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Senator Information

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Meetings and Events Attended/Hosted

Date	Organization/Event Name	Discussion Topics	Primary Contact Info for Organization/Group
9/25/23	Before class- Mastering the Biomedical Science Literature 2	Scholarships, connection with university through merchandise,	Dr. John Gunn PhD John.Gunn@NationwideChildrens.org

Since being elected to be part of the General Assembly, what have you done to represent the student voice in the chamber and in other relevant circumstances?

Since being elected to the General Assembly, I've had limited opportunities to represent my constituents in the chamber, having only been to 5 GA meetings and most of those meetings being limited to the filling of vacancies. However, I feel like I have adequately



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represented my constituency's interests to this point in that regard since I feel that all of the applicants have been adequately reviewed and decided upon. I feel like that also holds true for the 2 resolutions that I've had the opportunity to vote through. Moreso, I think my role in the academic affairs committee has led to some promising discussions about future legislation. Notably, the way my college does the general education requirements is slightly different than many of the larger colleges and I feel like I'll be a useful voice as we discuss the potential of proposing tweaks to the General Education-New curriculum.

After being elected to this position, I contacted the entirety of my college through our GroupMe to let everybody know that I was available as a contact point for any issues that they may want Student Government to focus on. Additionally, I talked to members of my class, Mastering the Biomedical Science Literature 2, which contains a quarter of the students in my college, about issues that affected them and what it may be possible to do about it. This class contained only people from my college and not from the School of Health and Rehabilitation Science, so that may be an area that I can focus on in further outreach. This discussion resulted in a number of actionable ideas that I may be able to workshop in the future to turn into actual legislation.

One huge focus was on the availability of scholarships to students. Obviously, college is expensive, and, as a recipient of a full-ride scholarship myself, I recognize that scholarships can alleviate much of this burden for students and allow them to excel within and outside the classroom in a way that may not be possible if money is a significant factor. A big part of this is a lack of scholarship transparency from the university; ScholarshipUniverse is like a black hole where you throw your application never to hear anything back about it. This is something that we've discussed in the Academic Affairs committee and some solutions that we've floated include adding scholarship resources to the Scarlet Button/suggesting a rework to how ScholarshipUniverse works.

Another point that was mentioned by one of my constituents was a want for more free merchandise from the university. I think that this is a totally valid point, as branded merchandise from the university can be very expensive, and having it does create a sense of connection with the university. Obviously, there are tons of places to get free things on campus, but it's also true that some university departments are unable to give out merchandise (even things that they have in surplus) for free because of university policy. In some cases, there are certain reasons for this related to federal funding, but there should be ways to get these "freebies" to students and that may be an area that I can look into in the future.



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