

**University of Virginia Student Council  
General Body Meeting**

Minutes for February 7, 2017

**The Representative Body meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM**

**Roll Call**

**Alex:** Thanks for Brett for his service to the rep body, it's his work that has let us accomplish so much. He always asked what more can we do. David Birkenthal and Austin Gogal now are new chairs of internal committees. We need to fill 2 ad hoc committees, one for state of employment at UVA, and another for student population on affordable housing. Contact David if you are interested.

**Sydney:** This would create a committee for a common reading experience. Many schools choose a book for the first year class to read over the summer, and then use it for an educational purpose. We discussed this last semester. We want the committee to research other schools and how it could be implemented here. This would just create a committee to have multiple working on it and get outlooks.

**Mackenzie:** E-school already does this?

**Sydney:** I am looking at the university as a whole. We are going see if it can be spread out from the E-school, or just for the College.

**Motion to vote. Seconded. SB17-08 Passed.**

**Sydney:** This is for the ad hoc committee to address the printing system. The new one is very frustrating and emails sometimes don't go through. There's a rumor that MIT has good printing, and we are going to research other schools as well.

**David:** What is the time table for reporting back?

**Sydney:** I don't know how responsible PCS will be, and we will just have to do some research.

**Michael:** Last week's library presentation said that they were open to a better system, so this is good.

**Motion to vote. Seconded. SB17-09 Passed unanimously.**

**Sydney:** If anyone wants to join the committees, let me know, we're accepting any rep or concerns.

**The General Body Meeting began at 6:43 PM.**

**Emily:** UVA news recently released the number of student reps on the presidential search committee, there will be 2(phoebe Willis and Erin, former president of VSA). In my opinion, they are outweighed by faculty and staff, so I wanted to talk about that. We can argue that there should be more representation on the committee, or go to a meeting where they will ask for student opinion in 2 sessions. We could expand that for more student input. Or we can make a list of attributes.

**David:** I like Phoebe and Erin, but it's weird that these people will be graduating during this year long search. There should be at least another student who could be there for the entire year. The continuity is important. They need to be there for the whole decision making process. My ideal number is 4.

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**Emily:** I agree.

**Austin:** Can students be involved after they narrow it down?

**Emily:** I've been told that students can go to a discussion with the candidates, but I don't know at what stage that will be happening. Do we like 4 students total? I think the BOV picked the first two.

**David:** I think their selection was fine.

**Bryanna:** I think it's interesting that both wanted to be BOV members.

**Katie:** If we leave it to BOV, we should figure out what demographic we want them to represent, or specific schools. We should name preferences, and encourage diversity.

**Austin:** Will the next BOV student member be on the search committee?

**Emily:** I don't believe so, I think Phoebe is going to stay on it.

**Austin:** It would be beneficial so that they have a position to back it up and answer questions.

**Emily:** We are sending out a survey soon, and want to get a good 10 adjectives to rank the candidate's ideal attributes. We want something quantifiable, followed by free response. Maeve is working on the survey. Let's start with free response.

**Maeve:** What do you value most about UVA? What qualities are you looking for in a president? What institutional priorities are important? What other guiding principles do you believe must be prioritized?

**David:** All of those?

**Maeve:** Nothing on the survey would be required. Each is a separate question, and we'd have another option for checking boxes or rankings for qualities we identify. We will also be working with the town hall planning committee to choose those. We will sequence the list second so that creativity isn't stifled.

**Emily:** Suggestions for the list?

**Sarah:** Personable.

**David:** Development experience, because money from SIF needs to be matched with fundraising.

**Katie:** Not closely associated a political party.

**Sydney:** Transparency

**Melissa:** Open minded

**Bryanna:** Serious about diversity

**Austin:** Compassionate

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**Sydney:** Responsive

**Erich:** Focused on all students in every way

**Katie:** I think we should pick more tangible things like experience in non-profits or legislation.

**Emily:** The free response at the beginning will be open, and then more concrete things in the list.

**David:** We want someone with experience in student affairs.

**Emily:** The survey will be pushed to students this week, and after I talk to Phoebe, I will update about adding 2 students to the committee.

**Community Concerns**

**Luke:** I was wondering if GenBod format would be rep body followed by committee meetings.

**Alex:** We are still experimenting, and I will get back to you with the survey.

**Sydney:** Someone received W-2's but they don't know how to do them. Could an academic resource help students?

**Charles:** Direct them to CASH through Madison House, they need to bring the papers, and make an appointment, then it's all done.

**Michael:** Hopefully meeting with SIS advisory board to talk about auto enrollment and email notifications about class openings. Any others?

**Katie:** For Batten, accelerated graduate students can't enroll on SIS, and have to meet with people separately.

**Austin:** UVA is required to post the cost of courses, but SIS doesn't post the cost of textbooks and mandatory class material.

**David:** SIS doesn't have anything about student private loans, and it would be nice if they could be connected. I would like to see the loan interest on SIS.

**Sarah:** From the Library Council, Barbie reported the Clem stair lights, and they won't be replaced until summer. For adobe suite, the IT vice president is looking for \$300,000 to fund it. She recommended that we send student testimonies, it's a funding issue. For PrintMe, there are 3 options for printing documents, and I will send it to the printing committee. See more detailed message from Barbie below:

**“Clemons Stairs Lights – I've reported the outages on these and they should be fixed asap. More on the Clemons outdoor stairs lights. I reported this to Library Facilities and they've been in contact with UVA FacMan. Unfortunately it seems that these will not be able to be repaired until the summer. The stairs must be taken up (again) and a rusted conduit with shorted wires must be replaced. It is on UVA Facilities priority list to repair this summer, but not before then.**

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I don't know if your Student Council Committee that deals with these sort of infrastructure issues will have better luck than I did.

**Adobe Suite** – I'm checking to see how we might request that this be added to [Software Central](#).

More - ... this is an important issue for the Vice President for IT, Ron Hutchins, but that it's been difficult to find the funding (~\$300,000) for this initiative. They may certainly write to him directly - student testimonials never hurt; they'll be happy to know, though, that he himself does not need persuading on this issue. So, it's very expensive and Ron Hutchins has not been able to find funding to support providing Adobe to all students.

**PrintMe** – I misspoke last night when I said there isn't a way to print multiple documents at a time. There are **THREE!**

- 1) Use a flash/USB drive. Once you stick it in the PrintMe kiosk will read all the files. After printing the first file simply select **Print Another** to print further files on the drive.
- 2) Upload the files you want to print to [Printme.com](#). Simply open the site, upload your files. You will immediately be given your 8 digit code (much faster than the email alternative), and can proceed to use the **Print Another** option on the kiosk.
- 3) Email the files to [hoosprinting@printme.com](mailto:hoosprinting@printme.com). Be sure to email all the files you want to print in one PrintMe session. They will appear on the PrintMe kiosk and again you select **Print Another.**"

**Emily:** Is the \$300,000 a onetime fee? If it is, we could apply for SIF money.

**Maeve:** I was approached by Open Grounds staff, who are having a hard time extending hours. Does anyone have more info or want to work on this? It hurts the student staff income and is eliminating study space. It's hard to get back to Wertland from libraries because of indirect bus routes.

**Emily:** I asked Dean Pattie, but I think it's operated by the Provost. They needed a security measure, and wanted to partner with the Lloyd building, which opens in March. I will email Dean Pattie to see if that is actually happening.

**Kevon:** For Adobe, it says for schools universities, it is 300 per year per device.

**Katie:** I am student rep to state council for higher education in VA. We met on Friday in Richmond, and they want to solicit student impact on their higher education. VMI and UVA mentioned the honor code which was cool. They mentioned general assembly funding to have unbiased sexual assault survivor processing centers. These would be mobile and investigate sexual violence in schools so schools don't have to do it themselves. Collab between lawyers, doctors, and higher education would seem beneficial to survivors. If you or someone you know has a testimony about reporting assault at UVA, Slack or email me. I can send out the PowerPoint as well.

### **Committee Updates**

**Luke:** You may have wondered why I asked for a rope, it's a secret.

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**Katie:** Four House Bill 1410, Access UVA is currently safe and there are no restrictions. There's still an out of state cap at 30%. We don't know what will happen with 1410, but the financial aid provision has been killed. The alcohol bill is most likely to pass without governor veto.

**GenBod 1:** The start Up Fair went very well.

**Michael:** We're working on the computer science, statistics, and politics enrollments issues. We're also continuing ARC progress.

**Sarah:** Melissa asked about computer science classes last week, and Naveed said there would be 4 new faculty members next year. That's in the E-school but should help college students as well.

**Melissa:** For Community Service, we hosted a focus group on the Cville trail app. The students said we should get community partner input soon as well, because they are of equal importance. For community engagement course list, we met with Julie Caruccio to learn how to improve ways to pick courses. We need student input to see if people want them, and will send out a survey form soon. It will ask students what they want from civic engagement courses, and if they have taken any yet.

**Officer Updates**

**Maeve:** City Council met last night, and they revisited the Blue Ribbon's recommendations for Lee and Jackson Park. They said the Lee statue should be moved to McIntire Park, or be recontextualized within Lee Park. They voted 3:2 to remove it, but expect many lawsuits and a number of years to do it. Another councilor proposed that city staff start recontextualizing it now, by including Lee, Jackson, and Slave Auction Block and other things around Cville. They have 60 days to get a new plan. It will also include a renaming of Lee Park, which was unanimous. They also reaffirmed commitment to the equity package. It includes annual grants that go to Cville high school grads, 3 \$5000 per year. They doubled money for affordable housing, and allotted \$10,000 for the dialogue on race, with a one-time grant to the Jefferson School, so doing a lot to increase equity in the city, and there may be opportunity to partner with UVA. Otherwise, we've talked about providing legal aid to students, and officially the law school's clinic will give counsel to students on civil rights issues in particular.

**Sarah:** We have an UndocuAlly training February 22, sponsored by StudCo. It's a way to make sure leadership is versed in being an ally to all members of the community. For the Bicentennial, thanks for sending me names from your committees. We'd like to start forums at the end of March. The housing ad hoc committee is going well, and this spring will have some new programming.

**Mackenzie:** I just gave out \$200,000 to CIOs today. Join the video project committee! I am meeting with the Film Makers Society after this, and then starting to order equipment.

**Ty:** StudCo News goes out this Thursday, please fill out the spreadsheet with committee updates. If you have a separate event, Slack it to me individually. We've been getting a lot of engagement on Facebook.

**Emily:** I am working on the presidential search committee, and second round of SIF student advisory committee applications.

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**Alex:** Thanks for coming, please bring your friends! Try to think of community concerns.

**The General Body Meeting Ended at 7:521 PM.**