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Council Secretaries:

- I. **Eva Lacy** - *Secretary of Events*
- II. **Jack Murawczyk & Krish Maniar** - *Co-Secretaries of the Treasury and Digital Infrastructure*
- III. **Nellie Rushton & Levi Lebovitz** - *Co-Secretaries of Communications*
- IV. **Adam Rourke, Emma Sralla, Aidan Flintoft** - *Co-Secretaries of Athlete Issues and Advocacy*
- V. **Daniel Flores, Kenna Nabi, Giselle Alcantar, Leslie Bravo & Yohannes Aklilu** - *Co-Secretaries of Accessibility and DEI*
- VI. **Amari Porter & Maria Jimenez** - *Secretary of Media and Design*

II. Why we're running

The 5 of us — and our team — feel lucky every day to be a part of the best community in the world. We've been inspired by your dreams, and humbled by your excellence. There isn't a community we'd rather dedicate our service to. Each of us, and each of you, is here because we've been leaders in some capacity. And together, we can get so much done. It's with that thinking that one of us authored and got the [Bill to Amend the Sophomore Class Cabinet Structure](#) passed by the UGS. With the changes this bill instituted, **each and every single one of you in the class gets to be a part of the executive committees that manage class government functions and budgets** – we'll make open calls to the class, and you'll just sign up. That's the kind of radical collaboration we believe in. Together, the 5 of us and our cabinet bring years of experience and boatloads of love to the slate. We hope you will trust us with your vote, but know that we will be dedicated to your service regardless.

You have access to any of us, always:

1. **Roome Becker** — (214) 901 3578
2. **Madhav Prakash** — (650) 223 4232
3. **Nika Farokhzad** — (617) 610 9661 (Sofia and I are roommates! Come and yap anytime: Branner 292).
4. **Sofia Irlando** — (602) 694 8476
5. **Justin Yang** — (908) 502 2998 (or come angrily knock on my door: Branner 241)

III. We're the ones with a plan to make things happen.

Did you know that, the way it currently stands, Class Presidents aren't involved with any undergrad policy or funding processes? So any policy promises you've heard about dining hall hours or funding from other candidates are either:

- Misrepresenting what the powers of the office are.

OR

- Being unaware of what the job entails.

That is why students are left dissatisfied with their representation year after year.

That will not be PULSE.

We are the only team that has outlined a plan for achieving policy goals.

We will secure a regular slot on the agenda at every Undergraduate Senate meeting — the ASSU group that passes policy and funding legislation. There, we will be able to share updates about our class and report on issues and concerns brought up by you. A 24/7 anonymous feedback form, monthly town halls, and other forums for direct feedback and ideas will feed directly into what we present to and ask of the UGS.

ASSU Senators and Exec already have an 'updates' slot, and we think the directly elected class representatives should as well!

Everyone has promises — PULSE has a plan.

IV. What we're going to get done

On advocacy and policy positions

Class president slates have historically been limited to event-planning and executive entities. We're going to change that, because we believe that you should get a say in policy.

- 1) Did you know Class Presidents aren't involved with any undergrad policy or funding processes? PULSE isn't going to let that fly.**

We're going to get a regular slot on the agenda at every Undergraduate Senate meeting, to share updates and bring up issues brought to you by us. Senators and the ASSU exec already do this – and we think the directly elected representatives of the Class of 2027 should as well!

- 2) Late Night Lakeside too far? Too uphill? Too raw? Arril-late-ga ftw!**

Student leaders have been advocating for consistent late night dining on East campus, so Casper and Wilbur folk don't have to walk a mile and a half in the middle of exam season. Making Arrillaga a consistent 10pm - 2am is a PULSE priority.

- 3) Woke up at 9:30 and now need to wait 2 hours to eat food? Extend breakfast hours!! Every Dining Hall deserves hot food!!**

Dining hours need a major revamp. For one, dinings halls are empty for about the first 45 minutes they're open every morning, and then they close just in time for people with 10:30 classes to wake up! Many of the dining halls don't even have hot food—no eggs, no oatmeal, no pancakes—just cold, dry bagels and cereal. What!? Pulse is going to make breakfast a meal worth waking up for!!

- 4) Want to skip an on-call and buy a trampoline instead? We support autonomy with dorm funds!**

Stanford allocates much more money than you think to neighborhoods and dorms, but there isn't any autonomy on how to use it. If all of Castaño wants to skip an on-call and buy a dorm trampoline instead, we don't think convention should come in the way! We're going to lead the effort to establish processes that allow for such autonomy.

- 5) Bland chick'n 🤢 and canned tomato sauce at a school with a \$36 Billion endowment?**

You deserve high-quality food. You're already paying for it! Believe it or not, meal swipes are almost \$18 per swipe!!! Yet R&DE skimps on high

quality cuts of meat for cheaper pork, bony chicken, and other foods you don't want to eat. For PULSE, food has been, and will be, a day one priority. We're hungry while writing this—so believe us when we say we care about making Stanford Dining better.

6) 7pm on a Thursday night in December? 38°F? 5-SURE is on its way!

It's great that so much of campus is no-cars, but Mark Twain wasn't wrong when he said the coldest winter he'd ever experienced was a summer in San Francisco! We have enough willing student drivers, and we're going to advocate for extending 5-SURE facilities both in terms of volume, and timings!

On Events you actually want to go to

*We think it's pretty clear that the folks with the funds are out of touch with the kinds of fun 19 year-olds want to have. The great thing about being class president is that you get a big chunk of money to spend on making events that your class **actually wants to go to.***

1) Sophomore Formal!

The biggest, baddest, Stanford Soiree. A perfect excuse to rewear your prom dress in front of a crowd that hasn't seen it before, or the suit-pants your pawpaw gifted you for your 18th birthday! The five of us know how to throw a rager, and with your support, it's going to be the rager of the century.

2) Sophomore Saturdays @ Coupa!

Coupa might just be our happy place. It's sunny, there's coffee, and it's a great way to procrastinate going into Green. Let's do it together. Your favorite elephant chai lattes, great vibes, and an excuse to get out of bed every Saturday — all on us!

3) Nighttime Green Library snack table!

Studying late at Green? Hungry? Take a walk outside towards the bike racks near Coupa where we'll be tabling – 5-SURE style!

4) Lake Lag fires and dives!

Frequent, low-stakes, drop-by-and-make-a-s'more type events that you can use to occupy the 20 minutes between classes, or the 20 minutes till dinner at Arrillaga opens. Come with a friend, or come to meet a friend (or lover?)!

On revitalizing class spirit

You're all really cool – that's why we want to be working for you. And we want you all to get to know each other! 23 years from now, when we come back for our 2nd reunion, you better all be married, or have co-founded companies, or traveled the world together!

1) A Class of 2027 Directory: for you, of you. Find a co-founder, a couch in another country, the 5th member of your band, an expert advisor, or another friend

Our digital infrastructure team is excited to create a CO 2027 Directory. An opt-in record of all the people in our year, what they're studying, where they are from, what they're interested in being contacted for, and what their plans going forward are. We're going to get support from Stanford Alumni to make this a reality!

2) The biggest, baddest Class Merchandising Competition.

We want each of you to have class merchandise that's memorable, good to look at, and that you want to wear. We're inviting YOU to submit designs for hoodies, posters, caps, and other merchandise and for YOU to be the ones who vote on what you want!

3) CO 2027 exclusive discounts, fares, networks, and mentoring.

UGS has done a great job brokering deals with nearby eateries, and other campus entities provide targeted mentoring and guidance pathways. We're driving collaboration to make CO 2027 the most well-connected, and best-treated class ever. Expect to hear from retailers, small business, and career guidance entities about exclusive CO 2027 opportunities!

4) Showing our Spirit

All the athletes, singers, actors, and other performers work everyday to represent Stanford. Let's show out when Sophomores are playing! We're going to work on publicizing games and performances when Sophomores are going to have a big role.