



Champlain College
Student Government Association
2016-2017 Archives



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2015-2016 SGA

A. 2015-2016 SGA Members

SGA Cabinet 2016-2017

President: Logan Rice '18

Vice President: Maggie Bean '17

Director of Clubs: Harold "Sam" Hodges '17

Director of Communications: Jared Knepper '19

Director of Finance: Jeffrey Diehl '17

Director of Operations: Marissa Laro '17 | Caitlin Ludke '17

Diversity Advisors: Tara Alexander '18 | Morandah Garrett '17

SGA Senate 2015-2016

CCM Senators:

Charlie Carucci '18 | Kendall Dinsmore '18 | David Fiddler '17

EHS Senator:

Haley Parent '18

First Year Senators:

Michael-Paul Ho Kang You '20 | Erin Warner '20 | Hannah Welburn '20

ITS Senators:

Aaron Leonard '19 | Tyler Peyton '18 | Dustin Yost '19

SSB Senator:

Dan Muller '18

SGA Advisors 2015-2016

Charles "Chuck" Bashaw, Core Faculty

Michelle Miller, Senior Associate Provost



B. Elections

Spring 2016 Elections

910 Ballots Cast (43.6% of eligible voters)

President	Harold "Sam" Hodges	328	
	Logan Rice	331	<i>ELECTED</i>
	Anthony "Tony" Taylor	171	
	<i>ABSTAIN</i>	81	
Vice President	Maggie Bean	332	<i>ELECTED</i>
	Zhomart Dairov	281	
	Jared Knepper	222	
	<i>ABSTAIN</i>	72	
CCM Senators	Charlie Carucci	218	<i>ELECTED</i>
	Kendall Dinsmore	241	<i>ELECTED</i>
	David Fiddler	231	<i>ELECTED</i>
	<i>ABSTAIN</i>	28	
EHS Senator	Morandah Garrett	76	
	Haley Parent	82	<i>ELECTED</i>
	<i>ABSTAIN</i>	16	
ITS Senators	Aaron Leonard	133	<i>ELECTED</i>
	Dustin Yost	88	<i>ELECTED</i>
	<i>ABSTAIN</i>	52	
SSB Senator	Kara Bard	85	
	Bayley Palzer	94	<i>ELECTED</i>
	<i>ABSTAIN</i>	18	



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Cabinet Appointments

ITS Senator	Ethan Brooks	
	Felisa Charles	
	Tyler Peyton	<i>APPOINTED BY SENATE</i>
	Brandon Szych-Brown	
Director of Clubs	Harold "Sam" Hodges	<i>APPOINTED BY SENATE</i>
	Tyler Nettleton	
	Adam Vernali	
Director of Communications	Charles Kahn	
	Jared Knepper	<i>APPOINTED BY SENATE</i>
	Lily Mason	
Director of Finance	Jeffrey Diehl	<i>APPOINTED BY SENATE</i>
	Nyjah Strange	
Director of Operations	McClellan Coleman	
	Alyssa Held	
	Marissa Laro	<i>APPOINTED BY SENATE</i>

Fall 2016 Election

260 Ballots Cast (36.5% of respective population)

Incoming Student Senators	Michael-Paul Ho Kang You	134	<i>ELECTED</i>
	James Kainth	87	
	Kunthea Relinski	110	
	Erin Warner	145	<i>ELECTED</i>
	Hannah Welburn	143	<i>ELECTED</i>



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Special Appointment in Response to Resignations

Director of Operations	Caitlin Ludke	<i>APPOINTED BY SENATE</i>
SSB Senator	Daniel Muller	<i>APPOINTED BY SENATE</i>
	Adam Vernali	
	Jeff Zeleny	



Legislation

A. Grant List

Fall 2016 Grants

DATE	GRANT NAME	REQUESTED	APPROVED
9.12.16	<i>False Awakenings</i> Film	\$2,372.00	\$1,478.00
9.19.16	Dog Days of Winter	\$750.00	\$750.00
	ECHO Yoga Event	\$428.00	\$428.00
	MIGS (Laura Reilly)	\$240.00	\$240.00
	MIGS (Silas Baker)	\$250.00	\$240.00
10.3.16	CPR	\$730.00	\$700.00
	eSports	\$2,010.00	\$2,010.00
	GDD CCM	n/a	\$0
10.17.16	<i>Wobic</i> Film	\$2,001.00	\$1,042.50
	Adult Attachment App	\$500.00	\$500.00
10.24.16	Urban Expression Event	\$760.00	\$700.00
	International Business Club	\$300.00	\$300.00
	EVT Fundraising Event	\$350.00	\$255.00
	Love Your Melon	\$305.00	\$200.00
	Ski & Ride Rail Jam	\$4,500.00	\$4,400.00
	CTF	\$700.00	\$250.00
10.31.16	PsyChi Induction	\$1,143.50	\$1,143.50
	<i>VoidGirl</i> Film	\$3,000.00	\$2,422.00



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	AIGA	\$300.00	\$200.00
	Rugby	\$2,570.00	\$2,354.00
11.7.16	Sleep Education	\$750.00	—
	Champlain Christian Fellowship	\$198.00	\$198.00
11.14.16	LCDI / Enfuse Conference	\$5,929.08	\$2,610.72
	Alpine Ski Racing* *club budget requested in advance; processed with grants but deducted from club budget pool	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00
11.21.16	Publication Design II	\$50.00	\$50.00
	Accounting Lab	\$160.00	\$160.00
	<i>Wagging Tales</i> Documentary	\$6,000.00	\$603.00

Spring 2017 Grants

DATE	GRANT NAME	REQUESTED	APPROVED
01.23.17	My Last Thirty Years	\$1,950.00	\$1,200.00
	Sundae Month	\$1,550.00	\$950.00
	GDC Conference	\$2,183.00	\$1,020.00
01.30.17	Vagina Monologues	\$120.00	\$120.00
	Sundae Month	\$900.00	\$600.00
	Flickr Film	\$12,800.00	\$2,300.00
	eSports	\$420.00	\$270.00
02.13.17	LCDI Grant	\$200.00	\$200.00
	PRSSA Grant	\$342.00	\$342.00



	Haitian Service Trip Grant	\$25,638.00	—
02.20.17	Black History Month	\$300.00	\$400.00
	Attachment App Grant	\$1,000.00	—
02.27.17	International Business Club Grant	\$900.00	\$900.00
	Ski & Ride Grant	\$1,398.00	\$1,000.00
03.06.17	NECCDC Grant	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
	Ski Cross	\$1,800.00	—
	Canvas LMS Survey Capstone	\$50.00	\$50.00
	U of Lethbridge Conference	\$1,300.00	\$740.00
03.20.17	Triwizard Tournament	\$193.80	\$193.80
	AIGA NY Trip	\$5,460.00	\$2,280.00
	Homecoming Dance	\$360.00	\$192.00
	ISOM Conference — Karly Struble	\$805.00	\$600.00
03.27.17	DFA Guest Speaker	\$3,000.00	—
	Ski Cross, <i>updated</i>	\$566.00	\$566.00
	ISOM Conference — Olivia Lyons	\$910.00	\$600.00
	ODI Community Engagement	\$1,250.00	\$1,000.00
04.03.17	DREAM Six Flags	\$3,233.57	\$910.69
	ODI Community Engagement, <i>revised</i>	\$150.00	\$150
	DFA Guest Speaker, <i>revised</i>	\$1,500.00	\$1500.00
	Get Daniel to Alberta	\$1,015.00	\$750.00
	CREM Capstone Fashion Project	\$199.61	\$199.61



04.10.17	Christina Sommers Speaker	\$11,041.00	—
	Weathervane Launch	\$100.00	\$100.00
	Student Leadership Institute	\$2,492.00	\$1,709.16

B. Bills

August 29th of 2016

Bill to appoint a Deputy Director of Finance.

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Champlain College Student Government Association Director of Finance to deal with the finance and the budget of the SGA and;

Whereas, some tasks of the Director of Finance might be overwhelming for one individual to perform and;

Whereas, a finance assistant was appointed during the full 2016 academic year; therefore

Resolved, that the Deputy Director of Finance [Finance Assistant] position be brought back for the academic year of 2016-2017.

August 29th of 2016

Bill to delegate authority to recommend a chosen candidate to the Deputy Director of Finance position to the SGA Director of Finance.

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Champlain College Student Government Association Director of Finance to deal with the finance and the budget of the SGA and;

Whereas, the Deputy Director of Finance will work closely with the Director of Finance and; therefore

Resolved, that the Director of Finance will make a recommendation of a candidate to be appointed to the Deputy Director of Finance position for approval by the Senate.

August 29th of 2016



Bill to appoint Diversity Advisors.

Whereas, the mission of the SGA is " *The Student Government Association is an advocate for the Champlain College community and acts as a liaison for students to the Administration, Staff, and Faculty.* ";

Whereas, after a series of discussions with Champlain community members from minority groups it was concluded that the current state of the SGA doesn't effectively advocate for these groups, which fails the mission to represent *all* students;

Whereas, a Diversity sub-committee was formed over summer 2016 with one advisor, two cabinet members, and two volunteers, and they concluded that two Diversity Advisors to the SGA should be appointed in the manner of an assistant position in order to further develop the representation of diverse groups within SGA; therefore

Resolved, that two Diversity Advisor positions be created, one person working directly with the Senate, and the other with the Cabinet, for the academic year of 2016-2017.

August 29th of 2016

Bill to delegate authority to recommend chosen candidates to the Diversity Advisor positions.

Whereas, the Vice President and Director of Communications have been leading the diversity discussions and the subcommittee work pertaining to this initiative;

Whereas, the duties of the Diversity Advisors will most heavily support the work of the Vice President and the Director of Communications;

Resolved, that the Vice President and Director of Communications will make a recommendation of the two candidates to be appointed to the Diversity Advisor positions for approval by the Senate.

September 12th of 2016

Bill to appoint a Julia Eddy to Finance Committee

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Champlain College Student Government Association Director of Finance to lead the distribution of club budget of the SGA and;



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Whereas, they assemble a finance committee of SGA and non-SGA members to advise in this task per the standing rules of the Student Government Association;

Whereas, Julia Eddy is a non-SGA Champlain College student who runs the Equestrian Club which is funded through SGA

Resolved, that Julia Eddy be appointed to the Finance Committee for the academic year of 2016-2017.

September 12th of 2016

Bill to appoint Neal Cummings to Finance Committee

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Champlain College Student Government Association Director of Finance to lead the distribution of club budget of the SGA and;

Whereas, they assemble a finance committee of SGA and non-SGA members to advise in this task per the standing rules of the Student Government Association;

Whereas, Neal Cummings is a non-SGA Champlain College student who runs the Ski and Ride club which is funded through SGA

Resolved, that Neal Cummings be appointed to the Finance Committee for the academic year of 2016-2017.

September 12th of 2016

Bill to approve Club Budgets

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Champlain College Student Government Association Director of Finance to propose a budget for the SGA based on the incoming Student Activity fee revenue and;

Whereas, they have evaluated past trends and accounted for the most effective way to divide SGA's income;

Whereas, the Finance Committee is convening to allocate club budgets for the Fall 2016 semester;

Resolved, that the overall club budget shall be \$90,000 for the 2016-2017 academic year.



September 18th of 2016

Bill to approve Fall 2016 Club Budgets

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Champlain College Student Government Association Director of Finance in conjunction with the Finance Committee to allocate funds to SGA clubs;

Whereas, after receiving Appendices G's from the following clubs outlining their requested budgets for the Fall 2016 semester;

Whereas, the Finance Committee has individually evaluated the requests of each club and adjusted as they saw fit in order to fit within the budget of 45,000 a semester,

Resolved, that the Club Budgets totaling 42,749.00 will be approved in accordance to the attached spreadsheet broken down by individual club for the Fall 2016 semester.

October 2nd of 2016

Bill to release access to contingency fund

Whereas, The SGA Standing Rules mandate a contingency fund of 5% of the club budget;

Whereas, The SGA Standing Rules establish a process for approval of club budget appeals;

Whereas, The SGA Standing Rules contain no other direction for managing the club contingency budget;

Resolved, the Director of Finance and the Director of Clubs will be responsible for allocating the contingency fund for in instances other than club budget appeals and will inform the senate of their decisions during cabinet updates at the next senate meeting.

October 17th of 2016

Bill to allocate money for programming to Senators

Whereas, one of the key responsibilities of the SGA Senators is to engage with their constituents;

Whereas, this is performed through a combination of office hours and programming;



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Whereas, in order to have successful programming Senators must be given a budget to support this programming

Resolved, each division (CCM, BUS, ITS, EHS) and the First-Year Senators will receive \$200 for the academic year of 2016–2017 year to be used for their divisional programming.

December 5th of 2016

Bill to appoint replacement Director of Operations

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Champlain College Student Government Association President to appoint individuals to the Student Government Association Cabinet and to submit the names of those appointees to the Student Government Association Senate for confirmation, and;

Whereas, there is an opening for the Director of Operations after the resignation of Marissa Laro;

Whereas, the following candidate represents, in opinion of the President the best qualified candidate to fulfill the duties of Director of Operations; therefore

Resolved, that Caitlin Ludke be appointed as the Director of Operations for the remainder 2016-17 academic year.

February 13th of 2017

Budget Bill II

Whereas, the Senate originally allocated \$40,000 to the Grant budget, and;

Whereas, we \$13,710 dollars left to allocate, and;

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Director of Finance to make recommendations to the Senate, and;

Whereas, it is the recommendation of the Director of Finance to allocate \$4,500 of the capital budget to the grant budget; therefore

Resolved, that \$4,500 of the capital budget be allocated to the grant budget.



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February 13th of 2017

O'Hara Bill

Whereas, there has been discussion in Cabinet and in Senate about bettering the relationship between the SGA and Student Life, and;

Whereas, there has previously been discussion regarding inviting Dan O'Hara into Senate meetings, and;

Whereas, the Cabinet recommends that the Senate invite Dan O'Hara into Senate meetings; therefore

Resolved, that Dan O'Hara be invited to Senate meetings.

February 20th of 2017

Bylaws (Round One) Bill

Motion: Move to approve the changes to the Bylaws submitted by the Bylaws Committee.
Made by: The Bylaws Committee.

February 27th of 2017

Standing Rules Amendment Bill

Whereas, the Standing Rules Committee originally allocated a minimum of seven (7) calendar days between application due date and the beginning of campaigning;

Whereas, the President of the College is unable to meet with candidates should this timeline be enforced;

Whereas, a decrease from seven (7) days to two (2) days will accommodate the scheduling needs of both candidates and the President of the College;

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Election Committee Chairperson to ensure that candidates have adequate opportunity to submit complete applications for office;

Resolved, the Standing Rules be amended only for the 2017 spring election cycle to only require two (2) days between the due date for applications and the start of campaigning.



March 6th of 2017

Bill to clarify meaning of the word "maintain" in the Bylaws

Whereas, the Bylaws have been contested as being ambiguous regarding the use of the word "maintain" in Article IV, Section 2, A. General Qualifications;

Whereas, in the context of Article IV, Section 2, A. General Qualifications "Maintain a CGPA of at least 2.50" implies that a student holding the role of officer must retain a CGPA no lower than 2.50 during the whole of their term of office;

Resolved, that "maintain" be interpreted to mean that the officer's CGPA must be at least 2.50 both on the day that their term of office begins and henceforth throughout the entire duration of their term of office.

March 6th of 2017

Bill to clarify meaning of the word "hold" in the Bylaws:

Whereas, the Bylaws have been contested as being ambiguous regarding the word "hold" in Article IV, Section 2, A. General Qualifications;

Whereas, in the context of Article IV, Section 2, A. General Qualifications "In order to hold an office in the Cabinet, a student must..." implies that the subsequent requirements must be fulfilled by an officer beginning at the point of their installation into office;

Whereas, "the term of office for President and Vice President shall begin within a week of their election;"

Whereas, "the terms of office for appointed officers shall begin immediately following their confirmation by the Senate at its second regularly scheduled meeting;"

Resolved, that "hold" be interpreted to refer to the occupancy of office beginning at the start of an officer's term per the Bylaws' Article IV Section 2, C. Term of Office.

Resolved, that "hold" be interpreted to refer to the time of application for candidacy per the Bylaws' Article IV Section 2, C. Term of Office.

March 20th of 2017



Bylaws (Round Two) Bill

Motion: Move to approve the changes to the Bylaws submitted by the Bylaws Committee.
Made by: The Bylaws Committee.

March 20th of 2017

Bylaws to set uniform deductions to late Appendix G submission

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Champlain College Student Government Association Director of Clubs and Director of Finance in conjunction with the Finance Committee to set and enforce due dates for Appendix G Form submissions each semester; and

Whereas, it is the job of the Finance Committee to individually review each Appendix G Form budget breakdown and provide to the Senate a recommendation for what each club should receive on a semesterly basis; and

Whereas, the late submission of Appendix G Form creates delays in providing funding to those clubs that have met the due date;

Resolved, that previously existing clubs submitting Appendix G Forms past the due date set for that semester, will have 5% deducted from their approved budget.

March 27th of 2017

Bill to clarify the word "endorsement" in the Standing Rules

Whereas, the Standing Rule have been contested as being ambiguous regarding the word endorsement;

Whereas, in the context of the heading Elections and Campaigns, Campaign Procedures, 6D "Endorsements by any current SGA officers, cabinet members, senators or clubs. Joint campaigning is not considered an endorsement.";

Whereas, the definition of Endorsement is "an act of giving one's public approval or support to someone or something.",

Resolved, that "Endorsements" be interpreted to mean, per the definition, that declarations of support only count as endorsements if they are given in a public manner, which includes all social media accounts.



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Committees

INTERNAL COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE (FALL & SPRING)

~ meets twice per academic year to discuss and allocate club budgets based upon the Appendix G's submitted each semester.

Meeting time: as scheduled by the Director of Finance

Point person/Chair: Director of Finance – *Jeff Diehl* & SGA Advisor – *Chuck Bashaw*

SGA members (X): *Bayley Palzer and Aaron Leonard* & Director of Clubs – *Sam Hodges*

“Community students” (2): *Neal Cummings and Erin Bailey*

FALL ELECTION COMMITTEE

~ plans and executes the SGA Fall Election

Meeting time: as scheduled by chair

Point person/Chair: President - *Logan Rice*

SGA members (X): *Jared Knepper, Marissa Laro*

SPRING ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

~ plans and executes the SGA Spring Elections and annual elections party

Note; SGA members serving on this committee must be graduating or refraining from running for a position in the SGA for the coming year.

Meeting time: as scheduled by chair

Point person/Chair: *Maggie Bean*

SGA members (3–5): *Logan Rice, Caitlin Ludke, Jared Knepper*

“Community students” (0–2):

BYLAWS REVIEW

~ reviews the SGA Bylaws every fifth year and recommends changes to the Senate

Meeting time: as scheduled by chair

Point person/Chair: Vice President – *Maggie Bean*

SGA members (5): *Dustin Yost, Erin Warner, Hannah Welburn, Kendall Dinsmore, Jared Knepper, Marissa Laro, Sam Hodges, Logan Rice*



EXTERNAL COMMITTEES

Please note that the External Committees often vary from semester to semester and from year to year.

CAMPUS STORE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

~ provides advices to the college's campus store operator, Follett; free lunch included in committee's meetings

Meeting time: twice per semester on Wednesday from 12:30–2:00pm; 9/28, 11/30, 2/1, 3/29

Point person/Chair: Linda Wheeler / Emily Bergeron

SGA members (1): *Haley Parent*

COLLEGE COMPETENCIES COMMITTEE

~ reviews and revises the competencies that each student is expected to have by graduation; presents on competencies to faculty & staff

Meeting time: biweekly on Thursday from 11am–12pm; 9/8, 9/22, 10/6, 10/20, 11/3, 11/17, 12/1

Point person/Chair: Ellen Zeman

SGA members (1): *Charlie Carucci*

COLLEGE COUNCIL

~ committee of faculty, staff, admin & students that recommends policies that impact all members of the Champlain community; shares updates from each dept. & division at the College

Meeting time: monthly on Friday at 8:30am; 9/16, 10/21, 12/2, 1/27, 3/24, 4/28

Point person/Chair: Linda Murphy

SGA members (5): President – *Logan Rice*, Vice-President – *Maggie Bean, Jared Knepper, Charlie Carucci, David Lee Fidler*

“Community students” (2): no volunteers found

COMMUNITY COALITION

~ neighborhood group that provides a forum for all members of the neighborhood to discuss community issues (i.e. noise, parking, traffic, etc.): sponsored by UVM Office of Student and Office Relations

Note: All meetings take place at the Office of Student and Community Relations located on the 1st floor of the Pearl House (12 Colchester Ave., yellow wood frame building next to John Dewey and across the street from Ira Allen Chapel).

Meeting time: monthly on Friday from 3:00–4:30pm; 9/9, 10/21, 11/4, 12/9

Point person/Chair: Sandy Yusen (liaison because the coalition is a community organization)

SGA members (1): *Logan Rice*



CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

~ reviews and approves changes to College Curriculum including new and revised courses along with new and revised programs and minors

Meeting time: monthly on Monday from 3:30-5:00pm; dates available via request to Linda Goodrum.

Point person/Chair: Cheryl Casey

SGA members (1): *Kendall Dinsmore*

DINING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

~ discusses opportunities for the improvement of Champlain College Dining Services

Meeting time: monthly on Wednesday from 12:00-1:00pm; 10/19, 11/16, 2/15, 3/8, 4/12

Point person/Chair: Sandi Earle

SGA members (1): *Marissa Laro / Caitlin Ludke*

“Community students” (1): —

DIVERSITY COUNCIL

~ group of faculty, staff, administrators, and students focused on ensuring achievement of the College’s goals for diversity and inclusion

Meeting time: as determined by chair, dependent upon members’ schedules.

Point person/Chair: Ame Lambert

SGA members (1): *Michael-Paul Ho-Kang-You*

STAFF COUNCIL

~ open to all staff as a time to share updates across departments and offices of the College; 1–2 minute update to be given by SGA representative

Meeting time: Tues. 10/18 8:30–9:30am // Wedn. 11/16 9–10am // Wedn. 12/21 8:30–9:30am

Point person/Chair: Christina Erickson

SGA members (1): *Maggie Bean*

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

~ handles parking and shuttle issues/concerns

Meeting time: monthly meetings, scheduled according to members’ schedules

Point person/Chair: Nic Anderson

SGA members (2): *Sam Hodges and Aaron Leonard*

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~ Burlington city governance organization that includes the city councilman and get updates from school boards, city ordinances, budget; Champlain and UVM are always on the agenda to provide updates as needed

Meeting time: 1st Thursday of every month, 7–9pm

Point Person/Chair: Sandy Yusen

SGA members (1): *Jeff Diehl*