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GENERAL STUDIES STUDENT COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

February 15th 8:15PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **General Studies Student Council of Columbia University** will hold a **REGULAR** meeting on **February 15th 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 sat2198@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 Serengeti Timungwa	P	VP of Finance Simas Chacar-Palubinskas	E
Chief of Finance Alan Han	P	VP of Policy Nasser Odetallah	P
Chief of Policy Stephanie Pierre	U	VP of Campus Life Cole Wagner	P
Chief of Campus Life Emily Robinson	P	VP of Communications Brian Laurito	P
Chief of Communications Siena Iwasaki Milbauer	P	Veteran Students Rep Alejandro Rojas	P
Int'l Students Rep Carol Chen	P	University Senator Jeremy Wahl	P
Senior Class President Rachel Harris	P	Senior Class VP Nick Li	P
Senior Class Treasurer Garrett Gregor-Splaver	P	1st Year Class President Faith Grady	P
1st Year Class VP Han Qing	P	Health & Wellness Representative Bruce Goumain	P
External Events Chair		Family and Working Students Rep Shatize Pope	P
Alumni Affairs Rep Mike Kim	P	Dual B.A./Joint Program Rep Evan Rork	P
Community Services & Sustainability Rep		Treasurer	
JTS Rep Josh Brunnlehrmann	P	Student Services/Academic Affairs Rep Andre	P

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Diversity & Equity Rep Rubaab Poonawala	P	Students w/Disabilities Rep Erin O'Bannon	P
Tech Chair Catherine Sun	P	Social Media Rep Lisa Cardoso	P
*Legislative Assistant Ferdinando Castro Gonzalez	P	*Legislative Assistant Kyle Gordon	■
*Advisor Sean Trulby		Chief Negotiator Katie Peters	P
*Advisor Ashley Johnson		Voting Members: 28 / Quorum: → 19 / Total: 26	

C. Adoption of the Current Agenda for February 15, 2022 ->

1. Motion Passes

D. Adoption of Meeting Minutes from February 8, 2022

1. Motion Passes

II. REPORTS

A. President

1. Remarks on GSSC Events

- a. Thank you to Campus Life committee for jumping in and hosting events so fast. Our community really appreciates it.
- b. First year event went really well and Nasser stayed up really late to help pack all the first year tote bags
 - i. We still have bags, so please feel free to pick one up even if you're not a first year student.
- c. Please rely on each other and help out so no one has to shoulder all the planning work for an event
- d. Volunteering for GS specific events
 - i. Give time for events specifically for the GS community; helpful for GSers to see your face, getting the GSSC name out there prior to elections, etc.
 - ii. Can volunteer even if you're not on Campus Life
 - iii. Thank you to all those who have volunteered already

2. GSSC x Deans Townhall

- a. Update: We will be having the town hall March 1st starting at 8:15 PM
- b. A form has been sent out to council members to submit questions
 - i. It's a great environment to ask questions that the students are wondering, feel free to pass questions along from friends.
- c. Will speak with Dean Rodgers, Dean Rosen-Metsch, etc.

3. GSSC Open Positions

- a. Applications for Elections Commission Chair and commissioners have been sent out. Please try to send the word out for these open positions.
 - i. The application closes on Thursday Feb 17th.
 1. Our comms committee promotes these things, but we also want to re-post and re-share individually
 - ii. Hoping to host some events around this to garner more attention on the elections and election participation

4. Also have Community Services and Sustainability rep position open, app closes Thursday; as well as Subcommittee application

B. Policy Committee

1. No Updates

C. Communications Committee

1. Senior Facebook Group Update
 - a) The group is titled Columbia GS 2022. It's run by members of the Comms team as well as Senior Class President Rae Harris and Senior Class Vice President Nick Li. It's a great way to stay up to date with upcoming senior events so I recommend you join
 - b) <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1062063734525158>

D. Finance Committee

1. No Updates

E. Campus Life Committee

1. Glass House Rocks Volunteer Signup
 - a) Echo Serengeti's sentiments: Campus Life folks have been doing an amazing job, a privilege to work with you all
 - b) To everyone who responded to our email chain to volunteer for glass house rocks: please update your availability through the link in our slack
 - (1) The slack will have more information on specifics on where GS will be supporting the most in the event (probably merch/food)
 - (2) Put yourself in for the times and places that work best for you
 - (3) Meeting on Feb 24th at 7pm to go over tech and general orientation of the event
2. Skating Trip to Governors Island, lead by Carol
 - a) The group will be leaving at Lewisohn Hall, Friday 10am
 - b) The event is free to enter

F. University Senator

1. No Updates

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Metro Cards for Midterms Update/Vote

1. Emily: Informed by student life that the MTA has raised their prices without updating their website. So only 25 metro cards were purchasable. As we had about 35 applicants, we will likely have the same number or more for midterms
2. Proposing we allocate \$1110 for the purchase of an additional 25 metro cards for midterm transportation
 - a) Price breakdown: \$44 per metrocard (jump from \$33) with processing fee it'll be \$1110
 - b) It will be a total \$2220 for the whole midterm MTA pass purchase

3. Motion Passes

B. Dual BA/JTS Trivia Presentation

1. Satow Room, March 1st, 4:30pm-6:45pm,
2. 25-30 people can participate
3. Proposing \$120 allocation

4. Trivia night for all the Dual BA and JTS, google form going out to Dual BA students, will mix teams between programs
 5. \$20 will go towards large trophy with custom engraving and hoping that we can pass this trophy down to all future events
 6. Event management setup fee \$39
 - a) If event is billed as a large event, the price could go up to \$89 for the AV equipment and Technician pay
 - b) \$39 is included in the \$89 price (\$25 per hour)
 7. **Motion: Allocate \$120**
 - a) Food?: We are meeting with Dual BA admin, but we don't think that given the time frame, we will be able to do that
 - b) Question regarding price: Trophy is \$19.99, AV Equipment could cost up to \$89 (total would be \$109 + sales tax)
 8. Motion Passes
- C. Pizza for Townhall
1. Townhall with the deans on March 1st. To encourage in person attendance, want to provide pizza for anyone who wants to attend
 2. **Motion:** allocate \$500 for pizza and non-alcoholic beverages
 - a) Where are we getting the Pizza? Famiglia, they like Cole
 - b) When is it? At 7:00 pm in Satow on March 1st we will have a info session about GSSC; will garner attention for elections *and* the Townhall
 - c) Evan: Dual BA students might stay for free pizza. Do we need more?
 - (1) We'll be okay; timing probably wouldn't work out for that anyway (pizza likely to be delivered at 7:30pm and Dual BA event ends at 6:45)
 3. Motion Passes

IV. STANDING BUSINESS

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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.

- A. Faith: For Glass House Rocks, volunteers will get a tshirt; there will also be a separate give away that is for anyone who attends and waits on line (that will be an embroidered hat)

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 President at sat2198@columbia.edu for the item of discussion to be placed on a future agenda. (Brown Act §54954.3)

- A. Donggeun Lee: Question about Senior events that have happened in the past; has heard talk from CC; are these events still happening
 - a. Rae: Senior Underground is not affiliated with any student council
 - b. Nick: Events such as "40s on 40" are not affiliated with the student council and we are not going to promote/endorse them; We have lots of other GSSC events for the Class of 2022 (senior cruise, gala, etc.)
 - c. Serengeti: If you have any questions in terms of participating in senior grad events, reach out to the office of student life (because you are a winter grad); I don't anticipate you not being able to participate in any official senior events you'd like to be a part of
 - i. Nick and Rae are doing a great job creating University-approved senior events! Please stay tuned for future opportunities

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.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT