



# REPORT

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## Operations Commissioner

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TO: Members of the Student Representative Assembly  
FROM: Preethi Anbalagan, Operations Commissioner  
SUBJECT: SRA 16E Report  
DATE: September 25, 2016

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Hello everyone,

Welcome back to the new school year. Some updates: the Operations Committee tentatively meets Thursdays at 5:30pm, so for those who'd like to come – we encourage you to join us! We have mailing list and Google drive for official observers to receive updates and follow our progress throughout the year. *Note: OP and Operating Policy are used interchangeably.*

### **PROGRESS ON YEAR PLAN**

Our committee is structured in a way that allows each member to undertake a platform and become the main point of contact, affectionately called Platform Leads. We've divvied the work in our most recent meeting. Alicia Arnds will be undertaking future recommendations we make to our Plastic Bottle Free Policy; Lilian Obeng will be looking into potential improvements to the MSU Wants You OP; Kathleen Quinn will research operational improvements within our organization to foster a Safe(r) environment; and finally, Katie Pita evaluating the antiquated Environmental Sustainability OP 1.6.

### **PAST EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES**

Some interesting conversations surrounding the Clubs operating policy were brought forward that pertained to antiquated terms, removal of credit at the underground and their advertisement procedures. When conversations became cyclical, the initiative was put in the back burner. I'll be sure to update y'all on this matter when I have more conclusive conversations. Additionally, I've provided some recommendations to our Communications Officer regarding the re-positioning of pages on our MSU website for easier navigation.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS, PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES**

MSU Wants You will be having their first meeting, which Lilian Obeng and I will be co-hosting until a Chair has been elected. We're hoping to engage in dialogue and discourse regarding the limitations of the current operating policy and looking into suggestions for improvement.

### **CURRENT CHALLENGES**

I became an IRL Mr. Krabs meme reading four years of previous e-mail chains, drafted operating policies and previous challenges in implementing Accountability. There was a lot of headway prior to Tristan Paul's year that didn't get transferred over to my term.

One of my current challenges is carrying over previous work into my term as commissioner. It requires some re-prioritizing and further conversations.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

Currently, we have three outstanding observers. However, to be on the Operations Committee isn't a competitive race and I assume this is because it's erroneously misconceived as a committee that isn't project-based. To clarify this, I've made a nifty [onboarding package](#) that outlines what we can achieve within Operations.

### **OTHER**

It's squash season, holler at your local Farmstand.

Stay zen,

**Preethi Anbalagan**

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