



Lafayette College Student Government

Regular Meeting

Thursday, February 29th, 2024, 7:00 PM *Kirby 104*

CALL TO ORDER

President Hernandez called the special meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

ATTENDEES

Roll call was conducted by Communications Officer Elle Lansing.

As recorded in the [attendance](#) list, members present were as follows:

Present:

Thania Hernandez '25, President
Christo Maheras '26, Treasurer
Elle Lansing '26, Communications Officer
Selina Zhu '27, Interim Parliamentarian
Virginia Sacotingo '25, Interim Inclusivity Officer
Olivia Boeckman '25, Representative
Chelsea Cochrane '25, Representative
Alexandra Darrah '25, Representative
Molly Nylund '25, Representative
Liz Borah '26, Representative
Colin Gray '26, Representative
Tatia Jahan '26, Representative
Nate Rashkind '26, Representative
Makda Baraki '27, Representative
Barbara Odae '27, Representative
Bryan Kibet '27, Representative
Lily Nylund '27, Representative
Dashawn Sheffield '27, Representative

Excused Tardy:

Gracie Vale '27, Representative

Excused Absence:
James Reese '26, Representative

BUSINESS

President Hernandez motion to move the approval of the minutes to the last item in the agenda. Treasurer Maheras seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

New representative for the class of 2027, Barbara Odae

- Introductions

Parliamentarian and Inclusivity Officer Spring Election

Ava Galia '26 Representative and William Guetteriez '27 (not affiliated) are running for the position of Parliamentarian. Virginia Sacotingo '25 Interim Inclusivity Officer and Sasha Carter '27 (not affiliated) are running for the position of Inclusivity Officer.

Standing Committees and Ad-Hoc Committees

Please attend all committee meetings and take attendance in the google drive for each meeting. Have all committee reports done by Spring break. Do not use YikYak as a legitimate source for reports.

Class of 2025 Campaign

Each member of the class of 2025 will do an Instagram takeover one day next week.

Budget Approvals

There are four reallocations and 10 unanticipated budget requests. Treasurer Maheras motioned to approve the budget requests. Communications Officer Lansing seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Invitations for Student Government

- Student Government has been invited to the 2024 Council of Lafayette Women. It counts for service hours for Student Government (the requirement is five per semester).
- Student Government has also been invited to a DEI-concentrated conversation with all the marginalized groups on campus.
- Student Government has been invited to the fundraiser for the United Way of Lehigh Valley. Chelsea Morresse invited us to plan the fundraiser.
 - Ideas for fundraiser prize
 - Free day of class off
 - One requirement off?

- Food truck
- StuGov Team Day
 - Media Day with headshots and group photos with everyone
 - Reception at T's house. The proposed date is Saturday, March 23rd, 2024 or Saturday, March 30th, 2024.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs: They worked on logging some of the books this week. They also created an outline of goals they want to achieve by the end of the semester.

Student Life: They submitted a survey to Lafayette Today.

Sustainability: They finished counting the gowns last night.

Budgets: Nothing to report.

Communications: They are organizing the Instagram takeovers for next week.

Student Organizations: They went over the meeting with Vanessa Pearson.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: They discussed the dinner event for DEI clubs.

AdHocs

Dining: They are going to figure out time to meet regularly.

Menstrual Equity: They are taking inventory of products, and setting up a meeting to meet with L-RAJE.

Pard Pantry: Last Saturday was the opening of Pard Pantry and they need at least two more people to be on the committee. They meet on Tuesdays at 5:30 PM.

Accessibility: They met last week and their plan of action is to identify clubs they want to work with. They created a mission for accessibility ad-hoc.

OPEN FLOOR

President Hernandez will send out a poll for the get together.

ADJOURNMENT

Hernandez motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by President Hernandez at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by

Elle Lansing '26, Communications Officer