



## STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION Senate meeting 2023-2024

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### Business

*Attendance/Approval of the minutes:*

#### ***Quorum Reached:***

- ***Approval of the minutes:***
  - *Motion for unanimous consent*
  - *Motion passes*
- *Marlena motions to suspend house rules for the dining presentation - seconded*

#### ***Dining Presentation:***

- Hanna - registered dietician/health and wellness manager (JMU Alumni)
  - Helps students with dietary restrictions (allergies, accommodations, weekly tabling/urec cooking classes)
- GIVING DAY IS THIS THURSDAY (Dukes Punch for Dukes will be happening at DHall)!
- Surveys start this monday! (an email will be sent out to your email, make sure you do it) - they do this for us!
- FARMER'S MARKET IS BACK MARCH 6th!! (same place, same time, same thing!)
  - Starting a frequency program! (the more places you buy from - you get fun things)
- Dukes Reuse Program! - Reusable Containers are still available at no charge!
  - New drop off locations! (The Union and Rose Library)
  - Return and Earn - if you show a team member that you're returning it, you'll get a free coupon
    - Event! Dhall - March 5th (you get a coupon for returning)
- Halal Options - there are new halal options at TLC, BRB, Bistro, & Market 64, Ehall (look for yellow station identifiers)
- New options for Ramadan coming out on instagram! Check them out!
- Guest Punches - you can use guest punches for yourself or someone else (a family member/friend)
- Reduced Station Availability at Dhall
  - Late Lunch (2 - 4:30pm) M-F
  - True Balance and North close at 2
- They are mixing up the pastas at Market 64
- They ordered more disposable silverware for Dukes, Market and Festi
- They can not add disposable silverware to the first floor of Festi
- Freshens is ordering more straws dw



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- 25 meal plan + 50 dining dollars = \$275
  - For commuter students without a meal plan
- GET DINING DOLLARS GOLD

### QUESTIONS

- Daniel: Does JMU dining match donations to the pantry -
  - Dining previously donated 4,000ish meals to the pantry - now students get to donate (if students don't donate 4,000 Dining will make up the rest)
- Mason: Is it possible for student punches to automatically donate if they expire?
  - We don't have the technology to do that, Dining doesn't control the tech/finances so JMU would have to run the report
- Ella: can you donate at any time or just Dukes Punch for Dukes?
  - Festival, Dhall & Market64 accept donated punches at any time!
  - Tell people more! (Dukes Weekly, Potty Mouth)
- Matt: Are there any plans to make students more aware of the downtimes at Residential Dining?
  - It's on the website! They can also work to put the calendar in other locations.
  - Ai Vy agrees and wants them to add the specific hours of locations
  - Daniel - there is also an issue with Festival's hours
  - Andy - vegan friends that only have time to eat during downtime, can their be more vegan options during those times?

### *Resolutions/Bills/Amendments:*

#### **Muslim Student Association - Ramadan Banquet (\$5000)**

- Cultivate knowledge, foster connections, promote awareness of Islam - positive environment for students
- Dues: \$10 a semester/\$15 per year - 49 members
- Ramadan Banquet:
  - Celebrate the Holy month of Ramadan
  - Iftar Dinner - meal eaten to break fast
- Fundraising:
  - \$488 - split between org and philanthropy
  - \$8593 - all profit was donated to Gaza humanitarian relief
- Expenses:
  - Food: \$3300
  - Supplies: \$200
  - Speaker: \$1500
    - 0\$ in fundraising - so full amount



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- **Questions:**

- Nate: Is this just for members of MSA?
  - No! Everyone is invited to partake via a google form

- **Voting:**

- Pro Zach - important to have a big event that is open to everyone, gives a lot of food options that might not be available otherwise so they have accessible food
- Pro Marcus - great way for Muslim students to connect with Muslim groups in the Harrisonburg area

- **Resolution Passes**

- ***Industrial Design Society of America - Adobe Illustrator + Workshop (\$2,997.40)***

- Club open to all students that helps people connect with design professionals
- Dues: \$20; 56 members
- Adobe Illustrator - program that a lot of members use and a certification would help members to show that they have a proficiency in the skill
  - IDSA plans to hold a review workshop to help students feel ready to take the certification test
  - Certifications are important to get a job after graduation, and other schools provide it
- Fundraising: 238.50 over a couple events
- Expenses: \$3,281.25 - certification fees
- **Questions:**
  - Alex: will anyone be able to show up to the workshop?
    - Yes, anyone will be able to attend the workshop, they just won't get the certification test payed for
  - Andy: how many students would you be able to certify
    - 35! Receive a discount as a group (they only have 55 members)
  - Sydney: does this certification have to be re-upped?
    - Every four years, but they don't have to pay again, this will set them up forever
- **Voting:**
  - Pro Zach: important to give students this opportunity and it will affect their lives
  - Pro Kieran: excellent resume builder and helps to alleviate the financial debt
  - Pro Marcus: help bolster a smaller major, and will help them prove a need (so that IMU could fun it)
  - Pro Kenzie: this being a one time fee, it lasts a lifetime!
  - Pro Ella: this is a necessity for them to get a job, funds shouldn't prohibit them from being able to get a job

- **Resolution Passes**

- ***Young Life College - Spring Break Trip (\$3,000)***

- Inviting college to experience community, adventure and significance
- 0\$ dues, 250-300 members
- Fundraising:



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- \$3,150 from last year, TBD for this year
- Spring Break Trip:
  - Panama City Beach: partner with 4 other colleges to provide programming and activities
  - Leaders host condos for friends
  - This will go towards need based scholarships
    - rolling/need based basis
    - Requested amount
    - Explanation of need
- Expenses: \$3,000 - need based scholarships
- **Questions:**
  - Marcus: what's the per person cost - \$395
  - Charlotte: Who decides this? - people request a specific amount and YL leaders choose who gets it
  - Katie: what does \$395 go to - this just goes for lodging (food and other costs are not included)
  - Ella: how many people were you able to provide support for last year - they aren't sure
  - Kieran: What exactly do you do on the trip? - organized events (seminars about life and its purpose) & community building, there are speakers as well, competition events
  - Abby: Are the people that go on the trip required to go to the events? Optional
  - A.J.: how much notice is given to people before they sign up? People already know scholarships are available
  - Matt: Who oversees the finances? Where is he? Paternity leave - Lou Chiceto (spelling is wrong sorry)
  - E: how would someone with limited income feed themselves and everything else? Alleviating the cost of the conference fee allows students to find income to pay for the other things, YL leaders get groceries for the week and then split the cost leaders will help to alleviate financial cost
  - Marcus: were there people that went last year (that got a scholarship) that went on the trip - there are no members,
  - Marcus yields time to Elena:
    - would the extra money go to gas? No
  - AJ: Is there info out on social media to students that aren't at the meetings? No, currently there is not
  - Daniel: How many people went last year? 58 (some people get full, some people get half off)
  - Marcus yields time to Brielle
    - Brielle: if this does not get passed and you've already promised scholarships, how will people go? - question for Lou, they are committed to making sure that this trip is accessible
- Ella: who decides - YL college Leader
- Kenzie: where are the internal finances coming from? Matt: fundraisers, as well as previous fundraisers. The money is put down for the trip already, students pay back the money.



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- AI: Does YL do events like the ones on the break at any other time during the school year?  
Large group happens every week, small groups happen as well, there is also a weekend trip in the fall - yes

### VOTING:

- **Pro Zack:** needs based scholarships have come through senate before
- **Con Daniel:** doesn't want to pay for another organizations spring break trip, these YL trips are a very "come to Jesus" moment and he hopes that people in YL will abstain
- **Charlotte POI:** how much money do we have left in contingency
  - **Marcus yields time to Matt**
    - We have 15,000 remaining
- **Con Marcus:** while there are not specific member roles, because their only advertising at meetings it isn't really open to anyone, also students are deciding who gets to know
- **POI Ai Vy:** are we going to run out based on what you know about whos requested
  - **Marcus yields time to Matt**
    - Matt is confident that we will be able to get extra money if we need it, it will come from program grants or somewhere if it needs to
- **Con Kieran:** if it was something more based in volunteerism that he would be more inclined to vote, seminars are optional... therefore were funding activities they don't have to go to... so we're funding a vacation
- **Con Abby:** because they aren't doing any service or required activities she isn't sure what we're funding exactly, also they have no data on who has received the scholarship in the past
- **Pro Parker:** not letting this through would be a bad precedent for christian/religious organizations in the future
- **Pro Andy:** inclined to vote for something that is more service based, but it is important to look at the financial constraints that people might have to practice their religion
- **Marcus motions to limit to debate:** 2:00 minutes
- **Con Marcus:** this is student fees money, the money collected needs to have campus impact, this does not impact the community
- **Pro Zach:** this is a collaboration between JMU and other colleges - this builds community between JMU and other colleges
- **POO Charlotte:** Can we table this and have them ask for less money?
- **Marcus yields time to Matt:**
  - Matt: that is a senate question
- **Marcus yields time to Elena**
  - How soon do they need the money?
- **Marcus yields time to Matt**
  - Matt motions to extend debate for an extra 2 minutes - it is seconded (idk by who sorry)
- **Rebecca Yields time to Elena:**
  - We can not table this



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- **Marcus motions to call to previous questions**
  - Zach objects
    - Motion passes to call to previous question

### Vote

- Motion fails
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### ***Parking Service Resolution***

- Pro Parker: worked with Marlena to determine that there should be a change (parking is confusing) - these are some feasible options for JMU students to make parking easier
- POI Alex: is a one week grace period no tickets at all, or a warning?
  - Warning and an explanation
- POI Takiyah: are there not already warning tickets?
  - Marlena: if it is the first time a car is parked at JMU you will get a \$0 ticket. The second time, it is a \$100 ticket
- Pro Helen: you have to show up the first week of class and people are trying to figure out their and other peoples schedules, people need to be able to park
- POI Marcus: what were your conversations with parking about
  - All of this was based off our conversations
- Pro Zach: people who don't know what's going on might really want that grace period, this will help
- Riley yields time to Elena
  - There are signs everywhere, the first week tickets fun a lot of parking services, people may lose their jobs
- Marlena: the money that they make is the money that they have (Matt confirms), they have an incentive to ticket
- POI Alex: would these warnings be one per vehicle? People might continue to park in these spots all week
  - Parker: this is why there are no warning tickets currently, but people are not going to continue parking there if they know they'll get a ticket eventually, this is also only one week
- Pro Kieran: this is an entirely reasonable, people may not be able to purchase a parking pass yet or know how to navigate this would help
- POI Riley: is there a way to change this a little bit so that you have to be registered in order to get the warning ticket
  - Parker:
  - Marlena: this would be a lot of issues for parking services to try and figure out how many tickets a person has
- Pro Kieran: it is our job to positively affect students this does that
- Pro Daniel: I don't have a car and I also support it
- Pro Parker: helps students that are paying tuition rather than their parking tickets, this grace period helps students who may not be able to financially afford this



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- Marlena: People tell you to just get there earlier, but it isn't really realistic for us to expect students to get to campus an hour early. This will help students to figure out their class schedule
- POI Ai Vy: have you considered a map of explicit places to park?
  - Parker: this is a conversation they can have, but they have said that they already provide maps for students
- PRO Kaito: it isn't our fault if people lose their job over this, it is JMU's fault
- POI Ian: will they have to follow through?
  - Parker: no, but parker is trying
- Marcus yields time to Elena
  - They open parking passes over the summer, people have plenty of time to buy parking passes, Elena thinks it should be split up - park mobile should be expanded, we also don't think that parking services are on board with this, so is it feasible? This has no backbone because it is just a warning and there is no fine. Recommends that it is split up
- Parker motions to limit debate to two minutes
- Pro Parker: we have heard for years that parking is difficult, this is the first step forward towards collaboration, this is just a step, this is us saying "this is what students want"
- Ai Vy: parking isn't fun because there aren't enough spaces, not because they don't know where to park. This is going to stunt students growth and understanding of consequences

Voting:

- Resolution passes

### **Chief of Staff Amendment**

- Marcus yields time to Elena
  - Pro Elena: the chief of staff title is indicative of what brielle is doing and is more well known
  - Pro Zach: Chief of staff sounds cooler
  - Charlotte motions for unanimous consent
    - Motion passes

*Reports*

*Announcements:*

RIFF OFF IS THIS FRIDAY! PULL UP!  
APPLY TO BE A FROG!

**Presentation:**



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Reports	
Executive Leadership Team	
<b>Nate Hazen, President</b>	<p>People still want to go to Jaliscos! We're still going Nate's outfit at BOV was really embarrassing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Really cool to tell the BOV about what SGA is doing!</li> </ul> <p>Battleship won a round! - shoutout Rebecca for the shirts Student Lobby day is February 22nd! - Marcus, Valeria, Maya Wilcox, Abby Canella and Nate are all going to Richmond! Nate threw a pen and it went super far, very scary actually</p>
<b>Faith Forman, Vice President</b>	Faith be billin
<b>Carlin Bumgarner, Speaker</b>	<p>Had a great time at the function! Chat with Carlin and ask her to get coffee!</p>
<b>Matt Haynicz, Treasurer</b>	<p>We have \$15,000 left! Program grants 26% of contingency left!</p>
Leadership Team	
<b>Zachary Fleming, Academic Affairs Chair</b>	<p>18 days till spring break! Fill out the CHBS postcards! Academic Council Meeting Feb. 26th from 6:30 - 7 in the office!</p>
<b>Alex Schleyer, Communications Director</b>	<p>Comms request is in canvas If you have any upcoming events you want to feature in march scan the QR code! Newsletter is coming soon!!</p>
<b>Abby Johnson, CAGE Chair</b>	<p>Game Night with open Doors! Friday - visit programs for middle schoolers with HBS BOO class presentations - ½ of an internal hour Please submit your hours! (CAGE TAB on canvas and then important links!)</p>
<b>Takiyah Monroe, DEIJA+ Chair</b>	<p>You need 2 DEIJA+ points! Working on boxes still -internal hour! DEIJA+ n' Discussion: 2/23 3-4 MUC 206 Donation Drive is now the week before AND after spring break</p>
<b>Marcus Rand, Legislative Affairs Chair</b>	<p>Postcards for parents was so much fun! Any ideas like this, chat with Marcus, he would love to help!</p>





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	<p>Leg Affairs tomorrow - focuses for D.C. advocacy          Marcus is going to Richmond for student lobby day!          In the final stretch with the Narcan Bill! - in the last round of meetings, read over the bill in the groupme and chat with Marcus about any additions or edits!</p>
<p><b>James Love Jr.,          Membership Chair</b></p>	<p>Had a lot of fun at battleship!          Had a lot of fun at the function!</p>
<p><b>Elena Finelli,          Parliamentarian</b></p>	<p>R&amp;E is going through appeals!          Robert's Rules are here in senate! GRAB ONE!          Keep debate about the resolution, and please be respectful!          She's sorry for slacking on coffee committee</p>
<p><b>Marlena Kozlowski,          USERV Chair</b></p>	<p>Let marlena know if you have anything for dining          Spring housing fair tomorrow          LNB and giving day on Thursday          ADPizza is March 5th before senate!</p>
<p><b>Brielle Lacroix,          Executive Assistant</b></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>Riley Gilbert,          Elections Commissioner</b></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>Josh Clemmer,          Class of 2024 President</b></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>John Petchel,          Class of 2025 President</b></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>Reagan Polarek,          Class of 2026 President</b></p>	<p>Ella! - she has seats in her car for taco tuesday!          DONATE TO THE FOOD DRIVE!          Ring Committee is in full force!</p>
<p><b>Kohl Nash,          Class of 2027 President</b></p>	<p>Spread the word about the t-shirt design contest!          FOLLOW THE INSTAGRAM @jmusga_2027</p>
<p><b>Rebeca Barge and Dirron          Allen,          Advisors</b></p>	<p>N/A</p>



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**Adjourned at:**