

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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### fMeeting 15:

Meeting Date:	January 28th, 2020	Meeting Time:	5:30 P.M. - 7:04 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	[Early Departure] Robert Da Rita   VP of Campus Affairs
[Late] 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
Yaseen Rana   Representative Senator	

### Reports

1. Motion to pass Senate Meeting #14 minutes. Motion passes, 17-0-1.

### Reports

1. Gigi Kaur | Chair of Appeals
  - a. USA - Jaggo Night
    - i. Gigi: This is their annual event. They have it every year in the spring. In their budget, they currently have \$1,000 in refreshments, \$200 in supplies, \$38 in equipment, \$600 in contract, and \$57 in miscellaneous, totaling \$1,895. They're requesting \$1,395.55 in refreshments, \$902.96 in supplies, \$368.32 in equipment, and \$400 in contracts. I decided to allocate \$1,095 in refreshments, \$600 in supplies, \$250 in equipment, and \$400 in contracts. This would bring them to a total of \$2,345. Motion to allocate \$2,345 to USA's Jaggo Night.
    - ii. Andres: Seconded.
    - iii. Tres: We're very grateful for the funds, but we think to have a successful event, we'll need more.

- iv. Sunjit: Jaggo Night is a tradition that occurs the night before Panjabi wedding. Both paternal sides of the bride and groom get together and go throughout the village, sing, dance with a jaggo, which is this clay urn that has lamps on it to wake up everyone in the village to let everyone know they're getting married and invitations.
- v. Tandeep: We implement this by choosing one side because typically the groom and bride can't spend the night before the wedding together and they celebrate the last night with their families. We allocate relatives within our club so we have representation and we bring in the clay pot with the lights on it. We go around our event and explain what a jaggo is and what the tradition means to us. This event is important for us as a club. It's one of our main events for club members. It's been an important event in the Bearcat community. It's even received a Bernie award last year. We would appreciate it if you helped us out.
- vi. Robert: Can you go in-depth why you allocated the way you did? Is this what they asked for?
- vii. Gigi: I based it off of their fall semester event, Bengala Bash. It was the same amount of attendance and relatively the same audience. The refreshments were too high for what we gave from last year.

\*\*\* Kim Kazdal arrives 5:36 PM \*\*\*

- viii. Gigi: Going to these events myself and looking at the menus and the options, I've noticed there's a lot of food leftover or there's too much variety that is not needed. I thought this could be an allocation they can work with and still have a great event.
- ix. Marvin: Is this amount enough for you to work with or do you want more?
- x. Tandeep: Although we're grateful, we would like to ask for more, especially for food. Although Bengala Bash did have food for 500 people, there were not 500 people at the event. There were definitely less because it was more towards the end of the semester. And yet, we only had half a tray of food left. Jaggo Night, we're expecting a bigger audience and think that we would need more money for food and beverages.
- xi. Robert: How much more would you want if you were to get more money?
- xii. Tandeep: About \$100 to \$150 more. This amount is sufficient for the menu itself, but this wouldn't include beverages.
- xiii. Joshua: Gigi, were you aware of that going into the appeal process?
- xiv. Gigi: It was a part of the break down they sent me.
- xv. Dakshatha: What was the reason the \$100 was allocated?
- xvi. Gigi: I didn't know they wanted another \$100. Based on the amount allocated over here. This was for 500 people.
  - 1. Motion fails, 2-16-1.
- xvii. Taji: Motion to allocate \$100 additional to refreshment, totaling \$1,195 in refreshments, \$600 in supplies, \$250 in equipment, and \$400 in contracts, totaling \$2,445 to USA's Jaggo Night.
  - 1. Motion passes, 17-0-2.

## 2. Tam Phuong | Treasurer

- a. Tam: We talked about this during our winter meeting, but I'm readdressing this for official records. This is the Fall 2019 expenditures. We reached the goal to spend at least half our budget, but the problem is, it's not spent in equal parts.
  - i. Community Development Relation Breakdown

1. Tam: I categorize events as I see fit. This is for anything that builds the Baruch community. Welcome Week events, Homecoming, any of Tony's events.
    - a. Contracts: used 75.92%
      - i. Tam: This is for performers or services.
    - b. Refreshments: used 79.76%
      - i. Tam: This is food or drinks.
    - c. Supplies: used 35.50%
      - i. Tam: This is 1-time use supplies.
    - d. Equipment: No money allocated
      - i. Tam: Any long term use equipment. Example, a fan.
    - e. Miscellaneous: used 78.08%
      - i. Tam: This is anything that can't be categorized into the other four, like t-shirts.
    - f. Total: used 76.78%
  2. Tam: As we can see from the visual representation, there's a lot more supplies to be spent. We need to cut down on spending in the other lines.
- ii. Occupational and Intellectual Breakdown
1. Tam: This is for anything that encourages professional development or education. I expensed a lot of your GIM's and committee meetings here.
    - a. Contracts: used 0.00%
      - i. Tam: Considered this used. I have to submit a program change to move this money to expense it for Emmanuel's Neon Night happening this Thursday.
    - b. Refreshments: used 82.99%
    - c. Supplies: used 0.00%
    - d. Equipment: No money allocated
    - e. Miscellaneous: used 43.82%
    - f. Total: used 47.74%
      - i. Tam: We still have miscellaneous. The person using this most would be Briana. She wants to do giveaways for her event.
  2. Tam: Key takeaway, lower the amount spent at meetings. Spend less than \$100.
- iii. Emotional, Spiritual and Physical Breakdown
1. Tam: For example, finals week would be under here. Anything that helps alleviate stress.
    - a. Contracts: used 0.00%
      - i. Tam: We have not used it, but considered it used. I need to program change it for Emmanuel's Neon Night.
    - b. Refreshments: used 67.62%
      - i. Tam: I used most of the budget for Breakfast at Bernies.
    - c. Supplies: used 4.48%
    - d. Equipment: No money allocated
    - e. Miscellaneous: used 40.64%
      - i. Tam: We still have money for giveaways for finals week.
    - f. Total: used 41.53%
  2. Tam: Most of our giveaways are quite costly. Keep that in mind.
- iv. Social Breakdown
1. Tam: Any event that we categorize as for fun. Neon Night, Bearcat on Ice. You name it.

- a. Contracts: used 44.81%
      - i. Tam: Keep in mind we planned ahead for events and we have Bearcats on Ice. I think we'll have 60% used in a month.
    - b. Refreshments: used 64.85%
      - i. Tam: We still have \$11,000 left. Refreshments are overall the most overspent line.
    - c. Supplies: used 62.62%
    - d. Equipment: used 0.00%
      - i. Tam: We have \$360 that we have not used. We might want to line change to cover expenditures.
    - e. Miscellaneous: used 69.69%
      - i. Tam: This is where we spent more of our giveaway money.
    - f. Total: used 50.99%
  - v. Contest & Co-sponsorships Breakdown
    - 1. Tam: This is for Denise. Some clubs may have forgotten it, but the event date has passed, so I can't do anything about that. This is what we'll have used.
      - a. Contracts: used 19.80%
      - b. Refreshments: used 58.30%
      - c. Supplies: used 24.47%
      - d. Equipment: used 0.00%
        - i. Tam: I need to update this. I would say we have over 85% left for equipment.
      - e. Miscellaneous: used 18.54%
      - f. Total: used 42.27%
  - vi. Total Programming Break
    - 1. Tam: This is what most of us would be using.
      - a. Contracts: used 44.94%
      - b. Refreshments: used 64.48%
      - c. Supplies: used 22.88%
      - d. Equipment: used 0.00%
      - e. Miscellaneous: used 51.88%
      - f. Total: used 50.89%
  - vii. Tam: Key takeaways are slow down on refreshments. Contracts will be used as we have planned ahead. Supplies we have money to spend or I can line change to cover up expenditures. Miscellaneous, surprisingly, we have used over half of it. We'll have to see if we have to move money.
  - viii. Operating Budget
    - 1. Tam: Usually you guys don't touch this. Top 4 operates from this side. Senate meetings, retreats, USG hangouts, lawyers. This amount will change soon by the next time I report it. I expect it'll be 40% or 45% next time I report.
      - a. Contracts: used 1.57%
      - b. Refreshments: used 28.72%
      - c. Supplies: used 67.91%
      - d. Equipment: used 48.33%
      - e. Miscellaneous: used 35.81%
      - f. Total: used 27.94%
- b. Yam-Yu: When is the next time you report?
- c. Tam: Next month. Maybe March.

- d. Kim: Most of the money I spend is on food because that motivates people. Can we move from merch to food?
- e. Tam: It's possible, but we're going to be strict on the money. I need you guys to be on time with breakdowns with events 2-3 weeks ahead. Tony and Briana have been great with it so far. If you give me the breakdown ahead and it's justifiable, I'll be able to help with the expenses.

### 3. Tony Chen | VP of Student Affairs

- a. Tony: Today, we have the Wowfull event. The survey is on the USG Table drive on the first page. In the first 30 minutes, we collected about 150 responses and about 230 responses. Next feedback, maybe we can ask some questions. Some students are just putting a period to skip some questions. If you're free, try to come and monitor people who fill out the survey. Club fair, we ordered these journals for people who fill out the survey. At the club fair, have your committee members talk about their job roles. Maybe have your vice chairs and talk to the students. There's a value to giving out the giveaways. Battle of Lex. We have someone to be the Bearcat. That's set. Bearcats on Ice, we're thinking about giving tickets away during club hours starting February 13th. If a student can't come to Bearcats on Ice, they can give the ticket to someone but they must be Baruch students. If you're free that night, try to go to the center at 5 PM.
- b. Taji: Was the survey anonymous?
- c. Tony: We have their name and email.
- d. Dakshatha: Battle of Lex is next week February 6th, 5 PM. I hope everyone shows up. Wear the most amount of Baruch you can think of. Wear USG jackets. Food. Hanging out. Bring your Bearcat spirit against rival Hunter. There are two games. Women's game and men's game.
- e. Nicole: There's food at this event?
- f. Damali: In the Aux Gym.
- g. Andres: Are outside guests allowed for Battle of Lex?
- h. Savanna: Yes. It's open. No guest list. Show ID to get in.
- i. Yaseen: It can be anyone?
- j. Damali: Yes. I want you to match my spirit.
- k. Emmanuel: Are there any planned halftime shows or performances?
- l. Tony: We might have a shooting contest. \* Basketball \* shooting contest.
- m. Tony: It's a very short half time, so we might not get half a performance from the club. Also for Battle of Lex, we're giving away headbands for people who wear something with the bearcat or has Baruch on it. If we don't get them on time, they can just write down their name and pick it up another day.
- n. Sandy: For the survey, are you planning on sharing results?
- o. Marvin: We'll talk about it afterwards.
- p. Tony: For valentine, instead of the matching thing, I talked with Joshua, Damali, and Savanna, and we said it's better if we did something like a battle of the couples. If you have a couple at the school who would be interested, have them fill out the form.
- q. Emmanuel: Do they have to be a real couple?
- r. Damali: 2 people. You do not have to be romantically involved?
- s. Roshen: It's not bad if you are, right?
- t. Damali: No, it's okay. Battle of the partners. Business partners.
- u. Joshua: Study buddies.
- v. Briana: What if we say this is how you ask someone out?
- w. Joshua: The original idea was similar to that, where you would get someone from the audience and play as tinder and match at the end, but that opens the door for some people feeling entitled and leads to stalking. You don't ever want to entitle someone's time to someone else.

- x. Nicole: I mean...
  - y. Joshua: No. No "I mean."
  - z. Robert: That's the definition of a relationship.
  - aa. Nicole: Are settled on the event name?
  - bb. Tony: Heart Beats for Bearcats. Blue Notes will be performing opening and closing.
4. Kim Kazdal | VP of Legislative Affairs
- a. Kim: Just an update. Next Thursday is the big rally. I mean this in the most loving way, but I expect to see all of you there. Let committee members know also that they're expected to be there. I'm eyeing you guys. What's going to happen is we have two political sponsors. Harvey Epstein sponsored the whole thing and pulled some strings. Senator ??? is also coming. We have a few co sponsorships like USS, CUNY Rising, Chi Alpha Epsilon, and ECO club. Encounters and Ticker agreed to cover it. Press coming at 12:30. I think it's going to be very organic. The sponsors are going to speak on the issues and we're going to have the people cosponsoring to also speak on the issues and have students talk for a bit and we'll rally. It's going to be safe and fun. Non-violent. We're going to use our voices and tell our friends. I know members from other CUNY schools will be attending.
  - b. Joshua: Is Free CUNY going to be there?
  - c. Kim: We did reach out and cooperated. As an organization, they will not attend, but members of the organization may attend. They did not decide to cosponsor with us.
  - d. Alfonso: Are we allowed to bring people from other schools? If you want, I can reach out to the higher ed department. I know the project coordinator and reach out.
  - e. Kim: Yes and go for it.
  - f. Damali: For events of this nature, an agenda is best. People get very excited and you don't want anyone to be excluded.
  - g. Nicole: Did you reach out to other professors to talk about it during their class?
  - h. Kim: It's during club hours. PAF Professor Carl Konabush has been helping me. Professor Anna D'Souza and let multiple people be involved with the politics. Maybe we can get them to talk. They're not sponsoring.
  - i. Damali: Is this protest or rally? I just need to know what I'm managing on my side.
  - j. Kim: Only a rally. I think it's going to be a bunch of students who care about an issue gathering together outside of Baruch. With the representatives coming, it'll be awesome to use this as momentum and show we're doing something about it.
  - k. Basil: What do you think is the best way to promote the rise?
  - l. Kim: Word of mouth. Although marketing is phenomenal, to be honest, I don't know how much of the other communities will be reached. I met a bunch of John Jay kids, sent out the information and let them know to attend. Some of the problems are their club hours don't align with ours. The press is better in the morning. I hope you're all there. I'm coming from an internship, so I'm asking to get off early. I'll need all hands on deck and tell clubs.
  - m. Alfonso: What's the difference between a protest and a rally?
  - n. Damali: Protest means you are against something. Rally means you're trying to get support for something.
  - o. Kim: We were using rally because we thought it was more of a tame word, but essentially we are protesting the state.
  - p. Damali: What's your goal?
  - q. Kim: Our goal is to make noise so when we go up to Albany, we can show we're against the tuition hike and lack of funding from the state.

- r. Damali: A protest would be we are not with the current budget. A rally would be these are the areas we want to support, focus on these. That's why I'm asking what is your goal here?

\*\*\* Briana Staten steps out 6:19 PM \*\*\*

- s. Kim: I think it's a little of both. Make noise and take it into consideration when they're looking at the budget next year.
- t. Damali: I would encourage you, it's fine to make noise, but then what? You want to give people something to support, especially because everyone is super engaged. They want to go to polls and make voices heard. Give people 1 to 2 things to do. People will make noise for anything and then what?
- u. Kim: I was talking to Epstein and he was saying we should draft pledges to sign. It would include reaching out to representatives. We'll give out those pledges during rally and list of representatives and who they can call.
- v. Andres: We come out to protest every single year to no avail. They went from \$200 a year to \$300 without consulting us at all. People have gone to even disrupt the board meetings. They responded very violently with police force. So really, this is all we got. Students don't really have a say, which is why I was so opposed to even having the Chancellor on USG social media in the first place. In terms of these sorts of events and disruptions, that is all we have.
- w. Damali: It's not all that you have. You have a population of voting age young adults that makes noise. What are you telling them to do? It hasn't worked, just making noise. There's a difference between making noise and mobilize. Don't make this just another opportunity to make noise, but to mobilize them. That's a lot more effective. If they can rally this many voters in different districts on multiple campuses, then people are nervous. I would encourage you to mobilize instead of protesting just to protest. They have signs and not know what to do the next day, so what do they do?

\*\*\* Taji Sanders steps out 6:23 PM \*\*\*

\*\*\* Aaron D'Souza steps out 6:24 PM \*\*\*

- x. Damali: Figure out what your message is. I don't want you guys to be another thing I hear about from public safety. If you're going to have an impact, have an actual impact rather than just noise. As Andres said, that hasn't worked for you guys. I just want you to think it through.

\*\*\* Briana Staten returns 6:25 PM \*\*\*

- y. Kim: I have been unsuccessful when reaching out to clubs. Is there a way we can ask clubs instead of hosting a meeting for their club to come down to the rally?

\*\*\* Aaron D'Souza returns 6:25 PM \*\*\*

- z. Denise: I think the reason a lot of clubs haven't emailed back is that they don't want to ruffle feathers themselves. We can ask them to tell their club members as individuals instead of as a club as a whole. They're scared of putting a bad reputation for their clubs.

\*\*\* Basil Harding steps out 6:26 PM \*\*\*

\*\*\* Taji Sanders returns 6:26 PM \*\*\*

- aa. Kim: Can we send out an email this week?
- bb. Denise: Yes.
- cc. Alfonso: I'm sure you can suggest it. I was at City College and we suggested clubs would come because if the tuition goes up, there would be less money for clubs. From my understanding was student activity fee wouldn't change, but the tuition would go up.
- dd. Dakshatha: Would it affect clubs?
- ee. Alfonso: It's not affecting the student activity fee, but is affecting individuals. It's not a club issue. It's a student issue.

\*\*\* Basil Harding returns 6:28 PM \*\*\*

- ff. Kim: Alfonso, text me after and I'll give you some jobs to do. So the end of March is going to be census stuff. We're going to have events similar to voter registration, get food and tablets. I want you guys to know the plan. Albany's coming up. It's really connected to the rally. I do want to throw in more run events like the sustainable citizenship events. We shall see. If you have any ideas, let me know. I want to do an immigration panel maybe.
- gg. Marvin: Are we doing anything for the primary to go vote?
- hh. Kim: Yes, but I also want to leave space for the next VP.
- ii. Dakshatha: In terms of why we're focusing on the census, it's important for funding, for colleges, for grants. A lot of things that affect CUNY students specifically. NYC is spending \$40 million to make sure people take the census in light of the comment the president is making about citizenship. We're scared fewer people will fill it out since it'll affect voting districts. Make sure when your household gets it to fill it out. You don't need to be a citizen to fill it out.
- jj. Alfonso: The voting registration deadline got extended to February 14th now. Some messed up voting laws in NY. If you have anyone who needs to get registered.
- kk. Kim: If you come to the rally, it would be great to get people registered to vote. Come to the rally. If you have any questions, let me know.

#### 5. Joshua Castillo | EVP

- a. Joshua: The student center, we don't have a final date, but the window of about March right now. We're working on getting a walkthrough for the people planning the opening ceremony. Hopefully I will have an update in the next coming weeks. In addition, BASH. It'll be happening. We want to get the ball rolling. Something I noticed today with Tony's event. In the beginning, while things were being set up, a lot of people jumped to the front to go get food. About 30 people coming in that were table members, committee members, and weren't committee members. I think that it's up to each chair what their policy is about giving people free stuff, but the fairest thing is if you didn't help with set up or getting anything together for that event, you shouldn't be entitled to free food. That's the fairest way to go about things. There's no reason why such a large amount of people who claim to be in USG jumps in front of the rest of the student population to get free stuff. It's a bad look overall. Spread the word. If you see someone you didn't see helping out, and be a committee member of some sort, be aware of that. Check-ins. New semester, new check-ins. I'll be sending out a document for this week and next week. These will be more goal-oriented, go into solid directions specifically and share that with you. Link up and talk. I'll buy you food if you want.

## Unfinished Business

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1. Damali Smith Tolson | Office of Student Life



- a. Damali: Savanna and I walked through the student center. It does exist. It's beautiful and bright and doesn't look like a basement. We have to get the buildings and get occupancy and pass inspection. I think the last of the furniture is coming in through February. By the time we get it in, mid-March, just to be safe.
2. Briana Staten | VP of Academic Affairs
- a. Briana: I mentioned Are You Smarter than a 4.0. We have a date confirmed for March 12th, 6 PM - 9 PM in room 3-215. I started thinking about it and look up the show to see how we could make it. We can do a few different rounds. 5 people per round. It's a buzzer type of system. Similar to Family Feud during homecoming. I need to make the questionnaire and reach out to the offices.
  - b. Nicole: I would recommend the basic classes everyone has to take coming in. We'll see how much they remember.
  - c. Briana: We're probably going to do 3 rounds. What type of giveaways should we give?
  - d. Basil: McGraw Hill gift card?
  - e. Nicole: That's very expensive.

\*\*\* Robert departed 6:38 PM \*\*\*

- f. Tony: Small calculators?
  - g. Taji: Depends on how much money. 3 winners?
  - h. Briana: Yes.
  - i. Dakshatha: In terms of graphing calculators, not everyone is a business or math major. But, I only say the bookstore because they can not only buy textbooks, but also merch and Baruch related swag. If not, generic gift cards to buy whatever. Up to Tam how much the gift cards will be.
  - j. Gigi: If you do want the graphic calculators, maybe get in touch with the library?
  - k. Emmanuel: 3 rounds of it. Is it going to be a category for different subjects? How many subjects?
  - l. Briana: I don't know yet.
  - m. Joshua: We can figure out the logistics offline.
  - n. Taji: We can figure out the calculator.
  - o. Joshua: Did you hear what I said?
  - p. Taji: It's not the specifics of it.
  - q. Briana: If you're free on February 13th, Taji and I are hosting a self-love and paint night event in the bearcat den. 6-9.
3. Genesis Calle | Chair of Philanthropy
- a. Genesis: In the aftermath of the textbook drive, I had Briana go talk to Savanna about what we're doing about that. Briana and I will go with Savanna to get the gift cards. We will notify the top 2 winners by next Tuesday club hours. We got a lot more textbooks than expected. We will organize next week to table to redistribute textbooks. We will give first dibs for people who submitted textbooks. We may even open up the chance to donate more. Anything else, I can find an organization to give to.
  - b. Andres: If you have leftover textbooks, you can probably promote them on the Facebook group.
4. Savanna Ramsey | Office of Student Life
- a. Savanna: About half the books came in for the library. Once we have all of them, we'll let you know. I don't know if you want to put a stamp or stickers on them to let students know USG helped with them
  - b. Dakshatha: STICKERS?
  - c. Damali: We will control the usage of the stickers.

- d. Dakshatha: For context, stickers are banned. Forbidden word. When is the expected delivery of all of them?
  - e. Savanna: I believe about the next two weeks.
5. Dakshatha Daggala | President
- a. Dakshatha: You have your USG jackets, but a lot of people don't. We'll open the USG table jackets form tonight to share with committee members. I'll close it next week or the week after so everyone can have their merch in for the semester.
  - b. Taji: Can I get another one?
  - c. Dakshatha: Yes. You'll have to pay for it.
  - d. Nicole: Is the customizable feature still there?
  - e. Dakshatha: Yes. Make sure you wear club merch on Thursday for the club fair.
6. Nicole Pung | Secretary
- a. Nicole: For those who are not aware, the conference room is closed. If you're here, that's fine. Otherwise, it's opened to only clubs and organizations that reach out to me to book the conference room and our senate meetings. If you do see someone in here and are too afraid to kick them out, you can ask any E-Board members to talk to them.
7. Annmarie Gajdos | Chair of Graphic Design
- a. Annmarie: Basil and I talked about promoting Senate Meetings more heavily. We are doing so with flyers, Facebook event pages, social media posts, and promotion on the screens throughout Baruch. Get the word out there and invite as many people as you can to come.
  - b. Dakshatha: In general, when events are posted, share them please, go down your list, invite people. The more attractive, the better. It's your job as senators that your little niches find out about our events.
  - c. Alfonso: During the fall, I asked Overheard Baruch about the climate change panel, and they wound up doing that. A lot of Baruch students there. Opportunity.
  - d. Annmarie: I think we should keep Overheard Baruch and USG separate.
  - e. Alfonso: Are we able to have a 3rd party group share?
  - f. Joshua: Yes, but one might not want to be affiliated with the other. Here, everyone's face is known whereas with Overhead Baruch, it could not be a Baruch student from all we know. To have them contribute in that way is a little odd. The lack of transparency is something we'd have to deal with. We can love what their intentions are, but it's a matter of who we are affiliated with.
8. Tony Chen | VP of Student Affairs
- a. Tony: There's a USG calendar that Nicole shared with us. It's a public URL. Do you want to share it with committee members? You can also add events in that calendar
  - b. Joshua: Absolutely.
  - c. Tony: At the winter senate meeting, last year's Chair of Graphic Design, Blossom, made the USG Valentine Cards. Can anyone do it?
  - d. Dakshatha: That was my committee.
  - e. Tony: Do you want to do it?
  - f. Dakshatha: For everyone? Do you want the goodie bags or the memes?
  - g. Tony: The card in the goodie bag.
  - h. Joshua: That's a job for anyone. Aaron can do it. He's good with memes. But that's definitely a new business thing.

9. Briana Staten | VP of Academic Affairs

- a. Brianna: I'm having my first committee meeting. It's going to be in room 9-125 during club hours. I'm having a transfer students event on February 11th, does anyone have board games I can borrow?
- b. Joshua: I'll look for Uno. Classic.
- c. Dakshatha: I have Uno.
- d. Andres: I have Dos.
- e. Yam-Yu: I have exploding kittens.
- f. Joshua: Mmmm. That sounds wrong.
- g. Taji: I have Monopoly and dominos.
- h. Dakshatha: The Grid is a club with a lot of games. I would reach out to the Grid and ask if they have jenga and all that stuff.

10. Emmanuel Oladejo | Chair of Arts

- a. Emmanuel: Neon Night is this Thursday from 6-9 in the MPR. Everything is pretty much ready, but we're going to need assistance at 4 or 5, so come at 3. I know the club fair is on Thursday. Any table members who do not have a USG jacket, I am giving out my merch to market Neon Night. Keep that in mind that this is just for USG affiliates. Any questions or concerns about Neon Night, just let me know.
- b. Damali: I would encourage Josh's point, if you do take the merch, you do so with the intentions that you talk at the club fair and help with the set-up of the event.

## New Business

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1. Damali Smith Tolson | Office of Student Life

- a. Damali: This is Dan, the new Associate Director. He'll be overseeing clubs and heritage month and be USG's advisor next year. He's your new go to guy for club things. He'll be at your meetings to get a sense of who you guys are. There are two other staff updates. We have a new director of public safety, Robert Curry from City College. He'll stop by next week to say hi. He's very personable. He believes all officers should be customer service oriented and nice to students. Lisa Edwards retired and is living a lovely life in Pittsburgh right now. There is a replacement. His name is Lawrence Manganello. He is the new ABP of facilities and oversees the community and a lot of other areas. I'm trying to get him in to meet with you guys. I'm meeting with him tomorrow if anyone has any pressing concerns, please let me know. I'm working on a relationship with him.
- b. Dakshatha: Is he overseeing all the projects we have? Including water fountains?
- c. Damali: Everything, all the facility-related things.
- d. Dakshatha: Can you ask him if there's a consolidated list of all the projects?
- e. Damali: I'm asking him. If there are any pressing things, let me know.
- f. Daniel: Hello, everybody. I'm new to the process and procedures. Just be a little patient while I'm learning. Not good with names, so stop by my office a little.
- g. Savanna: Andy got a promotion. Custodian supervisor. He works directly under me. His new shift is 11 AM - 7 PM.

2. Genesis Calle | Chair of Philanthropy

- a. Genesis: My application for Vice Chair of the philanthropy committee is out. It's open until February 2nd at 11:59 PM. Also, it was advertised a little at Tony's event. I will be hosting Rainbow Carnival. March 19th 6-9 MPR. More to come soon. Be there.

- b. Tony: Are we going to pie USG?
  - c. Dakshatha: Oh no...
  - d. Damali: Savannah and I will not be participating in the pieing contest, but there's a new guy.
3. Tony Chen | VP of Student Affairs
- a. Tony: Who wants to do the Valentine cards?
  - b. Dakshatha: We can work it out in the chat.
  - c. Joshua: Stop, please stop.

### **Adjournment**

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1. Motion to adjourn Senate Meeting #15 at 7:04 PM. 18-0-0.