

Meeting Agenda and Reports Monday, February 8, 2021

## **Upcoming Events / Meetings**

1. [Event name], [Location], [Date & Time]

## For any FB Blasting, please put all links here with your name

- [Katherine] Scribble Night this Friday @6pm: <u>https://fb.me/e/42fckkA0P</u>
  - Need a break from midterm studying? Celebrating the completion of 1st exam (already)? Join our scribble game night open to all SEAS students this Friday @ 6pm, and show your drawing/guessing skills to win a pair of Apple AirPods (1st prize) or Beats Wireless headphones (2nd prize)!

#### **Discussion Topics**

- 1. [Topic], [Time requested]
- 2. Peer Mentorship Program Constitutional Amendment, Vish, 7 min
  - a. <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1yl8GLZfZJHUa0z4u\_ILLgawS05C9d6YTm7</u> <u>zmNjnOaCU/edit?usp=sharing</u>
  - b. Add footnote that says it is up to the vp comms' discretion on when the professional development rep attends the comms meetings

#### **Position Updates**

- 1. Student Body President: Estevan Mesa
  - a. COI was cancelled last wednesday, so have not yet gotten an update regarding Fall course registration and P/D/F numbers
    - i. Meeting with Dean Morrison on Wednesday, hoping he will have these points for us
  - b. Moving forward, working with Sophia to assess the feasibility of establishing a long-term resource fund
    - i. How will this work in a post-COVID semester, what items should be offered, should it be case-by-case, etc.
    - ii. Should a portion of ESC's funds be allocated to the fund/how do we determine this portion (percentage? set amount?)
    - iii. How do we sustain the fund is it possible to establish this in conjunction with another group (FinAid, SEAS, etc.)
  - c. 40 Credit-limit

- Given this is likely unchangeable, can we instead work with SEAS to create an opportunity for students who are one/two credits under the limit (so will have taken 38/39 credits in the Fall/Spring) and do not have other summer opportunities to subsidize the additional credit or two to take a 3 or 4 credit summer course
  - 1. i.e. Can SEAS provide this funding? Some sort of application perhaps?
- Including a survey in newsletter to gather data on students' summer plans, interest in summer classes, and roadblocks to taking those summer courses (40-credit limit, funding, etc.) to better understand the issue and interest
- d. Asking Deans if there is a way to establish a formal new minor-approval process
  - i. The current method is very informal, just sending an email, and unlikely to get an (immediate) response
  - This could be a benefit not only to current students wanting to pursue a minor, but also for increasing interest in applying to SEAS by advertising such an ability to prospective students
- e. Pi-Day festivities
  - i. Pie making competition (submit recipes/pictures of the pie, get entered into raffle for SEAS gear)
- f. David B. Astell, Director of the International Students and Scholars Office, is establishing an International Student Leaders Committee (ISLC)
  - i. I think the International Students Rep should sit on it (if not already)
- 2. VP Policy: Ahmet Karadeniz
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- 3. VP Student Life: Katherine Liu
  - a. Got your SEAS merch?
  - b. Tree-Lighting gift cards in process of giving out
  - c. Scribble Night this Friday @6pm!!
- 4. VP Finance: Sophia Sagandyk
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- 5. VP Communications: Adheli Gonzalez
  - a. Constitutional amendment, as per discussion topic
  - b. Spoke with SHPE president who offered the possibility of giving us some of their funds for our COVID-related resource fund
  - c. Two comments:
    - i. Turnover
      - 1. Reach out to columbia elections commission
    - ii. Cafe east
      - 1. People heard it will be open in Feb!
- 6. University Senator: Joe Hier
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- 7. Class of 2021: Kalisa Ndamage, Bret Silverstein, Ashley Rosenberg, Ethan Thayumanavan, Zhuoli Zhang
  - a. Collaborating on Class of 1996 Scholarship event
  - b. Senior events largely planned
  - c. Second round of senior sweater orders complete
- 8. Class of 2022: Naomi Kim, Stephanie Guo, Nicholas Mijares, Eugene Fung
  - a. Postponing Junior Cocktail Class Collab w CCSC due to individual shipping issues
  - b. Calling Kotis this week for thoughts on apparel
- 9. Class of 2023: Angel Mancera, Kennedy Salamat, Rommel Nunez, Matthew Wahl
  - a. Met to work on the 40-credit limit petition. Presented the idea on Policy and survey will start getting drafted.
  - b. Met with the CCSC and Barnard Presidents to discuss possible collaboration later down the road.
  - c. Sending this Thursday a "meet-a-peer" form to connect people within our class and other schools as well with similar interests.
  - d. Logistical comments:
    - i. People expressed concerns over being quarantined in Furnald with infected people in case they were possibly positive. (Heard CCSC was working on this)
- 10. Class of 2024: Malik Javaid, Jarom Miller, Suheyla Tozan, Steven Gutterman a.
- 11. Technology Representative: Vish Rao
- 12. Racial Diversity and Inclusivity Representative: Elias Tzoc-Pacheco a.
- 13. First Gen and Low Income Representative: Martha Escobedo a.
- Gender Identity and Sexuality Representative: Athena Tsu a.
- Disability and Accessibility Issues Representative: Dilara Zaimoglu

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- Academic Affairs Representative: James Wang a.
- 17. Student Groups Representative: Theo Mack a.
- 18. Sustainability Representative: Justin Paik

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- 19. Professional Development Representative: Shomik Ghose
  - a. Presentation with Arnold Morales
- 20. Campus Affairs Representative: Sergio Butron

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21. International Students Representative: Egem Yorulmaz

- 22. Combined Plan 3-2 Representative: Blossom Parris
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- 23. Student Health and Wellness Representative: Lori Luo
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