



Associated Students of Columbia University

G.S. STUDENT COUNCIL

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Meeting Location:

Lerner Hall

2920 Broadway, Satow Room, New York, NY 10027

GENERAL STUDIES STUDENT COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

September 17 2019 8:15PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **General Studies Student Council of Columbia University** will hold a **REGULAR** meeting on **September 17** at **8:15PM**. The meeting information is noted below. The General Studies Student Council reserves the right to suspend the orders of the day if necessary to conduct business. All General Studies Student Council meetings are held in locations that are wheelchair accessible. Other disability-related accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities upon request. Persons requesting such accommodations should notify the General Studies Student Council Chair at crt2144@columbia.edu no less than three (3) working days prior to the meeting. The General Studies Student Council will make efforts to meet requests made after such date, if possible. Please also contact the General Studies Student Council Chair for any agenda related questions.

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Call To Order

B. Roll Call (* → indicates non-voting | ~ → indicates Interim Position)

OFFICERS	STATUS	OFFICERS	STATUS
*President Christopher Thompson		VP of Finance Nadia Vaso	
Chief of Finance Dynah Vidaurre		VP of Policy Joshua Lefkow	
Chief of Policy Max Waldroop		VP of Campus Life Megan Calderazzo	
Chief of Campus Life Carolyn Christenson		VP of Communications Luisa Dacroce	
Chief of Communications Lenny Ciotti		Veteran Student Rep Kevin Petersen	
Int'l Student Rep Piragathesh Subramanian		Senator Jonathan Criswell	
Senior Class President Matthew Linsky		Senior Class VP Alexa Boncimino	
Senior Class Treasurer Eric Lunzer		1st Year Class President	vacant
1st Year Class VP	vacant	Chief Negotiator Todd Wiesel	
Special Events Chair	vacant	Family and Working Students Representative	vacant
Alumni Affairs Representative	vacant	Dual B.A./Joint Program Representative	vacant

Community Service/Sustainability Rep	vacant	Treasurer	vacant
JTS Rep Daniela Bernstein		Student Services Academic	vacant
Equity & Inclusion Chair	vacant	Students w/Disabilities Representative	vacant
*Tech Chair	vacant	Social Media Representative	vacant
		Health & Wellness Representative	vacant
*Advisor Sean Trulby			17
*Advisor Ashley Johnson		Voting Members: 16 / Quorum: → 9	

C. Adoption of the Current Agenda for September 17th, 2019

Motion to adopt the agenda-passed

D. Adoption of Meeting Minutes for September 17th, 2019

Motion to adopt the minutes-passed

II. REPORTS

A. Dean Rosen-Metsch

Opening remarks

Moment of silence for recently passed students

Welcome to the new students and to Dean Delva

Introduction of Dean Griffiths as Dean for students' wellness

Introduction of Dean Decker as Dean of research

Daniel Rodriguez is the new head of educational financing

Renaming the GS lounge after Dean Peter J. Awn

New financing for scholarships and financial aid

Parents events

ARC will move to 111th street to a bigger space

Questions:

Calderazzo-What new policies have been implemented?

DRM-We are constantly trying to do better with the financial aid.

Floor-When is the new ARC going to be ready?

DRM- we don't have an exact date

Floor-Access Vr has severed their contract with Columbia

Linsky-Do we have more details on the allocations of the Peter J. Awn funds

DRM-Ideally the funds will be allocated to international students who can't qualify for loans

Floor-What is GS doing for GS students who are DACA recipients

DRM- we are aware of the plight DACA students and we are trying to improve their conditions.

B. President

1. Alumni Affairs update

2. Financial literacy update

C. Policy Committee

D. Communications Committee

E. Finance Committee

F. Campus Life Committee

1. Recap of Welcome Back Party
Party was sold out
2. Senior Class update
Sweater for senior class will go on sale soon

G. University Senator

Office of University Life is gathering resources for DACA recipients

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Vacancies/Interviews for Council(s) Position(s)

1. Nominations

(a) The council will discuss and possibly take action on the nomination of council vacancies. Including, but not limited to:

(i) Social Media Representative

(a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee

Christopher Mendell-not present

(ii) Technology Chair

(a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee

Arjun Vairavan

(iii) Treasurer

(a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee

Josh Brown

(iv) First Year Class President

(a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee

Serengeti Timungwa

(v) First Year Class Vice-President

(a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee

Paul Lee

(vi) Dual BA & Joint Programs Representative

(a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee

Antony Rossi

(vii) Health and Wellness Representative

(a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee

Caroline Clifford

(viii) Students with Disabilities Representative

(a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee

Nicole Lyons

(ix) Student Services and Academic Affairs Representative

(a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee

Jeremy Wahl

- (x) Equity and Inclusion Chair
 - (a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee
Jane Jeong
- (xi) Alumni Affairs Representative
 - (a) The Executive Board puts forth nominee
Katya Riabinkina

IV. STANDING BUSINESS

V. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

This time is reserved for any General Studies Student Council Members to make announcements on items not on the agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and (25) twenty five minutes total shall be observed. **NO** action will be taken and the total time limit for this item shall not be extended.

Kevin Petersen-Milvets event at Faculty House

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

This segment of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the General Studies Student Council on any matter of concern that is not stated on the agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and ten (10) minutes per topic shall be observed. The law does not permit any action to be taken, nor extended discussion of any items not on the agenda. The General Studies Student Council may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed, however, for further information, please contact the General Studies Student Council Chair at r.flor@columbia.edu for the item of discussion to be placed on a future agenda. (Brown Act §54954.3)

Jonathan Criswell- As VP of the Alumni Association I would like to offer info to anyone who would like to be connected to the alumni network

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

This closed session is reserved for any General Studies Student Council Members to discuss and possibly take action on voting in the nominees for various, posted, council vacancies. The public, and the nominees, will be asked to step out of the room while the council conducts this business.

Motion for appointment Chirstopher Mendell-motion does not pass
 Motion for appointment Arjun Vaifaravan-passes
 Motion for appointment Josh Brown-Passes
 Motion for appointment Serengeti Timunwa-passes
 Motion for appointment Paul Lee-Passes
 Motion for appointment Anthony Rossi-Passes
 Motion for appointment Caroline Clifford-Passes
 Motion for appointment Nicole Lyons-Passes
 Motion for appointment Jeremy Wahl-Passes
 Motion for appointment Jane Jeong-Passes

Motion for appointment Katya Riabinkina-Passes

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn-passes