



Executive Action Sheet for Senate Legislation

- Senate Bill 332- **002**
- Resolution 332-

I, Terra Sloane, President of the Student Assembly of William & Mary do hereby:

- Approve
- Veto

The Student Assembly Senate Legislation:

THE APO VROOM ACT

Terra M. Sloane
President, 332nd Student Assembly (24-25)

DATE: **4/24/24**

332nd Student Assembly,
Senate Bill 332-002

A Bill

To fund APO's Escort Service for the remainder of the budgetary year and the upcoming academic year

The APO VROOM Act

An Act of the 332nd Student Assembly of William & Mary,

Sponsored by Class President Matthew Hwang ('25)

Co-Sponsored by Senator Jeffrey Gu ('25)

Supported by APO Finance VP Cheyenne Hwang, APO Exec VP Addison Greenfeld, APO Service VP Lucy Coogan, APO Philanthropy VP Carrie Sample, APO Inclusion VP Matthew Laxa, APO Escort VP Greg Byun, APO Membership VP Kaitlin Molloy, and APO Secretary Patrick Brady

WHEREAS, Alpha Phi Omega (aka APO) "was founded with the intention of providing service opportunities to students on William & Mary's campus";

WHEREAS, William & Mary "recognize that faculty, staff, and students must be safe and feel safe to flourish in their respective endeavors" (*Public Safety*, n.d.);

WHEREAS, APO's Campus Escort Service is a golf-cart escort service run by student volunteers to provide a free, safe, and accessible ride service to the student body at night;

WHEREAS, Campus Escort has recently lost its sponsorship with WMPD including funding that covered maintenance and operational expenses;

WHEREAS, APO's Campus Escort Service is provided completely free of charge to students, providing a financially accessible transportation option for students regardless of their financial situation;

WHEREAS, the Campus Escort has maintained a **constant and reliable** campus presence with a total of 839 rides provided from 9/28/2021 to 4/7/2024 and a consistent staff of 88 to 135 drivers available throughout the academic year;

- Breakdown of the Numbers:
 - Fall 2021: 153
 - Spring 2022: 51

- Fall 2022: 112
- Spring 2023: 177
- Fall 2023: 217
- Spring 2024 (as of now): 147

WHEREAS, Steer Clear, the only other free ride service available to students, is no longer operational, leaving Campus Escort as the only remaining free, safe transportation options for students;

WHEREAS, the sponsors of the bill will be pursuing funding in the future through a yearly annual contract between Student Assembly and APO's Escort Service based on demonstrated financial need of this upcoming year;

Now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, that the Student Assembly of William & Mary,

1. Allocates up to \$3,000 from the Student Assembly Reserves for the operational and maintenance expenses of APO's Campus Escort for the rest of the Spring 2024 semester and the incoming 2024 - 2025 academic year
 - a. The potential expenses include but are not limited to:
 - i. Gas, Repairs, General Maintenance, etc.
2. Charges the sponsors of this bill with monitoring APO's operation for the remainder of the semester and the incoming academic year
3. Requests APO's Escort Service with maintaining data on all rides provided to students and sharing all financial records related to Campus Escort with Student Assembly;

References

Public Safety. (n.d.). William & Mary. Retrieved March 4, 2024, from

<https://www.wm.edu/offices/publicsafety/>
