

Weyerhaeuser Boardroom

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MACALESTER COLLEGE
STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Legislative Body Meeting Agenda

Land Acknowledgement ~ *Ryan Connor* ~ 2 minutes

We would like to acknowledge that Macalester College and the College Archives are located on the traditional, ancestral and contemporary lands of the Waŋpékhute band of Dakhóta Oyáte, the Dakota nation. We make this acknowledgement to respect and affirm the sovereignty of the Dakota people, ancestors and descendants, and to respect the land itself. We recognize that this acknowledgment is but a first step in recognizing and dismantling aggressive and persistent policies of settler colonialism that continue to oppress to this day. These are the contexts in which the archives functions to this day. The work of acknowledgement must be paired with active practices like the amplification of Indigenous voices and land repatriation in order to be substantive and meaningful. With thanks to Jennings Mergenthal, Class of 2021, for their time and effort in crafting this land acknowledgement.

Speaker Announcement:


Ryan: Now I'd like to call the Legislative Meeting to order. All members and guests should be aware that this meeting is open to the Macalester community and may be reported on by the Mac Weekly. Minutes are taken and added to the website. LB members can request additional agenda items for future LB meetings

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- Ryan: Before we get started I'd like to give a shoutout to CSLE for paying for us having Shish. We really appreciate it. So we'll start with the SOC code and we'll probably move to a vote since this is our last meeting.

SOC Code ~ *Liv Peterson* ~ 10 minutes

-  **SOC Code Draft**
 - Liv: After last week's meeting we went through and changed the language in the Chartered Orgs Rules section to change deactivated/archived to just be deactivated. One thing we'd like outside opinions on would be under Section 4, Items for Consideration of Prospective Organizations, we had some confliction on Failure to Sign with Institutional Values. Does anyone have any opinions on this? Ok, then does anyone want to take a motion?
 - Joel: I was going to ask about an unresolved comment I left on a totally different section. Section 9 student organization committee rules and governance under item 3d member responsibilities. I was going to suggest changing it to "supporting the needs of student organizations because I think that's more reasonable considering we are an unpaid student government."
 - Liv: Very fair. Ok. Are there any other comments?
 - David: Section 3 the SOLO traiting. We're requiring 2 org leaders to go to these trainings but what's the difference with just having one person?
 - Liv: CSLE requires two student org leaders so we're just matching that language. Probably it's better if two people go and they can bring one outgoing and one incoming leadership position.
 - Marina: For one incoming and one outgoing should we change the language to make sure one of them is not a graduating senior?
 - Liv: We definitely could but I don't know if it's necessary because when we do the check-ins/transitioning process we're already trying to make sure that orgs have an incoming and outgoing.
 - Joel: If it was required that it wasn't graduating seniors that would've meant that Ryan and I couldn't have been the people attending SOLO

for MCSG this year which I think doesn't make sense considering it's in the fall.

- Cooper: Motion to approve the SOC Code. [seconds]
- Ryan: This is our last vote.
 - IN FAVOR: 24
 - OPPOSE: 0
 - ABSTAIN: 0
- Ryan: The motion passes. So now we're moving into the incoming/outgoing member check-in.

Incoming/Outgoing Member Check-in ~ Joel Sadofsky ~ 10 minutes

- Joel: Those of you who are new can you raise your hand? Do you all know who the current person in your position is? Ok, awesome. We're going to do an incoming/outgoing member check-in with our time all together. Welcome to the new people. Thank you, Ryan. That's a good note. Thank you for being here and agreeing to serve the student body. We invite you and encourage you to check in with your successor/predecessor at this time. We're going to come back together at 12:20 so let's get to it.

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- Ryan: Let's get a pulse check. Do you think I should get frosted tips? Let's see some yeses. 12?
 - Cem: What is this?
 - Ryan: I'm getting frosted tips. There's no discussion. I see 17 in favor. All those opposed? Thank you. I appreciate you. Thank you all for the feedback. It's tempting!!!!!! Ok. Let's move on.

Exit Survey ~ 5 minutes

- [Survey](#)
 - Else: Hello. Hey. If you're on MCSG this year please fill out the exit survey right now. And if you haven't filled out the roster form it's linked in the bottom of the agenda. If you're bored of the exit survey please fill out the roster. Anybody who's on MCSG next year has to fill that out otherwise you won't be on the website or on the committee.

Cabinet Updates ~ *Cabinet Liaisons* ~ 7 minutes

- Dining & Residential Life
 - Galjer: Hi, everyone. I don't have any huge updates as of now but I look forward to the fall. I wanted to give a shoutout to everybody who's been such a huge part in making such positive changes in Dining and Residential Life. Everybody on MDAC and everyone on Cabinet. Everyone in MCSG has been a huge part of making big changes in Dining and Residential Life so shout out to you all. Great work!
- International Student
 - Laurice: Continuing off of that, such a pleasure to be working with such a great group of people. This week we're working on a Q&A section to get all of the international students together to go through all the big stuff. We also managed to get housing confirmed for all international students. After school ends I'm going to have a lunch with one of the donors that made it possible. Overall, it's really great to be surrounded by such a great group of people.
- Belonging & Accessibility
 - Emma: Continuing the theme of no major updates, I've had a few wrap up meetings. There's some scheming of things in the works for next year. I wanted to thank everyone here, as well.
- Health & Wellness
 - Willow: No huge updates as well. Thank you to everyone and I look forward to seeing everyone next year!
- Athletics & Recreation
 - Ash: Jumping on the update train, just continuations of last week and planning on what's going to roll into next year. There's a Club Sports End of Year celebration next Tuesday for everyone in club sports. Please come! It'll be a ton of fun. Thank you to everyone, especially everyone in Cabinet because you guys have been a lot of fun.
- Infrastructure & Sustainability
 - Sam: Huge update! Tomorrow is the Bike Safety event. I finally did something in my position. It's going to be awesome. There'll be a lot of bike lights and bike locks. There'll be hot dogs. Maybe veggie hot dogs? We'll see. Come, it'll be fun!

Committee Updates ~ *Committee Members* ~ 3 minutes

- AAC

- Elizabeth: AAC didn't meet this week. We've been working on Ramen and Redbull and some end of year things. Shoutout to the wonderful committee members and Emi. Thank you for a wonderful one and a half tenure on MCSG. This has been a really wonderful part of my time at Macalester and I wish you all the best going forward.
- CEC
 - Mena: We worked on making changes to the website and some transition doc stuff. We also worked on the student survey and including a question about the student activity fee.
- FAC
 - David: FAC had 3 requests this week. We saw one from Badminton which we denied. One from the Italian Club which is a new club. And then one from Voices of Mental Health which we approved with some adjustments. That's it.
- SOC
 - Liv: Mostly our last meeting was discussing the code. We finally finished up doing check-in debriefs and have plans for what orgs we want to check in with next year. It's been quite a ride being on SOC this year so I want to shout out all the committee members. I'm excited for next year!
- Cabinet
 - Philomena: Cabinet had a fantastic last meeting! We had cake. I want to shout out to everyone on Cabinet. It's been a huge year. I think we've done a lot of things next year. Thank you for all your hard work and commitment and I'm looking forward to going to the zoo next week.

Announcements ~ 2 minutes

- [Roster form](#)
 - Ryan: Fill out the roster form if you haven't. Please fill it out. It has all the personal information that we'll need. With that, the official business is adjourned.