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Summer Senate Meeting #4

Meeting Date:	August 22, 2018	Meeting Time:	5:30 P.M. - 6:25 P.M.
Location:	USG Conference Room	Note Taker:	Andrea Soto

Attendees:	
[ABSENT] Radhika Kalani President	Emma Jorgensen Executive Vice President
[ABSENT] Raul Cruz Executive Treasurer	Andrea Soto Executive Secretary
Aaron D'Souza VP of Student Affairs	Kendra Lojano VP of Campus Affairs
[ABSENT] Carlton Maddix VP of Academic Affairs	[ABSENT] Mark Vilks VP of Legislative Affairs
[ABSENT] Blossom Chen Chair of Graphics	Justin Broomfield Chair of Finance
Nicole Pung Chair of Marketing	[ABSENT] Ray Colon Chair of Appeals
Dakshatha Daggala Chair of Clubs & Organizations	[ABSENT] Aziz Sanogoa Representative Senator
Elizabeth Barzman Representative Senator	Erick Ventura Representative Senator
Jerick Venutrina Representative Senator	Joshua Castillo Representative Senator
Julienne Guzman Representative Senator	Kayla Rivera Representative Senator
[ABSENT] Lewis Diep Representative Senator	[ABSENT] Mohammed W. Shahid Representative Senator
Ryan Zhang Representative Senator	

REPORTS

1. Emma Jorgensen | Executive Vice President

- a. Emma: Final senate meeting call to order. First thing is Rad's message to you all. *'Hi all, Wish I was there right now, but I'm on vacation with family. Here are some updates: Really happy with both the summer events that happened; a lot of people were happy to find free food + also were super thankful that we decided to hold events in the summer for them!! I had a meeting with ISO and OSL regarding the Winter Graduation. It isn't feasible to conduct a full on winter graduation, only one graduation can happen in a year. But, we decided that we can host a Winter Graduation Reception/Celebration instead. IFor the time being, it's going to be on the last day of classes and on the 7th floor of the library building (where Bernies were last year). I'll keep you guys posted on this event! If you want to help out with it, let me or Emma know. Also Emma, feel free to add more to this since you also know what's going on with this event. Regarding the 5k I had mentioned earlier this week, can we just take a soft vote on how many people would be interested in participating. It's going to be on Saturday, November 3rd @ 8am. You don't need to run the whole thing, this will be something that will be a fun group activity! See you all once classes start and let me know how convocation goes! That concludes my report. Thanks guys! Best, Radhika.'* We will mention more about everything later. Lets just take a soft vote to see who would be interested in a 5k.
- b. Josh: Yes, that sounds super dope.

- c. Aaron: Where is it?
- d. Emma: Not sure, I will ask OSL.
- e. Kayla: Is this for charity?
- f. Emma: Not sure, I am going to ask, but good point.
- g. Kayla: Might as well make it something to help other.
- h. Justin: Sounds philanthropic.
- i. Emma: Yea Liz! Now to my part, we have your goals and expectations that I am going to pass out right now. You can read through on your own and this is so everyone's goals so we all have them. The official one will be printed and handed out at our meeting next week. If there are any changes you want to make, you can go ahead and do so. So a few things I want to touch upon. Next week is our first official meeting so it is going to be a little different. It won't be as relaxed as it is now and you guys may only raise your hand and I will call on you to speak.
- j. Aaron: Can I ask a question?
- k. Emma: Yes.
- l. Aaron: Why is my baruchmail listed here and not my USG?
- m. Emma: Oh you're right. I'll make a note of that.
- n. Aaron: Shout out to Andrea for taking out the apostrophe in my name from my USG email.
- o. Emma: Good to know. I also sent the link to the chat. Just to reiterate, senate meetings are public meetings. Don't say anything that is personal or touchy. If you have an issue, please talk to the person beforehand. The Ticker will be there and so will OSL so everything you will say is very public so please be careful. Please make sure you are aware of what your actions. Make sure you are aware of what you say. This is a public meeting.
- p. Jerick: What if it's a brand new thing?
- q. Emma: If it's personal, don't bring it up
- r. Jerick: Not personal
- s. Emma: Like for events? No you can talk about it even if you didn't tell people before. Like we can't talk about things like 'Jerick hasn't been here for three meetings, let's talk about impeaching him,' that would be something we should have to bring up to you first in person and not on the table during a senate meeting.
- t. Andrea: Also, I am recording all these meetings on my phone for when I edit minutes and I won't be censoring anything if you say inappropriate things and also like Emma said, The Ticker will also be here and they will be paying attention and will hold me accountable for taking accurate minutes. So please be respectful.
- u. Nicole: For summer senate, I wasn't able to see the minutes for the last meeting, so I don't know if those have been sent out.
- v. Andrea: I will send them again to you all on drive because the emails have been a little wonky.
- w. Emma: The Ticker might interview you after depending on what you say on the table. Any questions? No, well that is it for me. We are also gonna do a hang out with everyone

because I want board members more involved. I know we talked paintball last meeting but that may be a little intense. If you guys have any other ideas, please let me know.

2. Andrea Soto | Executive Secretary

- a. Andrea: Hi everyone. So we got the guides today! It was a headache but they're here so you guys can grab some. Business cards are in the works, design number three won so Blossom is working on transcribing all the information onto the cards. Also, can anyone volunteer to pick up 12 more boxes in Brooklyn?
- b. Emma: When?
- c. Andrea: Any time really within the next few weeks. I will also mention this in the chat.
- d. Nicole: Is there an ETA for business cards?
- e. Andrea: No, Blossom is still working on it.
- f. Emma: Blossom is also changing the USG email logo and making us a whole new logo.
- g. Nicole: Did you delete the post about using the signature on Facebook?
- h. Andrea: No, I will do it right now. Also guys for all things graphics, it is in the works. Blossom has a lot on her plate and it's only one person working on graphics so please be mindful. That concludes my report.

3. Aaron D'Souza | VP of Student Affair

- a. Aaron: Welcome Week again. Hi Marvin! Not sure what I have told you guys, sundaes are confirmed for Monday. Forgot the flavors but I think it was strawberry, cookie dough and something else. Also will have toppings and need people to help me out with that. We are doing donuts and giveaways on Tuesday but the giveaways are coming late so we are using some Baruch Bookstore items as giveaways. We will use the other ones for the club fair which is on that Thursday and everything should be in by that. That is also why I didn't plan an event for Thursday club hours because we will be tabling. Wednesday is polaroids. We are having Jack's Sliders and a photobooth for MPR on Thursday. WBMB will be there and everything.
- b. Jerick: When is this.
- c. Aaron: Next week.
- d. Elizabeth: How will we be able to edit the agenda?
- e. Emma: I will send it a few days before so you can add reports.
- f. Andrea: Send it to USG global.
- g. Emma: Why? I was going to send it just senate.
- h. Josh: So other boards can give reports if they want.
- i. Nicole: Do I also have to say what is under official business?
- j. Emma: No you can just say it once we get to that part of the meeting.
- k. Aaron: Also, another thing. Tomorrow we need help at convocation, we are picking up cookies and we have shirts and survival guides. You can't take the shirts today, you can do it tomorrow before the event starts.
- l. Ryan: Where is our table?
- m. Aaron: Us along with the media suite clubs will be right in the middle of the 2nd floor. Need to show up at 3:45 to set up the table. We are gonna set up everything and we will have people here in the suite too because people roam around. I will forward Clay's email to whoever asks.

- n. Nicole: You should send it to everyone.
 - o. Aaron: No, I will just send it to people who ask for it.
 - p. Nicole: Just put it in the chat.
 - q. Aaron: By a show of hands, who wants the email?
 - r. Nicole: I am writing everyone's name down.
 - s. Dakshatha: We can just do this later.
 - t. Aaron: Fine. I will send it right now.
 - u. Emma: Also just by a show of hands, who is free to help tomorrow? Great.
- 4. Dakshatha Daggala | Chair of Clubs & Organizations**
- a. Dakshatha: As most of you know, we decorated the club suite. Thanks to everyone who helped out. OSL was impressed and the clubs appreciated it and the polaroids, shout out to Kendra for printing them. Also quick thing, NYMIA changed their name to Music Industry Club
 - b. Josh: They probably changed it so it's more approachable and easy for people to remember.
 - c. Andrea: I also sent an email about it.
 - d. Dakshatha: Also APO wanted to see if we could cosponsor to cover some of the cost of a professional website for their chapter. I am not sure if we are allowed to cosponsor.
 - e. Emma: Did you ask OSL?
 - f. Dakshatha: No, but they said they spoke to their advisor about it.
 - g. Justin: So how does this benefit baruch students?
 - h. Dakshatha: Not everyone wants to go on social media and they want a website. It's \$12/month and an annual subscription is \$136.
 - i. Emma: We can talk to other clubs to see ho
 - j. Kendra: For WIB we paid out of pocket for the club website.
 - k. Emma: There we go.
 - l. Anna: For websites it can come out of misc but it does come out of their budget. USG shouldn't single out this club in my opinion but you should double check with Savanna.
 - m. Jerick: I am sure everyone pays on their own.
 - n. Josh: They can also use wix.
 - o. Dakshatha: Yeah, but they said it is more limiting.
 - p. Josh: No, they just don't like the dot wix dot com.
- 5. Elizabeth Barzman | Representative Senator**
- a. Elizabeth: I want to be a chair of phil. Our first event will be the textbook drive. Basically Baruch Students donate textbooks which other students can use. The person who gives in the most textbooks will win something from the bookstore. I need volunteers to collect because last year Isabel's textbook got taken and that was devastating. I also sent out a google doc for people to sign up. Also, I am here to look for some ideas. Once a month I want to have small events like Thanksgiving drives and not huge things. Also Radhika wanted to have a danceathon or someone else suggested a casino. Does anyone else have any other ideas?
 - b. Jerick: More of a question, would you want to collab with other committees like the arts committee to make it more appealing?
 - c. Elizabeth: Yeah, for sure.

- d. Nicole: Also someone messaged our USG Facebook. I don't know if you saw.
- e. Elizabeth: Yes so i have a call with her tomorrow, she goes to a different school though so.
- f. Aaron: So ideas for fundraising or?
- g. Elizabeth: I just want small events but I also want big multipurpose room events every once in a while. We could do toys for tots or things like that.
- h. Aaron: The thing with bigger events, I don't know about last year, but when you have a big philanthropy event it's hard to make enough money based off of the money you spent. Why spend when you can just donate that money?
- i. Elizabeth: I mean it's supposed to be a fun event and we can't just give our money straight to the charity.
- j. Aaron: Not saying you shouldn't do it, it's just gonna be hard.
- k. Elizabeth: Yea well for events like a danceathon it shouldn't be too hard. I will also have reports at senate meetings to communicate these ideas and progress with you guys.
- l. Aaron: Also if you need help planning, let me know.
- m. Ryan: Is Relay for Life happening?
- n. Nicole: No, after this year, it was shut down entirely because we didn't meet their goals. They started going downhill when frats were banned at Baruch.
- o. Elizabeth: Also one last thing, last year, our relationship with Oriental Trading went down so I am not sure if you guys wanted to use them. They just didn't get paid for a long time and it sucks because we get goodie bags and things with them. Maybe if we make a new account that doesn't say USG, we can get around it. September 13th is the standing date for now. I have an idea to get rid of leftover textbooks by donating them to the library or having them here and people can just grab them.
- p. Dakshatha: What if people take them to sell them?
- q. Elizabeth: That is true. We will work out how we will fix this.
- r. Nicole: No looseleaf.
- s. Elizabeth: And nothing but textbooks. We don't need My Little Pony books again.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Emma Jorgensen | Executive Vice President

- a. Emma: Now to unfinished business? If you want to do reimbursements, please get the the flyer from me. Ask Raul or Anna if you need help with the paperwork because I don't really know a lot about paperwork.

2. Nicole Pung | Chair of Marketing

- b. Nicole: To the new faces on the table, please let me know if you don't want to do Senator Sunday. I would hope you can be comfortable with it, but if not, it's okay just let me know. It is important for people to know who to talk to and who is representing them.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Aaron D'Souza | VP of Student Affairs

- a. Aaron: I am doing an event the week after welcome week. We are giving out Yaya's.
- b. Justin: Just the tea or also food?
- c. Aaron: Just beverages. They require 50% deposit for any kind of catering so we would have to pay out of pocket and it's too late to prebill for catering. It came out to \$350 for

about 100 students. We will probably give out smaller cups so we can give it to more people.

- d. Elizabeth: Will there be a sign up sheet to volunteer?
- e. Aaron: I repeat everything all the time so you won't forget
- f. Andrea: I also forgot to mention, but there is a USG event calendar which I shared with you guys. I also shared the conference room calendar with you all.
- g. Nicole: Are you printing the schedule?
- h. Andrea: Yes.
- i. Emma: What is your event for?
- j. Aaron: Just as a fun pop-up.
- k. Jerick: We should call it a pop-up something and have the Yaya pop bubbles.
- l. Emma: That's pretty punny.
- m. Aaron: Message with me if you have name ideas.

2. Nicole Pung | Chair of Marketing

- a. Nicole: I have a question, how many people have responded to the suggestion box?
- b. Emma: 68. People want more events and more food. I have tried to promote it but that's as many as I could do.
- c. Nicole: I also asked Rad for the link for the suggestion box.

3. Ryan Zhang | Representative Senator

- a. Ryan: Any updates on the new website?
- b. Emma: No, Rad has that.
- c. Andrea: Thanks Obama.
- d. Dakshatha: Do you have to record this?
- e. Andrea: Yes.
- f. Nicole: I was just wanted ask another question, but I am not sure if I should just mention it.
- g. Aaron: You shouldn't if you can't articulate it.
- h. Emma: Is it about budgets?
- i. Nicole: Yes.
- j. Justin: Literally doing them right now.
- k. Nicole: I also want to change the photos and bios on the website.
- l. Emma: Yea that's Rad. Okay. One thing I forgot to mention, if you have questions during a report, I will have to call on you. Not the person giving the report.

4. Elizabeth Barzman | Representative Senator

- a. Elizabeth: Do you conclude your report after or before questions?
- b. Emma: After.
- c. Julianne: I remember you guys sent Robert's rules during first summer senate. Is there anything we need to say before giving a report?
- d. Emma: Not really, I will introduce you guys. I will try to make a little cheat sheet just so it's easy for you guys. It's going to be awkward at the first meeting but it's okay, OSL will guide us. Any questions?

5. Jerick Venturina | Representative Senator

- a. Jerick: Leadership weekend? When is it?

- b. Emma: Not sure when it is.
 - c. Anna: It is last week of September.
 - d. Emma: I am gonna talk to each one of you and then I will pick people based off of who has gone and who hasn't. I want to make this as fair as possible. I am excited people want to go this year but if things are done the same way they were done last year, only 10 USG people can go.
 - e. Marvin: How many people go in general?
 - f. Emma: 100. Any other questions? I just want to make sure this is as fair as possible.
- 6. Erick Ventura | Representative Senator**
- a. Erick: I wanted to do a townhall so people can voice their opinions. We should do it after a few events just so we get a sense of feedback from the student body.
- 7. Kayla Rivera | Representative Senator**
- a. Kayla: One of my goals is that I want to do surveys because I specialize in conducting surveys. I want to get as many insights as I can to see how we can improve and to see what people want. I am going to just ask some basic questions that can help with these insights.
 - b. Aaron: Two things: we should do town halls twice a semester,, once in the beginning and once in the middle just so I have the opportunity to fix anything mid semester and not just during the next semester. Second thing, also I know Nicole is also doing surveys so talk to her.
 - c. Nicole: I would love to collab with yo,u Kayla.
 - d. Kayla: I love surveys. We can definitely collab!
 - e. Nicole: Okay, so I will talk to you separately. Also during town halls, people have had an online form so people can fill that out. Do you guys want to push that on social media as well?
 - f. Erick: That sounds like a good idea.
 - g. Jerick: Can we inform students ahead of time with FAQs so we don't waste students time with simple yes or no questions? Like make a pamphlet or something.
 - h. Nicole: I do agree with that. For your concern, we can just market collecting and later answering those questions and if we do it through social media, it might be better.
 - i. Aaron: To respond to Jerick, we can also open up a form two weeks prior and then answer some of those and then give out the pamphlet. Anything that isn't answered on it, people can look out for at the actual town hall.
 - j. Nicole: For town hall stuff, I need people to communicate with me, so I can get a head start on marketing. Please let me know what questions we should be marketing.
 - k. Aaron: For town halls, everyone should be there. People shouldn't be missing.
 - l. Emma: Oh yeah, last year it was interesting. Not everyone was there and someone asked where our entire team was.
 - m. Elizabeth: Maybe we can do a poll to see when the most people can show up.

ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion to adjourn Summer Senate Meeting #4 at 6:25 P.M. Motion Passes: 11-0-1