



MINUTES
Student Senate Meeting
9 September 2020, 2:30 PM
Virtual Meeting

1. Attendance
2. Minutes to Approve
 - a. April 29th, 2020
 - b. Approved
3. Executive Reports
 - a. Anuj Patel - President Goals
 - i. He wants to increase the transparency of the Senate by completing a report. When meeting with administration, we would not be able to get information outside of meetings. This template will allow students to look at it. He wants to build pride in the University and it is very needed, especially with current circumstances. He wants to work with Student Life to engage with other students. He wants to reach out to Lenny Kaplan to work together to promote our athletic teams and have pride events. He wants to work with green initiatives, such as working with GDS, making outdoor spaces, etc. For student affairs, he wants to work on our flex points with nearby restaurants. He wants to increase lounge spaces.
 - b. Jeremy Bedient - Vice President of Administration Goals
 - i. He wants to make things easier and more fair for students. He wants to work with Co-op programs, specifically benefiting from these programs as he believes it is very valuable. He wants to expand opportunities in learning areas, such as being assessed in classes for credits. He wants to improve Academic Integrity in NJIT which has been on the rise in NJIT. He has already gone to Conduct Boards to learn more about this topic. He wants to continue to be amazing representatives for our student body. He wants to make the honors college more accessible to students, especially after freshman year to give the academic and financial opportunities. Lastly, he wants to make sure to gather student feedback to accurately represent the student body.
 - c. Michael Moussa - Vice President of Finance Goals
 - i. For this year, he wants to help clubs and organizations to plan events and meet successfully through the pandemic. He wants to increase transparency by completely digitizing the forms needed for organizations and use Highlander Hub to its full potential. He wants to see where funding for departments go and where they are used.
 - d. Owen Busler - Director of Student Orgs Goals
 - i. He wants to focus on supporting clubs since there are a lot of clubs that will have to change their club due to current circumstances. He wants to define what clubs can do this year. He wants to continue the tiering objective. There are many clubs that have very similar constitutions and he wants to combine these clubs.
 - e. Mark Nashed - Director of Public Relations Goals
 - i. He would like to increase transparency and publicize the student senate money breakdown. He wants to publish the results of the Senate so the student body can understand what we do. He would like to make the Senate Office and office hours more welcoming and serve as a help center. He wants to start posting on Reddit to get students more engaged and hear more voices.
 - f. Philopateer Ibrahim - Secretary Goals
 - i. He explained how the secretary is focused on the internal aspects of the organization. He wants to clean up the Student Drive to make it easier to navigate and find folders and documents simpler. Additionally, he and his committee will be reviewing Reference

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Documents for errors, including the Constitution, ByLaws, etc.. He also wants to make sure that every Senator is not wasting their position and time, therefore, he will be creating a Senator report template for Senators to use when giving their report. He will work with Jeremy to ensure that all senators are completing their tasks and are given the proper repercussions if they are not completed. He will make sure that all impeachment proceedings are done in a fair and organized fashion. He also wants to organize the basement because he realized last year that it was difficult to locate specific objects for events and make sure the office is clean!

4. New Business

a. Mechanical Engineering Representative Candidates

i. Jonathan Clarke (Approved)

1. He is a second year student. He wants to better the committee. He spoke to other Mechanical Engineering students and he asked what is wrong, being interacting with each other and having hands-on experience. He had leadership positions in high school. He would like to work with other clubs to get involved with the committee. He believes the more knowledge we know, the more it will help us.

ii. Jason Morlock

1. He is a second year student. He wants to make sure that all students get material to help them. He believes the underclassman should get upperclassmen to help them out. He believes the mentoring by keeping it as a forum and it would be more of a Q and A session. It is his priority to excel in the major's classes.

iii. Michael Molteni

1. He is a second year student. He had many leadership roles in his high school. His goal is to be a voice for the students and that all students will be able to communicate their idea. His goal is to relate the demographic of students that want to play sports. He was interested in this position because he wants to get his name out there and likes to be an outgoing person.

b. Chemical Engineering Representative Candidates

i. Hager Abdalla

1. She wants to support her peers in the Chemical Engineering department. She said she is a team leader and has strong communication skills. She wants to create a safe environment. She wants to give better resources to the department. She believes that NJIT should have more temperature scans.

ii. Ameera Seetahal (Approved)

1. She is a sophomore student. She wants to implement another computer programming class into the curriculum to help their resume stand out. She wants to allow students to be more aware of programs. She believes not enough people know of the Chemical Engineering professional organization. She looks forward to being the voice of concern.

iii. Angad Chadha

1. He is a junior. He has had great past leadership experiences. He has started up companies and worked with new projects. He wants to get more tools for the students such as manufacturing tools. He wants students to have more exposure to what fields they want to be in. He wants to work with other clubs to help students to get exposure.

iv. Mariam Skalli

1. She talked to other Chemical Engineering students and they said that there is nobody to speak to. She wants to collect feedback to understand what we want from the department. She wants to use her outreach to spread awareness. She

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wants to use a mentorship program and connect students through apps. She believes she is good in time management and it is not an issue.

v. Kaitlin Rock

1. She has had previous experiences in communication and advising. She was able to successfully transfer from one school to another. She wants to note the ongoing concern of her major. She believes she has an advantage since she has connected with many teachers. She wants to establish more of a connection on how to get a larger forum for this specific major.

vi. Mory Diane

1. He is in his first year at NJIT. He believes that he needs a representative for his needs.

c. Computer Engineering

i. Janus Caldejon (Approved)

1. He has a plan to strengthen the community. He believes that we lack each other. He wants to find better ways to communicate. He wants to make sure he works with professors. He wants to be part of a bigger team.

d. Information Technology

i. Yash Hirpara

1. Did not attend.

e. Electrical Engineering

i. Kamari Snow

1. Did not attend.

i. Kamil Broclawik (Approved)

1. He is a senior. He wants to represent his fellow students. He believes that we tend to take advantage of everything we have, especially during these circumstances. He wants to expand the use of discord. He has many leadership experiences.

b. Business Information Systems

i. Nicholas Slamka (Approved)

1. He wants to work with his fellow senators to make NJIT a better place. He wants to raise awareness for his major. He wants to show people that can be a major for other people and show interest. He believes we need to show what the department does individually and we need to showcase some of the work. His goal is to make the campus better.

5. Announcements

a. Mark- Ideas for Highlander Hype Week

i. tCurrent Ideas

1. Live Yoga/Meditation Sessions with Isha foundation
 - a. In efforts to join the mental health awareness initiative on campus
2. Zoom mentalist

ii. Any virtual or in person (25 person capacity) events

b. Next Meeting

i. September 16th, 2000

1. Virtual Meeting
2. Vice President of Student Affairs Vacancy

c. Retreat