

Board of Visitor's Meeting Feb. 7th



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Student Assembly



**A SUMMARY OF WILLIAM AND MARY'S
STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

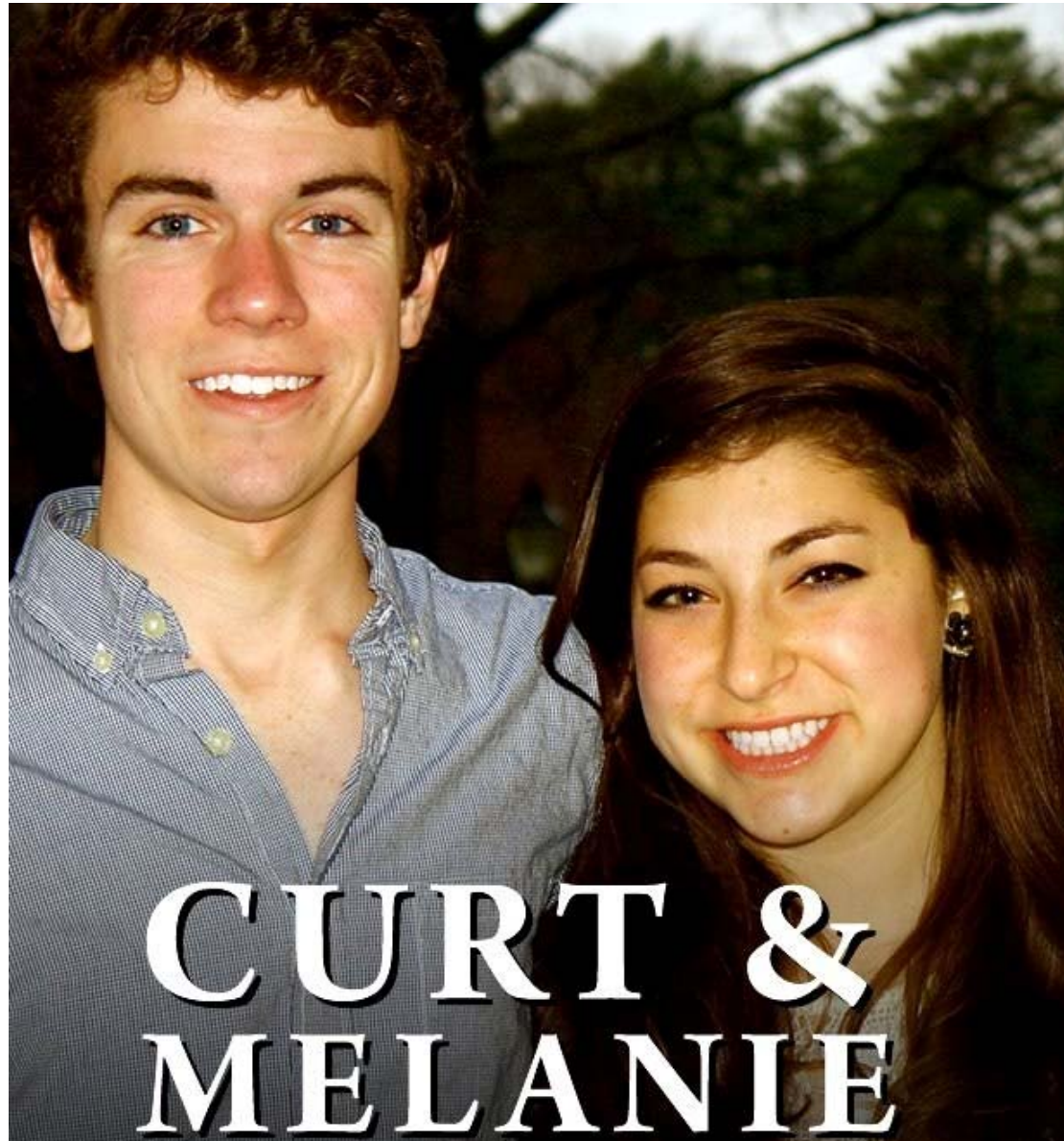
Four Branches of Student Government



- **Executive – SA President, Vice President, and Executive Departments**
- **Legislative – SA Senate**
- **Judicial – SA Review Board**
- **Undergraduate – Undergraduate Council (comprised of class officers)**



Executive Branch



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Executive Branch



- Headed by the SA President and Vice President who are elected as a ticket each March
- President diffuses responsibility across Executive Departments
- Departments of Student Rights, College Policy, Finance, Public Affairs, Diversity, Health and Safety, and Student Life

Legislative Branch



Credit: Flat Hat News

Legislative Branch



- **Student Assembly Senate**
- **Headed by Chairman and Secretary**
- **All bills introduced and sent to one or more of the Senate's five committees: Policy, Finance, Outreach, Public Affairs, and Student Life**
- **Senate confirms Executive Department Secretaries and other appointees (including Student Liaisons to the Board of Visitors)**

Judicial Branch



- **Student Assembly Review Board**
- **Determines if bills or acts of the other branches are in line with the organization's constitution.**
- **Primarily has served as an appeals board for election decisions made by the Election Commission in recent years.**

Undergraduate Branch



- The Undergraduate Council is primarily comprised of class officers: Class Presidents, Vice Presidents for Advocacy, Vice Presidents for Social Affairs, Class Treasurers, and Class Secretaries.
- Largely event-focused, notably Homecoming festivities.
- Associated with Senior Class Gift Fundraising

Graduate Branch



- The Graduate Council meets on a regular basis with representatives from each of the five graduate school associations: Student Bar Association (School of Law), Graduate Education Association (School of Ed), the Graduate Student Association (Arts & Sciences), the MBAA (Business School), and VIMS Graduate Student Association (School of Marine Science).
- Graduate students additionally vote for Student Assembly President and Vice President.

Show me the money...



**A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF STUDENT
ACTIVITIES FUNDING**

Student Activities Budget



- Each student pays a \$98 Student Activities Fee
- Fee is used to provide funding for a host of campus organizations.

Student Activities Budget



- Funding for each organization is appropriated through the Executive Appropriations Committee and then confirmed by the Senate and signed by the SA President.
- Total Budget of \$695,800

Student Assembly Initiatives



OUTLINE OF SA PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS



The Road to Richmond program has been in existence for 20 years, providing an opportunity for students to lobby in the state capitol for increased funding to WM.

This year, thirty William and Mary students travelled to Richmond. The agenda for our lobbying efforts:

- Thanking the GA for their generosity with regard to the payment increase for staffers
- Continued support on bricks and mortar funding (Tyler, ISC, etc.) as well as preserving the out-of-state to in-state ratio.



Road to Richmond

Student Assembly Initiatives - Health and Safety



- Executive Health and Safety Department focusing on mental and sexual health
- In previous years, the SA has funded two post-doctoral positions in the Counseling Center for a span of one year
- Continues to provide free STI testing for students in the Health Center

SA Initiatives - Mental Health

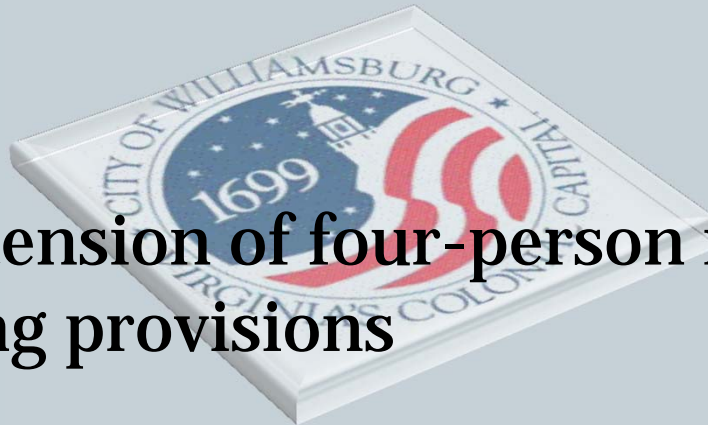


- Mental health an increasingly salient issue on college campuses nationwide
- Department of Health and Safety promoting services offered by the Counseling Center
- Prioritize mental health in university budget for next fiscal year

SA Initiatives – City of Williamsburg



- SA leaders have met with the Mayor, Council Members, and other city officials at two separate meetings last semester, with two more planned for this semester.
- Working on extension of four-person rule and adjusted parking provisions



SA Initiatives – Student Rights



- Worked very positively in the past several years with the administration on issues such as Medical Amnesty.
- Much of our work this year has centered around informing the student community of how these policies work.



Concert set for April
25th

I Am WM Week seeks to
promote the diversity
within our campus
community



I Am WM Week

Questions?



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