

University Council Meeting 2021 – Meeting Minutes

Agenda 10/28/21

6:00 PM

Student Center Main Lounge

Members in Attendance

Robert Beale

Tim Morello

Isaac Vingan

Shreya Jain

Ahmed Absoeria

Freddie Birnbaum

Christanne Salac

Tobi Somorin

Alfonso Caetta

Paul Fried

Not in Attendance

Alecia James

Non-Voting member in attendance

Adam Burgman

Latia Skerving

Ariana Otto

1. Call to Order

- a. Time: 6:05 pm

2. Old Business

- a. Water Fountains

- i. “The stations are expected to replace the water fountain currently located near the BSB elevator bank (by facilities management) that is outside the Cafeteria and a second will be placed at a water fountain near the auditorium on the first floor of the Education Building. After a few months, if these work, we will look to add additional stations.”

3. New Business

- a. Welcome Shazia Peters-Steele as head of the Nursing Student Council
- b. Welcome Tobi Somorin as the new SUNY SA Representative
- c. Welcome to the meeting, college council rep Alfonso!!!
- d. Budget Requests(3)

- i. Black Students of Excellence: Recommended to talk to Adam, they only have a med council budget, no UC budget (they need one). Not sure how to do food.
 - ii. RMEC
 - 1. T. Morello motions to subsidize up to 24 students for RMEC to be ratified next meeting (Seconded by I. Vingan)- MOTION PASSES will transfer money after we get a count.
 - iii. Downstate Art Installation Society
 - 1. Motion to transfer \$306.85 by Robert Beale to Downstate Art Installation Society for supplies. Seconded by Shreya Jain. Passes unanimously.
 - iv. APAMSA
 - 1. Did not show up. Will email to come to next meeting.
4. Old Business
 - a. Event Recaps
 - i. None.
 - b. Future Events
 - i. Thanksgiving Dinner
 - 1. WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 17th 5:00 – 6:30 or THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18th 5:00 – 6:30
 - 2. Funded by UC SCGB and Med Council
 - 3. To - go meals
 - 4. \$5 - 150 meals total
 - ii. **Multicultural fair to be held in spring**
 - 1. Will be discussed next month.
 - iii. Spring Fling
 - 1. The venue is reserved.
5. **Council Wide Initiatives**
 - a. Suggestion Box - Increased Advocacy
 - i. Take a look at what the questions are
 - ii. Personalize to UC,
 - b. Lack of eating spaces - Extra emphasis on masks despite being vaccinated
 - i. Winter is coming, needs to be addressed
 - ii. Is this being enforced elsewhere, is this fair to our students
 - iii. Next steps
- I. Continued mask use in places like dorms. Students are threatened with academic discipline when not wearing masks if caught. Extends to isolated places.
 - A. Next steps.
 - B. Email to all deans.
 - C. Draft a formal letter. We need to come up with a solution.

- D. Try to get out the letter by next Friday.
 - E. Mask rules in dormitory. Can they be relaxed?
- II. Suggestions**
- A. Designation of area for food carts,
 - B. Send out a survey to see what students would prefer
- III. Intramural Season**
- A. Updates
 - B. A lot of students are clamoring for it: Understand the hurdles
- IV. Food Pantry**
- A. Need More Support - Fridge
 - B. Send email out for funding - Talk to head of group
 - C. General Updates/funding/advocacy
 - D. State of the Pantry:
 - E. Potential Plan:
 1. Can Drive at Thanksgiving Dinner
 2. Link for Donations online (Potential Centerwide Email sent out)
 3. Online Donations via FSA Link (Centerwide Email needs to be drafted and will be distributed)
 4. Potential Idea: Campus wide initiative for Encouraging Participation I.e. Donate 500 Cans, Receive Service-Learning Credit. How would this fit into curriculum?
- V. Program Updates**
- A. SGS: Met with dean of SGS, met with SVPR, students feel undervalued, need more faculty.
 - B. SPH: Alecia not present.
 - C. SOHP:
 - D. CN: Not present. Nursing council elections done and e board set.
 - E. COM: Upperclassmen applying for schools, preparing for exams. MS3: Surviving, MS1: Unit 1 went well, Unit 2 Adjustment,
 - F. SUNY SA:

Centerwide meeting: Searching for new director of human resources, engaging with Campus Leadership is a new goal for the committee, changing from Blackboard Peer Council for Academic Integrity a new mandate from SUNY.
 - G. College Council:

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by I. Vingan. Seconded by Shreya Jain. Meeting ended at 7:06pm .



Interim Budget Request Form

Date: 10/27/2021

Please check one box:

University Council Funding ONLY
 Med Council Funding ONLY
 Other: _____

ORGANIZATION NAME: Black Students of Excellence

PRESIDENT: Danielle Hutson

VICE PRESIDENT: Mohamud Abdi

BOX #:

TELEPHONE: 631-229-6059

TREASURER: Lordani Bonaventure

PROJECT	ITEMIZED EXPENSES	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM UNIV COUNCIL	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM MED COUNCIL	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM OTHER SOURCE (please specify)
Introductory Meeting	Food Drinks Flyers	\$50	\$75	\$75 from Nursing Student Council



Interim Budget Request Form

Date: 10/26/21

Please check one box:

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 Other: _____

ORGANIZATION NAME: APAMSA

PRESIDENT: Crystal Choi

VICE PRESIDENT: Eun Kyeong Hwang

BOX #:

TELEPHONE: 347-628-1920

TREASURER: Nancy Li

PROJECT	ITEMIZED EXPENSES	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM UNIV COUNCIL	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM MED COUNCIL	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM OTHER SOURCE (please specify)
APAMSA Hepatitis B Conference	\$30 registration	\$30		
National APAMSA Conference	Registration: \$120 Travel: \$350 Lodging: \$620 Lyft: \$40	\$280	\$850	

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ORGANIZATION NAME: Downstate Art Installation Society (DAIS)

PRESIDENT: Nancy Li

VICE PRESIDENT: Rachel Corona

BOX #: _____ TELEPHONE: 347-935-4843

TREASURER: Hannah Yep



PROJECT	ITEMIZED EXPENSES	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM UNIV COUNCIL	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM MED COUNCIL	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM OTHER SOURCE (please specify)
Painted Ceiling Tiles (Outpatient Peds, Dialysis Clinic)	6 boxes of 12 tiles 50 Paint Sets Bulk paint Brushes	\$500	\$600	
Interest Meeting to promote our club	Stickers/promotional items	\$100		



Interim Budget Request Form

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ORGANIZATION NAME: Daniel Hale Williams Society

PRESIDENT: Latia Skerving & Ariana Otto

VICE PRESIDENT: Alissa Belzie

BOX #: _____ TELEPHONE: 917-553-8544

TREASURER: Lisa Scott

PROJECT	ITEMIZED EXPENSES	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM UNIV COUNCIL	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM MED COUNCIL	AMOUNT REQUESTED FROM OTHER SOURCE (please specify)
(Virtual) Regional Medical Education Conference (RMEC): DHWS Is hosting the regional RMEC conference. We would like to subsidize some of the cost of attendance for 24 students. To do this we are requesting a total of \$600	Cost of attendance for students: \$50	\$600		NA