**SGA General Body Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Monday, February 3, 2025
**Time:** 5:00 PM
**Location:** Room 2E29 and via Zoom
**Zoom Link:** <https://umaryland.zoom.us/j/98597285043?pwd=gNNF1Bm9aBuQYeX46rQcrHkSCsVqIE.1>

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by SGA President **Courtney Fullwood**, who welcomed attendees back from break and emphasized the important work ahead this semester.

**Agenda Items**

**Brief Discussion with School Administration**

* Discussion on ongoing policy changes potentially affecting school processes.
* Emphasis on complying with evolving policies while maintaining school values and ethical standards.

**SGA Updates**

* Budget Finalized for Spring Semester
* Proposed Town Hall to discuss upcoming changes and student concerns.
* Ice cream social discussion: tentative plans for in-person leadership meetings to build community.

**Macro Student Union (MSU) Updates**

* **Upcoming Events:**
	+ Advocacy Training Workshop: Selection of training topics in the next MSU meeting.
	+ Networking Event in May: Connecting students with field instructors and professionals.
* Budget meeting summary: Working budget finalized for the semester.

**Field Education Committee Updates**

* Adjustments to CSWE Competencies and behavior expectations for field placements.
* Transition to Sonia platform for field applications, which was received well by students.
* Working to ensure further progress in clear communication between students and field placement advisors.

**Student Representation on University Committees**

* Encouraging more student representation in major decision-making bodies.
* Proposal to draft a formal letter advocating for student inclusion in critical policy discussions.
* Discussion on how students can be involved in shaping administrative policies.

**Security and Confidentiality Measures**

* Recommended encrypted communication methods for sensitive discussions.

**Q&A and Student Concerns**

* Encouragement for students to provide feedback on policy changes and field placement concerns.
* Plans for further discussions on budget allocations and student event planning.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm. The next General Body Meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2025, at 5:00pm.

**Attendance**

* Courtney Fullwood
* Trinity Cephas
* Christa Gloster
* Chloe Kastner
* Emma Charles
* Emma Burke
* Dean Taylor
* Julia Scott
* Shekinah Davis
* Neijma Celestine-Donnor,