

Newsletter

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Upcoming Public
Meetings
General Meeting:
Tuesday, Oct. 18th
@ 6pm in the
Interfaith and
Prayer Room

General Assembly: Wednesday Oct. 19th @ 6:30pm in the Senate

Chambers

Next USG Public Forum: To be announced in the next biweekly newsletter!



USG Update

Cabinet:

<u>Academic Affairs</u>: Be on the lookout as you schedule this fall, for syllabi and course fees are available online! Check out syllabus.osu.edu to see syllabi for your available courses! *Currently working on*:

• Strides are being made in with respect to affordable textbooks! More to come as details get worked out.

Diversity and Inclusion:

Currently working on:

- Working to expand the use of gender pronouns on class lists for professors
- EndHateOsu is coming soon! Stay tuned.

<u>Governmental Relations</u>: We wrapped up our voter registration initiatives this week, with the "Out Vote the Spartans" competition with MSU and the Vote B1G Challenge with the Association of Big Ten Students showing fantastic numbers of students who have registered to vote while on campus.

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Cabinet continued:

<u>Health and Safety</u>: We will be hosting Mental Health Focus Groups on Tuesday, 10/18, 11/1, and 11/8 at 6:45 pm the Milestones Room of the Ohio Union. All students are welcome! If interested, please email Sophie Chang at chang.1310@osu.edu. Health and Safety helped with Counseling and Consultation Services' annual Recess event.

Currently working on:

- Health and Safety is editing the university's Good Samaritan Policy! Questions or
- comments are welcome: chang.1310@osu.edu

<u>Student Affairs</u>: Registration for Buckeye Road Trip for Thanksgiving is now open! *Currently working on:*

- Look out for the kickoff for Block Out Hunger: donate your unused swipes to charity
- The first Clean Up Columbus Event will be held on October 23rd. Sign ups are open!

<u>Sustainability</u>: The Green and Clean Eating event will be on November 13th, and sign ups will be made available soon

General Assembly:

Past Resolutions

49-R-16 A Resolution to Amend the Organizational Bylaws of the Undergraduate Student Government to Add a Military Student and Veteran Emissary Seat Failed 49-R-17 A Resolution to Support the Creation of a Temporary Campus Core Bus Route Passed

University Governance:

On October 6th, University Senators received an update on Framework 2.0, the master development plan that will guide campus construction for the next several decades. A town hall followed the Senate meeting, and students raised questions about affordability, sustainability impacts, and community engagement. USG's two student representatives on the Framework planning team were included as panelists.

Legislative Proposals

- A mental health statement to be included in course syllabi, which will refer students to Counseling and Consultation Services
- A review of the STEP stipend to identify a stable funding source and protect future participants against cuts. If accepted, these proposals will move to committee review and on to the Senate floor.

We are proud to announce a USG Google Calendar to track all USG happenings. All events (officer office hours, committee events, regular meetings, and more) will be updated on this public calendar for your convenience. Sign up here if you would like to have access:

go.osu.edu/USGcalendar