

## Commission on Student Affairs

University Council, Virginia Tech

January 31, 2019

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Brush Mountain Room, Squires Student Center

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### 1. Approval of Agenda (Louisse Bye)

- Louisse announced she is resigning from her current position so she will have more time, effort, and energy to focus on other priorities.
  - John will be facilitating meetings from this point forward
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### 2. Division on Student Affairs Updates (Dr. Simmons)

- Welcome week leader applications can be found on GobblerConnect and are due February 22nd
  - HokieCamp has shifted and we are expanding Welcome Week
  - MLK Speakers tonight @ 7 in Moss
  - Also tonight in The Source Student Org Mixer 6:30 to 8:30pm; free dinner
  - Tomorrow is Career Outfitters (Career and Professional Development) free of charge; get interview clothing; 10am to 3pm
  - Campus Kitchen dry meal packing; Squires 219 @3pm, go to GobblerConnect to register
  - Tomorrow Black Cultural Center hosting 90's Edition Soulful Friday in GLC Multipurpose Room
  - Venture Out on Sunday (Ground Hog Day Caving)
  - 1st GobblerNights is Friday, February 8th in McComas 9pm to 1am
  - Remember you can find out about all upcoming events on GobblerConnect
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### 3. Constituency Updates

#### Student Government Association (Sam Felber)

- Cranwell International (Media Policy) included Dr. Simmons, Communications, and Dr. Perillo
- SGA is interested in creating a task force to dive into the communication/media policy. If interested in joining please let them know.
- Religious absence with Dean of Students Office. SGA going to write up something so that Holidays will be noticed and students can take off from class and not be penalized.
- Title IX committee has been created
- Ad Hoc committee created as well

University Relations is being more thoughtful about diversity in pics, videos, etc. Dr. Simmons will connect SGA regarding the possibility of upcoming trainings.

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### **Graduate Student Assembly (Sam Fried)**

- Graduate/Student led effort to create some legislation around our campus's connection to coal-powered energy
- This effort is very new, and no legislation has been written, or plan of action created

### **Board of Visitors Representatives (Rachel Iwicki)**

- Path to duck pond not lit
- Dark Skies Initiative
- Bike safety, crosswalk safety and lighting
- Mental Health Task Force is getting student input and a lot of excitement

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## **4. University Council and Commission Updates**

### **University Council (Louisse Bye)**

- Sam did the first reading relating to the Membership
- 2nd reading on the 4th of the Membership Resolution
- John will represent CSA with plans for the semester and will be meeting with Dr. Sands
- Present to University Council

### **Commission on Equal Opportunities and Diversity (John Allen Livingston)**

- Work group that was going campus movent to change columbus day
- 1st meeting feb 4th will
- Workgroup on International Students/issues David Club
- Another on student involvement (hasn't met or done anything)

### **Academic Support Committee (John Allen Livingston)**

- Anyone interested in representing CSA?
- Dr. Simmons said we will find out more information to share

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## **5. New Business (John Allen Livingston)**

### **Assign and Confirm Spring Commission/Committee Assignments**

- Will open position if someone else wants to go to it, OEA, David Clubb
- Meets every other Monday 10 to 2 (John will get dates)
- If John cannot go to meeting would anyone be interested in going on Mondays @ 3pm and be a proxy?

**Location:** Pamplin 1045

**Dates:** Feb 4, Feb 18, March 4, April 8, April 22, May 6

### **Strategic Policy Review**

- SA Policies
  - Anything we would like to look at?
  - Working committee to bring back to CSA
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- On campus laundry - how that will look in the next 5 years? RHF was working on this. CSA would like to be part of this conversation.
  - Policies.vt.edu (include link) - not just 8000/5000 level policies. Can look at to see if possible to move through governance.
  - Space reservation and such changes to Hokie Handbook
  - Donations made to student organizations on campus (example: portion of deposit taken away from VT Foundation if deposited into a Foundation Account)
  - Fund Raising Policy (rumor: Orgs will not be able to fundraise?) Dr. Simmons is going to ask Dr. Wagoner for specifics.

### **Zoom Integration**

- Application like skype.
- Online classes use for lectures. Zoom is used for many different purposes including interviews and one of the commissions also uses zoom.
- Could better publicize meetings and we could offer virtual attendance an option
- Zoom gives you options to: schedule meetings, opens program on phone, laptop, chat box, share video, mute, etc.
  
- PROPOSAL:
- Come to meetings if you possibly can and if not then Zoom in
- Can we pilot at the next meeting?
- Members that virtually Zoom in do not have the option to vote

University Council: <https://governance.vt.edu/>

### **New Meeting Location**

- Squires 219 same time same dates

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## **6. Announcements (CSA Representatives)**

### **BOV Student Representative Applications (Rachel Iwicki)**

- BOV is currently accepting applications. Please encourage others to apply.
- If you see a VT posting on a social medial platform then share, share, share!
  
- SGA General Assembly Candidate Info Sessions next week in 340 Squires Student Center
- Men's Basketball – Black Out Game vs Kentucky next Monday

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## **7. Adjournment (John Allen Livingston)**

**Additional Instructions:**