

MOSA Report

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Over this past semester the Mighty Oak Student Assembly has continued to grow and expand its student advocacy and support on campus. I am pleased with the progress we have made and the goals we have laid out for the future.

Training:

MOSA has continued to support Clubs and club offices, this year we offered several evenings in person training that included title IX safe zone and anti-Bias. We are looking to expand these club officers for the start of the 2023-24 school year. Along with the Office of Student Success and Engagement, we are working to create online blackboard modules for position specific trainings that can be offered to all club officers as they begin their leadership positions.

Engage:

As mentioned, early today. Engage has taken hold on campus! students showing up to events with their check-in codes ready to be scanned. Clubs are utilizing the platform to promote events, manage internal communication, post documents and forms and even run elections. We are continuing to push the use of engagement and hope that the rollout of the online trainings modules officers will be more comfortable with the platform.

Aquarium:

During a student town hall concern about the proposed Onondaga County Aquarium. MOSA collected the concerns of the students and met with representatives at the county to ensure the concerns of Environmental justice and inclusion are met. MOSA is looking forward to the partnership ESF will have with the Aquarium. I am looking forward to an upcoming meeting with Ted Fox the Executive Director and Kim Arnold the Education Director of the Rosemont Gifford Zoo to discuss this partnership.

Midterm grades:

Mental health is a circus facing our students today. We need to do everything in our power to address this epidemic. MOSA passed a midterm grade resolution seeking academic milestones for our students. Students have reported going into finals week completely unaware of class standing or what their grade outcome will be, as some classes are not consistent with grading or do not post grades at all. Mid-term grades will give both students, professors, and advisors the ability to catch issues early in the academic year and allow students to focus on classes that need more time or seek academic support. We are working to gain the support of academic governance with the goal of placing midterm grades into the ESF grading policy.

Sustainability:

I am pleased to announce that our most recent events the, our TG, Stress buster and upcoming December Soiree have all be certified sustainable events, we will continue to demonstrate that sustainable focused events are posable and will be supporting and encoring our clubs to do the same.

Future:

As marshal hall comes back online, we are looking to bring back collage hour on campus in order to bring together the ESF community and give clubs the ability to hold events and meetings while students are still on campus.