

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION AGENDA

April 14, 2020

The students of Merrimack College, in hopes of protecting and ensuring the rights of all students and the Merrimack College community hereby establish The Student Government Association of Merrimack College, referred to as the SGA.

President: Amanda Gallagher (2020) **Vice President:** Bia Kerr (2022)

Treasurer: Liam OCearuil (2022) **Secretary:** Haley Mallett (2020)

Parliamentarian: Josh Rizzo (2020) **Publicist:** Cobbina Appiah (2022)

Advisor: Rose McCarthy, Hanna Christ



Members present: Amanda Gallagher (2020) Bia Kerr (2022) Liam OCearuil (2022) Haley Mallett (2020) Josh Rizzo (2020) Cobbina Appiah (2022) Abigail Hooper (2021) Adrian Cintron (2022) Alex Thelusma (2020) Ally Gioia (2023) Angie Wasi (2021) Ashley Greene (2023) Brandon Ellsworth (2022) Dan Hansen (2020) Freddy Monroy (2023) Geena Levine (2021) Haley Taing (2021) Jackie Jordan (2022) Jenna Stanish (2022) John-Paul Haley-Read (2020) Kiley Martel (2023) Lillian Schaefer-Calderon (2023) Matthew Cavoli (2023) Melissa Driver (2023) Morgan Proko (2020) Natalie Pagliocca (2021) Nicholas Barber (2023) Olivia Faulkner (2022) Sabella Fabiano (2021) Sam Grenier (2023) Sam Mathews (2022) Sophia Alpert (2023) Tayleigh Tierney Honan (2021) Tiana Lawrence (2020) Tiffany Vo (2022) Tim Hare (2020) Victoria Ponte (2021)

Non-Voting Members:

Members absent: Leena Ali (2021)

Students in attendance:

Staff in attendance:

I. ROLL CALL:

- A. President Amanda Gallagher '20 called the SGA meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
- B. SGA Secretary Haley Mallett '20 took attendance. Quorum was met.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM: April 7, 2020

- A. The minutes were approved.

III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: **Amanda Gallagher '20**

- A. Election Speeches
 1. Following the SGA meeting, Executive Board candidates will deliver speeches to the student body over Zoom.
 2. All Senators are expected to attend per the attendance policy.
- B. SGA Extension
 1. Next Tuesday, April 21 will be the last official SGA meeting of the semester.
 2. The following week will be used by the current Executive Board to hold transition meetings for the new Executive Board.
 3. The last Tuesday of the semester, May 5, will be a virtual SGA banquet over Zoom.
- C. Feedback Questions
 1. SGA will start posting on its Instagram for student feedback.

IV. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: **Bia Kerr '22**

- A. Student Organization Update
 1. The Student Organization Committee is working with the President of the potential club BRASA to prepare it for SGA approval.

V. SECRETARY'S REPORT: **Haley Mallett '20**

- A. Elections
 1. Election ballots will open following Election speeches and will remain open until Friday, April 17 at 12 pm.

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- VI. TREASURER'S REPORT: Liam OCearuil '22
 - A. Finance Update
 1. The Finance Committee is working on adding finance forms to the Warrior Network.
 2. The Committee will present their progress at the next SGA meeting.

- VII. PARLIAMENTARIAN'S REPORT: Josh Rizzo '20
 - A. Nothing new to report.

- VIII. PUBLICIST'S REPORT: Cobbina Appiah '21
 - A. Nothing new to report.

- IX. GRADUATE FELLOW'S REPORT: Hanna Christ
 - A. Nothing new to report.

- X. ADVISOR'S REPORT: Rose McCarthy
 - A. Nothing new to report.

- XI. CHAIR REPORTS:
 - A. Information Technology Committee: **John-Paul Haley-Read '20**
 1. Nothing new to report.

 - B. Diversity Affairs Committee: **Tiana Lawrence '20**
 1. Nothing new to report.

 - C. Residence Life Committee: **Nick Barber '23**
 1. Nothing new to report.

 - D. Campus Infrastructure Committee: **Sam Mathews '22**
 1. The Campus Infrastructure Committee is working with Hamel Health to promote its services and remove the stigma around it on campus.
 2. The Committee is going to recommend that Hamel Health communicate with students over social media and email.
 - a) This includes posts and emails focused on specific topics, including staying sanitary during flu season and calm during stressful times, information about COVID-19, and more.
 - b) Posts and emails would be focused on various topics, including staying sanitary during flu season, calm during stressful times, and so on.
 3. The Committee also wants to discuss the potential of more staff working for Hamel Health and an easier process for booking appointments.
 4. Hamel Health is offering teletherapy for students while the campus is closed.
 5. Hamel Health is also hosting an online interactive session about emotional wellness on Thursday, April 16 and 23 at 1 pm.

 - E. Academic Affairs Committee: **Tayleigh Tierney-Honan '21**
 1. Nothing new to report.

 - F. Dining Committee: **Tim Hare '20**
 1. The Dining Committee is working with Dining to ensure perishable food that was left on campus is donated.

 - G. Environmental Affairs Committee: **Morgan Proko '20**

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1. The Environmental Affairs Committee is working with Campus Ministry to see if Sweeps Week can still occur.

H. Career Affairs Committee: **Alexandra Gioia '23**

1. Students are encouraged to check Handshake for the O'Brien Center's upcoming events.

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

XIII. NEW BUSINESS:

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. [LEAD Awards Nominations](#)
- B. Relay for Life: Saturday, April 18 from 11-1pm

XV. ROLL CALL:

- A. Mallett '20 took attendance.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT:

- A. Gallagher '20 adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, April 21.

Mission Statement

The SGA seeks to be the voice for the Merrimack College Community through engagement and representation. The SGA will serve as an advocate for students, faculty, and staff. The SGA will inform the community of policy changes and promote campus events. The SGA will provide committees to be delegates for aspects of campus life. The SGA will create a platform for student leaders to engage and be a role model for the campus. The SGA will foster the values of the Institution and reflect them through the SGA's actions. Our Values as an SGA are as follows: Communication, Accountability, Inclusion, and Advocacy.