

RHA Senate Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 7th, 2025

7:00 PM

Charles Carroll Room - STAMP



Call to Order

Justin Carlson

Open Gallery

1. Attendance: 0

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1. Total Attendance: 26
2. Quorum Reached: Yes

Special Order: Division of Administration Presentation

1. Guests: Bob Reunning, Danielle Glaros, Courtney Brown
2. Topics Covered:
 - a. How to request services
 - b. How to request personal assistance
 - i. UMD Guardian App
 - ii. Bluelight emergency phones
 - iii. UMPD walking escort
 - iv. StuttleUM Niteride
 - c. Public Safety
 - i. Cross-jurisdictional agreements
 - d. Emergency preparedness
 - i. OMBC Department
 - e. Working with RHA
 - i. Annual safety walk
 - ii. Sustainability and Transportation Advisory Committees
 - f. Sustainability
 - i. Sustainability fund grant
 - ii. Sustainability council
 - iii. Campus waste management
 - g. Milestones
 - i. Climate Action Plan 3.0
 - ii. Achieved carbon neutrality in spring

- h. Transportation
 - i. Purple line updates
 - 1. Set to be completed December 2027
 - 2. Free rides for students and faculty
 - ii. New bike lanes
 - iii. Adjusted traffic patterns
 - iv. Purple line testing
 - v. Campus transportation advisory committee
 - vi. Campus micromobility workgroup
 - vii. Micromobility Changes
3. Q&A:
- a. How many people registered their micromobility?
 - i. ~1200 personal registrations
 - b. How has that changed since the \$35 registration fee?
 - i. Has not made much of an impact. The increase was intended to help offset costs to support transportation. Also offers an accurate count of the number of micromobility devices on campus
 - c. What is the total amount in the sustainability grant fund, and what products has it supported?
 - i. \$1.2 million
 - d. Did we achieve carbon neutrality across the entire campus? How?
 - i. Included commuting, air travel
 - ii. Due to the purchase of verified carbon offsets
 - e. What are some ways you are looking to better inform UMD students of the services you talked about today?
 - i. UMD App has all the resources available

ECC001F

Emma Callahan

- 1. Presentation of bill
 - a. How much money will we be asking to be allocated?
 - i. 300K total split over 3 years
 - b. Is there a full-time staff?
 - i. Only Guy
 - c. Why is it only 3 years?
 - i. Want to build a foundation to propose program permanence in the future
- 2. Open debate:
 - a. Paneel Survarna
 - i. Amendment to include number of positions open to interns in the proposal
 - b. Karla Burbano
 - c. Ryan Magnani

- d. Ava Rollino
 - e. Brooke Diedrichs
 - f. Nithin Manikandan
 - g. Praneel Suvarna
3. Proposal Support/Disapproval
- a. Sara Eley - For the bill
 - b. Ryan Magnani - For the bill
 - c. Praneel Svarna - For the bill
 - d. Nithin Manikandan - For the bill
4. Motion to vote
- a. Praneel Svarna
 - b. Nithin Manikandan
5. Vote
- a. For: 23
 - b. Against: 0
 - c. Abstain: 1

CTK001F

Cameron King

1. Presentation of bill
- a. Does this grant include maintenance costs that could arrive in following years?
 - b. Could you repeat the purpose of the 4 machines you mentioned?
 - c. Do any of the machines produce carbon?
 - d. How are the barn and the machines related?
 - e. How do we know newer machinery would double efficiency?
 - f. How much would the grant cost?
 - g. Would Guy be teaching interns how to use the machines?
2. Open Debate
- a. Praneel Survarna
 - b. Ryan Magnani
 - c. Ava Rollino
3. Motion to Vote
- a. Ryan Magnani
 - b. Ava Rollino
4. Vote
- a. For: 20
 - b. Against: 0
 - c. Abstain: 1

Executive Team Reports

Committee Reports

Resident Council Reports

Constitutional Question of the Day

Sara Eley

Recognition

Justin Carlson

Adjournment

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1. Ava Rollino
2. Dayna Tyler