General Assembly Meeting



Thursday, December 5th, 2019 — 4:30 pm Promotions Office — Kirkhof Center 0008 President: Eric-John Szczepaniak

Executive Vice President: Kelly Dowker

I. Call Meeting to Order: 4:34pm

- A. Student Senate Creed
- B. We, as members of Grand Valley State University's Student Senate, dedicate ourselves to cultivating a student body that is engaged, healthy, and empowered. We pledge to represent all students and their diverse, ever-changing needs. With persistency, intentionality, and integrity, we strive to create a Laker experience that is equitable, accessible, and sustainable
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Moment of Silence
 - 1. Native Land Recognition
 - 2. Respectful Observation of our Diverse Laker Community
- E. Roll Call
- II. Public Comment Part I
- III. Guest Speakers
 - A. Melissa Selby-Theut, University Counseling Center, QPR Suicide Prevention Training
 - B. Counseling center responsible for mental health aspects around campus
 - C. This session will contain sensitive material with the intention of making a positive impact in another's life, perhaps even save their life. Goal: knowledge and understanding of what to do
 - D. Presentation of statistics, key concepts, risk factors, protective factors, warning signs,
 - E. Question, Persuade, Refer; keep an eye out, listen to what peers are saying and if you're concerned ask the question and be kind
- IV. President's Report
 - A. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
 - B. New app in development called MyLaker, like a Siri/Alexa system where you can ask questions about GV; next semester, will have a speaker come in to speak about it
 - C. Hicks motions to add 3 minutes to pass papers before new business, after president's report; seconded by Pres, motion passes unanimously
 - D. Adopting agenda as amended passes unanimously
- V. Pass Papers
 - A. Sign up sheet for menstruation products project; stand at stations throughout campus (Hicks)
 - B. President's ball video filmed this sunday sign-up sheet for extras
 - C. Cabinet meeting will be from 9-12 this sunday at Holton-Hooker 207A
- VI. New Business
 - A. Voting on the Student Award for Faculty Excellence (SAFE) Recipient
 - 1. Rationale for Williamson Wallace presented by Senator Moine
 - 2. Rationale for Darren Walhof by Senator Houtman

- 3. Rationale for Severine Collignon by Senator Armstrong
- 4. Rationale for Thomas Pentecost (name) by Senator Hicks
- 5. Brief period of discussion
- 6. Secret ballot voting
- 7. Pres announces top two and voting by placard between them
- 8. Placard vote (13-19-2)
- B. Appointment of Max Vazquez to the Diversity Affairs Committee
- C. Murarescu provides rationale and motions to appoint; seconded by VP Mueller; motion passes unanimously
- D. CALL FOR NEW ORDERS OF THE DAY
- VII. Public Comment Part II
- VIII. Call for Announcements
 - A. Final DAC meeting after this
 - B. RA applications are due on the 18th (Hicks)
 - C. Mueller check Slack, last lecture nomination form is there
 - D. Russo 6-8 cookie study session holton hooker
 - E. Marlowe tomorrow from 10-1, climate strike on campus; will join up with Sunrise hub in Grand Rapids, meeting for the Allendale campus protest at the clock tower
 - F. Thompson, J Exam cram events throughout the next week
 - G. Kamekawa good luck to everyone with their exams
 - H. Samuels no cultural funding board tomorrow, but appropriations
 - IX. Adjournment: 6:15pm