



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

October 1 2019 8:15PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **General Studies Student Council of Columbia University** will hold a **REGULAR** meeting on **October 1** 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	P	VP of Finance Nadia Vaso	<i>P</i>
Chief of Finance Dynah Vidaurre	P	VP of Policy Joshua Lefkow	<i>P</i>
Chief of Policy Max Waldroop	P	VP of Campus Life Megan Calderazzo	<i>P</i>
Chief of Campus Life Carolyn Christenson	P	VP of Communications Luisa Dacroce	<i>P</i>
Chief of Communications Lenny Ciotti	P	Veteran Student Rep Kevin Petersen	<i>U</i>
Int'l Student Rep Piragathesh Subramanian	P	Senator Jonathan Criswell	<i>P</i>
Senior Class President Matthew Linsky	P	Senior Class VP Alexa Boncimino	<i>P</i>
Senior Class Treasurer Eric Lunzer	E	1st Year Class President Serengeti Timungwa	<i>P</i>
1st Year Class VP Paul Lee	P	Health & Wellness Representative Caroline Clifford	<i>P</i>
Special Events Chair	vacant	Family and Working Students Rep	vacant

Alumni Affairs Rep	vacant	Dual B.A./ Joint Program Rep Antony Rossi	P
Community Service/Sustainability Rep	vacant	Treasurer Joshua Brown	P
JTS Rep Daniela Bernstein	P	Student Services/Academic Affairs Rep Jeremy Wahl	P
Equity & Inclusion Chair Jane Jeong	P	Students w/Disabilities Rep Nicole Lyons	P
*Tech Chair Arjun Vairavan	U	Social Media Rep	vacant
*Advisor Sean Trulby			25
*Advisor Ashley Johnson		Voting Members: 23 / Quorum: → 13	

C. Adoption of the Current Agenda for October 1st, 2019-Passed

D. Adoption of Meeting Minutes for September 24th, 2019-Passed

II. REPORTS

A. President

1. Senior Fund Launch
Senior Fund Launch take place tomorrow Oct 2 at Fumo 6:30-8 pm
2. Metrocard Pilot
Second round of metrocard pilot is about to be launched. The form is online, more info will be available on the Thursday Thompson

B. Policy Committee

No update

C. Communications Committee

1. Website Update
Website is up. Minor changes to policy to come.

D. Finance Committee

No updates

E. Campus Life Committee

1. Senior Class updates
 - a) CU 2020 Sweaters, Promo Code expiration reminder
 - b) Fall Reception and Launch of the Class of 2020 Senior Fund
 - c) Senior Fund Committee Applications
 - d) Lerner Pub #1
2. Gala survey-103 people filled out the gala survey. As a result we decided that we will work to implement some changes. Charter busses or lyft might be provided. Different food options will be provided. The event this year will be longer.
3. Halloween party
October 30 at Mel's
 - a) Budget approval-motion to approve \$7000 from students events budget

for the party. The additional funds will go toward vegan and kosher food-Passed

4. Snack Attacks updates-Snack attacks will start around in the midterms week.
a) Budget approval- Motion to approve \$3720 for snack attack-passed
We need volunteers
5. Homecoming updates-October 18 at Sundial-four school event, we need volunteers
6. Basketball mania updates

F. University Senator

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Co-sponsorship requests

1. Night Market-FRIDAY OCT 11th. this is one of 5 events organized by the Chinese student association. It aims at reconstructing a typical market of East Asia. Over 1000 people attend every year. The event is free so we are applying for a grant from GSSC. The total cost of the event is \$5,900. We are asking \$500 for tech equipment. If the tech budget is less than \$200(low), \$350(mid) \$500(high) we will use the rest to go towards decorations.
NADIA- The budget for tech is \$1,925. The breakdown of the demographics of the event is 15% for GS students so I make a motion to finance 15% of the tech budget equal to \$290 from the co-sponsorship budget.

B. Amendments:

1. motion to upgrade the position of tech chair to an associate-passes
2. Motion to direct the veteran rep to sit on policy committee-passes

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.

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)

SERENGETI: Why do we have to explain is we abstain?

MATTHEW: While it can be difficult to explain the reason between each yes and no of each vote. Abstentions are more rare and an explanation can give us some insight on the new GSSC members

CAROLINE: CPS drop-in hours will be starting this week

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.