



Student Government Assembly Agenda

September 4th 2020 | 1:00pm

[Via - Zoom](#)

The regular weekly meeting was called to order by President **Braedan Weart** at 1:05pm via Zoom on Friday, September 4th, 2020. *A quorum was present.*

Call to Order: 1:00pm

- Roll Call
 - Braedan
 - Stephanie
 - Alaura
 - Dominique
 - Birungi
 - Maryan
 - Sheldon
 - Cynthia
 - Guillermo
- Absent

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes & Agenda

- The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed. The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

Check in: On a scale of 1-10, 10 being the most stressed out, where do your current levels read?
What might you be able to do to lower them?

Reports of Officers

- **Report of President | *Braedan Weart***

- Tuesday, September 15 will be a **Student Town Hall** to talk with students and address concerns with is going to be with VP Stephanie Braun, AVP/Dean of Students Braelin Pantel, Ph.D.
 - Information on SGA Home Page!
- Today I gave a presentation to the BOT to help them learn basically what SGA is doing this year and the structure of SGA.
 - BOT was interested more in SACAB in understanding what they are doing (initiatives/goals) and their relationship with the Tri-Institutional campuses and AHEC.
 - BOT also had a conversation on the Denver County Minimum Wage and its impact on MSU Denver when it comes to student employment.

Braedan Weart informed the group on his presentation to the Board of Trustees and suggest in the next presentation to the board that SGA talks more about SACAB and the details of how they operate. It was in this same meeting that minimum wage for Denver country was being raised. Braedan suggested a look at the budget should be done to see if we could be in better practice with the county.

Braedan also reported to the group about a town hall that's being help on September 15th by myself and Stephanie Braun to address concerns and comments from the students.

- **Report of Vice President | Stephanie Braun**
 - Education Policy and Advocacy Panel, September 9th
 - Meeting with Emily Willian (SAB Advisor) this week (the exact time and date is to be determined)

Stephanie Braun reported that she had been in communication about a panel but after some time had passed the panel determined they “should be alright without the need of her help”. Stephanie still volunteered in case any last-minute changes happened.

Stephanie has also been in communication with Emily Willan about SAB in the preparation of this coming funding season.

- **Report of Student Trustee | Alaura Ward**
 - BOT Update

Alaura Ward informed the group that the Board of Trustees voted on raising tuition to 3% for the Spring 2021 semester and passed. Conversation followed up on being able to have additional funds available for students who this increase would impact and talked about being able to potentially offer an H.S.I. scholarship.

The Board also created a committee on Sustaining Racial Justice as a part of the commitment on becoming an Anti-Racist Institution.

- **Report of SACAB | Dominique Perez & Birungi Balijahe**
 - Voted on SACB positions for the academic school year officially and spoke with Chief Phibbs of the Auraria Police Department.
 - **Chair:** Marlena Fay | CU Denver
 - **Vice Chair:** Dominique Perez | MSU Denver

- **Chief Justice/Public Relations Coordinator:** Birungi Baliyje | MSU Denver
 - **PODSOC Chair:** Olivia Neece | CU Denver
 - **FSAC Chair:** Dominique Perez | MSU Denver
- **Election Services Team | *Sheldon Solis-Manus (Manager)***
 - No Report
- **Report of Senator | *Maryan Issack***
 - Furthering base information on Prayer Room's that are on the Auraria Campus.
 - Connecting with the Tri-Institutions to ask them more information about any locations of prayer rooms they may have on their campus.
- **Report of Advisors | *Dr. Cynthia Baron & Guillermo Ramirez***
 - Board of Trustee Meetings and its connection to the work of SGA!
 - Tuition Increase for Spring 2021 - \$108
 - Kudos to Student Trustee Ward in advocating for the Student Body
 - RTD CollegePass Program
 - Student Emergency Fund is decreasing quickly as Fall Semester starts. Fund may be gone as soon as of October 2020.
 - SGA Budget Conversation with Chriss Harder
 - Nice rollover from last year

Committee Reports:

- Academic Policy Committee (contact rrusse18@msudenver.edu)
- Face to Face Class Committee (jmccann7@msudenver.edu)
- Road Runner Safer Return (lsampler@msudenver.edu)
- Student Affairs Committee (ckendal4@msudenver.edu)
- University Policy Advisory Committee (webbme@msudenver.edu)
- Brazen Project Coalition Committee (lettytorres@neweracolorado.org)
 - Alaura Ward is reaching out for more information and bringing to SGA.

Old Business:

- N/A

New Business:

- Updates on roles and responsibilities as each member of SGA.
 - How comfortable are you on a level of 0 – 10 (10 being the most comfortable in your position).
 - Where do you need support in your position and what may that support look like?

Public Comment:

- Rachel Lorenz, MSU Denver Student, representing: Met Media
 - Story on “*How SGA is Operating Online in a COVID-19 World.*”
 - Took a screenshot picture of the SGA Team to potentially use in the story

Adjournment: President Weart called for adjournment at: 2:06 PM

**President Weart motioned to extend the meeting five minutes at 2:01pm. Vice President Braun seconded.*

President Weart called for roll call vote:

- *Stephanie – Yay*
- *Alaura – Yay*
- *Birungi – Yay*
- *Dominique – Yay*
- *Sheldon – Absentee*
- *Mayran - Absentee*

The vote passed by majority vote to extend the meeting five minutes until 2:06pm.