

Executive Board Updates

Vice President: Avery Rasmussen

Discussed the results of the campus climate survey (CSS).

13.2 % of graduate respondents (N = 255) reported being somewhat or very ***dissatisfied with their non-academic experience at UVM***

10.9 % graduate student respondents (N = 255) reported being somewhat or very ***dissatisfied with their social life experience at UVM***

10.9 % of candidate respondents (N = 174) reported somewhat or strongly ***disagreeing that they can safely express themselves at UVM with regard to their cultural identity***

13.4 % of graduate student respondents (N=145) reported somewhat or strongly ***disagreeing that they can safely express themselves at UVM with regard to their disability***

29 % of graduate student respondents (N = 181) reported ***NOT being confident that they could easily find the answer, if they had a question regarding a disability or requesting an accommodation***

21.9 % of graduate students respondents (N = 266) reported somewhat or strongly ***disagreeing that UVM provides the resources they need in order to thrive in a diverse environment***

46.5 % of graduate student respondents (N = 210) reported ***NOT being aware of the protocol for reporting a bias incident at UVM***

69.6 % of graduate student respondents (255) reported

Goal: Gauge graduate student perspectives on what should be the top priorities for the GSS Inclusive Excellence Action Plan

Member-At-Large Grads Give Back (GGB) Coordinator: Michell DiPinto

Discussed GGB program and asked for suggestions on events. Asked to form small committee.

Suggestions were made;

Vans for community service events

Keeping people with mobility issues in mind

President Jessica added that senators need to attend one GGB event during the academic year to count towards attendance at the end of the year banquet.

Committee Updates

Student Mental Health Promotion Committee: Brandon Ackley (Chair) & Mickey Schuster (Vice Chair)

Short term goal: Spread awareness of existing CAPS resources available to graduate students, determine graduate student participation in Swipe Out Hunger, develop survey for graduate students to gauge need in student body.

Long term goal: Develop workshops (in conjunction with CAPS) based on needs identified in the survey, as well as to spread awareness of mental illness, and to assist SGA in implementing a student Food Bank.

They are *looking for feedback on the questionnaire*, please direct feedback to backley@uvm.edu or Michaela.Schuster@uvm.edu. The draft of the questionnaire can be found at: <https://forms.gle/R7bwK3yTqhD3dc267>

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee (DEI): Rosie Chapina (Chair) & Baxter Worthing (Vice Chair)

Promote the goals of diversity, equity, and inclusion in GSS and in our departments.

Ensure that all students feel included in the UVM committee.

Identify challenges and strengths in achieving DEI goals; and make recommendations to the President regarding ways to achieve DEI goals.

Housing Committee Updates - Alexander Daniels (Chair)

The Community vs University Dialogue

What does the university say?

- Community Relations: Lisa Kingsbury (ex)

What does the community say?

- SGA (combining forces)
- City Council
- The 60/40 Issue

- Tickets are available at the UVM bookstore or through ticket.uvm.edu.

Bylaws addition Article III Section G

- Current:

N/A

- Proposed:

Section G Member-At-Large

Clause 1 The Member-At-Large (MAL) shall be responsible for the duty which was given to them as identified by the President and approved by the Senate as outlined in Bylaws Article III Section A Clause 2.

Clause 2 The MAL is a non-voting member of the Executive Council, yet retains the right to vote in Senate if the MAL is an elected Senator. Being appointed a MAL does not grant the right to vote in Senate.

Clause 3 The MAL is not required to attend all Executive Council meetings, yet must be present at said meetings when requested by the Executive Council.

- Why:

To structure the MAL position.

3. There was a request for slides to be sent out before senate meetings. If the committee chairs can submit notes a little earlier, then Vice President Avery can send out the slides sooner.
 - Committee chairs agreed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:01pm.

25	Rosy	Neale	NFS
26	Kirtika	Chatri	Pharmacology
27	Jennifer	Chamberlin	Nursing Practice
28	Trevor	Wolf	CMB
29	John	Coffin	Social Work
30	Ceres	Rafiq	MATS
31	Sandra	Nnadi	Plant Biology
32	Naomi	Cunningham	CDAE
33	Anoob	Prakash	Plant Biology
34	Montana	Lara	