis, Emanuel	
xiv. Fioritto, Tyler		xxxii. Watson, Lauren	E
xv. Jonaitis, Cody		xxxiii. Ervin, Gabriel	
xvi. Stoneman, Max		xxxiv. Berglund, Mollie	
xvii. Slack, Caroline		xxxv. Wojtara, Magda	
xviii. Gunasekaran, Gaurie		xxxvi. Manzoor, Aleezah	

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| xxxvii. | Moon, Austin E | xliv. | Crews, Tiffany A |
| xxxviii. | Colvin, Anna | xlvi. | Bromberg, Luke |
| xxxix. | Orleans, Louis | xlvii. | Kelley, Makayla |
| xl. | List, Riley A | xlviii. | Nighswonger, Abigail |
| xli. | Altimemy, Zahraa A | xlix. | Wilson, Michael |
| xlii. | Crespo, Maleny A | l. | Rich, Noah |
| xliii. | Juliao, Jordan | | |
| xliv. | Smith, Lauren A | | |
- * pending approval

19. Adjournment

- a. Gadola: Motion to adjourn the meeting
 - i. Second: a lot of people
 1. consented