

6:00PM – Call for Meeting & Attendance

Guest Speakers [None]

New Business

6:00 PM – **[Introductions]** New member introductions (15 minutes)

6:15 PM – **[Discussion]** University Funding (15 minutes)

- Main Campus BOG meeting recap:
- There was CARES Act stimulus funding that we received from COVID relief that can be used to redo the vivarium facilities in Scott Hall but if this will not cover all of it, they approved the use of some additional general funds if needed
- Working to renovate the 400 Mack building for additional training and patient care. It will also be leased out to other school entities, nursing, pharmacy, etc. Since we don't own the building now, every entity paying individually. Eventually we will buy the building and then lease it out to different groups practicing under the condition that they take Wayne students to train. Dean Schweitzer wants to integrate more of the health professions schools with this building, providing opportunities for interprofessional team building experience
- *Student Question* - where is the money coming from, are we going to take a financial hit with this? Also, what is the timeline for these renovations?
 - We took money out of bonds that Wayne holds to cover building costs during COVID. Because this is a one time cost, they are more okay with using the money and see it as an investment for future earning potential. The research facilities have to be updated in order to maintain research regulations sanctioned by the state
 - Because of COVID, the University took more money out of Bonds they hold to cover costs, but then ended up having more money to use than they thought, that's why they are investing in these building expenses
 - Hoping this will be done in about 1-2 years
- Re: Tuition rates increase. Unfortunately, we didn't get any of the additional services we requested, as expected, but we tried. The vote passed with a 1.9% increase for in state and 0.3% increase for out of state. Incoming class of 2025 will be impacted by this tuition increase. The BOG wants to try to move the vote forward to May so that they don't get the bad publicity of raising tuition prior to students agreeing to go here. Basically, they wanted to move it from April to May so that students have already signed on and can't change their school decision based on seeing this tuition increase in the news, which effectively traps students into paying a higher tuition than advertised when they looked at the school, we are going to push back against this hard.
- *Student Question* - Is anyone keeping track of how much it has gone up through the years? It feels like administration always minimizes these small increases in tuition but the larger picture shows a more negatively impactful trajectory.
 - Yes, we do keep track of this every year and I have the record. It is also on the website because they always present a 2-3 year tuition rate trend and then juxtapose it next to other institutions because we still do have lower tuition compared to most other schools so they try to use that to put everyone at ease in some respect, but that also doesn't mean tuition hasn't been increasing in the last few years.

6:30 PM – **[Update]** Communication on House Bill (5 minutes)

- So hopefully all of you saw the special communication that we sent out from the senate email. This communication was mostly crafted by the main campus senate and we modified it slightly. It contains a pre-generated form asking students to reach out to your local representative to express frustration and concern with the bill and listing all of the negative repercussions that the bill would have on the university
- The vote will happen on Wednesday so it is imperative that you all take action as quickly as possible
- This isn't how we would normally distribute senate messages, we normally solicit input from the general senate, but unfortunately due to the time sensitive nature of this communication, I only had time to consult with executive senate
- I just wanted to implore all of you to fill this out and let you know the reason we didn't sign the special communication from the general senate, only from exec

6:35 PM – **[Poll]** Administration line up (5 minutes)

- As far as what administrators we would like to bring to student senate, we would like to bring Dr. Chadwell back to discuss the Match process and other issues pertaining to student affairs, she is the first on the list. We also want to continue our regular updates with Dean Schweitzer as I feel we always learn a lot of pertinent updates
- Please let Jenna know who else you want to see from senior administration on the guest speaker line-up!

Old Business

6:40 PM – **[Discussion]** Tuition increase communication (10 minutes)

- CONFIDENTIAL - will communicate when we are allowed to disclose

6:50 PM – **[Update]** Back to Campus Task Force (5 minutes)

- At the last meeting we talked about vaccination status and reminding everyone to upload it in the portal, please continue to do that
- Class of 2025 orientation is virtual
- Working on vaccination for Class of 2025, currently trying to obtain stats on how many of the incoming students are vaccinated
- *Student Question* - is this vaccination being done through CHC?
 - Not sure, but we can ask!
- M2s still doing in person CEC and clinical skills.
- Learning communities have been approved to resume in person **service** work so be on the lookout for those opportunities! :)
- Looking on reallocating and opening up more study space in Scott Hall and Maz with COVID precautions

6:55 PM – **[Update]** New study space for students (5 minutes)

- A group of student reps took a visit to survey the new UHC study space 2 weeks ago that Dean Schweitzer told us about.
- Previously there was a Horizons HIV clinic in that location that was still using the space to store a lot of their stuff so we were waiting for them to remove their things and then we are going to make some time for senators, LC reps, students, to come and clear out the space and potentially pick up leftover office supplies to take home!

- We were all pleasantly surprised with how accommodating the administrators in charge of the project were to our needs. They are all on board with one card access, getting fridges, desks, chairs we like etc, while working on a tight budget
- We are really hoping for a quick turnaround over the next couple of months to have it up and running for the new incoming class
- Regarding call room availability and the potential use of some parts of this space for that, I know there was mention at the last meeting about some shortage of call room availability for students rotating at the DMC. Are there any updates on this?
 - Harper seems pretty good on call rooms at least for surgery, there is one for women and one for men, each with multiple beds. For IM, there is only one room they give us, but the code doesn't work, they just don't really accommodate 4th years in general. Not sure about the OB call students
 - DRH only has one for any student on call, which is definitely not enough so they could use more
 - As far as converting any of these rooms into call rooms, do you think that couches to sleep on would be okay? We just don't think we could get laundering services to change the linens and stuff. I can check with the DMC site reps on the feasibility of this
 - At HF, there are couches that recline all the way that students can sleep in in the med student lounge. We don't really have call rooms there anyway so people just rest where they can. I think we could definitely make couches work
- But all in all we are really excited about how amenable they are to making this space and the 1328 conference room spaces work for us in a way that is accessible to all students. Grant also had some great ideas about how the LCs can be incorporated in this

7:00 PM – **[Update]** Class elections (5 minutes)

- Class elections are almost done! Just waiting for the remaining reps on the Class of 2024 senate at the next meeting
- Until class of 2025 arrives, we will be at full capacity starting next meeting
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Executive Senate Reports

7:05 PM – **[Executive Secretary]** Attendance policy reminders (5 minutes)

- Attendance is based on a percentage system that starts with each class' senate terms.
- This year we have 25 senate meetings on the schedule, which the allowed absences for each class are calculated from.
- Running logs of attendance can be found at this link on the senate website on this page and if you click the link you can see your absences, as well as the calculated absences allowed for your class across the top: <https://www.wsusomstudentsenate.com/senate-meeting-attendance>
- The official attendance policy is as follows, for more information on reinstatement policies if you become delinquent, please see Article 9, Section 3 of the constitution which can be found at this link: <https://www.wsusomstudentsenate.com/constitution>
- Official Attendance Policy:
- 3.2.3 Absences
 - a. Senate meetings will run year round, only breaking for University holidays. The schedule meeting schedule will be set by the Executive President at the beginning of his/her term. The term definitions for each Class Senate and Executive Senate will be as follows:
 - a. M1 Class Senate term will run from initial Election to the last exam of Segment 1

- b. M2 Class Senate term will run from the beginning of Segment 2 through Segment 3 start.
 - i. Attendance recording for M2s during the dedicated STEP1 study period will be paused, however, during elections for Executive Senate in the spring the M2 class must have at least one representative present to vote on behalf of their respective class
 - c. M3 Class Senate term will run from the beginning of Segment 3 through the beginning of Segment 4.
 - d. M4 Class Senate term will run from the beginning of Segment 4 through graduation.
 - e. Executive Senate terms will run from April to April. Elections will occur in March of each year.
- b. First and second year members may only miss 20% of meetings per segment year.
 - c. Third year members may only miss 30% of meetings per segment year
 - d. Fourth year members may only miss 40% of meetings per segment year
 - e. There will be no excused absences beyond the permitted number of absences as outlined above. The additional allowed absences during the upperclassmen years is meant to account for the increased demands on a senator's time.
 - f. Any senator planning an extended absence, including away rotations, must notify the Class President as well as the Executive Senate Secretary.
 - g. Should a senator meet the maximum number of allowed absences for a given semester, he/she will be notified by the Executive Secretary.
 - h. Lack of attendance at the minimum requirements of alumni appreciation calling will result in 1 absence recorded for that semester.

7:10 PM – **[Executive Vice President]** Internal committee sign up (10 minutes)

- Cullen's slides describing the internal Committees:
- <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1BZxXfbiA4RUbzWsXJvJwmckDHmOVhmrBT-Mz7h28aTU/edit?usp=sharing>
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- Below are committee responsibilities per the constitution
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- **Social :**
- The Social Functions committee shall oversee and plan social activities for the entire student body (i.e. Gala). The Social Committee cannot plan events which would limit participation by any class or classes. The Social Committee will encourage social interaction between classes The committee will also create and maintain a record of venues with contact information, and any other information it deems may help future generations of Senate in organizing social events. The events typically organized by the Social committee include but are not limited to; Gala, Halloween Party, Senate Retreats, and potentially moving forward, the annual ski trip.
- **Communications:**
- The duties of the chairperson(s) for the communications committee shall be to: Keep good working relations with all administrators, faculty and students of Wayne State University School of Medicine and ensure items discussed at Senate meetings, as well as decisions made by the administration, are openly shared with all members of Wayne State University School of Medicine. Following the approval of the Meeting Minutes each week of a senate meeting, the Communications Committee will compile a summary containing highlights of the comprehensive minutes. This newsletter, entitled "Wayne's World", will be distributed to the WSUSOM student body as soon as possible after Meeting Minutes' approval.
- **Consitution:**

- The Constitution committee shall maintain the constitution of the senate and serve as the directors of any proposed revisions or amendments. The Constitution Subcommittee shall, on a semi-annual basis, review the Constitution for discrepancies with the actual function and practice of the Senate. Any proposed Constitutional amendments must be sent to this committee for review, and for the development of wording consistent with this Constitution.
- **Career Advisory and Mentorship:**
- The Career Advisory committee will be responsible for providing the student body with resources to assist in career planning and residency application. This includes planning specific events to provide students with assistance, as well as the distribution of relevant information. Plans for the upcoming year include the development of a financial planning guidebook for first year students to help them avoid being taken by surprise by unexpected costs of testing, interviews, etc. Also plan to continue organizing the post-medical school financial planning seminar that David organized this past year for graduating seniors.
- **Alumni Affairs (limited positions available):**
- This internal committee shall serve as a liaison between the student senate, as well as the student body-at-large, and the alumni of the Wayne State University School of Medicine. This purpose shall be performed by the student senate alumni representatives, who will join the School of Medicine administration on the Alumni Association Committee. The alumni representatives will attend all Alumni Association Committee meetings held by the administration, or as the administration sees necessary. The involvement of student senate with the administration and the Alumni Association shall strengthen the relationship between the SOM alumni and the student body. The goals include, but are not limited to: transfer of information on current student affairs to alumni; presence of the alumni at SOM or senate sponsored events; increased direct student-alumni contact for professional and social business or networking; and increased visibility of alumni during times of fundraising. In the event that neither alumni representative can be in attendance at a scheduled administrative meeting, either the representatives or the student senate president will appoint a senate member to take their place.
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- Some thoughts on Social Committee
 - We can leverage the vast funding from the learning communities through the social committee and student orgs, the only caveat is that we cannot use these funds for alcohol. However, we can use them for prizes and giftcards.
 - Please sign up for at least one, but you are encouraged to do 2.
 - LC reps do not need to feel pressured to do 2 committees, only 1 encouraged for you since you already have other leadership duties outside of senate
 - Cullen will send out a sign-up!

7:20 PM – **[Executive President]** How senate meetings work (20 minutes)

- **Link to google slides presentation:**
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1SxPYbuFy9itgnJ37dLh_HAV4dwTur0u7xOHqw5zB4Z4/edit?usp=sharing

Committee Reports [None]

Class Senate Reports

7:40 PM – Class Senate Reports (10 minutes)

1. Class of 2024
 - Working through foundations
 - Have pediatric clinical skills starting...

- Class picnic at Belle Isle was great!
- 2. Class of 2023
 - Clerkships are going well and sites are doing well, addressing issues as they come up
- 3. Class of 2022
 - MSPE meetings are starting; please have a CV prepared beforehand. Not everyone has received an email yet, so don't panic if you haven't gotten the opportunity to schedule one yet.
 - ERAS officially opens on June 9. Just under a month to go!
 - 311 days until Match, 393 days until c/o 2022 graduation
- 4. Class of 2021
 - See email from Ms. Collier regarding in person hooding opportunity
 - 28 days till graduation!

7:50 PM – Adjourn