

AGENDA Student Senate Meeting March 09, 2022, 2:30 PM CC Ballroom B

- Attendance
- Minutes to Approve
 - o March 2nd, 2022
- Public Forum
 - Dr. Lim
 - Background of his life:
 - Originally from Malaysia and a first-generation student to graduate from college.
 - Michigan Tech and the Master's degree from Missouri
 - All three of his kids are engineers.
 - We need to use the diversity of the university to improve our research and educational opportunities.
 - 35 years in his marriage and he is an engineer
 - Older Son lives in Brooklyn and has a Covid Baby
 - The second son is a Chemical Engineer and told him one day that he wanted to quit his job and become an artist.
 - And his daughter is also an engineer.
 - What he loves about NJIT is that it is so diverse.
 - Education for the future is dependent on all of us.
 - We measure the success of Alumni is what they do with the community.
 - What matters more is that there is more of an impact than working at a company.
 - We need to make sure that this campus is diverse and inclusive.
 - The sense of belonging is really important, being welcoming to everyone.
 - O Daniel: Are there any plans to have our degree have a reputation of how we all went through a lot?
 - Certainly, we need to mark how the degree is so special by using the community to highlight the strength of the degree.
 - Cameron: Where do you envision NJIT to be as an institution within the next 5 years?
 - I have looked at the Strategic Plan is great but the only thing that is lacking is that it was written before the pandemic. So what needs to be considered is that now that time has passed we need to look at the effects it had and change according to it. I need to listen and speak with all the students. Hear all the ideas on what we want to be and what the timeline should look like. The point is that 3 credit classes will be so different in the future because technology has advanced that those classes will not only lecture basically more interactive.
 - Gabriel: What is the most successful part of the University and what needs to improve?
 - The best thing is that it went from a sleepy university to one of the R1 research universities pretty quickly.
 - This University has so much potential in growing but using the diversity and inclusion the university.
 - Annmary: I suggest that an advertisement for the HCAD building and Majors would be great because it is almost as if it is in a vacuum.
 - I totally agree with you and I believe a solution could be to be in collaboration with faculty, staff and students, and other



majors across campus. That could be a great idea to include in a senior project. Or maybe a competition and I will be a judge.

- Anuja: How do you plan to change that culture of commuters to stay on campus longer?
 - We need to create activities that engage students both in-person and virtually. Always staying connected. Connect the community to the campus. Students have to take the initiative to do so because we can assess the situation.
- O Jonathan: An issue that I have noticed, is we lack that we don't advertise the mental health of students on campus?
 - Yes, I believe that it is important to showcase all services by helping someone in whatever situation they are going through. You are getting a degree not only in education but also a heart mind and soul.

- o Dr. Bloom
 - Had to leave
- Old Business

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- Executive Reports
 - o Lara Rios
 - Mid-year Reports
 - Retiring standards constitutions are being updated and reviewed by Lara
 - New organization to review retiring
 - About 4 or 5 of them with the finance committee
 - Point system: # of events Points
 - Tier 1: 6- 700
 - Tier 2: 4-500
 - Tier 3: 3-200
 - Tier 4: 2-125
- Senator Reports
 - Macrina Makar (Tabled)
 - Brief open discussion
 - Jonathan Clarke
 - Mask Mandate:
 - The instructional delivery meeting discussed that there were surveys that went out to all faculty and students. After the break is when they will make a decision. But it might be required in class but not in the campus center or other buildings. But for now, wear Masks!
 - Rick Kanashiro (Tabled)
 - o Adhithya Rajasekar (Tabled)
 - Cameron Guanlao (Tabled)
 - Senator Formal: April 29th, 6-10:30 pm at the Grand
 - Two themes: Enchanted Forest or Casino
 - The tickets are going to be for sale and tabling events will be happening collaborating with the PR committee.
 - The Tickets are available for Senators for \$35 dollars and one guest
 - Transportation to and from the venue is still in discussion
 - Any student who doesn't use the transportation must fill out a wavier provided by student life
 - More details to come with parking and transportation
 - The deposit will go towards the next senior formal
 - The dates for commencement are not confirmed
 - Ivana Ortiz (Tabled)



- New Business
 - o Constitutional Changes (Tabled)
 - Article IV, Section 3 Senator Duties
 - Adhithya Rajasekar
- Announcements
 - o Senator of the Month- February
 - DANIEL!!!!!!

SECTION 3 - Senator Duties

- 1. College/School Representatives
 - a. Meet with the dean of their respective college/school at least twice per semester
 - b. Meet with the Vice President of Administration twice a semester to give a progress update



- c. Chair a College-wide meeting, or individually meet with all of the Major Representatives within their college once a semester
- d. Monitor major representatives in their respective college/school and ensure they are working towards their respective goals
- e. Perform all duties of all vacant positions within their respective college/school
- f. Maintain and update records of all documents (senator reports, feedback forms, meeting minutes, transition packets, etc.) throughout the semester in their respective senator folder in the Senate Shared Drive.

2. Major Representatives

- a. Meet with the chairperson of their respective department at least once a semester
- b. Periodically provide their College Representative with an update on their goals
- c. Attend a College-wide meeting, or individually meet with their respective College Representative once a semester
- d.Maintain and update records of all documents (senator reports, feedback forms, meeting minutes, transition packets, etc.) throughout the semester in their respective senator folder in the Senate Shared Drive.

3. Freshman Representatives

- a. Act as liaisons between their class, the Advising Success Center, and the Learning Communities.
- b. Submit a report to the Vice President of Administration at least once per semester.
- c. Represent their class in their respective Student Senate committee and advise the Senate on how to address Freshman Class issues. Each Freshman Representative will be assigned to one of the following committees: Public Relations, Student Organizations, Finance, Academic Affairs, Student Affair, and Internal Affairs.
 - i. Only one Freshman Representative will be assigned to each of these committees.
- d. Maintain and update records of all documents (senator reports, feedback forms, meeting minutes, transition packets, etc.) throughout the semester in their respective senator folder in the Senate Shared Drive.

4. Senior Class President

- a. Submit a report to the Vice President of Administration at least once a month
- b. Chair the Senior Class Committee
- c. Hold biweekly meetings with Office of Student Life
- d. Recruit senior student at larges for the senior class committee
- e.Maintain and update records of all documents (senator reports, feedback forms, meeting minutes, transition packets, etc.) throughout the semester in their respective senator folder in the Senate Shared Drive.
