

University Council Meeting 2022 – Meeting Minutes

Agenda 05/19/22

6:00 PM - 8:00

Student Center Reading Room

Members in Attendance:

Peter Arden

Tobi Somorin

Christianne Salac

Freddie Birnbaum

Zach Olmsted

Shazia Peters-Steele

Paul Fried

Joya Ahmad

Isaac Vingan

Tim Morello

Not in Attendance:

Justin Ingram

Sai Bhumanpalli

Alecia James

Non-Voting member in attendance

Oladayo Olatubosun

Victoria Cagle

Kurt Moskowitz

***It was an absolute blast being President last year. Good luck to you all in your future. Please feel free to reach out if you ever need anything. You can text me (914) 563 - 7315

1. Call to Order:

2. Old Business

a.

3. New Business

a. Votes for E-Board Positions

1. President: Isaac Vingan
2. Vice President: Tobi Somorin
3. Treasurer: Fredrick Birnbaum
4. Secretary: Sai Bhumanpalli

- ii. SOHP Representation on UC
 - 1. Welcome Victoria Cagle
- iii. SUNY SA Meeting
 - 1. Mandatory Wellness Days Resolution was passed! Still waiting on board of trustees to implement
- b. Expectations for Next Year**
 - i. No food inside...for now.
 - ii. Bring UC to light, increase awareness and importance of the council
 - 1. Go to individual orgs as a person and introduce yourself, describe what we do .
 - iii. Block party
- c. SUNY SA Elections**
 - i. Candidates
 - 1. Kurt Moskovitz
 - 2. Oladayo Olatubosun
 - 3. Ahmed Aboseria
 - ii. Kurt Moskovitz is the new SA Rep!

4. Event Recaps

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 - i. Graduation was excellent.
 - 1. Issues with hooding timing

5. Council Wide Initiatives

- a. Water Bottle Refill Stations will be Expanded
 - i. No updates
 - ii. 2 Water bottle refill stations
 - 1. In the lobbies are being used
 - 2. hallway by auditorium
 - iii. Potential plan to replace other water fountains (hospital, carrels, etc.)
 - iv. Slow fill rate
 - 1. There was plumbing created directly to both fountains, could be the problem
 - 2. In the fall, invite groups who can actually make this happen. (FMND)
 - a. Invite them first at a september or october meeting
- b. Data on Food Pantry Usage to know where to allocate resources
 - i. No updates

6. Suggestions

- a. N/A
- b. Bring back coffee stations?
 - i. Supposed to put it area near grove, but there's no water for the coffee machines.
- c. Early morning shuttle routes? (maimo or va - difficult to reach places)
 - i. Shuttles are run by university police
 - ii. In the past we've done it, but nobody ends up coming
 - iii. Survey students to gauge interest, include question on proximity/travel time to Downstate
 - iv. Problem with MTA "bus service"
 - v. Other stops (e.g., Franklin)

- vi. Do have permission to pick up from subway stops
- vii. Do a test run for a week?
- d. Summer E-Board Meeting (e-board only)
 - i. Update Downstate seal
 - ii. Transfer ownership of google drive, slack, calendars
 - iii. Bring UC to light, increase awareness and importance of the council


7. Program Updates

- a. SGS: CONGRATS DR. MORELLO,
 - i. Interim Dean, Dr. Christini, is transitioning into the new role.
 - ii. Coordination with SGS student gov
- b. SPH: delay in summer registration,
 - i. new MPH pathway: Healthcare management
- c. SOHP: upcoming transition meeting
- d. CN: N/A
- e. COM: donor memorial went great, trying to make more bridges between other schools
- f. SUNY SA: Covered in *New Business*
- g. College Council: N/A

9. Adjournment: 2nd by Tobi Somorin

Secretary of University Council: Justin Ingram

Signed by Freddie Birnbaum, UC Treasurer

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Freddie Birnbaum". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.