



USMSC Report to the Board of Regents

February 21, 2020

The USMSC met for its first meeting of the new year on February 9, 2020, at Bowie State University. This meeting included a session with Dr. MJ Bishop on the Maryland Open Source Textbook (M.O.S.T.) initiative. The Council had a discussion around different best practices around student voter registration and participation across the campuses. The Council also began the process of the creation and distribution of the State of Shared Governance Surveys for the State of Shared Governance Report.

The Council is once again in the process of filling its Executive Board. Unfortunately, our Vice President of Undergraduate Affairs, Ben Baitman, was unable to complete his term as Vice President. Therefore, the Council is in the process of filling that position for the remainder of the term.

The USMSC is also continuing to work on our advocacy efforts. These include participation in our Joint Advocacy Day on February 19 as well as the Council's participation in a meeting with Governor Hogan's Chief of Staff, Matt Clark, on February 28. We also continue to actively monitor legislation filed in both the House and Senate for bills that may be of interest or concern to students in the USM.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Benjamin Forrest'.

Benjamin Forrest

2019-2020 USMSC President