SGA General Body Meeting

Agenda

Monday, March 1, 2021

5pm-6pm

**Call the meeting to order: 5:03pm**

Introductions in the Chat box

1. **Call to Order:** “The meeting will now come to order”
	* Review Agenda
2. **Introductions**-
	* SGA E-board
		1. My name is Judith Park and I am serving you all this year as the SGA President, we also have on the call Joy Scalabrin who is our SGA Vice President and Caitlin Balicki who is the Corresponding Secretary
	* OSS- Ms. Washington, Dean Taylor
		1. We also have on the call Ms. Washington and Dean Taylor from the Office of Student Services who have been a great support to the SGA and students
3. **Meeting Minutes from February** - The minutes will be approved as read- if you have any changes you would like to make to the minutes please email the SGA
	* Link to minutes: <https://www.ssw.umaryland.edu/sga/sga-meeting-minutes/>
	* Always posted on SGA website after meeting
4. **Reports/Updates (2-3min per group)**
	* Remind student leaders:
		1. Continue sending their attendance sheets and minutes to OSS
		2. Succession Planning - email SGA e-board or schedule meeting if you need assistance with this or want to chat more about it
		3. End of year evaluation for student group leaders and student reps- due by April 22nd
			+ <https://www.ssw.umaryland.edu/sga/important-forms/>
			+ **A new form will be created for USGA senators and faculty committee reps to fill out**
			+ Exit interviews with SGA e-board can also be scheduled in addition to these forms if you would like to discuss in more detail
	* Active Student Groups (*names underlined in attendance*)
		1. ISWO (Anna Thompson & Sheila Winter)-not present
		2. LUCHA- Latinx Unidos for Community Healing and Awareness (Melody Concas, Daniela Pulido)
			+ Had last meeting on Feb.8,this months meeting will be on March 8 at 5pm-topic is TBD
			+ Are working on who will take over next year
		3. QCA-Queer Community Alliance (Edgar Fields, Jennifer Blue)- not present
			+ Had four black history month movie nights last month
			+ Will be continuing with movie nights this month
			+ Will also have a meeting on the 26th at 5pm
		4. OASIS (La’Nia Latimer, Sakiera Malone, Sierra Somerville, Jasmine Thornton, Lezer Getahun )
			+ Black History Month/ Black Lives Matter week of events was successful- did a movie night with QCA, had open mic night, held Black Lives Taken Vigil
			+ Focusing on Women's History Month event this month
		5. CSWF -Christian Social Work Fellowship (Mavlyn Bazil, Daneisha Johnson)
			+ Held a bible study meeting two weeks ago, next meeting is this Wednesday, March 3 at 5:30pm. Will be discussing the new Biden/Harris immigration policy
			+ Working on putting together a panel for students about working with military members and their families
		6. The Alliance (Nina Duzhikhin, Ivania Morales, Shanice Harris)
			+ Held a General Body Meeting last month and did relationship building & pod mapping, will be having another meeting coming up soon
		7. MSU -Macro Student Union (Eva Bialobrzeski & Lucy Zhao)
			+ Held open forum about life after graduation, next event is March 26 at 12pm and will be on Keys to Creating Social Change
		8. DREAM Disability Justice (Dana Kobrin)
			+ Meeting this Wednesday, March 3 from 5:15pm-6pm
			+ Will be hosting a critical eye watch party at end of March and will be analyzing TV shows, video games, and movies
		9. AOWG (Yael Ben-Chaim, Isabel McLain, Mj Lanier, Loraine Arikat, Melia Jannotta)
			+ Meeting this week to discuss events for the rest of the semester and working on strategies to find leadership for next year
			+ Also working on facilitating event with Intercultural Center in April on racial justice facilitation training. Are looking at Friday, March 26th in afternoon and training will be 3 hours. Let AOWG know if interested in participating: AOWG@ssw.umaryland.edu

More info on each student group can be found at: (Email student groups if you are interested in joining) <https://www.ssw.umaryland.edu/sga/sga-supported-groups/>

* + **SSW Committee Update**
		1. DEIC (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion) Committee (Isabel McLain)
			- Have formed workgroups and subcommittees around training, accessibility and inclusion, and documentation,can reach out if interested in participating- mlanier@umaryland.edu or imclain@umaryland.edu
	+ **Faculty Committees**
		1. Macro Curriculum Committee (Eva Bialobrzeski)
			- Had meeting last month and discussed 1 credit Macro courses. 2 classes were cancelled due to lack of enrollment so discussed when is the best time to provide 1 credit courses. Also discussed professors having capacity to coordinate networking opportunities in order to foster more community,
			- Can email Eva with and questions or comments : eva.bialobrzeski@umaryland.edu
		2. Clinical Concentration Committee (Julia Petre)
			- Discussing next semester and what are the best opportunities for students to learn. Discussed student feedback and trends in grades. Haven’t made any decisions yet about learning format yet but are concerned with with how students will learn best
		3. Masters Program Committee ( Joy Scalabrin, Anna Britton)
			- Discussed History of Oppression pre req course based on feedback from evaluations.
				1. discussed streamlining modules and adding some new material to show different communities perspectives
				2. Also discussed infrastructure of the course in terms of accessibility and technology
			- Also discussed past semester syllabi becoming available to students and professors
				1. Still discussing how this would work and it would not be public information. Students would have to access with UMID etc.
	+ **USGA Senators** (Mj , Olubunmi, Chris (primary), Julia, Lindsey, Johanne Etienne)
		1. Conversations about timelines for reopening of gym, changing health insurance policies, if you have any concerns or issues- can email Chris at csdaniel@umaryland.edu
			- Can also email Chris with any questions about a field placement with Maryland General Assembly
		2. Equity officer got approved by the USGA and equity committee is still being developed- reach out to Shanice if interested in joining, want to have SSW students participate in committee
1. **Open Leadership Positions**
	* Student Group leadership
		1. In-active student groups:
			+ Student group info- <https://www.ssw.umaryland.edu/sga/sga-supported-groups/>
			+ IFSW- Intersectional Feminism and Social Work
			+ TIKKUN- the Jewish social work student organization
			+ SSW Parent Alliance
		2. Link to student leadership form: Also on the SGA website <https://umbforms.wufoo.com/forms/z1hxn6ma03arlm2/>
2. **New Business**
	* **Tuition Update - Dean Cherita Adams**
		1. Cherita Adams, Assistant Dean for Administration & Strategic Initiatives will give an update on tuition for the next academic year
			+ No real changes for next academic year. There is a. 053% increase due to inflation, and mandatory fees for student center, student health center campus center and technology fees (none of which SSW has control over)
			+ Proposed tuition rates: <https://www.umaryland.edu/media/umb/af/ira/education/tuition-and-fees/Proposed-FY-2022-Tuition-and-Mandatory-Fees-UMB.pdf>
			+ Trying to make things as equitable and cost effective as possible
			+ Questions of comments:Cherita.adams@ssw.umaryland.edu
	* **SSW Strategic Planning Steering Committee - Megan Samuels**
		1. Working with SSW on strategic planning committee and are discussing how UMBs strategic planning is going, goals specifically for SSW from 2022-2026 (5 year plan)
		2. Students can share any feedback they have on the strategic plan or SSW goals with Megan: msamuels@umaryland.edu
		3. Previous SSW strategic plan: <https://www.ssw.umaryland.edu/media/ssw/strategic-plan/hires_June19_SSW_StrategicPlan_Final.pdf>
	* **2021 Virtual Job Fair - Ms. Washington**
		1. Job Fair is April 7 from 10-3
		2. Students will apply for positions directly with agency and more information will be sent out to graduates
		3. Graduating students are excused from field that day
		4. Can reach out to Ms. Washington with any questions: twashington@ssw.umaryland.edu
	* **Convocation Updates**
		1. Forms to submit nominations for student, faculty and staff awards for this year’s convocation will be on the daily bulletin this week
			+ Look out for that and all students are able to submit nominations for these awards
		2. There will also be an announcement this week on the daily bulleting for Student Speaker for Convocation - All May and July 2021 Graduates are eligible to apply
			+ If you are interested in being the 2021 Student Convocation Speaker, please submit a 5-minute video file of you delivering your speech to Dean Henriette Taylor at studentservices@ssw.umaryland.edu by March 31st at 11:59 pm to be considered. Videotaped speeches will be reviewed by the student convocation planning committee; who will decide who is chosen for this honor.
			+ The speech must directly relate to the 2021 NASW Theme; Social Workers Are Essential (https://www.socialworkers.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=etD90pK30Bg%3d&portalid=0). However, the way you approach the topic is totally up to your creative discretion! You can record your speech using any video platform including VoiceThread: https://sites.google.com/site/sswideateam/students/voicethread-for-students.
			+ There is a link on the convocation webpage for each student to fill out their page which will be featured in the virtual graduation. Each student will have a page with their name, photo, inspirational quote etc.
			+ For any additional questions please contact Dean Henriette Taylor, or the Office of Student Services at studentservices@ssw.umaryland.edu.
	* **SSW Homecoming** -this **Friday, March 5th from 9:30 am – 12:15 pm**
		1. We are celebrating 60 years of being a SSW. Our theme next year is “Facing our Past - Transforming our Future.”
		2. Announcement in the daily bulletin with registration link:
			+ <https://www.mysswbulletin.info/single-post/umssw-s-homecoming-march-5-celebrating-60-years-of-umssw-facing-our-past-transforming-our-future>
	* **Any other new business?**
		1. Next issue of the Disruptor is coming up
			+ Student leaders can send messages about their groups to feature in the issues Also looking for art for next issue and commentary on what brought you to social work, what you want to do etc.
			+ Looking for submissions by Friday, March 5 and can email Anna at sswstudentjournal@gmail.com
3. **Upcoming Events**
* Events- take advantage of these meetings to know what is going on in the school and if you can’t attend, email the facilitators or email us so we can make sure this info is shared - important that they know students are interested
	+ Also be sure to check the daily bulletin every morning- it’s the best way to stay updated on important announcements and events!

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| March 3rd | 5:15pm | DREAM meeting |
| March 5th | 9:30am | UMSSW Homecoming 2021 - Facing Our Past/Transforming Our Future |
| March 8th | 5:00pm | LUCHA meeting |
| March 9th | 12:00pm6:00pm | Social Work Affinity Spaces - BIPOC, White Accountability, LGBTQ+, Disability Justice and AdvocacyMenstrual Justice Event hosted by ISWO and UMB’s Student Global Advisory Committee |
| March 13th -21st |  | Spring Break! |
| March 23rd | 12:00pm | Social Work Affinity Spaces - BIPOC, White Accountability, LGBTQ+, Disability Justice and Advocacy |
| March 26th | 12:15pm5:00pm | Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee (DEIC) Meeting - open to all studentsQCA Meeting |
| April 12th | 5:00pm | April SGA General Body Meeting - open to all students |

* Are there any other events anyone would like to announce?
* Will update events on FB due to time and anyone can email SGA if don't have access to Facebook
1. Other
* It's important to share updates and information from these meetings with classmates, not everyone can attend GBM meetings, there are lots of ways to get involved as a student, this also helps to build a community as students