



Report on USM Student Council Meeting

Shady Grove

October 13th, 2013

It was announced on Saturday October 12th to the council that James Jalandoni, the current president of the USMSC, resigned and we are accepting nominations to elect a new president during the November 10th meeting. The Executive Board reported that the MOST Initiative workshop for November 5th has more than 30 participants registered and that 3 student organizations in the USM have passed resolutions in support of the initiative. The other major topics of discussion were financial literacy within USM campuses with a focus on understanding the responsibilities of having loans and payment plans. The planning for the USMSC Federal Lobby Day occurred as we gathered advocacy topics to form into a one page leave behind. This information will be available to you as soon as we have finalized the topics. Joann Boughman reported on the ACA and what the system is doing to inform the students, staff, and faculty about any changes which may occur. Ori Gutin from UMCP gave a presentation on a sustainability initiative that he would like to see system wide, which involved divestment. The council representatives also gave campus safety updates and the status on implementation of a cell phone application. Lastly, the council formed a mental health committee being chaired by Samantha Zwerling from CP.