SGA General Body Meeting

Agenda

**Monday, December 2, 2019**

Call the meeting to order: at 5:08pm

Empowering Phrase (EP): ***Paul of Tarsus, “Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Romans 12:11.”*** Take away/message: **Don’t Lose your passion.**

1. **Approval of last Minutes (November 2019):** motioned/ approved
2. **Administrative notes:**
   * Roberts Rules, Decorum, Jenny parliamentarian (time keeper)
   * Annual Evaluations due to OSS by TBD, will keep groups posted once due date is assigned
   * Continue to Update/Monitor Google Calendar for Spring semester
   * Constitution and bylaws- Submitted to OSS for review & posting online for student body
   * November 2019 Minutes were submitted to OSS for review and posting online for student body review
   * EBoard Meeting with Dean Barth November 11, 2019:
     + Solicit suggestions from student body for Commencement speakers, submit names to [sga@ssw.umaryland.com](mailto:sga@ssw.umaryland.com)
     + Speakers are generally unpaid, but gifted an honorarium and doesn’t have to be a social worker or famous figure, but should have good sense of the profession and humanitarianism & be a motivational/inspiring speaker
3. **Old Business:** 
   * **Task Force Items- Communications Work Group:** to be developed in the near future, student representation would be needed. Communication & Marketing Dept., Matt Conn and Cherita Adams anticipating visiting during next general body meeting to discuss plans for communications going forward, and collect student feedback.
   * Dean search committee-reviewing candidate resumes, interviews to begin in January 2020
   * Diversity Officer search committee:
     + The Diversity Officer position is posted, no additional updates. Likely to start in January 2020 with interviews.
   * Student Emergency Relief Fund (SERF) update:
     + Soliciting ideas for a program name, submit ideas to [sga@ssw.umaryland.edu](mailto:sga@ssw.umaryland.edu).
     + Currently soliciting revenue to increase the fund, promotions to be sent out to encourage donations on “Giving Tuesday” and year end giving. Idea is for Class of 2020 to donate money towards the fund as class gift, and solicit alumni contributions.
     + Copy of current SERF program description, and application sent to the SERF Committee for review and feedback via email, copies available/distributed at the meeting. For electronic copy contact [sga@ssw.umaryland.edu](mailto:sga@ssw.umaryland.edu) or Franciso Leca at franciscoleca@umaryland.edu.
     + Student Emergency Relief Fund (SERF) Committee: Gabby Arrazola Pulido, Amanda Fox, Maryrejahlil Lanier (MJ), Amanda Wisniewski, Molly McCracken, Magee Morales
   * **Student leadership vacancies** *(\*if interested in any of the following, please contact* [*SGA@ssw.umaryland.edu*](mailto:SGA@ssw.umaryland.edu) *for further details)*

* **SSW SGA Corresponding Secretary:** following up with interested student to solidify appointment
* **SSW SGA Treasurer**
* **Faculty Committees with Student Representatives:**
  + Faculty Executive Committee (FEC) Chair Dr. Jay Unick (2021)
  + Admissions committee; *One advanced year*
  + Clinical Concentration committee
  + Diversity & Anti-Oppression Committee (DAO); *One foundation year student*
  + Field Education Committee; *One foundation year student*
  + Foundation Committee; *One foundation year student*
  + Global Initiatives; *Foundation or Advanced year student*
  + Convocation Committee; *Advanced year student*

1. **New Business: Report Out (10 minutes)**
   * + **The Alliance- of Anti-Racist Social Work Practitioners**

Shanice Harris, Nina Duzhikhin, Ivania Morales: Leaders (underline names present)

**Next Meeting/Event:** Navigating the Crossroads: Panel on Intersectionality in SW, co-facilitated with AOWG, OASIS, & IFSW on Tues, December 3 from 5-6:30pm in room 2W11

* + - **Anti-Oppression Work Group (AOWG)**

Amanda Wisniewski & Joanna Merry: Co- Leaders (underline names present)

November Event, “Stitch & Such” was great success!

**Next Meeting/Event: 1.)** Zero Waste Training with United Workers on Weds, December 4 from 5-6pm, **2.)** General Meeting on Mon. Dec 9th at 5pm.

* + - **Christian Social Work Fellowship (CSWF)**

Sheronda Gross and Yetunde ‘Yeti’ Oriowo: Co- Leaders (underline names present)

December general meeting was held today, December 2 at 12:30pm, and was well attended.

**Next Meeting/Event:** Making Holiday Cards for Professors/Staff on Mon, December 9th at 12:30 in SSW Lobby

* + - **International Social Work Organization (ISWO)**

Anna Thompson and Jessica Harding: Co- Leaders (underline names present)

Welcome new leaders, Anna Thompson and Jessica Harding. Inactive in Fall 2019, but to receive funding and officially resume business as SSW SGA affiliated group in Spring 2020.

**Next Event/Meeting:** TBD, Spring 2020

* + - **Latinx Unidos for Community Healing and Awareness (LUCHA)**

Erick Sowell & Gaby Arrazola-Pulido: Co- Leaders (underline names present)

**Next Meeting/Event: 1.)** Holiday Potluck over break, location and time TBD. Tentative date Jan. 10, at 5pm. **2.)** Panel Discussion & Collaborative Event with Medical Student Association, on Jan. 27, 2020. **3.)** Next general body meeting will be Feb. 2020; date TBD.

* + - **Macro Student Union (MSU)**

Christina Koch & Maggie Glass- Co-Leaders (underline names present)

Resume workshop event was a great success, very beneficial to those who attended.

MSU looking to collaborate with other student groups in the spring semester for joint programming, contact leadership if interested. Planning for next semester.

**Next Meeting/Event:** General Meeting on Feb. 10, 2020 at 5pm

* + - **Organization of African-American Students in Social Work (OASIS)**

Tiffany Osong, Genesis Diaz, Monique Davis, Maureen O’Bua: Leaders (underline names present)

Lunch Time Study Hall today, 12/2/2019 at 12pm was successful and well attended.

**Next Meeting/Event:** Navigating the Crossroads: Panel on Intersectionality in SW, co-facilitated with AOWG,The Alliance, & IFSW on Tues, December 3 from 5-6:30pm in room 2W11

* + - **Queer Community Alliance (QCA)**

Molly McCracken & Amanda Fox- Co-Leaders (underline names present)

November event, Regarding Queerness in Social Work with Professor Westgate held on Nov. 18, 2019 was very successful, well attended, and beneficial to developing a culture of inclusivity and safe space for LGBTQ+ community.

**Next Meeting/Event:** General Meeting, Mon. Feb. 17, 2020 at 5pm

* + - **Parent Alliance**

Magee Morales & Jennifer Sage, Katherine Endy - Leaders (underline names present)

November 20, 2019 at 5pm had meeting which was well attended and discussed strategies for time management and proactive planning. Beginning to collect ideas for future events.

**Next Meeting/Event:** TBD

* + - **SSW USGA Senators** *(6 total; underline reporting senator)*

Senators: 1. Maryrejahlil Lanier (MJ), 2. Tiffany Ann Osong, 3. Kellianne Dubbin, 4. Jada Brown, 5. Sakiera Malone 6. Tural Mamaldi

**Updates/Report Out:**

* All SSW Senator positions filled, welcome two new senators Sakiera Malone & Tural Mamaldi.
* Dr. Perman stepping down as President of UMB to become chancellor of the University System in MD, official last day has yet to be revealed. USGA plans to give him a parting gift to thank him for his commitment and support of USGA over the duration of his presidency. Likely to give him an award for outstanding leadership, and then in following years give same award to faculty/staff in his honor.
* Dr. Perman to be present at next USGA General Body Meeting on Weds. December 11, 2019 at 5:30pm in SMC Ballrooms, food provided. All students, not just senators, welcome to join.
  + - **Intersectional Feminism Social Work Group (IFSW)**

Lucy Font- Leader (underline names present)

**Faculty Committees with Student Representatives**

* + **Student Grievance Committee:** *Rachel Fender*
    - No updates
  + **Clinical Concentration:** Sakiera Malone? *(pending confirmation)*
    - No Updates
  + **Master’s Program Committee (MPC):** *Lazora Jordan, Joy Scalabrin*
    - Recently, foundation student Joy Scalabrin joined the committee, making all positions full. Currently working on following up with curriculum changes and integration of more learning components and social work skills into course work. Sorting out changes to advanced research curriculum course.
    - **Next Meeting Date:** Diversity & Anti-Oppression Initiative has meeting on Dec. 6, 2019 at 12:15 - 1:45pm & need SSW Student representation (MPC Committee members unavailable).
      * Amanda Wisniewski to be alternate, and attend in their absence.

1. **Upcoming events** 
   * USGA Events: NO UPDATES
   * If any orgs are seeking additional funding from USGA, reach out to Amanda Fox at [afox@umaryland.edu](mailto:afox@umaryland.edu)
   * Students should email SGA concerns/inquiry to discuss at Mtg with Dean Barth prior to 2nd Monday of Each Month
   * **Winter break: December 12, 2019 through January 2, 2020**
2. **For the good of the group (concerns/questions/events)**
   * Macro Student Union (MSU)- is interested in collaborating with other groups to do events. If interested please reach out to Christina Koch or Maggie Glass.
   * Historically, the University wide graduation regalia fair has been on Tues and Weds. (the worst days of the week for many advanced SSW students due to field). Suggestion: Have USGA Senators encourage and promote having it on a Monday, or eliminating the extra fee if purchased online, to be more inclusive and equitable for SSW student schedules.
   * Advise groups to develop a “Transition Plan” for the next academic school year to assist new leadership in future endeavors and ensure carry-over/continuity of ideas and projects.
3. **Next Meeting-** *Monday, 3rd of February at 5:00 p.m. room* ***2E29***
4. **Adjourn meeting time:** 5:45 PM

**SGA FACULTY ADVISORS**

SGA Dean Richard P. Barth and Assistant Dean of OSS

Alliance Dr. Wendy Shaia and Rebecca Davis

AOWG Professor Lane Victorson

CSWF Dr. Fred DiBlasio

ISWO Dr. Sarah Dababnah

LUCHA Dr. Fernando Wagner

MSU Henriette Taylor and Angela Jachelski

OASIS Dr. Nadine Finigan-Carr

QCA Professor Aaron Betsinger

SSW Parent Alliance Dr. Alexandra Wimberly

**SGA Sponsored Orgs Attendance:**

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| **Group Name/Acronym** | **Status at 11/4/19 Meeting** |
| THE ALLIANCE OF ANTI-RACIST SW PRACTIONERS | PRESENT |
| AOWG | PRESENT |
| CSWF | PRESENT |
| LUCHA | PRESENT |
| MSU | PRESENT |
| OASIS | PRESENT |
| QCA | PRESENT |
| PARENT ALLIANCE | PRESENT |
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