

Name	Attendance	Class
Joseph Ayalew	Absent	2028
Destiny Samare	Present	2028
Esther Ma	Present	2028
Grace Beatty	Present	2028
Aidan Kessler	Present	2028
Juliana Partida	Present	2027
Anthony Buchfuhrer	Present	2027
Kevin Guo	Present	2027
Demetrius Daniel	Present	2027
Vaani Kapoor	Absent	2027
Simi Edeki	Present	2026
Maya McWilliams	Present	2026
Ben Fica	Present	2026
Chad Coen	Present	2025
Alex Weiss	Absent	2025
Odunayo (Ayo) Akinade	Present	2025
Soyoon/Sadie Moon	Absent	2025
Christopher Phillips	Present	2025

Meeting called to order at 7:19 pm.

Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of College Council Minutes
3. Approval of SGFC Minutes
4. SGFC Committee Appointment
5. Conflict of Interest Form RSOs
6. Project Check-In
7. Adjournment

Notes:

- Approval of the Agenda
 - **Anthony** moves to accept the agenda
 - **Julianna** seconds the motion
 - *The agenda passes by unanimous consent (7:19 pm)*
- Approval of Last Week's Minutes
 - **Destiny** moves to pass the minutes
 - **Esther** seconds the motion
 - *The minutes pass by unanimous consent (7:21 pm)*
- Approval of SGFC Decisions
 - **Ben** moves to pass the decisions
 - **Destiny** seconds the motion
 - *The decisions pass by unanimous consent (7:22 pm)*
- SGFC Committee Appointment
 - **Demetrius**: We have one applicant.
 - **Nevin**: One person submitted the application on time. They have experience with both university and external finance. They're also a third-year student, and the only applicant.
 - **Anthony** moves to appoint Connor Poole to SGFC
 - **Ayo** seconds the motion
 - *The motion passes by unanimous consent (7:24 pm)*
- Coalition of Academic Teams Annual Allocation Report
 - **Nevin**: The introduction explains who CAT is and gives some historical background. There's a quick table of final allocations. Appendix B includes the funding documents for this year: things like the cost guide, the checklist RSOs were asked to comply with, and the new bylaws. Appendix C is all of our meeting minutes, so you can see how we made decisions for each RSO. Also, Appendix B contains our funding table going back to 2005. A notable trend with CAT is that funding requests have gone down year by year, which is exactly what we want to see. This is largely because we did a really good job this year, clearly communicating what the cost guide is, assessing what RSOs truly need, and making sure they understood the financial situation of USG. Appendix C shows the requests submitted to us. The minutes explain what each RSO requested and why we found it worthy of funding. I'm not asking you to approve anything today. Generally, I share the numbers I have now and ask you to wait. Our appeals deadline hasn't passed yet. That gives Cabinet and me the chance to look across the board and move funds around where necessary to make the final allocations. By Week 7, if there are any changes, I'll share them and you'll vote then.
 - **Alex**: Just a quick comment: this is the report for CAT, but we'll also have to approve allocations for Sports Clubs and PCC. We need to review and approve each one responsibly. We've been entrusted with \$2 million, and we should be wise about how we spend it.
 - **Nevin**: Right, this is the condensed, mainline version of what we've learned from looking into these RSOs.
 - **Ben**: Does the leadership of the academic teams have access to these minutes?

- **Nevin:** Yes, the minutes are public. The only exception is a brief period when we went into executive session, and that part isn't public. But everything else is. I also sent an email to them last Friday explaining the rationale behind their allocations. The total comes to just under \$400,000. That's what we're approving before appeals. Since I haven't received any appeals, I don't anticipate these numbers changing.
- **Anthony:** Can you break the numbers down?
- **Nevin:** Sure. The numbers on the right are the preliminary funding allocations for next year. The middle column shows last year's funding. We got reasonable requests this year and managed the money well, which meant our meetings were shorter, and we were even able to cancel our final delivery meeting. One RSO I want to shout out is Robotics. I give Robotics a hard time sometimes, but they really deserved recognition. They asked for less money, gained more members, and participated in more tournaments. That's exactly the kind of growth and responsibility we want to see from RSOs. I love Robotics. They got a budget decrease, but still did more.
- **Alex:** Yeah, for Robotics, I understand them not wanting to use the computers in the Math Center. Those machines aren't great.
- **Nevin:** Right, and Robotics not only contributes equipment to a shared lab space that others can use. They also run a really impressive certification program. Other engineering RSOs can use it to verify a basic understanding of robotics.
- **Nevin:** Anyway, this doesn't require a vote today, so we'll sit on it for three weeks.
- Archives Memorandum of Understanding
 - **Nevin:** We've added some clauses, me and the University Archives. The new additions concern access, and they were proposed by the Archives team. This isn't rocket science. I'm collecting all internal USG records and going through them for relevance. If it's just an email about scheduling a meeting, Archives doesn't care. But if it's meeting minutes or a decision, then Archives does care. I'll make sure everything adheres to their standards and upload it into a Dropbox folder. Some things will be marked confidential, like documents from E&R and SAAP. Another note, from what I gathered from Lasabra and the minutes, there was a shift away from having E&R as the default elections administrator. I'd strongly caution you to appoint someone you know will be present and consistent. There's a reason it's the Chair of E&R and not just any parliamentary figure. As long as there's a functioning democracy, you'll always have an elections committee and a chair. Also, respectfully, we have better records management than anyone else right now. I'll be meeting with Digital Special Collections soon to start putting this into action.
 - **Destiny:** So would we be expected to drop everything in the archive weekly, like emails?
 - **Nevin:** I'm envisioning quarterly deposits. We already update our internal document records at the end of each quarter, so this lines up with that workflow. For committee chairs, it'll depend on what works best for them. As long as the records are preserved, we can be flexible. Especially because USG doesn't generate a huge volume of documents. E&R produces more paperwork than all the other committees combined.
- Conflict of Interest Form RSOs
 - **Alex:** We're required by our bylaws to review all allocations made by SGFC. I'll send the allocations to you. For obvious reasons, you cannot review RSOs you're a part of because that would be a conflict of interest. This process is for us to disclose which RSOs we're

affiliated with. If you only attended one meeting, that's fine, but if you're a consistent member, you need to indicate that. We didn't have much information last year, but I'm going to work with Chad to make sure the necessary information is disclosed.

- **Ben:** What should we do for clubs we used to be involved in but haven't been to in over a year?
- **Alex:** Still list them. If you were a member for at least a year, you should include it.
- Open Chair Meeting
 - **Alex:** If you're interested in running for Chair, even if you haven't indicated it yet, Lasabra, Demetrius, and I will be in the USG office (the one by the bathroom with the giant USG seal) on Wednesday, 4/16 at 1:00 PM. Even if you're not planning to run, you're welcome to come and see what a planning meeting looks like. If you can't make it, we'll work to organize another time.
 - **Anthony:** Will there be snacks?
 - **Lasabra:** Yes, in the office.
- Project Check-In Form
 - **Alex:** Look at your projects. I'll be walking around for basically office hours.
- **Kevin** motions to adjourn the meeting
- **Chad** seconds the motion
- *The meeting is adjourned (7:51 pm)*