



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 24 2018 8:15PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **General Studies Student Council of Columbia University** will hold a **REGULAR** meeting on **September 24** 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	excused
Senior Class Treasurer Eric Lunzer		1st Year Class President Serengeti Timungwa	
1st Year Class VP Paul Lee		Health & Wellness Representative Caroline Clifford	

Special Events Chair	vacant	Family and Working Students Rep	vacant
Alumni Affairs Rep Katya Riabinkina		Dual B.A./ Joint Program Rep Antony Rossi	
Community Service/Sustainability Rep	vacant	Treasurer Joshua Brown	
JTS Rep Daniela Bernstein		Student Services/Academic Affairs Rep Jeremy Wahl	
Equity & Inclusion Chair Jane Jeong	excused	Students w/Disabilities Rep Nicole Lyons	excused
*Tech Chair Arjun Vairavan		Social Media Rep	vacant
*Advisor Sean Trulby			26
*Advisor Ashley Johnson		Voting Members: 24 / Quorum: → 13	

Quorum reached

C. Adoption of the Current Agenda for September 24th, 2019-Passes

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

II. REPORTS

A. Dean Delva

ARC shared with Dean Remedios

New Wellness program - started with Dean Griffith

Megan: what would you say some of your priorities are not just for this semester but the following year?

D: this semester, to know my team (where we have strength and where we can look for ways to improve) and GS students, for the year: understanding the GS students experience and work w my team to continue to provide excellent service

Caroline: What are you doing to increase access to education

D: I have been in communication with DRM to grant bigger access to financial aid.

Jonathan: I'd like to compliment you on your career change and tell you how much we appreciate you.

Matthew: We know that we have hired a new Dean for the postbac program. How is that going to affect the postbac program and GS?

D: Our new Dean for postbac is also from the Mailman school of public health and we are looking forward to building on the greatness that has been built so far.

B. GSSC Advisors

Sean: Welcome and thank you for coming to our retreat last Sunday. Ashley and I work for the office of student life and we advise GSSC and several groups. Please feel free to drop by for any questions

C. President

1. Vacancies/Interviews for Council Position(s). We are still interviewing people for 4 positions
2. Gala Survey As we know the Gala is one of our most important events and we are going to start working on it soon. On order to facilitate that we are going to have a survey that will appear in my weekly newsletter

D. Policy Committee

Weclome to the new members

E. Communications Committee

No communications

F. Finance Committee

1. Motion to reallocate subsidized tickets
Motion to move \$ 1000 from the rooftop party to the cosponsorship budget-passed

G. Campus Life Committee

1. GSSC/MilVets picnic
We will have a picnic with milvets community. The Claremont lawn this Sunday

H. University Senator

III. NEW BUSINESS

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.

Matt: Sweaters for 2020 class are still available. We are looking for volunteer seniors for the senior fund.

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)

1. Michael Higgins (Food Pantry)

September 25 there will be a silent auction in the Broadway room in Lerner at 6pm. Every student council has been invited because we want to make it clear that the food pantry works for ALL of Columbia, not GS or undergrads only.

There will be food from Tropical Sensations.

We will be opening a satellite location near the medical center.

Christopher: How can students support the food pantry?

Michael: we are always looking for volunteers. You can go to our website to sign the confidentiality agreement. And you'll automatically be added to our listserve. Or you can join the committee. This is a more involved position. Or you can apply to become a board member. More specifics are available on the website. Google "the food pantry at Columbia."

2. Johnathan Fuentes (Columbia University Women in Technology Conference)

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

Motion to adjourn-passes