

LSA SG Regular Meeting

(The last Regular General of W2022!)

1427 Mason Hall

Zoom: https://umich.zoom.us/j/94060913035

March 30, 2022

8:00 PM

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

i.	Watt, Tyler	xxvii.	Ahmedfiqi, Yaqub E
ii.	Farah, Zackariah	xxviii.	Gadola, Noah E
iii.	Rifkin, Cameron	xxix.	Bernstein, Dylan
iv.	Cohen, Jacob	XXX.	Fioritto, Tyler E
V.	Theuerkauf, Caroline	xxxi.	Berglund, Mollie
vi.	Rich, Sophia	xxxii.	Niskar, Jared (JJ)
vii.	Salino, Sarah	xxxiii.	De Martinez, Brandon
viii.	Goodsell, Alli		E
ix.	Slack, Caroline	xxxiv.	Zhou, Daqi E
Χ.	Gunasekaran, Gaurie E	XXXV.	Wojtara, Magda
xi.	Zhao, Suki	xxxvi.	Knittle, Corrigan
xii.	Kado, Lydia E	xxxvii.	Loredo-Duran,
xiii.	Tam, Peter		Christian E
xiv.	Addison, William A	xxxviii.	Kelsey, Ava
XV.	Tedrick, Vince	xxxix.	Nair, Rashmi
xvi.	Neff, Ethan	xl.	Kim, Joo Hyun
xvii.	Vidhya-Ponraj, Mithun	xli.	Ervin, Gabriel A
xviii.	Irfan, Bilal E	xlii.	Juliao, Jordan
xix.	Wajahat, Maria E	xliii.	Christensen, McLaren
XX.	Mannino, Ella	xliv.	Huang, Jiaqi E
xxi.	Manzoor, Aleezah	xlv.	Alchalabi, Noor E
xxii.	Stoneman, Max	xlvi.	Ali, Dania A
xxiii.	Nighswonger, Abigail	xlvii.	Colvin, Anna
xxiv.	McLean, Claudia	xlviii.	Bromberg, Luke E
XXV.	Ochs, Abigail (Abby)	xlix.	Rothstein, Kayla
xxvi.	Yasin, Ihsaan E	1.	Jonaitis, Cody



li. Goodstein, Danielle

3. Announcements

- a. Accessibility Suggestion Form, Feedback Form, & Snaps (Rothstein)
 - i. So happy to see some new faces here today. If you have any ideas how to make our meetings more accessible please fill out the form. Currently we have rubber bands and we also encourage you to stand up and stretch. The feedback form is anonymous. The snaps form is a way to appreciate all our fellow representatives. Today we will do state of the government which is a brief conversation about this semester. We will also be doing senior speeches after the meeting.
- b. <u>Judiciary Appointments Commission Report</u> (Cohen)
 - i. Jacob's laptop is operating at 2mm/hr. We went though our first application cycle. Three of the people will be here tonight. The purpose of this report is similar to that of the ED report. It describes the process and what our nominations are. This was the first time that we did this. This is something that should be done in collaboration with COMM in the future. The google form worked pretty well. It helped us to learn about our applicants. In the future, I think we can add a few more questions. The interviews were successful 15 minutes and friendly. I think we should have personalized questions for people next time. These people are being nominated because they stood out from others in one way or another. Voting on all nominees later. I hope you can learn from the groundwork we laid.
- c. Polling Place Sign-up (Colvin)
 - i. Vote in our elections happening right now until tomorrow at 11pm. Also vote in CSG elections. We are going to be having Panera bagels from 9-4pm in the office for voters. Please sign up. It would be great if people were in the office for this. Candidates CANNOT be there.
 - 1. Mannino: Can we sign up for spaces that already have names?
 - a. Of course.
 - 2. Salino: Did you know there will also be donuts on the diag?
 - a. I did not.
 - 3. Farah: Will Bagely be in attendance?
 - a. No, sorry.
- 4. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. Motion: Salino
 - b. Second: Watt
- 5. Approval of <u>Previous Minutes</u>

a. Motion: Manzoorb. Second: Stoneman

6. Constituents' Time

- a. Ben he/him, sophomore, I was brought to SG by Cam and Dylan. When the student judiciary opened up I thought it was something I would be good at.
- b. Rico 5th year pre-med here to talk about university beauty
- c. Evan junior he/they brought here by Brandon hoping to join LGBTQ task force
- d. Taylor freshman I work with them on CSG elections commission
- e. Hope sophomore nominated as justice I'm super excited to be a part of this. I'm excited to bring a female perspective to the justices
- f. Hasan just want to see the transition in SG go smoothly
- g. Ella nominated as justice I'm excited to be a part of this

7. Guest Speaker(s)

- a. Anne Curzan, Dean of the College of LSA (annecurzan@umich.edu)
- b. Kelly Maxwell, Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Education (kmax@umich.edu)
- 8. Watt: Motion for two minute recess
 - a. Berglund: second
 - i. Consented
- 9. Executive Officer Reports
 - a. President Tyler Watt (trwatt@umich.edu)
 - i. *Announcement*
 - ii. Notice of Minor Bylaw Edits
 - iii. Interested in advising VP Harmon on Student Life issues? Apply here!
 - iv. For a few more days I'll be serving as your president. I don't want my parting observations to control the government so I will include this in my EOYR. The reason LSA SG got through this year is because of the 7 people who sit on exec with me. Thank you Zack for running with me. You care so much about the government, environment, and those who don't have voices.
 - 1. Theuerkauf: We also got you a plant.
 - a. Thank you
 - b. <u>Vice President</u> Zackariah Farah (<u>zfarah@umich.edu</u>)
 - c. <u>Treasurer</u> Cameron Rifkin (<u>crifkin@umich.edu</u>)
 - d. Counsel Jacob Cohen (jaccohen@umich)
 - e. Academic Relations Officer Caroline Theuerkauf (theuerkc@umich.edu)
 - f. External Relations Officer Sophia Rich (sserich@umich.edu)
 - i. *Announcement*



- ii. If you want to be a speaker at the Gala it'll be linked in item B. Chairs and vice chairs we're dedicating some of the gala to show what you've done this year. Please add photos to the photo drive. Gala is 8pm, Wednesday in the Michigan Ballroom.
 - 1. McLean: Did you know we are so grateful for all the work you put into the gala. COMM has been the most productive it's ever been. Did you know that?
 - a. I didn't., but thank you.
- g. Student Life Relations Officer Sarah Salino (smsalino@umich.edu)
- h. Secretary Alli Goodsell (goodsela@umich.edu)
- 10. Committee Reports (in alphabetical order)
 - a. <u>Budget Allocations Committee</u> Danielle Goodstein (<u>dangoods@umich.edu</u>)
 - b. <u>Committee Advocating for Transfer, Nontraditional, and International Students</u> Caroline Slack (<u>cslack@umich.edu</u>)
 - c. <u>Diversity Affairs Committee</u> Brandon De Martínez (<u>bmluca@umich.edu</u>)
 - d. Health Committee Magda Wojtara (wojtaram@umich.edu)
- 11. Task Force and Subcommittee Reports
 - a. Appointments Subcommittee Claudia McLean (mclaudia@umich.edu)
 - b. <u>Judiciary Oversight and Election Code Subcommittee</u> Max Stoneman (maxstone@umich.edu)
 - i. JOECS did not meet this week. Please continue to read the report.
 - c. LGBTQ+ Task Force Mclaren Christensen (mclchris@umich.edu)
 - d. LSA Annual Scholarship Task Force Vince Tedrick (vtedrick@umich.edu)
 - e. <u>Sexual Misconduct Response and Prevention Task Force</u> Lydia Kado (<u>lkado@umich.edu</u>)
 - i. *Announcement*
 - ii. SMRP is putting on a student town hall. April 9th in Trotter. More information will be coming out. It'll be an event talking about any grievances students may have with sexual misconduct. Please only come to us about SMRP between 10am-10pm as this is a hard topic to be around all the time.
 - f. <u>Subcommittee on Technology, Advising, and Academic Resources</u> Jordan Juliao (jjuliao@umich.edu)
 - g. <u>Taking Responsibility for the Earth and Environment Subcommittee</u> Cody Jonaitis (cionaiti@umich.edu)
- 12. Individual Representative Reports
 - a. Ava Kelsey Ambassadorship Report
 - i. There's a survey link in my report towards young cis-gendered men.



- b. Christian Loredo-Duran Ambassadorship Report
 - i. I attended an event set up by scope about immigration support. We talked about intersectionality. The best way to contact scope is through their instagram.
- c. Jiaqi Huang Ambassadorship Report
- d. Rashmi Nair Ambassadorship Report
- e. Mclaren Christensen Ambassadorship Report
- f. Joohyun Kim Ambassadorship Report
- 13. Budget Allocations Committee Recommendations
 - a. Quantitative Investment Club-\$1000
 - i. Cas competition
 - b. Japan Student Association-\$600
 - i. Japanese cultural festival
 - c. Michigan Archive- \$300
 - i. magazines
 - d. Ethical Investments-\$407
 - i. Consulting ice skating event
 - 1. Not open to all lsa students but they said that because yost only has a certain number of people allowed to rent skates we deemed it as okay
 - e. Mindful Michigan-\$25
 - i. Fund advertising costs for their event
 - f. Salto Dance Company- \$400
 - i. Cost for show
 - ii. Rifkin: This was cycle 3
 - iii. Bernstein: Motion to improve by acclamation
 - 1. Salino: second
 - a. Consented
 - i. Ayes win
- 14. Appointments, Elections, and Nominations
 - a. LSA Student Judiciary
 - i. Hasan Zai for Justice
 - ii. Elizabeth Sieger for Justice
 - iii. Parker Short for Justice
 - iv. Ben Levitt for Justice
 - v. Hope Fuller for Justice
 - 1. Mannino: Motion to confirm the justices by acclamation
 - a. Tam: second
 - i. consented



1. Ayes win - everyone is confirmed

15. Old Business

- a. <u>B W2022.12 An Amendment to the Fifth Chapter of the Bylaws Restructuring the Special Provisions</u>
 - i. Tam: The plan is to pass this today. Just confirmed our justices. This requires justices to work. This has been on the agenda for a couple months. Pending a small edit I've highlighted; I want this to pass.
 - ii. Stoneman: There has been different conversations relating to this, but no one has made any substantive recommendations about this. There is really important stuff in here, I would hate to table them. I am open to friendly amendments. All of this is pretty heavy stuff. You've been able to read this a few times. If you have something, bring it up now, if not let's pass this.
 - iii. Nighswonger: What is the process for Sg to send this to Si
 - iv. Tam: If somebody has committed something against the code of conduct, we send out a code of impeachment and it gets passed by $\frac{2}{3}$ vote.
 - v. Nighswonger: Just to clarify we would be voting on whether or not this goes to SI
 - vi. Stoneman: We've been working on how the impeachment process is going to work in SJ.
 - vii. Tedrick: Why shouldn't all SJ's be present? We only have 5 shouldn't it be all.
 - viii. Stoneman: Ideally it would be all. More times than not everyone will be there. In the off chance only 3 are there, that is something that is on the table.
 - ix. Watt: This will not restrict the rights...
 - x. Nighswonger: If there is an even number of justices and there is a split vote what happens?
 - xi. Stoneman: This will likely not happen. I trust them to make the right call.
 - xii. Ella: I know the justices we've appointed now would not put themselves in that sitch; should we add a provision that if only 4 are able to be present we should reschedule?
 - xiii. Tam: You need a ²/₃ majority to impeach, if there isn't a ²/₃ then you can't impeach.
 - xiv. Cohen: The opportunity in which there would be 4 justices is unavoidable, it is incumbent on the government to decide how to break a tie, but this would not be in our documents.
 - xv. Ella: Hopefully impeachment won't be common; can't we just say all 5 must be present?



- xvi. Cohen: There may be situations where there literally cannot be 5 justices. The more common concern is about recusal not scheduling.
- xvii. Nighswonger: General comment: this conversation is not a reflection of the quality of the document, this is just happening because we're watching the creation of a new branch.
- xviii. Ella: Do we have a solution for if there's only 4 justices present?
- xix. Stoneman: That is not a situation we planned for because it's not a situation we can anticipate. I don't want to tell the justices how to do there job; but I trust these people to make the right decision because they were appointed by the government. It's not gonna be a common thing
- xx. Cohen: This is an important concern. It would be reasonable to construct an amendment to the manual procedures that they have a defined system for what happens in the case of a tie. There are solutions we can look at for this; we can look at them and make a decision ASAP. Post this document.
- xxi. Watt: It is my understanding that if the judges tie then the status quo is what stands (a majority vote). Is that accurate?
- xxii. Stoneman & Tam: Yes.
- xxiii. Stoneman: There is always an avenue for appeals in LSA SJ.
- xxiv. Bernstein: Can we capitalize "through loss and affiliation"
- xxv. Rothstein: Is there a motion?
- xxvi. Tam: Motion to vote by acclamation
 - 1. Seconded & consented
 - 2. That passes
- b. R W2022.25 A Resolution Advocating for the Addition of the National Suicide Prevention Hotline to Student MCARDS
 - i. Wojtara: This has been through IRC twice. I just want to give context. On the back of your MCards there is a caps after hours number. This is to add a national Sucide prevention hotline number and national crisis text line number as well. We're always looking for endorsers. We have action clauses in an amendment later today. Hopefully we can pass this today.
 - ii. Neff: Motion to vote by acclamation
 - 1. Seconded & Consented
 - 2. That passes.
 - iii. Motion to have the minutes reflect that passed unanimously?
 - 1. Seconded and Consented
 - 2. That passes



- c. R W2022.27 A Resolution Allocating \$499.10 from the General Fund to Restock the YOUniversity Beauty Vending Machine
 - i. Farah: I was in the union and I saw Rico restocking the vending machine which contains products meant for students of color. Without this vending machines students will have to go to other cities to get these hygiene products. I'll let Rico explain.
 - ii. Rico: Thanks for letting me be here. This initiative started in 2020. As students of color you can go weeks or months without having a hair conditioner or shampoo that doesn't break your hair or dry it out. These are small things that let you feel comfortable in your own skin. Without these products students can feel nervous and uncomfortable. At this university we have to know how to sell ourselves in 30 seconds, without confidence we can't do this. So we came up with an idea to put products for students of color in the union. We received a grant to put the machine in the union. We just are asking for funding to restock the machine. These products are expensive and we'd appreciate financial support. SG has a big reach. I appreciate you.
 - iii. Nighswonger (question): Where did your original grant come from?
 - iv. Rico: Optimize
 - v. Nighswonger: Will this exist after you graduate?
 - vi. Rico: I plan to be here as long as I can. There are a few orgs on campus who are interested in this.
 - vii. Nighswonger: Are you aware that we have a Diversity Affairs Committee who would be more than happy to support this long term?
 - viii. De Martínez: I'm the DAC Chair. Hit me up for any projects.
 - ix. Neff: Motion to move past questions to a vote by acclamation
 - 1. Seconded and Consent
 - 2. This passes.
 - x. Cohen: Motion to have the minutes reflect that this passed unanimously
 - 1. Seconded and Consent
 - 2. This passes.

16. New Business

- a. Anonymous: Motion to amend the agenda to add a motion to restrict Rep. Bromberg's office access for the remainder of the semester
 - i. Second: Anonymous
 - 1. Consented
 - a. Ayes win



- b. Motion to Restrict Rep. Bromberg's office access for the remainder of the semester (See Bylaw 5.02.03)
 - Anonymous: In exceptional circumstances the government is able to alter the rights of representatives. After speaking with members and our advisor - I consider this necessary
 - 1. Anonymous: second
 - a. Ayes win, this passes
- c. B W2022.32 An Amendment to the Thirteenth Chapter of the Bylaws to Include Verbiage Regarding Confidentiality in the Purpose Statment for Task Force for Sexual Misconduct Response and Prevention
 - i. Nighswonger: I hope to have this voted on tonight. This clarifies the nature of our confidentiality in SMRP. It's not completely confidential. We are not subject to the University policy. IROs can attend and are exempt from the reporting.
 - 1. Stoneman: I was wondering what the lingering comment meant?
 - a. It is an expectation of all SMRP people to not go against the wants of the speaker.
 - 2. Kado: did you know you're a queen?
 - ii. Bernstein: Motion to confirm by acclamation
 - 1. Seconded & consented
 - a. Ayes win
- d. <u>B W2022.34 An Amendment to the Third Chapter of the Bylaws Modifying Non-Guaranteed Reimbursements</u>
 - i. Rifkin: The treasurer has way too much power to approving food purchases just making it so that there's not as much power
 - ii. Nighswonger: Motion to vote by acclamation
 - 1. McLean: second
 - a. Consented
 - i. Ayes win; that passes
- e. <u>B W2022.35 An Amendment to the Twentieth Chapter of the Bylaws to Clarify Resolutions and Codify Statements</u>
 - i. Theuerkauf: This clarifies what a resolution can and should be doing. Resolutions should resolve to do something. This also codifies statements (exec, committee/subcommittee/task force, and individual representative statement). Limits individual reps to allow them to speak on their own opinions, not as leadership.
 - 1. Cohen: 20.00.00 definitions when it talks about action plans. Can we change this so that it doesn't have to be complete by a school year? Can



we add (20.02.02) a section a to make it so that the statement specifically acknowledges that they are only representing themselves or the group that they are working with?

- a. Those both work as friendly.
- f. Juliao: Motion for a two minute recess
 - i. Second: Niskar
 - 1. Consented
 - ii. Tedrick: Motion to vote by acclamation
 - 1. Fioritto: second
 - a. Consented
 - i. Ayes win; passes unanimously
- g. <u>B W2022.36 An Amendment to the Second Chapter of the Bylaws to Address Executive</u> <u>Officer Appointments During Special Meetings</u>
 - i. Watt: Currently executive officers can't be appointed during special meetings. I see no point in having this prohibition
 - 1. Juliao: How are special meetings called?
 - a. By the government or $\frac{1}{3}$ of the votingx members
 - 2. Cohen: Is the author aware that there are still quorum rules at special meetings?
 - a. I was aware
 - 3. Bernstein: Did you know there's no edit access?
 - a. I didn't, but I will change that.
 - ii. Tedrick: Motion to pass by acclamation
 - 1. Second: Cohen
 - a. Consented
 - i. Ayes win; this passes
- h. R W2022.35 A Resolution Allocating \$220.00 from the TREES Budget to Fridays For Future to Cover Expenses for the Climate Strike on March 25, 2022
 - i. Mannino: \$200 was spent on the climate strike. TREES wants to reimburse this so that we can encourage peers to be politically active.
 - 1. Stoneman: Did you know we already committed to this and more procedural of a vote?
 - a. I did. Cam said this had to be a resolution because the event already happened
 - 2. Rifkin: Did we already say we would fund this?
 - a. Stoneman: Not for a specified amount.
 - 3. Watt: Are we able to fund FFF if they aren't a student org?



- a. That's why it's a reimbursement to one person.
- 4. Cohen: Is this person an LSA student?
 - a. I believe he's in engineering
 - b. Rifkin: We can do this. The only problem is he's not in LSA so we wouldn't be funding an LSA student
- ii. Nighswonger: Motion to vote by acclamation
 - 1. Second: watt
 - a. Consented
 - i. Ayes win
- i. Motion to excuse the absences of Representatives Abby Ochs (Goodsell)
 - i. Second: Salino
 - 1. Consented
- j. Motion to excuse the absences of Representative Mithun Vidhya-Ponraj (Goodsell)
 - i. Second: Niskar
 - 1. Consented
- k. Motion to Enter Committee of the Whole for 15 Minutes to Discuss the <u>State of the Government</u> (Watt)
 - i. Second: Juliao
 - 1. Consented

17. Matters Arising

- a. Motion to Suspend the Rules and Allow the President to Pie the Counsel (Tam)
 - i. Whip cream made it to Cohen's booty
- b. Motion to Suspend the Rules and Allow Representative Nighswonger and Representative Kelsey to Pie Representative Tam (Tam)
 - i. Second: Tedrick
 - 1. Consented
- c. Theuerkauf: Last night we donated a lot of money for caps and gowns. We still have 100 free cap and gowns to hand out stuff.
- d. Juliao: We are doing the finance calculator buy-back in the next few weeks. More information in the groupchat. Please keep this in mind. Please come out and help
- e. Wojtara: We have our naloxone training April 7th 6-7pm on zoom the flier is in the unofficial chat.
- f. Rich: The gala is a week from today. All the information is in my report. The theme is gold, but that's just decorations. Eat dinner beforehand.
- g. Neff: This is my last meeting with voting rights. I wanted to thank everyone for an amazing year in the government.
- h. McLean: Gala is semi-formal. If you need any resources, ask Zack about them.



- i. Watt: If you need a tie or suit jacket let me know.
- j. Farah: It's called the career project. There's a Palenstinain event tomorrow night and if you want a ticket just let me know. I'm giving a talk tomorrow about public power if you want to learn more I'd love for you to come along.
- k. Christensen: Pride prom this friday 8-10:30pm in the League ballroom. It's going to be so fun. The theme is queer fairytale.
- De Martinez: I really enjoyed this year. As a transfer student I wouldn't think I'd ever be
 this involved. Student government has given me so many new resources I didn't have
 before.
- m. Cohen: I do want to recognize that our President has written the most legislation of any government member in history. I think you are an exceptional leader.
- n. Stoneman: We have a court which is pretty cool. It's done yet, but it's there. It's been a long project at least a year. I want to acknowledge all the work that everyone's put in so far. This is a very exciting, historical moment for the government. Thank you to everyone who has helped so far.
- o. Watt: Exec board don't leave.

18. Snaps

19. Closing Roll Call

lii.	Watt, Tyler		lxxi.	Mannino, Ella
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lxix.	Irfan, Bilal E		lxxxviii.	Loredo-Duran, Christian
lxx.	Wajahat, Maria	Е	lxxxix.	Kelsey, Ava
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xc. Nair, Rashmi xci. Kim, Joo Hyun xcii. Ervin, Gabriel xciii. Juliao, Jordan

xciv. Christensen, Mclaren

xcv. Huang, Jiaqi E

xcvi. Alchalabi, Noor E

20. Adjournment

a. Motion: Farahb. *Second*: Slack

i. Consented

xcvii. Ali, Dania A
xcviii. Colvin, Anna
xcix. Bromberg, Luke E
c. Rothstein, Kayla
ci. Jonaitis, Cody

Goodstein, Danielle E

cii.



Following Adjournment, it may be of interest for members to stay and listen to the reflections of graduating SG members

Gaurie Gunasekaran

Suki Zhao

Magda Wojtara

Jordan Juliao

Alli Goodsell

Anna Colvin

Sophia Rich

Sarah Salino

Caroline Theuerkauf

Jacob Cohen

Caroline Slack

Zackariah Farah

Cody Jonaitis

Tyler Watt