



Lafayette College Student Government General Body Meeting

Thursday, September 17th, 2026, 7:00 PM, *OCGE 107*

CALL TO ORDER

Secretary Cohen called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Inclusivity Officer motioned to approve the minutes from September 10, 2026. Temporary Vice President Bennett seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

ATTENDEES

Roll call was conducted by Hayden Cohen, Secretary. The attendance was recorded via this [sheet](#).

Present:

Allie Waxman '28, President
Annabel Hooey '28, Vice President
Grace Vale '27, Treasurer
Hayden Cohen '29, Secretary
Evalina Ibrahim '29, Inclusivity Officer
Amy Atuhaire '29, Parliamentarian

Ryan Burns '27, Senator
Ahmir Crawley '27, Senator
Matthew Epp '27, Senator
Lily Hoffman '27, Senator
Roy Nisson '27, Senator
Lily Nylund '27, Senator
Kate SantaMaria '27, Senator

Anoosh Ahsan '28, Senator
Will Bennett '28, Senator
Emerson Casper '28, Senator

Josh Horenstein '28, Senator
Enihyah Rolle '28, Senator
Chloe Miller '28, Senator
Doga Uzel '28, Senator

Josh George '29, Senator
Gwyn Horn '29, Senator
Adil Kulmanov '29, Senator
Clovis-Lato Nkamga '29, Senator
Matt Valenta '29, Senator
Zara Wilson '29, Senator

Teddy Sukernik '29, Student Observer

Absent:
N/A

BUSINESS

Motion to add "Fun Activity" to the agenda before the Elections Overview

Fun Activity

Temporary VP Bennett invited the Senators and Cabinet to go out to the lobby in OCGE to do a fun activity for bonding purposes.

Elections Overview - Treasurer Gracie Vale

- The election manual is now uploaded on the Student Government website
- Timeline:
 - Currently in our special election (voting occurs next week, and winner will be announced on Friday the 25th)
 - Sept 28th-Oct 12: Intent to run forms open
 - Advisor Williams will go through candidates' eligibility
 - Informed by Tuesday 8am Oct 13 if eligible
 - Oct 14-Oct 16 to meet with elections committee to go over the elections manual (not required but encouraged)
 - Oct 19-Oct 25 Campaigning
 - Oct 22 Candidate Forum
 - Oct 26-Oct 30 Voting open
 - Oct 30 Announcement of new Cabinet
 - Dec 3 Gavel passing at the Chateau

Senate election timeline:

- Oct 19 - Intent to run forms available
- Nov 2 - Intent to run forms due
- Nov 3 - candidates and newspaper notified
- Nov 4-Nov 6 meet with candidates to discuss campaigning and election procedures
- Nov 9-Nov15 campaigning
- Nov 12 - Meet the Senators
- Nov 16-Nov 20 Voting
- Nov 20 - Announcement of new Senator Selection (26-27)
- Dec 3 Gavel passing

For Senatorial elections, only your class year can vote for you

Committee Placements

There's not many changes, but just a few Senators moving around. We will have four new senators soon, so committee chairs should stay on the lookout.

Vote on Allocation of Money

President Waxman presented the following on behalf of Williams Arts Center: The Wellbeing Concert Series was a proposal from the Williams Arts Center to Student Government

- Nearly 70% of college students display mental health concerns, which prompted the idea of the Wellbeing Concert Series to come to life
- Williams Arts Center is requesting \$1000 from Student Government to put on the Wellbeing Concert Series, in line with Student Government's Wellness Initiatives
 - The \$1000 would come out of the Student Government reserves
- Secretary Cohen asked, "When would the concerts take place?"
 - Once they get the money they would schedule it - hopefully for next semester.
- Senator Miller asked, "Would it be one concert or multiple?"
 - Answer: They're hoping it would be multiple concerts

Senator Nkamga motioned to approve allocating \$1000 to the "Wellbeing Concert Series". Senator Miller seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

OPEN FLOOR

Congratulations to the new class of Phi Alpha Delta!

Senator Nkamga announced that Leopards @ Nite will be hosting an event this Friday

LAF is doing Pickle Mania Sept 18 at 9pm

Night of Leadership is Sept 18 at 5pm in the Marlo Room

- The highlight of the event is going to be about public speaking (!!!). President Waxman highly encouraged anyone running in the election to attend the session (it's also being presented by Sasha Carter)
- Dress code: Come as you are, no sweatpants!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Wellness Carnival is next Friday September 25 4pm-7:30pm

- Cabinet should be there at 3pm

Peep of the Week: Gracie Vale! She's been crushing the Elections Committee!

Senator Miller announced that Student Government is doing a thrift shop for the Bicentennial Ball on Oct 7th. Senators should sign up for shifts!

Inclusivity Officer Ibrahim motioned to enter the executive session. It was seconded by Treasurer Vale and unanimously approved.

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BUDGET APPROVALS:

Treasurer Vale went over the details pertaining to the budget requests (in Executive Session) with the following outcome:

Total requested funds: \$2,763.98

Total allocated funds: \$5,087.00

Senator Valenta filed a motion to approve the \$5,087.00 allocation of funds for the Period A Budgets. Senator Burns seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Cohen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:51PM. Temporary Vice President Bennett seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Submitted by

Hayden Cohen '29, Secretary