



SUNY MARITIME PARENT ASSOCIATION
GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES via ZOOM
November 6, 2025
7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order at 7:10PM by President J. Timpone with introduction of 3 great speakers this evening of Ms. Lucille Villaquiran from financial aid/scholarship office, Ms. Tina McCollum from housing as well as Dean Adam Grohman- Dean of Students to touch on student affairs.
- J. Timpone reported a great turnout for Homecoming and donation of \$5,000 to the Sea Center for tutoring was given at the football game.
- J. Timpone reported this weekend Maritime will be marching in the local Bronx Veteran's Day Parade. The New Deputy Commander under Robert Tart, Michael McNerny, will be the Grand Marshall. The Marching band, color guard, and Veteran's Association will also be marching and marching in the Manhattan Parade too.
- J. Timpone reported that next week Ms. Norman will also host the Annual Cultural Fashion Show- P.A. donated refreshments as well as some assistance with modeling.
- Parents Association will also have its 1st Pocket book Bingo Night as an annual fundraiser. Please come out to join us for some fun.
- On Saturday, November 22nd Maritime will host its Fall Car Show.
- December 5th, 2025, Save the Date for our annual Holiday Party.
- Please be reminded some students do not go home for Thanksgiving- International students if you are interested in hosting a Maritime Student, please let us know.
- J. Timpone also asks for new parents to join the Parent's Association as it helps all our students on campus and a great thing to be part of.

FINANCIAL AID

- J. Timpone introduces Ms. Lucy from Financial Aid Office
- Ms. Lucy reports that the FAFSA Renewal 26/27 opened on October 1st, 2025, with 2024 income information to be included.
- For scholarships and Academic progress- the Cumulative GPA and the donor's requirement of the Cumulative GPA is what is required.
- Federal Government guidelines have a 2.0 cumulative GPA with 67% completion for specific terms.
- NYS has their own academic requirements aside from Federal guidelines.
- Spring Registration is coming up next week. Tuesday, November 11th freshman & Graduate group goes first, Wednesday, November 12th the following levels will join.
- Make sure there are no holds on their accounts.
- Federal funding is applicable to the courses for the student's major.
- Spring semester billing – they will have a 30day window to pay in full or register for payment plan.
- Scholarships 26/27 and SST 2026- December 1st application will be available. December to January – 2 full months to fill out the application.
- Submit essay plus 25/26 and 26/27 FAFSA- both FAFSA's.
- Students with renewing scholarships, for example CAP, Privateer or Fort Schuyler Scholarships if they are meeting the cumulative GPA, they shall be fine.
- 2025 SST Scholarship needs to be renewed every year.
- A Parent asks a question regarding SST scholarship- if it is a not need basis or a need basis scholarship you must complete 25/26 and 26/27 FAFSA application.
- If anyone is having issues with FAFSA you must call the federal government. They will provide guidance, not the school.
- SST estimated cost -from 2024 of \$15/\$16,000 went down to /\$12,000 for Summer 2025 in state.
- Robin from Financial Aid also reported on "Pay It Forward", or "PIF" They partnered with the Company Social Finance and were able to secure 18 interest free loans to students in need, but they must be a NYS resident, and PELL eligibility required. 1 to 2 information sessions will be out about this PIF program.

STUDENT AFFAIRS- Dean Grohman

- Dean Grohman echoes Lucy and Robin with all they reviewed so far.
- Dean Grohman works with a great team of people in areas of counseling services, housing, health services, community outreach, also career services so that our students will have a great overall experience.
- He can be reached at studentaffairs@sunymaritime.edu or agrohman@sunymaritime.edu.
- A Wi-Fi issue was reported for a work ticket for ITT- 7th story-3rd battalion.
- A parent asks if there will be food service available for licensing exam in January, yes, they will have cafeteria open, as well as the little amazon market, it will be grab and go.
- A parent asks if students will be able to choose their own roommates. They reported the College moving forward, the regiment will be placing regimented students together so they can form a watch company as they have leadership with upper classmen with under classmen to provide an equal balance and a more cohesive unit. This is the first year doing this. Age, race, etc. cannot be considered with placing regimented students together.

HOUSING- Director of Housing - Tina MacCollum

- Ms. MacCollum reported there are two events approaching, one is Thanksgiving as students are not required to return their room keys. To access their rooms over the break they must contact UPD. During the break they must pack important items such as any technology, medications, passport if traveling and room keys. To Close all windows as they don't want there to be any room damage.
- Christmas break will begin officially December 13 at 12noon Campus will close. Students are mandated to go home for Christmas break and keys must be handed in. All room refrigerators and microwaves must be unplugged. Only international students who are not traveling home are allowed to stay with permission as well as the basketball students/license students.

ADJOURNMENT

- J. Timpone adjourned this meeting at 8:05PM.

