**Meeting #11**

**Tuesday, November 17th, 2015**

**Meeting Start Time 5:31 PM**

**Meeting End Time 8:23 PM**

**Attendance**

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| Annie Sourbis | President | Candice Chatterpaul | VP of Student Affairs |
| Nardine Salama | Executive VP | Nicole Zelenko | VP of Campus Affairs |
| Isabel Zhao | Treasurer | Andrew Armoogan | Representative Senator |
| Katy Yu | Executive Secretary | Alvin Daniel | Representative Senator |
| Sau Fong Lin | Chair of Inter-Club Affairs | Ehtasham Bhatti | Representative Senator |
| Salma Mohamed | Chair of Finance | Joanne Beloy | Representative Senator |
| Agata Poniatowski| Chair of PR | Larry Biscette | Representative Senator |
| Ben Chatham | Chair of Appeals | Laura Martinez | Representative Senator |
| Selina Lee | Chair of Marketing | **Rebecca Clabby | Representative Senator (Absence)** |
| Cherry Aung | VP of Academic Affairs | Sean Liu | Representative Senator |
| Daniel Dornbaum | VP of Legislative Affairs | Viral Shah | Representative Senator |

**Passing of the Minutes**

1. Motion to pass Minutes of Meeting #10. Motion passes 13-0-1

**Reports**

* 1. **President | Annie Sourbis** 
     1. **Testimony** -A copy of the testimony was sent out in email about the Board of Trustees yesterday and the Senate's choice to adopt USS' resolution to ask for a tuition freeze
     2. **Internal Feedback** - The executive board decided to create an internal team feedback form for the senate. It is for you guys to submit your feedback about anything USG team wise. If it is performance-related, suggestions for events, positive or negative, issues etc
  2. **VP | Nardine Salama**
     1. **Leadership Bootcamp** - Will speak with Student Life about having a retreat outside in a suit for team building exercises.
     2. **MVP -** please remember to fill out the form by Sunday to nominate the next person
     3. **Office Hours** - We need 2 hours in the day to do work, so it would be closed door to get some peace and quiet. Personalize hours since everyone has different schedules
  3. **Chair of Appeals | Benjamin Chatham**
     1. **AIESEC | Winter National Conference**
        1. Motion to allocate $2,000. Motion passes 16-0-0
        2. 7 day conference in Dallas. They will elect the National president that is voted in by students. They will also hold networking opportunities and leadership development workshop. 10 register for today and maybe another 10-15 members
     2. **Alpha Kappa Psi | Off Campus Conference**
        1. Motion to allocate $1562.50. Motion passes 15-0-1
        2. 3 day conference in Chicago. Networking with students from different chapters and alumni. They are expecting 25+ members attending.
     3. **Ecuadorian Club | Cultural Event**
        1. Motion to rescind their appeal by $1375. Motion passes 16-0-1
        2. They are pushing the event to the Spring and they will redo their planning and contract
  4. **Assistant Director of Student Life | Jeff Manning**
     1. **OSL Staff Baby Trivia -** If you identify correctly, you will enter into a raffle for tickets for the Hunger Game movie
     2. **Barnes and Noble Book Store** - This space is now available for club event. It is free and they need a week notice. It fits about 60 people. They also have amplify sound and cater cookies and coffee if needed
  5. **Representative Senator | Ehtasham Bhatti** 
     1. **STARR -** On the STARR account, under the "Networking Tab", there's a list of about 100+ professionals, but the database seems outdated with professionals who are probably retired, professionals with disabled e-mail accounts, or companies that literally no longer exist or have been merged. He was thinking he can bring STARR together with the Alumni Relations Office, and possibly create a professional mentorship system between current students and alumni who are working in the industry.
     2. The Alumni Relations Office has a database of thousands of recent graduates in professional fields. We can reach out to them and inquire if they're interested in being mentors to current students here at Baruch. He had a meeting with Mr. Michael "Mike" Kalish from the STARR Center, and he really enjoyed the idea.
  6. **Vice President of Legislative Affairs | Daniel Dornbaum** 
     1. **Committee Report** - Board of Trustees will meet on Monday Nov. 23rd, they will be taking on a vote what was discussed yesterday at the Public Hearing. It is open to students/public on the 14th Floor
     2. **Student for Justice of Palestine** - They merged with protesters yesterday for the stoppage of the tuition increase; use that protesting space to shift the discussion toward what they have. Think over about a crowd protesting, please listen carefully because it is easy to get mixed message.
     3. **Committee Meeting** -Members will be going out to hearings in their district to learn how the legislative process works. Would also like the Senates to be knowledgeable of the process. It's good to know which senator and assembly member represents whom and it would be helpful when going to Albany.
  7. **VP of Campus Affairs | Nicole Zelenko** 
     1. **Multipurpose Room Renovation** - Still waiting for numbers to be pushed out. It will take about 6 months to fix it up, but we don’t have the money in 6 months to fix the room. It depends how much money we can get and what we can do first about the MPR. Flooring will be in the last phase; wall will be more sophisticated with soundproofing; Painting the ceiling to black; accent lighting throughout the room, color changing; frosted windows will be costly but everything is up in the air. The budget available now is not enough to redo all the renovation ideas.
     2. Annie - We will go to board of directors if the money is not enough to cover from the USG’s budget.
     3. Lisa Edwards will be coming on 12/8 to show the video
     4. Refill of the Hand Sanitizer is supposed to come out of the USG budget, but Nicole is working on it
     5. **Ilya Ashmyan -** There is a hole in the gym, adding portable plugs, since we are low in outlets. She will be coming next week to talk briefly
     6. **Committee Meeting** - Tomorrow at 11am to talk about Snow Much Fun
  8. **Representative Senator | Joanne Beloy** 
     1. **Secret Santa** - Please check your secret santa person and don’t tell other people who you have. Gift day is December 8th
     2. **Club Appreciation Dinner -** An opportunity toget 150 clubs to know each other. She will post it tomorrow on Club Connect. If you are interested in helping out with event planning, please stop by on Thursday during their meeting.

**Unfinished Business**

* 1. **Sau Fong | Club Tracker**
     1. October - 14 bernie's event; only 55% of the table completed their event quota
     2. November - Only one senator has met the quota, please fill out the form
  2. **Candice | Updates**
     1. 4th Student Service Meeting is at 4pm this Friday
     2. Meeting at Hunter College to talk about concert and they are aiming for March 22nd (Tuesday is a Friday Class schedule so it would be cheaper for us). Finalizing the budget from USS, Baruch, and Hunter and they will start looking for vendors and artist.
     3. USG Report 24 listeners; keep doing it and if you have anything to add please tell them or call them
  3. **Cherry | Registration Domination** 
     1. Please help out with marketing and reach out to students and especially Freshmen to tell them about it. They mostly need help with CUNYFirst registration
  4. **Andrew | Suggestion Tabling**
     1. A google form was sent out in email, please fill out to get an idea who is free to table. Also need people to help with sorting them. They had about 500 so far
     2. Annie - Set out a goal to reach about 350 survey responses since it is more easily quantifiable
  5. **Albert | Room to Read**
     1. Pushing it to Spring semester to increase the amount of people who will attend. The event is not canceled, just postpone. If anyone is interested in the competition please notify them of the date change.

**New Business**

* 1. **Agata | Ticker**
     1. Today is the first print edition of the newsletter. Check The Ticker!
  2. **Alex Sun | Athletic Department** 
     1. He reached out the Director of Athletics who agreed to work with USG in giving us $1,000 to purchase new equipment in the weight room.

1. **Adjournment**
   1. Motion to adjourn meeting #11 at 8:23 PM. Motion passes 13-1-0