

## Harmon Room - Library

October 5, 2023. 12:00 PM CST



MACALESTER COLLEGE  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT

## Legislative Body Meeting Minutes

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[Land Acknowledgment](#) (We are on Indigenous land) ~ *Reagan Kimzey* ~ 2 minutes

**Student Org Chartering** ~ *Mikayla Giehler* ~ 10 minutes

- [Pro-Choice](#)
  - Mikayla: Pro-Choice@Mac is a larger organization in Minnesota working to give people a space to do activism surrounding reproductive rights at Macalester
  - Reagan: are there any questions?
  - Vote
    - Alec Chen: motion to approve the charter of Pro-Choice at Mac
    - Emma Kopplin: Second
    - In favor: 21
    - Opposition: 1
    - Abstaining: 0
    - Reagan: Pro-choice at Mac has been chartered
- [Democracy Matters](#)
  - Sam (club representative): started this org to give everyone a voice in politics and protect voting rights
    - This org is non-partisan, everyone is welcome to have any opinions
    - If you have any questions, feel free to ask
  - Sean Maxfield: What does the average meeting look like?

- Sam: Democracy Matters is connected to a national organization, so there is a list of social issues going on currently to discuss, but the group will also engage more specifically with what is happening at Macalester
  - Luke Evans: Did this group exist in the past?
    - Sam: yes, it existed two years ago but was not restarted last year
  - Brady Thomas: how do we guarantee that this is not partisan?
    - Sam: the organization itself is nonpartisan, but Macalester may be slightly skewed
      - As leadership, Sam will try to keep conversations open to everyone
  - Vote
    - Eliora Hansonbrook: motion to approve the charter of Democracy Matters
    - Emma K: second
    - In favor: 20
    - Opposition: 0
    - Abstaining: 2
    - Reagan: Democracy Matters has been chartered
- [Voices of Mental Health](#)
  - Mikayla: Voices of Mental Health is another org that was previously established at Macalester but became inactive
    - The club works in advocacy and awareness at Macalester to help students get accommodations and decrease stigma surrounding mental health
  - Vote
    - Cooper Glick: motion to approve the charter of Voices of Mental Health at Macalester
    - Emma K: second
    - In favor: 22
    - Opposition: 0
    - Abstaining: 0
    - Voices of Mental Health at Macalester has been chartered

**[Mac First Aid Request](#) ~ Eliora Hansonbrook ~ 2 minutes**

- If you click the link, you can see the request that FAC approved last week
- This request is from Mac First Aid to travel to Washington, D.C. for a conference
- More details: the budget is \$6971.65

- Any request of greater than \$4000 needs to be brought in front of the LB, regardless of FAC approval
- Emma K: are they asking to be EMS Certified?
  - Cooper: Yes?
  - Elicora: No, that is a different request
    - This money is for a conference
- Sean: How many people are going?
  - Elicora: 10
- Vote
  - Mariah: when we motion for financial things, we need to say the number
  - Mariah: motion to approve the allocation of \$6971.65 to Mac First Aid
  - Ellen Patrickson: Second
  - In favor: 16
  - Opposition: 7
  - Abstaining: 0
  - Reagan: With that, the motion to allocate \$6971.65 to Mac First Aid is approved

**Community Chest Request** ~ *Mathilda Barr* ~ 2 minutes

- Bobbie Pennington would have been here to present this request, but he is unfortunately not able to make it today
- There is a rule that Community Chest requests above \$1000 dollars must be presented to LB
- Mathilda is presenting a request for an interdisciplinary event between the departments of Economics, Political Science, and Environmental Studies called MacGPT
  - This will be an all-day event in Kagin on November 4, where students brainstorm about important matters of environmental policies and come up with real-world solutions to them
- The event will feature dinners with professionals who actually work in these fields
  - People who attend the dinner have the opportunity to network with people
- Students will be brought together to work in interdisciplinary way in thinking of environmental policy
- The total amount is \$2391.11 to fund meals throughout the duration of the event
- Reagan: are there any questions?

- Emma K: are you getting any funding from Econ or other departments?
  - Mathilda: We will be receiving some additional funding, but this money will go toward large prizes
- Vote
  - Ellen: motion to approve the Community Chest request for \$2391.11 to fund meals throughout the duration of MacGPT on November 4
  - Sean: second
  - In favor: 19
  - Opposition: 1
  - Abstaining: 2
  - Reagan: With that we have approved the Community Chest request for \$2391.11 to fund meals throughout the duration of MacGPT

**Mac Weekly Visit** ~ *Emma Kopplin* ~ 5 minutes

- Guest - Emma Saloman
- Emma K: Emma Saloman is an editor at the Mac Weekly, and she is here to introduce the paper and the staff writers
  - Mac Weekly comes every week to report on our meetings, which is great for our publicity and transparency
  - We want to create a good relationship with them
- Emma Saloman: Editor for the news section, here with guest writer Cal
  - MCSG is a beat that will be included on page 2 every week
  - We have different people coming in every week, today is Alex, but they have a name placard and will introduce themselves to the Speaker each week so that the LB knows who is present
  - We are your voice to the outside world aside from social media, and we want to give credit to everyone
  - LB is a public meeting, and with that, it is being recorded so that everyone can get credit
    - We are here to report on the highlights, everything on the agenda, and what small groups report back
  - We have always done this, but we thought it would be good to introduce ourselves officially
- Emma K: remember that you are an elected official and this is a public meeting, so it can be reported on
  - If the Mac Weekly has any questions, they will direct them to Ryan
  - If they want quotes, LB members can interact with the Mac Weekly directly

**Committee Updates** ~ *Committee Members* ~ 3 minutes

- SOC: just chartered three new orgs, hopefully a new one next week

- FAC: has had two meetings since last LB meeting
  - First Meeting:
    - Admitted five new at-large members to FAC
    - Denied a request from X-ertion for \$2100 from operating for harddrive repair
    - Approved \$360 in operating fund for Macalester investment group
    - Approved \$201 from travel fund for the Outing Club
    - Approved \$87.50 from operating fund for the Outing Club
    - Approved \$215.40 from travel fund for the Birding Club
    - Approved \$219 from travel fund for Birding Club
    - Approved \$69.99 from capital fund for the Pep Band
    - Approved \$402.98 from operating fund for Women In Economics
    - Approved \$431 from travel fund for the Outing Club
    - Approved \$236.40 from travel fund for the Outing Club
    - Approved \$200 from operating fund for Pre Vet
    - Approved \$1726.11 from operating fund for Latinx Student Union
  - Second Meeting:
    - Approved \$50.48 from capital for L.S.U
    - Approved \$435.94 from operating for L.S.U
    - Approved \$65.82 from travel fund for the Birding Club
    - Approved \$36.99 from operating fund for Ua Ke
    - Approved \$1,150.80 from travel fund for Mac Fresh Concepts
    - Approved \$1512 from operating fund for Mac Fresh Concepts
    - Approved \$730 in operating for MCSG Fight Club
    - Approved \$154.76 in operating for MCSG Pied by Professors
- CEC: met yesterday, discussed more details about upcoming legislation week
  - Events are AAC Pied by Professors on October 16
  - FAC fight club October 17 with jousting
  - Shots with SOC photography club October 18
  - Cabinet Carnival on October 19
  - Kagin is October 20
- AAC: reached out to Patricia Langer for more details about book contract, haven't heard back but know that it was approved

**Cabinet Updates** ~ *Cabinet Members* ~ 7 minutes

- Willow Albano: Cabinet Chair

- Voted to approve MacGPT
- Working with CEC to promote the Cabinet more
- On behalf of Rola Cao: Belonging and Accessibility Liaison
  - Met with head of LSC yesterday
  - Reached out to disability today
- Yosephine Manihuruk: International Student Liaison
  - Discussed with student workers the list of problems that international students are facing
  - Scheduling regular meetings with professional staff to address issues
- Emma Rohrs: Health and Wellness Liaison
  - Meeting with relevant people
  - Discussing projects that are done but need to be ongoing
  - Plan for health and wellness booth for Legislaytion Week
- Philomena Shuffleton-Sobe: Residential Life & Dining Liaison
  - Met with Res Life this week, meet with Dining next week
- Sean Maxfield: Athletics & Recreation Liaison
  - Worked on identity-based lifting groups where POC or LGBT groups can meet
  - Opportunity for student athletes to volunteer with the other CEC
- Minori Kishi: Infrastructure and Sustainability Liaison
  - Meeting with director of sustainability office
  - Working on certification for Wildlife-Friendly Campus designation
  - Working for continued action on these fronts
- Reagan: any other cabinet updates?

**Bylaws & Election Code** ~ *Emma Kopplin* ~ 15 minutes

- Working on Omnibus Bill for several weeks now
- Today we will go through and accept or decline the changes that have been made
  - Exec has already gone through to check, but you all have the final say
- Vote ten pages at a time
  - 1-10
    - Any questions or discussion?
    - We have made changes with meetings and jobs
    - Alec: Can we make LB meetings one hour, or do they need to be 120 minutes?
      - Mariah: it is better to leave this open-ended so that if we need longer meetings in the future, we don't need to make a change

- As it is, meetings can be less time than 120, but if we changed the maximum to 60, then they couldn't be more than 60 even if we needed them to
  - If we want to, we can make this shorter in the future
- Vote
  - Ellen: motion to approve the first ten pages of the Omnibus Bill
  - Luke: second
  - In favor: 22
  - Opposition: 0
  - Abstaining: 0
  - Reagan: With that, the first ten pages of the Omnibus Bill are passed
- 11-20
  - We have changed wording in the FAC section, moving Community Chest under Cabinet
    - We have also fixed some of the contradictions that arose during our restructuring last spring
  - Mathilda: Is FAC in charge of hiring the FAC Bookkeeper Work Study Position? What wording do we want to use for this in the bylaws?
    - Eliora: The FAC chair doesn't manage the entire process of hiring people for this role, but took on a large part
  - Vote
    - Eliora: motion to approve pages 11 through 20 of the Omnibus Bill
    - Emma R: second
    - In Favor: 22
    - Opposition: 0
    - Abstaining: 0
    - Reagan: With that, pages 11-20 of the Omnibus are approved
- 21-30
  - In this section, we have added some things to AAC, as well as changed Cabinet office hours to one hour instead of 1.5
  - Vote
    - Eliora: motion to approve pages 21 through 30 of the Omnibus Bill
    - Yosephine: second

- In favor: 22
    - Opposition: 0
    - Abstaining: 0
    - Reagan: with that, pages 21 through 30 of the Omnibus Bill have been approved
  - 31-32
    - These are the last two pages of the Omnibus Bill, very few changes were made throughout this section
    - Vote
      - Mikayla: motion to approve pages 31 and 32 of the Omnibus Bill
      - Mariah: second
      - In favor: 22
      - Opposition: 0
      - Abstaining: 0
      - Reagan: Pages 31 and 32 of the Omnibus Bill have been approved
- Omnibus Bill in entirety
  - Now we will vote to approve the Omnibus Bill in full
  - Vote
    - Sean: motion to approve the Omnibus Bill in full
    - Emma R: second
    - In favor: 22
    - Opposition: 0
    - Abstaining: 0
    - Reagan: With that, the Omnibus Bill has been approved
- Election code
  - The election code is 13 pages, so we will vote on sections 1-7 and 8-13 before voting on the election code in its entirety
  - 1-7
    - Luke Evans: the election code mentions that international students who are only here for one semester at a time can't vote for class reps. Is this true?
      - Emma K: that is true because they are not officially part of a class, but they can vote for other positions within the exec board, as well as for cabinet liaisons
      - Ellen: it seems like the word "international" got removed from this wording
    - We also had some changes regarding split ticket and who can run



- We will have slightly stronger criteria for who can run on a split ticket in the future
- Vote
  - Elicora: motion to approve the first seven pages of the election code
  - Emma R: second
  - In favor: 20
  - Opposition: 2
  - Abstaining: 0
  - Reagan: The first seven pages of the election code have been approved
- 8-13
  - Vote
    - Luke: motion to approve pages 8 through 13 of the election code
    - Owen King: second
    - In favor: 22
    - Opposition: 0
    - Abstaining: 0
    - Reagan: With that, pages 8-13 of the election code are approved
- Election Code in Entirety
  - Now we will vote to approve the election code in full
  - Vote
    - Elicora: motion to approve the election code in full
    - Owen: second
    - In favor: 22
    - Opposition: 0
    - Abstaining: 0
    - Reagan: With that, the election code has been approved

**Legi-slay-tion Week** ~ *Mathilda Barr* ~ 10 minutes

- This will be more difficult without tables, but we will now break into committee groups to discuss plans for Legislaytion Week
  - Focus on finalizing budgets and confirming carnival plans
  - Split into groups, have a member of the CEC in each group

**Announcements** ~ 2 minutes

- Reagan: yay Legislaytion week!
- Ryan: take pizza!
- Mathilda: Minori and Mathilda having a panel session for International Roundtable next week

- The theme of the IRT is humanoids
- Will speak on influence of AI and robotics in agriculture
- Panel be next Thursday at 8:30am, would love to see people there
- Mariah: next week after meeting, a higher-up from Bon Appetite is coming at 1:00pm
  - If anyone eats food or is passionate about dining at Mac, come be here
  - Stay if you can for 20 minutes/half an hour
- Eliora: There was a reservation mess-up in the Harmon Room today, so please make sure to put the chairs back into their original positions!