

MSG Meeting, 6-Feb-18

Welcome & Introductions

- Keith W. Zirkle, SGA Vice President of Graduate and Professional Studies
 - Joint SGA looking for questions re funding requests, kinks worked out of funding process, new deadline 1-March. Must provide documentation, anticipate larger needs
 - Re declined funding requests - reminder all events must be open to all VCU students. As simple as putting in TelegRAM (this counts as marketing to whole student body)
 - Elections coming up. Be on lookout. 4 seats for senators from MCV campus
 - Re Royalties. Met with Business Services. Uncertain if this is historical. But as of 1-Jan, clear policy that anything branded with VCU/MCV/etc. must go through an approved vendor. And 12% fee, which might have been incorporated into vendor's budget... ex. vendor "4imprint" absorbs cost; think most companies have been absorbing fee in the past. Majority of fee goes back toward scholarships; interest in developing more scholarships
- Reuben Rodriguez, Vice Provost for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
 - President Rao coming to next MSG Mtng!
 - Applications due next Friday for Board of Visitors
 - Master Site Plan process, vision for next 7-10yrs
 - Open input sessions over next few wks, can see current planning process
- Kendall Plageman, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, not present at meeting but sent following announcements:
 - **Student Representatives to the VCU Board of Visitors for 2018-19**
 - Applications will be accepted through Friday, Feb. 16 from students interested in serving as a student representative to the VCU Board of Visitors during the 2018-19 academic year. Information about eligibility and the application process can be found [online](#).
 - **Scholarship Money for 2018-2019**
 - \$265,000 of scholarship awards are being offered through the VCU Department of Business Services. These scholarships are open to all VCU students and vary from \$500 to \$7,500. Scholarship applications are [available online](#) and must be submitted by Thursday, February 15. Contact Stephen Monroe at 828-3637 or smonroe@vcu.edu if you have additional questions about these scholarship opportunities.
 - **Graduation Regalia Assistance 2018**
 - A fund has been established to provide those with financial need assistance in purchasing regalia for Commencement 2018. Students may request an

application for Regalia Assistance and more information, including deadlines to apply by visiting the [online website](#).

MSG Updates:

- a. President (Suraj)
 - i. VCU President Rao to attend March MSG Meeting - Tuesday, March 13th, 6PM
 - 1. Will likely follow different format, as we expect President Rao's address and Q&A to occupy most of the allotted time
 - ii. Elections held before April Mtng (Tue, 17-Apr)
 - iii. Transition MSG Mtng 1-May
 - iv. Student Honors Day - Friday, April 20th, 1 PM
 - 1. Highlighting both academic and non-academic accomplishments
- b. Class Updates
 - i. Class of 2021
 - 1. Into anatomy - thanks MSG for the gloves! Will use leftover \$10 for blades
 - 2. Photo shoot fundraiser. 27-Feb
 - 3. Mr. M1 planning on the books! 14-Apr. Working on venue
 - 4. Re evals: currently cannot evaluate HEART group leaders
 - 5. Research database: Link is on MSG website now, soon to be on official website.
 - a. <https://www.vcumsg.org/research.html>
 - 6. Shows funding opportunities (most are diff from Dean's fund scholarships). Gives contact info for PIs. Results from google form,
 - a. Will look into resources from other locations
 - b. Many deadlines for national awards have passed (some distributed previously by Dr. Woleben), so this will mostly be a resource for future years
 - ii. Class of 2020
 - 1. Step 1 Studying!
 - iii. Class of 2019
 - 1. Starting to plan for graduation, and assess need for fundraising
 - 2. Got instructions for MSPE and signing up for Away rotations today
 - iv. Class of 2018
 - 1. Panel tomorrow for M3's re M4 planning. Many specialties represented
 - 2. Most of class done with interviews, assembling list, planning Match Day (theme still hush-hush... will announce in 2 wks) and Graduation festivities
 - a. Gala for M4 Class will be held Friday, March 30th (final day of capstone).

- v. INOVA
 - 1. 9-Mar: students vs faculty dodgeball tournament
- c. Treasurer (Omar)
 - i. Royalty fee issue: will likely not go away. Representative of licensing office to take questions at next SGA meeting
 - 1. Licensing dept going to SGA mtng on 21-Feb. Send questions to protzuk... hopefully can find convenient way of
 - ii. Send me spending updates
 - iii. Be The Match (bone marrow registry) - speech at next SGA mtng. If anyone interested in helping with Be The Match, please contact protzuk...
- d. VP Social (Megan Wojick, proxy)
 - i. Feb liver rounds 16-Feb, at Legend brewery
 - 1. Working with Reach For Ghana; part of drink proceeds to benefit their cause
 - ii. April baseball game liver rounds? Can't plan for M4's to be present since no home games during M4 capstone week (which is usually when MSG-sponsored baseball game occurs)
- e. VP Student Life (Katherine Yu, proxy)
 - i. Scoop going well! Sending Sun and Wed
 - ii. SIG Leadership Awards - will be mtng with Lindsey soon to plan
- f. VP Societies (Scott Huang, Tippayanawat Tongvichit, proxies)
 - i. Strauss Cup planning underway, date set for 15-Apr
 - ii. Trying to reorganize societies, to distribute responsibilities
- g. VP Community Service (Alice Kim, proxy)
 - i. Mini DOC 27-Jan debrief
 - 1. Went very smoothly! Predominantly M1's in attendance
 - ii. February Mini DOC Official:
 - 1. Brookland Park Community Garden ([2901 Woodrow Avenue, Richmond, VA](https://www.google.com/maps/place/2901+Woodrow+Avenue,+Richmond,+VA)) on Saturday, February 17th from 10 AM - 1 PM
- h. VP Publications (Allan)
 - i. MSG Page Research Tab update
- i. VP Curriculum (Jill)
 - i. Recruiting replacement for position - preferably Curriculum Rep
 - ii. LCME Survey - please complete it!
- j. MSG SGA Representative (Saagar Sandhanwalia and Sanam Solanki, proxies)
 - i. SGA Elections - applications avail 26-Feb, due 19-Mar (see RamsConnect)
 - 1. Need many signatures to run
 - 2. Reach out to Saagar or Sanam with questions
 - ii. SGA Roundtable 21-Mar, 7pm Larrick Ballrooms

- 1. Opportunity to bring up concerns with VCU officials
- iii. Donuts & Coffee on MCV Campus (multip loc; 8, 12, 13, 14, 15-Feb)

DONUTS & COFFEE ON MCV CAMPUS

Thu, Feb 8	West Hospital (Allied Health) - Dean's Office Conference room, East Wing
Mon, Feb 12	Cabaniss Hall (Nursing) - Lounge Area *DNM
Mon, Feb 12	Lyons Building (Dentistry) - Crockett Lounge *DNM
Tue, Feb 13	Hunton Student Center, First Floor Lounge
Wed, Feb 14	Smith Building (Pharmacy) - Smith Lobby *DNM
Thu, Feb 15	Cabaniss Residence Hall - by the mail room/ elevators

- iv. ONEVCU Master Plan
 - 1. Assessing strengths and weaknesses of both campuses. Trying to unite both
 - 2. masterplan.vcu.edu
- v. SGA Funding Deadlines (!!SIG Leaders!!) 1-Mar Summer; 1-Apr Fall