

## **University Council Meeting 2021 – Meeting Minutes**

**Agenda 9/23/21**

6:00 PM

Student Center Main Lounge

### **Members in Attendance**

Robert Beale

Justin Ingram

Timothy Morello

Freddie Birnbaum

Shreya Jain

Christanne Salac

Alecia James

Paul Fried

Ahmed Absoeria

### **Non-Voting member in attendance**

Tobi Somorin

Nadia Alomari

Elizabeth Soto

Adam Burgman

Dean Jeffrey Putman

### **Members Not in Attendance**

Isaac Vingan (Proxy by Robert Beale)

#### **1. Call to Order**

- a. Time: Robert Beale Called it to Order at 6:07 pm. Seconded by Justin Ingram

#### **2. Old Business**

- a. University Council website updates
  - i. Everyone submitted their updated their bios for the website

#### **3. New Business**

- a. Budget Requests
  - I. No budget requests submitted
- b. SUNY SA Reps Candidates and Voting - Ranked Choice (2pts -1st Place, 1pt-2nd place)  
Candidates: Elizabeth Soto, Nadia Alomari, Tobi Somorin
- c. Centerwide Committee Attendance
  - i. Discussed the need for University Council Attendance at these meetings
- d. Leadership training updates:
  - i. Student Organization Emails now go through Adam

#### **4. Event Recaps**

- i. SUNY Downstate Health Science University Block Party

1. Great Turnout for the first in-person event of the whole campus
2. Pitfalls were discussed to improve for future events
- ii. Student Activities Fair
  1. Great participation from the University Council Members

## 5. Future Events

- I. Thanksgiving Dinner
  - A. Most likely will happen (As of right now its in-person)
  - B. Everyone needs to advertise to individual colleges
- II. Multicultural fair to be held in spring
  - A. Will be discussed in Nov, Dec
- III. Spring Fling
  - A. The venue is reserved, most likely will happen as well

## 6. Council Wide Initiatives

- a. Water fountain Refill Stations contact Dean Putman.
  - i. Status: Not purchased yet,
  - ii. Main Issue: Labor around maintenance and upkeep
  - iii. Proposal: Send Dean Putman an Email about desire for it to happen.
    1. Trial Period of 1 Fountain in a Central Area
- b. Need to vote in Nursing Representative
  - i. Status: Awaiting Nursing Council Election
- c. Intramural Season
  - i. Status: Awaiting Updates about Hurricane Recovery in the Gymnasium.
    1. Will follow-up next month
- d. Dean Meeting
  - i. Campus wide supported advocacy

## 7. Food Pantry

- Need More Support
- General Updates/funding/advocacy
- State of the Pantry:
  - Everything so far has been purchased by Student Center Governing Board
- Potential Plan:
  - Can Drive at Thanksgiving Dinner
  - Link for Donations online (Potential Centerwide Email sent out)
  - Online Donations via FSA Link (Centerwide Email needs to be drafted and will be distributed)
  - Goal: Center wide Email
    - Remind Adam Burgman about Centerwide Email
  - Potential Idea: Campus wide initiative for Encouraging Participation
    - I.e. Donate 500 Cans, Receive Service-Learning Credit

## 8. Program Updates

- i. SGS: New students, Seminars are Occurring
- ii. SPH: School is back in session, High-Flex Model
- iii. SOHP: First council meeting this past week. Attendance was good

- iv. CN: No Nursing
- v. COM: MS4- ERAS next week  
MS3- Major Shelf Week  
MS2- Preceptor Communication Issues. LEO is not being updated properly. SLC is in the loop  
MS1- Exam Tomorrow

## 9. Adjournment

- a. R. Beale motioned to adjourn at 7:25pm, seconded by S. Jain.



Justin Ingram  
UC Secretary