

University Council Meeting 2022 – Meeting Minutes

Agenda 08/25/2022

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Student Center Reading Room

Members in Attendance:

Tim Morello	COM 2024
Freddie Birnbaum	COM 2024
Tobi Somorin	COM 2025
Isaac Vingan	SGS
Zach Olmstead (Zoom)	COM 2023
Sai Bhumanapalli	SPH
Peter Arden	COM 2025
Joya Ahmad	College council
Victoria Cagle - Proxy by Isaac Vingan	SOHP
Shazia Peters-Steele - Proxy by Tobi Somorin	Nursing

Not in Attendance:

Paul

Non-Voting member in attendance

Thomas Sanford

Jeffrey Putnam

Adam Burgman

Schuyler Hooke

Chimzy

Haelim

Dorian Valentine

1. Call to Order

- a. I. Vingan called the meeting to order at 6:07PM

2. Welcome introductions

3. COM 2026 Candidates will speak

- a. Thomas Sanford, MS1

4. Budget Requests

- a. NPASS Vice President, Hae Lim

- i. Requests \$75 for food and drinks for upcoming speaker events, currently no money in account

- ii. **Isaac** motions to transfer **\$75** to account 40-70361-016-30001 from Programs and Projects 40-70173-016-3000.
- iii. Seconded by **Tobi**
- iv. Vote -
 - a) For- 10
 - b) Against- 0

b. Block party contribution

- i. Motion by F. Birnbaum \$1000 from Programs and Projects (40-70173-016-3000) to SCGB **[40-41006-015-30001 SPECIAL EVENTS INCOME]**.
- ii. Seconded by T. Somorin.
- iii. Vote -
 - a) For- 10
 - b) Against- 0

5. Old Business

a. New E-Board Positions

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

b. SOHP Representation on UC

- i. Victoria Cagle

c. SUNY SA Elections

- i. Kurt Moskovitz is the new SA Rep!

d. SUNY SA Meeting

- i. Mandatory Wellness Days Resolution was accepted by the SUNY SA. Next step is to present it to the board of trustees

e. Expectations for Next Year

- i. No food inside...for now.
 - 1. Except Student center & Cafeteria
- ii. Bring UC to light, increase awareness and importance of the council
 - 1. Spoke at orientations
- iii. Block party
 - 1. next thursday september 1st

f. Website bios?

- i. Has everyone filled the survey to update their bios

6. Event Recaps

a. Orientations

- i. SoHP
- ii. COM
- iii. All the rest next week

7. New Business

a. Slack

- i. We are going to use slack more frequently this year

b. University council google account

- i. Calendar
 - ii. Agendas
- c. Potential new logo design
 - i. new logo to go with new downstate logo and updated bios
 - ii. desire to use on future giveaways
 - iii. Isaac has drafted a few ideas
 - iv. Does anyone know someone with graphic design experience?
- d. Begin advertisement for SUNY SA spot for the end of this semester
 - i. Election slated for november
- e. Assigning a college representative to attend monthly council meetings for their respective college
Med Council Rep- Joya

8. Council Wide Initiatives

- a. Water Bottle Refill Stations
 - i. Any Updates on expansion?
 - ii. Potential plan to replace other water fountains (hospital, carrels, etc.)
 - iii. **Slow fill rate**
 - 1. There was plumbing created directly to both fountains, could be the problem - Jeffrey will review and get back.
 - 2. In the fall, invite groups who can actually make this happen. (FMND)
 - a. Invite them first at a september or october meeting
 - b. Food Pantry
 - i. Peter will draft a survey and send to adam for review
 - 1. Tobi suggests adding a QR code for the survey ON the food pantry
 - 2. Plans to find a dedicated employee for maintenance of food pantry
 - c. Bringing back a coffee station
 - d. Early morning shuttle routes - scheduling too rigid, students don't have the luxury of scheduling them for times they want. Need more intel on the process of scheduling them. Jeffrey will look into it.
 - e. Ongoing council goal of expanding awareness and community outreach
9. Suggestions
- a. Get the suggestion box back up and running
 - b. Campus wide email including meeting details & Suggestion box
 - c. UC banners at every event
 - d. Ask clubs to include "sponsored by UC" in all of their activities/events
 - e. Extend annual research day to a week, UC will sponsor food

10.COM 2026 member election - Motion to elect Thomas Sanford as MS1 Representative Isaac Vingan. Seconded by Tobi Somorin

11.Program Updates will begin in September's meeting.

- a. SGS:
- b. SPH:
- c. SOHP:

- d. CN:
 - e. COM:
 - f. SUNY SA:
 - g. College Council:
12. Adjournment 7:47pm

Secretary of University Council: Sai Akhila Reddy Bhumanapalli

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sai Akhila Reddy Bhumanapalli', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.