



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF BARUCH COLLEGE  
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MEETING NO. 16

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2013, 05:43PM-07:56PM

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## I. REPORTS 5:43-5:58

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PRESIDENT | FARHANA HASSAN

5:43-5:48

A. Welcome back. We secured the \$20,000 from the University Student Senate for May 8<sup>th</sup> concert. Now we are in the stage of just signing contract with concert ideas and the artist.

B. Kirill Gourov graduated so there is a senate seat is available. Saransh has also graduated unexpectedly but he hopes to stay involved. Saransh would like the new chair of appeals to be Senator Jacob Gsell. Farhana nominates Jacob for the new chair of appeals:

**Motion Passes: 12:0:1**

C. **Shadia Sachedina, Director of Student Life introduces Sharon Ricks:** Dr. Ben Corpus was the Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs division. There was recently an decision to split the division and so Student Affairs will be its own division moving forward. Dr. Corpus has maintained his role in enrollment management and strategic academic initiative but he will no longer hold the title of Dean of Students. Sharon Ricks will serve as the Interim Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs and the entire division will report to the Provost.

SECRETARY | JILLIAN SPRINGER

5:48-5:50

A. Passing of the minutes from the meeting held on 12.10.13

**Motion Passes 13:0:0**

VICE PRESIDENT OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS | MICHAEL HARRIS

5:50-5:50

A. **NYSABPRL COFERENCE:** The team will depart Friday February 14<sup>th</sup> at 11am from Baruch College. There is one open spot left for a USG member. Travel waivers must be submitted to the Office of Student Life.

CHAIR OF INTER-CLUB AFFAIRS | JACKIE LUU

5:50-5:52

A. TSO WELCOMING CLUB FAIR (THURSDAY, CLUB HOURS, MULTIPURPOSE ROOM)

a. We will have a table there. So we need a few representatives

b. Our Bearcat Rally is at the same time so USG members need to be present at both

c. They are setting up at 11am and USG will have its own table.

A. BEARCAT AWARDS: The winners were selected through a competitive application process that evaluated GPA, involvement on campus and responses to essay questions. They will be recognized at the Bernies award ceremony and they will receive a check in the mail soon. Axelle and the selection committee hope to improve the process in the next round for Spring.

- a. Student Parent Award: (Chitra Tackchand)
- b. Academic Excellence: (Aleksandr Smechov, Yi Xin Zhang Cen, Angelica Lopez)
- c. School Spirit Award(Camille O'Brien, Hao Michael Lai)
- d. International Student Award(Minqi Xiang, Xin Zhao)

A. BEARCAT RALLY: Pep rally on the second floor lobby in partnership with the Student Athletes Advisory Committee . There will be giveaways, games, music, and MCs who will host the "Minute to Win it Competition". Absolute Adrenaline and Student Life will be cosponsoring. Farhana thanks Annie and Dona who are organizing the rally because this is the beginning to engaging student athletes and increasing school spirit.

**Side Note in regards to Welcome Week:** Olavo who is in charge of Wednesday getaway could not make it today. There will be giveaways on Wednesday as well and we need people to help set up and interact with students.

## II. NEW BUSINESS

5:58-6:07

### Academic Affairs | Sam Shivraj

The "everything you want to know" series

- Workshop on financial literacy(What you should know about having a credit card and bank accounts)
- How to start working out (Olivia: One of Sam's committee members is working on this project)
- How to make PowerPoint Presentation
- Nutrition Work Shop

### Treasurer | Santiago A. Gomez Flor

- The deadlines for appeals and budgets are set. He will be emailing all club leaders with this information.

### Board Member | Scott Fine

- The date for Baruch's Got Talent is set: March 26. We are waiting to hear back from CUNY Legal about the contract from Gramercy Theater, the venue we are looking to use for that night.

### Executive Vice President | Henry Ma

- We will be co-hosting a Finance event with Cents Ability. JP Morgan will be our corporate sponsors. Saransh Khanna will be helping Henry with the event.

### President | Farhana Hassan

- • We are hosting a Welcome Back House Party with the BHM committee. Set up

starts at 4:30 pm.

- Part 2 of textbook flea market this Wednesday from 4-6 in the lobby. We will have coffee and tea.
- We raised money \$213.20 so far in two days during Welcome Week. We are looking to raise \$10,000 for Relay for Life this year through individual and collaborative fund raising.

#### **Board Member and USS Delegate | Jean Bouda**

- USS is providing Scholarships for students. Applications can be found in the Office of Student Life.

### **III. SPEECHES an Q & A Session**

**6:07–6:32**

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#### **Candidate | Sunny Chen**

- Freshman
- Always wanted to get involved with USG
- This is his opportunity to take initiative of being a leader and an inspiration to his peers.
- With the recent passing of a close personal friend during a fraternity ritual, he wants to be an advocate on the dangers of hazing.

#### **Candidate | Daniel Dornbaum**

- Freshman
- He attended Baruch College campus High school. He was the president of the student government at his high school.
- He has been on campus since 2009. He is very familiar with the Baruch College campus.
- He has involve with USG this past semester.

#### **Candidate | Jun Hao Huang**

- He is a member of the student service committee and he has enjoyed helping USG
- He wants to see college students get the most out of college and enjoy their years as a Baruch student.
- 'He wants to be like AJ one day'.

#### **Candidate | Nardine Salma**

- She used a quote from a Chinese Philosopher to start her speech.
- "If you never try you will never experience the world".
- She became the junior class president of her high school after running against the sophomore president.
- She took initiative of planning a Junior class trip for the student body.
- **Q and A**
  - **Nusaybah: Daniel (How did you do for your first semester?)**
    - He got involved with a lot of organizations. They are all welcoming. It has become a morale booster and it was a great transitions.
  - **Jackie: Unique Skills**
    - **Nardine:** She is very innovative. She does not take advantage of idle time. She takes peoples' ideas into consideration.
    - **Daniel:** He does not half a\*\* things. He is a strong believer in commitment.

- **Sunny:** Strong belief in positive work ethics. He is opened to everything. He is optimistic.
- **Jun Hao:** He is good at time management.
- **Henry: What is your greatest accomplishment?**
  - **Jun Hao:** Meeting USG.
  - **Sunny:** When he was involved in JOTC.
  - **Daniel:** Being the student president in High School. He ran against his friend and he had to make a sacrifice and he won by two votes.
  - **Nardine:** Being involved in student government in High School. Balancing Academics and activities with the student organizations. She also got into the Dean Scholars program at Baruch.
- **Chris: How are you schedules?**
  - Jun Hao: Classes on Monday and Wednesdays.
  - Sunny: 2 classes each day with 2 hour gaps.
  - Daniel: He takes classes from Monday- Thursday and Baseball practice/games also take up a lot of time.
  - Nardine: She has classes from Monday-Friday but she has a flexible schedule.
- **Jake: What is your goal if elected**
  - **Nardine:**
    - Create an art space
    - Incorporate the transfer students
  - **Daniel:**
    - Reach out to the incoming freshman
  - **Sunny:**
    - Reach out to the freshman as well
    - Community Service
  - **Jun Hao:**
    - Build school spirit. Make a bigger presence on campus.

#### IV. Executive Session

6:49–7:54

**During the executive sessions minutes are not recorded.**

#### V. Elections

7:54–7:55

**Aj motions to elect Nardine Salma**

**Motion Passes 12:0:1**

#### VI. ADJOURNMENT

Henry Motions to Adjourn the meeting at 7:56

**Motion Passes: 12:0:1**

*Meeting is adjourned*