

Lafayette College Student Government

Regular Meeting Thursday, September 4th, 2025, 7:00 PM, *Old Oeschle 224*

CALL TO ORDER

President Brown called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Brown motioned to approve the minutes from 8/14/25. It was seconded by Vice President Carter. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTENDEES

Roll call was conducted by Communications Officer Gallia.

As recorded in the attendance list, members present were as follows:

Present:

Alex Brown, President Sasha Carter, Vice President Gracie Vale, Treasurer Ava Gallia, Communications Officer Bryan Kibet, Parliamentarian Dorothy Fort, '26 Representative Maia Merriman, '26 Representative Charlotte Kinsella, '26 Representative Sophia Lombardo, '26 Representative Yuko Tanaka, '26 Representative Prem Kumar, '26 Representative Matthew Epp, '27 Representative Lily Nylund, '27 Representative Lorenzo Marsili, '27 Representative Kate SantaMaria, '27 Representative Charlie Weinstein, '27 Representative Maddie Malone, '27 Representative Selina Zhu, '27 Representative William Bennett, '28 Representative Natacha Ross, '28 Representative

Emerson Casper, '28 Representative Allie Waxman, '28 Representative Tendai Ankude, '28 Representative Annabel Hooey, '28 Representative Milan Iezzi, '28 Representative

Excused Absences: Luna Garces, Inclusivity Officer

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Unexcused Absences:

Christo Maheras, '26 Representative

BUSINESS

President Brown motioned to add Dining Discussion to the agenda. It was seconded by Vice President Carter and unanimously approved.

Dining Discussion

Dining Services recently launched its partnership with Grubhub to enhance the student dining experience. They also added the Coke machine to Upper Farinon. Additionally, they added soft serve ice cream. Gilbert's will be mirroring Starbucks regarding seasonal specials.

Treasurer Vale brought up the concern that anything bigger than a small drink is a meal swipe + Pard Dollars at Gilbert's. Dining explained that this is due to the way meal swipe packages are set up, but students should not actually be charged once they check out.

New Member Swear-In

Kate SantaMaria, Lorenzo Marsili, and Matthew Epp were introduced as the new class of 2027 representatives. Maia Merriman was introduced as the new class of 2026 representative. We also have new, non-voting members. Elle Lansing, former Communications Officer, will also be serving as a non-voting member.

New members were sworn in.

Semester Review

President Brown highlighted some of last year's accomplishments, including the financial guidelines rewrite, the addition of new student clubs, changes to dining, the expanded Pard Pantry, and more.

Committee Head Elections

Members are eligible to run for Dining, Student Life, Student Organizations, Academic Affairs, Sustainability, and DEI.

Rep. Yuko is running for Academic Affairs Chair. She won by unanimous vote.

DEI has been tabled until the next meeting.

Rep. Hooey and Rep. Bennett are running for Student Life Chair. Representative Bennett won the position.

Rep. Maia and Rep. Iezzi are running for Student Organizations Chair. Representative Iezzi won the position.

Rep. Weinstein ran for Sustainability. He won the position by unanimous vote.

Application Process

We run according to the calendar year. The executive board applications will open in mid-October. Communications Officer, Parliamentarian, and Inclusivity Officer are all open to the public.

Fall Fest Planning

Fall Fest is September 27th. We will be doing a dunk tank, and members can sign up for 30-minute slots to help table.

Semester Expectations

Group chats should be made by tomorrow night for committees. Finding a meeting time should be a priority, and all committees should have met at least once by next week's meeting. All committee heads are invited to next week's executive board meeting (Tuesday at 12:15)

Delegate System

Rep. Iezzi and Inclusivity Officer Garces reached out to clubs to find volunteers for their delegate system pilot program. They are seeking around 27 clubs to begin, and are currently looking for more applicants.

President Brown motioned to move Announcements and Open Floor to before Budget Approvals. It was seconded by Vice President Carter and unanimously approved.

OPEN FLOOR

-GovLab is currently running a survey regarding the improvement of student life.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by President Brown. Communications Officer Gallia seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted by

Communications Officer Gallia.