

**MSG Meeting
December 10, 2019**

Introductions

New Business

Dr. Buckley

- Plan to involve students more in increasing endowment in future
- Discovery Series in Williamsburg now to be hosted in Richmond
- Philanthropy training for faculty (with possibility of inviting students as well)
- 17% increase in research funding
- Consultation with Dr. Wallach: helps us to identify changes we need to make in school policies and the national search for a new Senior Associate Dean

Dr. Woleben

- Thank you for those who met with Dr. Wallach; he was very impressed with students
- Will review feedback from students over winter break
- Exploring ideas of focus group/task force of students for specific issues
- Monthly communication to be sent out from curriculum office re: resources, policies

Ms. Kendall Plageman

- The Business Services Scholarships are open - applications are due on February 15, 2020. Students can apply online at bsv.vcu.edu/scholarships. There are specific scholarships for Graduate/Professional and Health Sciences students.

MSG Updates

- a. President (Alvin)
 - i. Research link on MSG website in the works
 1. Google form accessible to students
 - ii. Have a great winter break - good luck to the M2s.
 - iii. Thank you cards to the Curriculum Office, Dr. Buckley, and Dr. Klink
 - iv. To do list for winter break re: Dr. Wallach
- b. Class Updates
 - i. Class of 2023 - Almost done with M1 fall semester; end of the year party in works
 - ii. Class of 2022 - Town Hall re: wellnss for Monday at lunch; Dr. Constanzo will be there
 - iii. Class of 2021 - surviving and thriving, meeting with Dr. Woleben to review survey results
 - iv. Class of 2020 - interviews, most of us halfway done; ~80 responses on survey (PHQ9)
 - v. INOVA - Izzy: all is well up north for % 2021
 1. ILP's are completed, CS is scheduled (for most of us).

2. An anonymous poll planned for INOVA students to review concerns regarding wellness and academics, prior to meeting with deans.
 - a. ~15 responses, about half feel some degree of burnout
 - b. Brainstorming ways to address the issue
 3. Also planning a holiday party/open mic before everyone leaves for winter break :)
- c. Secretary (Katherine)
- i. Spring semester MSG Meeting dates
 1. 1/14
 2. 2/18
 3. 3/17
 4. 4/7 - Election for 2020-2021 MSG Board
 5. 5/5 - 1st MSG meeting with new MSG Board
 - ii. Class of 2022 election in March, prior to M3 rotation start
 - iii. Minutes from meeting with Dr. Wallach will be sent out this or next week
 - iv. Checking with M1 proxies if they've been signed out
- d. Treasurer (Dani)
- i. [BUDGET](#)
 - ii. Continue to send me your receipts so I can update the budget for everyone's benefit
- e. VP Social (Brendon)
- i. Medicine Ball - event went well
 1. Feedback for next year
 - a. Date not ideal for students
 - b. Bartending - ticket table location (diff in line inside and outside)
 - ii. Possible end of the year event
 1. DJ Syren offered a free event as a Thank-you for working with her during Halloween and Medicine Ball
 2. Given timeline unlikely, but thank DJ Syren for generous offer
- f. VP Student Life (Zoe)
- i. Nominations for SIG Awards and Staff of Excellence has been closed
 - ii. Voting will open and go through January 4th at midnight.
- g. VP Societies (Rachel)
- i. Thanksgiving Food Drive
 1. Over 1,000 pounds and 1996 items donated
 - ii. Current Point Totals
 1. Baughman 16
 2. Warner 13
 3. Harris 13
 4. Benacerraf 14
 - iii. Winter Socials
- h. VP Community Service (Olivia)
- i. Thank you to all who participated in DOCS this semester!

- ii. Chuck Siegel is the proxy for spring semester.
- i. VP Publications (Yena)
 - i. Med Ball photos are up; link on MSG website homepage
 - ii. If there are any errors on the website, particularly in the SIG information page, please let me know
- j. VP Curriculum (Komal)
 - i. Changes to schedule for M1 Marrow block
 - ii. Ongoing talk re: attendance for anatomy labs
 - iii. Will be in touch with M3 curr reps re: grading
 - iv. M4 Procedure elective - if interested please sign up!
- k. MSG SGA Representative (Everett)
 - i. Application open for medical student senator position
 - ii. Plan to have the new senators to attend the January meeting
- l. Wellness Committee (Wei-Li and Kalissa)
 - i. M2 Step 1 Wellness Panel - Dec 17th