# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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### **Meeting 11:**

Meeting Date:	November 19th, 2019	Meeting Time:	5:30 P.M 5:50 P.M.
Location:	USG Conference Room	Note Taker:	Nicole Pung

Attendees:		
Dakshatha Daggala   President	Joshua Castillo   Executive Vice President	
Tam Phuong   Executive Treasurer	Nicole Pung   Executive Secretary	
Briana Staten   VP of Academic Affairs	Robert Da Rita   VP of Campus Affairs	
Kim Kazdal   VP of Legislative Affairs	Tony Chen   VP of Student Affairs	
Gigi Kaur   Chair of Appeals	Emmanuel Oladejo   Chair of Arts	
Denise Rojas   Chair of Clubs and Orgs	Aaron D'Souza   Chair of Finance	
Annmarie Gajdos   Chair of Graphic Design	Sandy Dai   Chair of Marketing	
Genesis Calle   Chair of Philanthropy	Andres Aguirre   Representative Senator	
Basil Harding   Representative Senator	Irine Thomas   Representative Senator	
Marvin Argueta   Representative Senator	Roshen Varughese   Representative Senator	
Taji Sanders   Representative Senator	Yam-Yu Li   Representative Senator	
[Late] Yaseen Rana   Representative Senator		

# **Passing of the Minutes**

Motion to pass Senate Meeting #10 minutes. Motion passes, 18-0-0.

### **Reports**

- 1. Genesis Calle | Chair of Philanthropy
  - a. Genesis: As you all know, USG GIM is Thursday club hours. It's going to be happening. I'm not going to say too much information because I'm assuming you all saw the doc. We're going to be setting up a presentation with the slides that we got from this weekend. Sandy has been making a little video of the USG suite since we can't actually be in USG. We're hoping to put it on the website for people to see. We're going to be playing little games like Kahoot and have giveaways for the winners. Hopefully, have a little Q and A to answer any questions. We also have Town Hall before, so anyone who goes to Town Hall comes to the GIM for more information. That's it for the GIM. I'm going to be releasing a form for philanthropy committee tomorrow. We'll be having a meeting in the next two weeks.
- 2. Andres Aguirre | Representative Senator
  - a. Andres: USG held tabling sessions. Joshua has compiled all the responses we got. If you want to look back and if there's anything you want to address, make sure you look back at the minutes.

- i. Couple comments about the printers.
- ii. Fix the vending machines.
- iii. Why does 17 Lex have xlerator dryers that don't work?
- iv. We need hot water in bathrooms.
- v. Female bathrooms are nasty. Somebody should clean them.
- vi. More leadership weekend.
- vii. Elevators.
- viii. Why ball courts not open?
- ix. Why doesn't my professor have office hours?
- x. Better teacher. Teachers update grades.
- xi. Nicer staff.
- xii. Office of student life. Rude.
- xiii. Lack of happiness from staff.
- xiv. Reports of rodents.
- xv. Asbestos.
- xvi. School is too dirty.
- xvii. Hire more veterans and actually be "military friendly."
- xviii. Install solar panels.
- xix. Why are computer labs in NVC closed at 5?
- xx. Laptop kiosks are inconsistent when I need them most.
- xxi. More transparency with future changes to major/minor requirements.
- xxii. Transparency and communication.
- xxiii. More elevator stuff.
- xxiv. Have actual food in the cafeteria like they used to have.
- xxv. Food drives.
- xxvi. Why is USG one of the few organizations that pays their members?
- xxvii. Bernard Bearcat needs a new suit.
- b. Dakshatha: They suit you've been seeing this year is the new one.
  - i. Andres: Relationship advice. How to know if you're in an abusive relationship. If you hear anything you want to tackle specifically, look back at minutes.
- c. Robert: Is there a way to implement students to report where specifically broken vending machines are.

# \*\* Yaseen arrives 5:35PM \*\*

d. Dakshatha: Usually, the higher floors have nicer bathrooms because fewer people have classes on those floors.

### 3. Joshua Castillo | EVP

- a. Joshua: I have some dates I want to give you. OSL is doing a toy drive with the Bowery Mission until December 4th. Donations are in the Office of Student Life. Staff, faculty, and students are welcomed to donate. Art, art supplies, science, technology, nerf guns, 3D printing sets, wide diversity of things.
- b. Dinetta: Last year, we partnered with Bowery Mission, a community partner near Baruch. We've done a number of soup kitchens with them. They cater for us during T.E.A.M. Baruch and Leadership Weekend. They have a shelter with family and children. Toys and items are for the children. They'll pick up the toys and put toys on display and parents will be able to purchase the toys for like, a dollar. It give the parents some buy in. We'll appreciate anyone who donates.

- c. Kim: Do they have to be new?
- d. Dinetta: Yes.
- e. Dinetta: There weren't laptops on that list because it's something super expensive. It should be something they can keep.
- f. Joshua: I saw V tech laptop.
- g. Dinetta: It's a children's laptop.
- h. Joshua: Tomorrow is our town hall. We took a poll last week, but just so we have a better idea, who is going to be in attendance?
  - i. Tam, Tony, Robert, Genesis, Briana, Yam-Yu, Annmarie, Roshen, Denise, Emmanuel, Basil, Marvin
- i. Joshua: We'd like a final push for the link to get as many submissions as possible. I don't know the exact count. The 10-15 range. We want to have as much input as possible. Ticker will be moderating.
- j. Dakshatha: If you have committees, share the form in your committees. Sandy is working hard on pushing it on social media. You should be doing the same. Share it on Facebook, Instagram, maybe Facebook stories.
- k. Joshua: In addition to Town Hall Thursday, we have our GIM. How many are going to be able to show up?
  - i. Tony, Robert, Tam, Genesis, Taji, Briana, Yaseen, Kim, Sandy, Roshen, Aaron, Gigi, Emmanuel, Andres
- 1. Joshua: Lip sync is this Thursday. We're going to be practicing after this meeting on the table. If you intend on being a part of the whole production, stay after this meeting.

#### **Unfinished Business**

- 1. Nicole Pung | Executive Secretary
  - a. Nicole: Make sure you're checking your email and spam. I resent the Elfster link and individually to people who didn't get the chance to sign up yet. We don't want to miss anyone who really wants to. The name drawing is this Saturday. Exchanging gifts December 10th at 6PM. I don't anticipate a long last senate meeting. I'll also send out reminders to update your wishlists. If you do know you want something in the \$30 limit, please put it on there. Not everyone knows each other as closely with table and boards and vice chairs.

### **New Business**

- 1. Kim Kazdal | VP of Legislative Affairs
  - a. Kim: Today, I had a committee meeting. Basically talked about what they want to see. What they noticed around campus that concerns them. A lot of the things were specific to campus affairs and interesting like water bottle thing and we're trying to do something about that. All about small things. We came to the conclusion that all these things are not working because of a lack of funding. Wanted to bring to everyone's awareness. Rally is under construction.
  - b. Joshua: Projected date?
  - c. Kim: February 13th. We go to Albany on February 14th.
  - d. Joshua: Great way to spend your Valentine's Day.
  - e. Kim: I gave my committee members an extra day for them to apply. Still apply. Today is the last day. The form closes tomorrow.
- 2. Briana Staten | VP of Academic Affairs

- a. Briana: December 5th is the last Faculty senate meeting for the semester. I can't attend because it's the last success network event for the semester. Is anyone available to go to the meeting? Thursday club hours.
- b. Joshua: We'll contact individually.
- 3. Denise Rojas | Chair of Clubs and Orgs
  - a. Denise: We have an event tonight. Bhangra Bash. USA personally invited us to go. They asked if we can come by and hang out and show face. It's also up for Bernies, so you can go and see how it is. Also a great opportunity to connect more with the club.
  - b. Irine: About the Bernie slips, clubs are using the old ones it still has Dakshatha's email on it.
  - c. Denise: I emailed all clubs 4 times about the new Bernie slips. I've created a new one and sent it to all of them several times.
- 4. Sandy Dai | Chair of Marketing
  - a. Sandy: I'm filming a video for the GIM. It's going to include everyone so please stay here after this meeting so that I can record it.
  - b. Dakshatha: I have BOD Thursday club hours, but I hope everyone is there making sure GIM goes well for us.
- 5. Tony Chen | VP of Student Affairs
  - a. Tony: For GIM, I need about 3 people to come pick up food from Bravos. 12:15pm.
    - i. Taji, Yaseen, Roshen
- 6. Emmanuel Oladejo | Chair of Arts
  - a. Emmanuel: I met with the art committee today and we have the fully planned out Chaserenity. Everything is in place, I just have to order everything. On December 12th, I'll need help setting up the entire scope of the event. I'm going to keep reminding, but I'm going to require some muscle from all of you. I think the bulk of it will be my committee setting up but anyone or no one can help out, it would be greatly appreciated.
  - b. Joshua: When I was a part of it last year, when we set up the MPR, we did it the night before. Blew all the balloons up the night before. Something to consider.

## Adjournment

1. Motion to adjourn Senate Meeting #11 at 5:50 PM. 19-0-0.