****University of Baltimore Student Government Association**

**University of Baltimore Student Senate**

**Learning Commons Town Hall**

**Composed by: Secretary King**

**September 11th, 2019**

**Call to Order**

**Roll Call**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Motion to amend agenda to include:**

* Vote of Speaker
* Appointment of Committees and Chairs

**Approval of Minutes**

**Executive Reports**

* Treasurer Ali: Budget report
* Secretary King: Any legislation should be sent to me at least 48 hours in advance. Once the agenda is sent out it, I will not add anything on it a senator will have to amend it.
* President: Senate Training

**Guest Speakers**

*Students Assistant Program (SAP):*

* Competence forms-used to gather information on students that may need support
* Can make anonymous referral
* Working on updating the webpage
* Other campuses use this model
* When Tony wraps up for the week his office number will be forwarded to BHS, so any student that needs weekend coverage has it
* Doing lots of advertising (Daily Digest, word of mouth, etc.)
* Confidentiality is key (review the confidentiality guidelines)
* If you pose a danger to yourself or others confidentiality will be broken
* Free (no extra charge for having access to SAP)
* When a student calls a licensed clinician is ready to talk to you about life & resources
* Only thing that’s required is you tell them you are a student at UB (need to verify it)
* Designed to gear towards short term problems (will help until they connect you with someone who can help long term)
* Care coordinator will follow up to make sure experience was pleasant
* Can help provide students with resources like childcare, elder care, etc.

*John Chapin (Library):*

* Ways to create outreach to students could include big banners, extending library hours,
* Services:
* Tutoring
* For courses that are difficult
* Use peer support
* Everyone is trained to meet qualifications
* Coaching:
* Help with time management
* How to do critical reading, etc.
* Study group facilitations
* Writing Center
* Services are located on 2nd floor of library
* Math tutoring is located on 2nd floor of library
* September 18th: Taste of Tutoring

**New Business**

*Vote for Speaker of the Senate:*

* Nominated: Jose Martinez & Hugh Norko
* Hugh Norko wins as Speaker of the Senate

**But considered “invalid” because a motion wasn’t said & the vote was not said to everyone**

**Open Forum**

*Asha Malima:*

* Felt she was treated **unfairly** & the selection process was **biased** due to her relationship with another senator
* President Harper was giving her a hard time when trying to reschedule her interview
* President Harper did not take in the account of the executive members vote
* Asks that an investigation is conducted to further look into the selection process
* Speaker Norko moves to investigate

*Chauntell Miller:*

* Been pursued for a seat on the senate but was ignored
* Her question is “Why does she not have a seat on the senate?”
* President’s response:
* A text was sent the week of, which is unprofessional
* Interviews and applications were closed (didn’t submit an application)
* Speaker Norko moves to investigate Asha Malima and Chauntell Miller’s case within a senate committee.
* President: Wants to remind people that the constitution says 6 grad and 6 undergrad, but there’s more undergrad.
* Secretary King: The constitution does not say what the process would be if a President is biased in the selection process, so what would that process look like?
* **No one could answer the question!**
* SEB is not requesting money, but to keep a **healthy relationship** between SGA & SEB money should be given (at least a $1,000).
* Very important that SGA is apart of the crab feast.

**Advisor Comments**

* Look & understand the constitution

**Adjournment**