

Agenda of the 85th Senate

Hofstra University Student Government Association October 1st 2020 Zoom University

Call to order

Meeting Called to order at 6:30 PM

A. Quorum Call

a. Quorum Set at 30

B. Special Business

a. Cornell Craig, Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer

- i. Cornell is here to help the students with diversity on campus there are changes to the pronouns selection which is now on the portal and it will show up on class rosters going further.
- ii. Online reporting is up and reporting you can find it on the provost page the title IX also on the provost page, it is on many different websites to find and it is there to help it be found everywhere so it can limit the time before a report is being submitted or during the time it happened. You can report
- iii. Ouestions
 - 1. Chair O'Brien: Public Safety Rebranding
 - a. We are still moving forward, working with Public Safety is a big Step and we are still working on it and Cornell will be the chair of this. It is a way to be safer on campus, it needs to be improved on both sides whether it is the student or the faculty side, Public Safety cant be what it was before but a new job in addition to what they have now.
 - b. How will you chose the students to serve on the committee
 - c. There are going to be positions based on roles of students they serve on campus and We are working on getting a larger groups between the small to larger group

2. Senator Fletcher

a. What plans do you have to develop the African American studies?

- b. We started working with HCLAS and we have formed a task force pre covid and we are adding more to help them and the courses they are taking. We are working with the faculty we have and adding more also by adding more diversity within the faculty. We want to attract students to take those classes.
- c. I have already begun working with the departments to get the diversity training and also working with Human Resources and to make sure there are expectations set. To make sure the expectations guidelines have been taken
- 3. Chair Connolly-Sisk: Can you explain the online reporting system
 - a. This would be a one stop shop. The reporting system has been altered and we did that so there is a person behind each report general reports will go to Cornell and he will share when needed the information.
 - b. If a report goes to Title IX or biased general complaint
 - c. Any report will go to each person that it should go to and they will get a confirmation email also you can report anonymously but if you report with your information there will be a follow up. We are trying a way to manage each report and we are working on them. There are many people that can work on the report for each one so you do not need to keep bringing it up.
 - d. Who is Public Safety working with
 - e. If it is an emergency then call 911 for an immediate response but for non emergency please call Hofstra Public Safety. We will work with students if they don't want to work with public safety.
- 4. Chair Mobley: There are other schools on LI to help the long term goals at Hofstra
 - a. We are working on the foundation right now and we are in the state of transition on campus. I am not doing much until the new president comes in right now as well as an economic crisis. We will have a new president in 12 months and a way to reshape Hofstra. My interest is to make sure everyone is safe on campus. We are working on a plan. No new plan yet just because of president change
 - b. We do have a process that we are working on now with faculty and staff to make sure everyone is comfortable and similar to make sure that there is diversity of course we are not doing any hiring now but we are working on the process so when we start hiring we are ready to go with that. No matter who joins or campus we want everyone to be ready. There is a process and everything happens in a certain way.
 - c. We need to make sure we are staying accessible on campus and those need to change

5. Senator Fletcher

- a. Will you know who the report is going to?
- b. No, but it will specify who or which department it is going to. Being a third person they can give a report of the reports being reported. No reports will come back to haunt you if you are being retailalied to that is a reportable offense.

6. Chair Aquino

- a. The Black Student Lounge from the BLAC Committee
- b. I am setting up a meeting with the president and we are starting to plan where this space can be. There is a lot of planning and organization going towards this. I am hoping to bring good news to this soon. I think having the space can improve the experience of the space. We have been meeting with the BLAC a lot.
- c. We have brought Barkwill into this because he can manage the spaces better

7. Chair Connolly-Sisk

- a. Have you gotten any reports or is it working
- b. We are hoping this will be a functioning tool that we can do. I have not seen many reports yet. As of now we do not have any reportable incidents
- c. I know students that have not seen the reporting system do you know what other locations to find this
- d. I will take this feedback back to the faculty and staff to see what we can do.

8. Senator Cheng

- Have you gotten any feedback from student organizations about certain locations on campus.
 - I will find some more information and bring something back to you. There should be no excuses to students who do not feel comfortable sitting in any location

b. President Stark

- i. Is there a major takeaways to blast out or inform the students about
 - 1. I think the Online reporting system is the biggest. The area of focus is that. So, if there is anything you can do to help with that. Also, I will tap into SGA about feedback and the Public Safety and on ways to help I have had lots of meetings with Public Safety and they are not always reliable but I want to enhance that and what the perspective is also from the students.

2. I want to get the transition up and running nice and smooth when we get the new president and I do not know the final people but there are expectation that the Search committee knows what is needed

c. Secretary Greenberg

- i. Is there a way the reporting system can be added to the portal box as a tab because SGA has its own section
 - 1. I will look into this

C. New Business

a. S.A.2020.85.005

- There have been some major and minor changes to the Appropriations Policy Series that have not been updated for two years. An organization is allowed to attend only two semesterly meetings unless otherwise stated due to certain circumstances. If an item purchased with SGA funds is lost or destroyed, that fund will not be available for the next academic year. There are now specific definitions for both "retreat", "social outing", and "conference". Please refer to the document for stricken statements and changes in wording.
- ii. Chair Aquino: What was the reason behind not allocating any funds greater than 28% of the bi-annual budget?
 - 1. No club typically goes above the 28% anyways unless they are a sport, but we want to be able to support all clubs and organizations and evenly distribute the funds throughout the different categories.
- iii. Senator Behm: I believe the wording for the policy on allocated funds for apparel should be re-thought.
 - 1. You are absolutely welcome to come up with a proposed change in the wording, but a formal debate would need to be held.
- iv. Chair Connolly-Sisk moves to strike the 28% percent policy
 - 1. Motion Seconded, Motion Objected
 - a. Chair Sisk: I want this to be unstuck I don't think a club should be given that much money.
 - i. Chair Khandelwal: That is a lot of money
 - b. Senator Welch: That is a lot of money and then the committee gets hesitates to allocate that money
 - c. Chair Aquino: The Committee does see a lot of clubs but there are clubs that have a lot of money and we want to have a cushion in case someone does request
 - i. Senator Fletcher: I think there should be a limit.
 - d. Comptroller Cote: The 28% allocates to around 7x,xxx dollars and in my three years with Appropriations I haven't seen that much money given out a once
 - e. By a vote of 17-11-0, the motion passes
- v. Chair Liebowitz moves to unstrike the expenditure under reimbursements

- 1. Motion Seconded
 - a. By a vote of 23-1-2, the motion passes
- vi. Senator Welch moves for a unmoderated caucus about the apparel perimeters
 - 1. Motion seconded, Motion Passed
 - a. Chair Connolly-Sisk: \$15 rule limit seems out of place
 - b. Senator Welch: There is no time limit to the apparel
- vii. Chair Khandelwal moves to Change "academic year" to "Semester"
 - 1. Motion Seconded
 - a. By a vote of 24-5-1 that motion passes
- viii. Chair Connolly-sisk moves to pass S.A.2020.85.005
 - 1. Motion Seconded
- ix. Role Call Vote
 - 1. Comptroller Cote: Yay
 - 2. Appropriations Chair Liebowitz: Yay
 - 3. Club Resources Chair Khandelwal: Yay
 - 4. Communications Chair Colon: Yay
 - 5. Programming Chair Paturzo: Yay
 - 6. Academic Affairs Chair Connolly-Sisk: Yay
 - 7. Equity & Inclusion Chair Mobley: Yay
 - 8. Facilities & Operations Chair Aguino: Yay
 - 9. Wellness & Campus Safety Chair O'Brien: Yay
 - 10. Senator Behm: Abstain
 - 11. Senator Cheng: Yay
 - 12. Senator Congdon: Yay
 - 13. Senator DeBiso: Yay
 - 14. Senator DeCrescenzo: Yay
 - 15. Senator Doherty: Yay
 - 16. Senator Fletcher: Yay
 - 17. Senator Funk: Yay
 - 18. Senator Germaine: Yay
 - 19. Senator Imran: Yay
 - 20. Senator Kaludis: Abstain
 - 21. Senator Kang: Yay
 - 22. Senator Ortiz: Yay
 - 23. Senator Patane: Yay
 - 24. Senator Potula: Abstain
 - 25. Senator Safian: Yay
 - 26. Senator Schanck: Yay
 - 27. Senator Shareef: Yay
 - 28. Senator Singh: Yay
 - 29. Senator Walker Yay
 - 30. Senator Welch: Yay
 - a. By a Vote of 26-0-2 that motion Passes

b. S.A.2020.85.006

- i. When thinking about the possibility of returning to campus next semester, we thought it would be responsible of Hofstra to provide assistance to any students who need to reserve hotel rooms or other accommodations in the name of adhering to the two-week quarantine period per NYS travel guidelines.
- ii. Chair Aquino: Are you specifically asking for these accommodations for the foreseeable future, or for another specified time? What specifically does the grace period refer to?
 - We're only asking for assistance when reserving accommodations is needed to adhere to travel guidelines in these extraordinary circumstances.
 - 2. The grace period refers to paying for student housing. Our hope is that students will not have to pay for their student housing until they are physically on campus
- iii. Comptroller Cote
 - 1. Have you brought this resolution to the attention of any administration?
 - a. Our hope is that by bringing it to the Senate's attention first, we will then be able to bring it to the attention of the necessary administration.
 - 2. Would you be open to tabling this resolution?
 - a. Yes
- iv. Chair Connolly-Sisk moves to table S.A.2020.85.006
 - 1. Motion Seconded
 - a. By a vote of 26-1-1, the motion passes

D. Approval of the Minutes

- a. Approval of Senate Minutes from 9/24
 - i. Senator Germaine Moves to pass the minutes
 - 1. Motion Seconded
 - 2. Motion Passed
- b. Approval of Cabinet Minutes from 9/30
 - i. Senator Welch Moves to pass the cabinet minutes
 - 1. Motion Seconded
 - 2. Motion Passed

E. E-Board Reports

- a. President T. Stark
 - i. Vice President Osner and I will be meeting with Dean Gabby and President Rabinowitz tomorrow. Please reach out to us with any questions or concerns you may have.
 - ii. I will continue to add new events that we all can attend in future weekly emails.
- b. Vice President A. Osner
 - i. Will be presenting at Leaders for Leaders next Tuesday. We would like to continue Senate talks. Stay tuned for updates.

- ii. Congratulations to our new Service Chair Senator Bryan Perez. Be on the lookout for communication from him regarding future service projects.
- c. Comptroller N. Cote
 - i. Funds continue to roll out the way that they should be. Please reach out if you have any questions regarding allocations.
- d. Secretary C. Greenberg
 - i. Had a meeting with Zaibis

F. Committee Chair Reports

- a. Appropriations A. Liebowitz
 - i. The first Treasurer Training was held today. Please continue to inform all club e-board members to schedule a training date for their treasurers if they have not already done so.
- b. Club Resources G. Khandelwal
 - i. Worked on a plan for the next chair to take over next semester to allocate club office space
- c. Communications A. Colon
 - i. Worked on Graphics and flyers thanks to everyone that participated in get to know SGA People; Photo shoot tomorrow.
- d. Programming A. Paturzo
 - i. The Halloween event is now a go
- e. Academic Affairs K. Connolly-Sisk
 - i. We are looking into a techy person or architect person to help us and Steve Fabini make renovations, follow @hofstracua
- f. Equity & Inclusion M. Mobley
 - i. We are currently working on organizing a panel to discuss professionalism as well as organizing a town hall on diversity and inclusion.
- g. Facilities & Operations B. Aquino
 - i. Pride Pantry packages will now include masks thanks to a generous donation.
 - ii. The next step in creating a space per BLAC demands will be to hold a meeting with the necessary administration and develop an action plan.
- h. Wellness & Campus Safety D. O'Brien
 - i. Ongoing research into how other universities are combating COVID will continue.
 - ii. Still working with Communications Committee on graphics for testing and other topics.
 - iii. Congratulations to the new It's On Us Ambassador Senator Katherine Funk
- i. Motion to pass the committee minutes
- j. Senator Aguino moves to pass the committee minutes
 - i. Motion Seconded
 - ii. Motion Passed
- G. For Good of the Order
- H. Announcements
- I. Snap Cup

J. Adjournment

- a. Senator Imran moves to adjourn the meeting
 - i. Motion Seconded
 - ii. Motion Passed
 - 1. Meeting adjourned at 8:59pm

Hofstra University Student Government Association Two Thousand and Twenty

S.A.2020.85.005

Changes to the Appropriations Policy Series

Taken from the Policy Series, Section II Appropriations Committee

II. APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

A GENERAL GUIDELINES:

- 1. Financial Records: All Student Government Association funded organizations are required to maintain financial records.
 - a. Check Requisitions and Purchase Orders: Check Requisitions and Purchase Orders are available online or from the Office of Student Leadership and Engagement.
- 2. Funding Forms: The Student Government Association shall require that all organizations who are requesting a budget shall submit their proposal on the official Appropriations forms along with a **rostern** attendance form from a recent club meeting. They shall contain the following information:
 - Organization's name, date of event, total amount requested, quantity, unit price, and description of either event, service, or product.
 - b. Every event, service, or product shall have supporting documentation of the most recent market value (i.e. email correspondence with a professional, website screenshot with the web address, invoice, receipt, etc.). If proper documentation is not provided, funds shall not be allocated towards the request.
 - i. All supporting documentation shall be the most recent available and shall not be older than one (1) two (2) years of the request date.
 - ii. Three (3) bids shall be provided from three (3) different vendors before any funds may be allocated towards item requests over \$300.
 - Exceptions include guest speakers, coaches, Hofstra-provided services, Hofstra approved vendors, and items exclusively provided by a single vendor.
 - iii. Allocations shall be made based on the lowest quote provided.
- 3. Inactive Clubs: The budgets of all inactive clubs and organizations shall be returned to the Student Government Association.

- 4. Frozen Budgets: A budget is frozen if all funds allocated to the club or organization are held and no financial business is allowed.
- 5. Cash Advances or Reimbursements: A club, organization, or individual student seeking reimbursement for an expenditure shall submit a receipt(s) to their corresponding Associate Director in the Office of Student Leadership and Engagement.
 - a. Reimbursements must only be seen within the same semester of the expenditure.

B. COMMITTEE GUIDELINES:

1. General Policies:

- a. The Appropriations Committee shall not fund any club with a discriminatory attitude with regard to membership as defined in the Student Government Association Constitution.
- b. Student Government Association funds must only be used for undergraduate students.
- c. Priority Order: The order in which items are listed on the budget event cover sheet shall constitute priority order.
 - i. Requests shall be considered in priority order. Should an event or budget item not be funded due to budgetary constraints, the committee shall not allocate funds to lower priority events.
- d. All clubs and organizations seeking funds shall use the appropriate documents provided by the Student Government Association.
 - i. All documents shall be provided in the English language and in the United States Dollar.
- e. All financial business does not become official until it passes the
- f. Any full-time undergraduate senator or associate may be a member of the Appropriations Committee.
- g. Any member of the Appropriations Committee needs to abstain from voting and debating if they are a member of a club or organization seeking funds.
- h. The Student Government Association, the Comptroller, and Hofstra University cannot guarantee payment of any financial transactions where all documents are not filled out completely and correctly at least two (2) weeks in advance.
- i. Bi-Annual Budget:
 - i. At the end of each semester, any club or organization seeking Student Government Association funds may submit a budget to the Appropriations Committee for the following semester.
 - ii. This shall henceforth be known as "Budget Weekend," to be held in November and April respectively unless otherwise specified by the Appropriations Committee.

- iii. The Senate shall review, amend, and approve the bi-annual budget, submitted by the Appropriations Committee.
 - 1. A vote of two-thirds (½) may be instituted to remove a person or persons from the gallery.
- iv. No club category shall be allocated greater than twenty-eight percent (28%) of the bi-annual budget.
- j. Money may be transferred from one (1) club or organization's budget to another Student Government Association- recognized club or organization's account with the approval of the Student Government Association Comptroller.
- k. Income is defined as any money that enters a club or organization's budget other than Student Government Association allocations.
- 1. Organizations cannot use Student Government Association allocated funds for additional fees including shipping and handling.
- m. Unconventional Budgets:
 - i. If a club or organization requires a budget for an event that exceeds \$50,000 and correlates directly to the purpose of that organization, they may request to submit an annual budget to ensure timely bid placement, legal satisfactions, and university policies are followed. Said organization may bring the request to the President, Vice President, Comptroller, and Appropriations Chair of the Student Government Association before the annual budget is seen by the Appropriations Committee for Budget Weekend. The aforementioned parties need to vote unanimously to honor said request.
 - ii. If allocated, the funds for the event would not roll back at the conclusion of the semester preceding the event.
 - 1. The club or organization may only request more funds for the event at no more than two (2) nonconsecutive weekly meetings in the semester.
 - 2. Additional funds may be requested during the Budget Weekend preceding the event, but not at weekly meetings during the semester the event is scheduled to be held.
 - iii. For any additional requests not pertaining to the one (1) event, the club or organization may submit a separate budget during the fall and spring budget weekends or at any weekly meetings they wish to attend.
 - 1. Any money allocated to requests other than the specified event will follow the bi-annual schedule, and all unused funds will roll back into the Student Government Association budget.

2. Meetings:

- a. The Appropriations Committee shall meet every week during the fall and spring semesters.
- b. Any club or organization may appear at no more than two weekly meetings per semester unless otherwise specified by the Appropriations Chair.
- c. The Appropriations Chair shall **contact** email clubs and organizations prior to the commencement of their meetings notifying the day and time of said meetings.
 - i. In order to attend a meeting, the club or organization shall submit a form on the GetInvolvedHU sign-up.
 - ii. A club or organization must also submit a digital copy of their budget request to the Appropriations Chairperson.
 - iii. The roster for any meeting is based on the order in which the clubs or organizations submitted their forms and will cap at the number set by the Appropriations Chairperson.
- d. The Appropriations Chair reserves the right to limit a club's appearance at weekly Appropriations meetings for failure to appear.
- e. If a club reserves a spot on the Appropriations roster and fails to appear, the absent meeting shall be considered as one of the two meetings for the semester, and the club will not be able to reserve a spot on the roster for the following week, unless otherwise specified by the Appropriations Chair.
- f. The Appropriations Committee Chairperson reserves the right to limit the number of clubs on its agenda for any meeting.
- g. Appropriations Committee Procedures:
 - i. When requesting a new budget, additional allocation requests shall be presented at the Appropriations Committee meeting by an executive board member of the club.
 - 1. At the discretion of the Comptroller, a reallocation request may be brought to the Appropriations Committee for approval.
 - ii. All funds allocated by the Appropriations Committee must be spent within the academic semester, unless otherwise specified. Any unused budget will be reabsorbed by the Student Government Association on the last day of the academic semester.

3. Allocation Policies:

a. A maximum of five percent (5%) of the funds that are to be allocated to Student Government Association recognized clubs and

¹ A week shall be defined as an operational week for the Student Government Association if there are no days off.

organizations each year may be allocated to undergraduate non-Student Government Association organizations if the organization meets the following criteria:

- i. The non-Student Government Association organization must follow all Appropriations policies in order to receive funding.
- ii. Funding will only be allocated for campus-wide events, not for items or programs that are specific to the organization exclusively (i.e.: t-shirts, banners, conferences, travel, etc. will not be funded).
- iii. Fundraisers, charitable events, or items for such events shall not be funded.
- iv. Proposals may be submitted for review over the bi-annual Budget Weekends and weekly meetings.
- b. The Student Government Association will not fund any club or organization that is not registered on GetInvolvedHU. If an organization is deemed inactive for failure to re-register on GetInvolvedHU or for other reasons, they would no longer have Student Government Association recognition and would have to reapply through the registration committee.
 - i. The Appropriations Committee shall not fund any club that is deemed inactive by the standards set forth in this Policy Series; and/or
 - ii. By the definition of the club category set forth by the Office of Student Leadership and Engagement (OSLE).
- c. The Appropriations Committee shall not allocate funds for inventory exceeding the price of \$100 per item unless the club has an appropriate location on campus to store it.
- d. If a club or organization loses or destroys an item funded by the Student Government Association, the item shall not be replaced for at least one (1) academic year.
- e. Cost Restrictive Policies:
 - i. Formals: The Student Government Association shall not allocate funds for formals or any part of formals (i.e. buses, hotels, etc.).
 - 1. Formals shall be defined as end of semester gatherings held at HofstraUSA, Hofstra University Club, and any off-campus location. The Appropriations Committee reserves the right to determine whether or not an event is a formal.
 - ii. Retreats: The Student Government Association shall not allocate funds for retreats.
 - 1. A retreat shall be defined as an internally planned, overnight stay at an off-campus

location that is exclusive to only the members of a club or organization.

- iii. Scholarships: The Student Government Association shall not allocate funds for scholarships.
- iv. Alumni: The Student Government Association shall not allocate funds towards any **food gifts** or items for alumni.
- v. Licensing/Certifications: The Student Government Association shall not allocate funds for licensing or certifications.
- vi. Transportation: Transportation may be funded up to a 300-mile radius of Hofstra University, with the exception of the Colonial Athletic Association tournament bus(es) that is sponsored by the Student Government Association.
 - 1. A Student Government Association recognized club or organization may be funded up to five (5) cars per event.
 - 2. Student Government Association cannot fund for gas expenses.
 - 3. Student Government Association cannot fund for coach bus(es).
 - 4. Student Government Association cannot fund for Taxis, Uber, Lyft, nor independent travel service (rentals).
 - 5. Student Government Association funds mileage based on the standard Internal Revenue Service (IRS) rate at the time of requested funds.
 - 6. Student Government Association cannot fund for airfare
- vii. Clothing: No apparel (shirts, jackets, uniforms, padding, etc.) shall be funded above \$15.00 per member per semester academic year.
- viii. Prizes: The Student Government Association shall not fund for prizes.
- ix. Tipping: Organizations cannot use Student Government Association allocated funds for tipping.
- x. Disc Jockey: Organizations shall not be funded more than \$500 for Disc Jockeys per semester.
- xi. Coaching or Instructor Fees: The Student Government Association may fund up to \$2,500 per year for coaching or instructor fees.
- xii. Food for General Meetings: The Student Government Association shall not fund for food at the general meetings of any club or organization or members-only event.
- xiii. Fashion Shows: The Appropriations Committee shall not allocate funds to requested fashion shows unless they fulfill

- the explicit purpose of the club or organization as stated in their constitution.
- xiv. Speaker Fees: The Student Government Association may fund specific speaker fees, but not optional honorariums or donations.
- xv. Donations: The Student Government Association shall not allocate funds for cash or in-kind donations.
- xvi. Member Gifts: The Student Government Association shall not allocate funds for gifts to members.
- xvii. Social Outings: The Student Government Association shall not allocate funds for social outings.
 - 1. A social outing shall be defined as any event that is restricted to the members of a club or organization that does not specifically relate to the purpose of said club or organization.
- xviii. Hotels: Three (3) different bids shall be provided before any allocations are to be disbursed for hotel costs. A Student Government Association recognized club or organization may be funded up to \$120.00 per room per night for hotels.
 - 1. One bid shall be accepted in the event that a club or organization is mandated to stay in that hotel by the conference or event they are attending. Should this be the case, the club or organization must provide documentation.
- xix. Student Government Association shall not fund for Airbnb or independent homestay services (rentals).
- xx. Membership Fees: The Student Government Association shall not fund for membership fees for **the individual** members of any club or organization.
- f. Conferences: A conference shall be defined as an overnight stay at an off-campus location, planned by a third party, and is open to all students.
 - i. A maximum of fifteen (15) members, up to \$100.00 per member, may be funded by the Student Government Association for registration to attend a conference per year.
 - ii. No Student Government Association budget shall be allocated for food for the conferences.

g. Competitions:

- i. When requesting funds for a competition, an organization shall present the Appropriations Committee with all necessary registration materials and information regarding the competition.
- h. Film: The Student Government Association shall not allocate funds budget for the purchase of cameras, photo supplies, or developing

- costs unless the mission of the club and organization states the necessity of such inventory.
- i. The Student Government Association may fund club sports according to the policies set forth by the Department of Recreation and Intramural Sports.
- j. Budget Appeals: In the event that a club or organization finds the allocated funds to be **unfair unsatisfactory**, they may file an appeal to be presented to the Senate.
 - i. Weekly Meetings: If a club or organization wishes to appeal an allocation from a weekly meeting, the club must email the Appropriations Chair within 24 hours after the start of the Appropriations meeting stating their reason for appeal. The Appropriations Chair must notify the Vice President that a club wishes to appeal twelve (12) hours prior to the Senate meeting. The club may present their appeal at Senate during the presentation of the weekly Appropriations report.
 - ii. Budget Weekend: If a club or organization wishes to appeal an allocation from budget weekend, the club must email the Appropriations within the allotted time specified at the discretion of the Chair requesting a time for the meeting. The Appropriations Chair shall email the Vice President the list of clubs that are scheduled to appeal twelve (12) hours before the Senate meeting.
 - iii. Clubs or organizations shall not bring additional information to Budget Appeals.
- k. Student Government Association Club or Organization Budget: All monetary contributions donated to the Student Government Association Club or Organization Budget, a subdivision of the Student Government Association Budget, shall only be accessible to the Appropriations Committee. The committee shall be permitted to appropriate such additional budget to clubs and organizations in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Student Government Association By-Laws and Policy Series. In cases where donations are made to a specific Student Government Association club or organization, these funds shall be deposited through the Office of Student Leadership and Engagement and designated as income.
- 1. Consistency: The criteria that is set forth on the limits of what the Student Government Association may fund, shall be held objectively on a consistent basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron Liebowitz

Nicholas Cote

Appropriations Chair

Comptroller

Hofstra University Student Government Association Two Thousand and Twenty

S A 2020 85 006

A Resolution to Provide Financial Aid to Students in wake of the COVID-19 Viral Crisis

Whereas the Hofstra Student Government Association implores Hofstra to facilitate the reservation of hotel rooms by students in order to abide by the New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut travel advisory currently in effect that mandates a two-week quarantine before entering campus this fall semester. SGA requests Hofstra to reserve rooms at the lowest possible cost to students, in order to maximize the number of students that will thereby have the ability to return to campus.

Whereas SGA requests that Hofstra allow the students who require this help be given a short grace period in reserving these rooms in which students may have some time to reformat their schedules to allow for these reservations, given the short period of time before the semester begins ie. one week.

Whereas many students do not meet the criteria to quarantine on campus and due to the economic and housing hardships SGA encourages Hofstra to help students wi\th the cost of the rooms especially students who would otherwise not be able to return to campus. During this time where students with economic hardship due to the COVID 19 Virus we The Student Government Association, ask that Hofstra help these such students return to some semblance of normalcy in their lives.

Whereas we The Student Government Association call for Hofstra University to financially support and reimburse students who have with, the express purpose of utilizing campus residence halls, Campus dining, and services, purchased hotel rooms to quarantine in accordance with Hofstra and New York state travel advisory guidelines.

Whereas SGA encourages Hofstra University to provide aid to students who do not meet criteria to quarantine on campus, and provide assistance in their return. Due to economic hardship experienced by many students, SGA requests Hofstra's help in returning a semblance of normalcy in the lives of the student body.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew Behm Anja Rudder Benjamin Welch Senator Senator Senator

Cabinet Agenda

Zoom Room September 30, 2020

- 1) Call to Order
 - a) Meeting called to order 8:07 pm
- 2) Peak and Pit High Low Butterfly
- 3) Prep for Cornell
 - a) Questions Cornell Prep
- 4) Pres and VP Updates
 - a) Monthly Trio Meeting on Friday
 - b) Meeting with President on Friday
 - c) Had a meeting with Zaibis and Sam
 - i) Talked about questions to ask admin on campus
 - ii) Update on COVID-19 Numbers
 - d) Questions about Federal Work Study
 - e) MID SEMESTER REPORTS ARE OCT 15 be ready
 - i) Admins will not be coming
 - f) END OF SEMESTER REPORTS ARE DEC 3rd
- 5) Comptroller Updates
 - a) Any spending questions
- 6) Secretary | Chief of Staff Updates
 - a) Had a 1-on-1 with Zaibis
 - i) Started to plan on goals for the rest of the semester
 - ii) Transition Documents
 - iii) Talked about Senate and answered questions from Zaibis
- 7) Chair Check-Ins
 - a. Appropriations
 - i. Talked about Money and Treasurer Training
 - b. Academic Affairs
 - i. Campus updates
 - ii. Steve Fabiani is looking for student reps to help with computer lab renovations
 - c. Club Resources
 - i. Biggest issue is election Signups
 - ii. Saw 2 Senatorial Actions
 - d. Communications
 - i. Treasurer training ads are up online
 - ii. Assign people for Get to Know SGA
 - iii. SGA Photoshoot logistics
 - e. Equity and Inclusion
 - i. Everything is in Limbo

- ii. We are waiting on many other people before we can move forward
- f. Facilities and Operations
 - i. The Boost App is still in testing
 - ii. Emailed Joe Barkwill about updates or questions if you have concerns to have them email Bernice
 - iii. Masks and Hand sanitizers were donated to the Pride Pantry
- g. Programming
 - i. The scavenger hunt has been approved and logistics talks will be coming next week
 - ii. Talked give-a-ways
 - iii. Trivia Tuesdays
- h. Wellness and Campus Safety
 - i. It's On Us Ambassador will be announced Tomorrow @ Senate
 - ii. The Committee is being broken down to focus on different topics

VII. For Good of the Order

VIII. Adjournment

Chair O'Brien Moves to adjourn the meeting

Motion Seconded

Motion Passed

Meeting Adjourned at 9:23 PM

Agenda of the 85th Senate

Hofstra University Student Government Association September 24, 2020 Zoom University

Call to order

Meeting called to order at 6:32

- A. Swearing in the Remaining Senators
- B. Quorum Call
 - a. Quorum Set at 30
- C. Special Business
 - a. Overbooked Club Recognition
 - i. Has been an established club for a year and now has around 78 Members, They try to introduce students to certain literature. It is a way to help promote the club. They also provide the book. They read a bunch of books over the years. They collaborate with a bunch of other clubs and have goals towards each book.
 - 1. QUESTIONS
 - a. Chair Mobley you have 78 members how many come to the meetings
 - i. Attendance ranges from 20-30
 - b. Chair Aquino Do you do any fundraising
 - i. We do have some ideas in the works last year we have not but we will in the future.
 - c. Senator Welch How do you provide books through the Pandemic
 - i. We did not meet over the summer as much but the students had to get the books.
 - ii. Chair Khandelwal
 - 1. Moves to recognize the club Overbooked
 - a. Motion Seconded
 - b. Motion Passed
 - i. By Vote of 28-0-2

b. SheEOs Club Recognition

- i. Has around 25 members. The Purpose of this club is to center a focus of young women in business. We help with workshops and networks to try and help them. Meetings are bi-weekly. Previously they have linkedin photo shoots. We also have a Resume building and development and goal setting. Working on doing fundraisers getting more people involved. Goals for the future. We want to increase the number of events that we are allowed to have on campus.
 - 1. Chair Conolly-sisk moves to add 90 seconds
 - a. Motion Seconded
 - b. Motion Passed

- ii. Questions
 - 1. Chair Mobley How many regular meetings do you have in a semester and then events
 - a. We try to have 8 meetings and the events are trying to happen at the same time.
 - 2. Chair Aquino how has the turnout been on zoom
 - a. The turnout has been great
 - 3. Chair Connolly-Sisk What is the members of the clubs
 - a. Most of them are freshman/ sophomore we do have juniors and Seniors
- iii. Chair Khandelwal Moves to Recognize SheEO
 - 1. Motion Seconded
 - 2. Motion Passed
 - a. By a vote of 28-1-1
 - i. This club is now recognized
- c. S.A.2020.85.004
 - i. In a previous senate, we had visitors from BLAC (Black Leaders Advocating for Change) who shared their demands for changes that they would like to see made by Hofstra Administration. This senatorial action shows our support for BLAC and their demands.
 - ii. Chair Connolly-Sisk Moves to Pass S.A.2020.85.004
 - 1. Motion Seconded
 - 2. Motion Passed
 - a. By a vote of 28-0-3

D. Approval of the minutes

- a. Senate minutes from 9/17
 - i. Chair Aguino moves to pass the minutes from Senate 9/17
 - 1. Motion Seconded
 - 2. Motion Passed
- b. Cabinet minutes from 9/23
 - i. Senator Welch moves to pass minutes from cabinet 9/23
 - 1. Motion Seconded
 - 2. Motion Passed

E. E-Board Reports

- a. President T. Stark
 - i. Role of the President: Acts as the liaison between senate, cabinet, and administration. Facilitates Cabinet meetings.
 - ii. Met with Gaby and Jean and talked about the COVID numbers and what happens when we hit the 100 person rule
 - 1. We currently have 17 cases for the 2 week period which ends in 2 days
 - 2. 1 new case daily
 - iii. Leaders for Leaders update
- b. Vice President A.Osner

- i. Role of the Vice-President: Facilitates senate meetings. Works with internal functions of SGA.
- ii. Senate retreat is this Saturday 09/26 from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM. Reach out to Ethics and Conduct Chair Debiso ASAP if you are unable to attend.
- iii. The Service Coordinator Application is live in the Important Chat. It is due Monday 09/28 at 5:00 PM.
 - 1. Heard @ Hofstra
 - a. Campus should have more services to explain how hard it is being a student on campus especially that classes are on Zoom A way to check in with students
 - b. Hofstra is providing Telehealth Friday at 11? They are doing events on the quad
 - Wednesday there is something on zoomMindful Meditation Group virtually every Friday at 11am, Wednesday at 2pm on Zoom,
 - ii. Social Anxiety Groups in person in the SHACC Conference Room every Thursday at 8am,
 - iii. and offer Coping with COVID, Grievance Groups online, as well as Recovery Groups
 - c. Meetings with students
 - d. Professors have something recording on Zoom as well as professors admitted to class
 - e. Telehealth can only be used in New York due to HIPPA Laws
 - f. Outdoor Tents has been empty due to temperatures or close the flaps to because all the tables are full
 - i. Currently working on SPace Heaters
 - ii. Closing Flaps are not allowed
 - g. Updates to Housing Plans based on the refunds
 - h. Are there any updates on the post office emailing system?
 - i. The system got deleted but they are trying to fix it ASAP
 - i. Is there a requirement for professors to upload recorded zooms? If so, how could it be enforced?
 - j. Fields by C-Square there are people not distancing everyday
 - k. Bathrooms on residential campus the RA's are going in and doing rounds we think
 - 1. Tents at HOFUSA are lights are out
- c. Comptroller N. Cote
 - i. Role of the Comptroller: Oversees the entire SGA Budget. Supervises club accounts and approves their expenditures. Works alongside the Appropriations Committee Chair on budget requests and allocations.
- d. Secretary C. Greenberg
 - i. Role of Secretary: assist the President and Vice President
 - ii. Takes minutes and oversees Ethics as well as archivist

F. Committee Chair Reports

- a. Appropriations A. Liebowitz
 - i. Treasurer training dates are set (Thursday, October 1st at 12:00 PM. Wednesday, October 7th at 11:30 AM. Wednesday, October 14th at 7:00 PM.) and the signup will be opening soon. Please reach out to all club treasurers.
 - ii. This committee oversees allocations and budget requests for all SGA recognized clubs.
- b. Club Resources G. Khandelwal
 - i. This committee deals with club executive board members and oversees many senatorial actions.
 - ii. Needs New Chair in Spring Semester
- c. Communications A. Colon
 - Logistics committees are the first to take part in the Get To Know SGA Campaign.
 - ii. The SGA Photoshoot will take place on Friday October 2nd.
- d. Programming A. Paturzo
 - i. Currently working on events on campus
- e. Academic Affairs K. Connolly-Sisk
 - i. Student Connect Update and Changes coming soon
 - ii. Meeting with Ed Tech
- f. Equity & Inclusion M. Mobley
 - i. Logo coming soon
 - ii. It's On Us
 - iii. Needs new Chair for Spring Semester
- g. Facilities & Operations B. Aquino
 - i. Pride Pantry Update
- h. Wellness & Campus Safety D. O'Brien
 - i. Met with Gutham and a virtual Wellness Center
 - ii. Hofstra Safe Start Update

Senator Harley Moves to pass the committee minutes

- a. Motion Seconded
- b. Motion Passed
- G. For Good of the Order
- H. Announcements
- I. Snap Cup
- J. Adjournment
 - a. Senator Germaine moves to adjourn the meeting
 - i. Motion Seconded
 - ii. Motion Passed
 - 1. Meeting Adjourned at 8:20

Appropriations Committee Minutes

Fall 2020 Weekly Meeting 5 09/28/20

Meeting Commenced 6:33 PM

Attendance

Attended: Chair A. Liebowitz Comptroller N. Cote

Senator A. Rudder Senator M. Hotaling Senator B. Welch Senator M. Safian

Senator M. Behm Senator J. Kang Senator M. DeBiso Associate A. Sierra

Absent:

I. Discussion on Appropriations Social Media Campaign

II. Treasurer Training Budget Review

A. Reviewed dates and general information.

Week 4 Allocations:				
Club Name:	Item:	Requested:	Allocated	Percentage Allocated
N/A	N/A	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00	00.00%
	Total	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00	00.00%
		Total Requested	Total Allocated	Total Percentage
		\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00	00.00%

Meeting Adjourned 7:06 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Chair Aaron Liebowitz

Programming Committee Minutes Weekly Meeting #5

Weekly Meeting #5 9/29/20

Meeting Commenced 6:30 PM
Attendance

Attended

Chair Maria Mobley
Senator Susan Cheng
Senator Kathryn Harley
Senator Rachel Potula
Senator Faith Schnack
Senator Julie Singh
Associate Amanda Doherty
Chair Alexa Paturzo

Absent

Senator Calob Congdon Senator Gigi Walker

- 1. Check-ins
- 2. Programming Ideas
 - a. Scav Hunt
 - i. Meeting with Colin and Sam tomorrow so more info after the meeting!
 - ii. Ideas for Halloween Theme
 - 1. Black cats (motif)
 - 2. Dressing up for us and students
 - 3. Music
 - 4. Pumpkins
 - iii. Begin brainstorming ideas for checkpoints/riddles
 - 1. Hofcats: find a balck cat ** Bonus?
 - 2. Hofstra Hall- ghost story; Kate and William Hofstra lived here
 - 3. Narnia- named after a famous fairytale
 - 4. Koi pond- sensory garden
 - 5. Labyrinth by C V Starr- memorial for 9/11*
 - 6. Hitchhiker statue- you're greeted by this statue when you first come to campus, if you're looking for someone to go to Boston with, find this statue
 - 7. Barnard statute- go to this statue for good book suggestions
 - 8. Community garden by Sty-???

- 9. Lions outside of the playhouse (hats?) a good photo ophear me roar-- theater -- shakespeare??
- 10. Windmill by admissions- netherlands outside of the netherlands; you may not have been there but everyone went through it
- 11. Bird sanctuary- behind u club where you find solace in nature
- 12. Calkins Hall -- used to be the gym
- 13. Socrates on the quad by Bits-- touch his head for good luck on exams
- iv. Brainstorming for prizes and giveaways-
 - 1. Candy
 - 2. Colin has left overs from Welcome Week
 - 3. Phone sanitizer
 - 4. Barnes and Noble gift cards-\$100 total
 - 5. Build-A-Friend leftovers (Halloween)

b. Trivia Tuesdays

- i. Met with Alex
 - 1. I went last Tuesday to test it out
- ii. Act as liaison for clubs
- iii. Create a Google Form for clubs to fill out if they want to host a Trivia Night
- iv. Budgeting/co sponsoring event is TBD
- c. Movie Night on the Fields
 - i. Waiting for more info
 - ii. Scary Movie Night- Nightmare on Elm Street, It, The Shining, The Conjuring, Coraline, Sinister, Midsommer, A Quiet Place, Get Out
 - iii. Friendly Halloween movie night- Nightmare Before Christmas, Twitches, Halloweentown, Addams Family, Haunted Mansion, Beetlejuice, Hotel Transylvania, Charlie Brown, Matilda
- d. Hofstra Votes, waiting to hear back for more details
 - i. Met with Colin

- 1. Putting me in contact with admin that will discuss how SGA can be involved
- ii. More info to come
- 3. Replacement of Office Hours
 - a. Instagram videos featuring member of committees each week
 - b. Logistics committees start **this week**, programming is on Thursday!
 - c. Thank you Kathryn for being this week's featured senator!
- 4. Housekeeping
 - a. Sign up for <u>elections</u> as well, if you are a new senator make sure to sign up with a returning senator! It is **mandatory** for everyone to complete **one election per** semester!
 - b. Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer Cornell Craig is coming to Senate on Thursday
 - i. Questions for Cornell?
 - c. Please take a few minutes to fill out the Warm and Fuzzies Google Form
 - d. Service Coordinator application is live
 - e. Absences
 - f. Questions?

Meeting Adjourned 7:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexa Paturzo

Programming Chair

Communications Committee Minutes

Fall 2020 Weekly Meeting 5 09/29/2020

Meeting Commenced 6:56pm

Attended:

Associate Olivia Bevinetto
Senator Daniel DeCrescenzo
Senator Thomas Doherty
Senator Afsah Fatima
Senator George Kaludis
Chairman David O'Brien
Senator Andrew Patane
Chairwoman Antonella Colon

Absent:

Chairwoman Bernice Aquino (excused)

- 1. SGA Photoshoot Logistics
 - a. Friday, Oct. 2
 - b. 3-4 and 5-6
 - c. Afsah and David are point people
- 2. Appropriations Graphics
 - a. General Meeting- Afsah
 - b. Treasure Trainings- Olivia
- 3. Leaders 4 Leaders Graphics
 - a. Meeting Recaps- Bernice
 - b. Cohort Introduction- Andrew
- 4. Cornell Craig
 - a. Question box insta story- David
 - b. Brainstormed questions for thursday

Meeting Adjourned 7:43pm

Respectfully Submitted, Antonella Colon Communications Chairwoman

Fall 2020 Meeting #2 09/28/2020

Meeting Commenced 6:30 PM

Attendance

Attended

Associate Perez Senator Ortiz

Senator Funk Chair Connolly-Sisk Senator Germaine Chair Khandelwal

Senator Imran

Absent

Senator Fletcher (unexcused) Associate Kaur (excused)

Introduction/Low-Highs

- I. S.A.2020.85.005 addressing Changes to the Appropriations Policy Series
 - A. Senator Ortiz moves to pass S.A.5
 - 1. By a vote of 5-0-1, that motion passes
- II. S.A.2020.85.006 to Provide Financial Aid to Students in wake of the COVID-19 Viral Crisis
 - A. Associate Perez moves to pass S.A.6
 - 1. By a vote of 5-0-1, that motion passes
- III. Discussion about Incomplete Club Elections
- IV. Discussion about Club Office Spaces

Meeting Adjourned 8:27 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Gopal Khandelwal

Club Resources Chairman

Academic Affairs Committee Minutes Fall 2020 Meeting #5 10/012020

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm est Attendance
Attended

Chair Connolly-Sisk

Chair Paturzo Senator Schanck Senator Behm Senator Congdon Senator Kaludis Senator Imran

Absent

A. Introductions/Ice Breaker

a. If you were a weather forecast today, which would you be?

B. Meetings that happened

- a. CUA/CAE
- b. Ed Tech

C. Upcoming Meetings!

a. USenate

D. Updates

- a. CUA/CAE
- b. Technology
- c. USenate
- d. SAS

E. Things to keep in mind

- a. Cornell Craig
- b. Sign up for elections!
- c. Get to know SGA

F. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm est

Respectfully Submitted,

Khiya Connolly-Sisk Academic Affairs Chair

Equity and Inclusion Committee Minutes

Weekly Meeting #4 10/1/20

Meeting Commenced

6:05 **PM**

Attendance

Senator Susan Cheng Senator Will Germaine

Attended

Senator Anja Rudder Senator Maheen Safian Chair Antonella Colon Chair Gopal Khandelwal Chair Maria Mobley

Visitor Absent

Senator Thomas Doherty Senator Kathryn Harley Associate Bryan Perez

- 1. Introductions: How was your day?
- 2. Check-ins
 - a. Subcommittees Check-in
 - i. Programming (Antonella, Bryan, Suzie):
 - 1. Followed up with Lucia.
 - ii. Outreach (Anja, Thomas, Will):
 - 1. Waiting for a response from IEI.
 - iii. Research (Kathryn, Gopal, Maheen):
 - 1. Researched diversity. Overall Town Hall, an organized forum regarding diversity would be beneficial.
 - a. U Buffalo has had 3 town halls about diversity and inclusion.
 - 2. Suicide Prevention for communities of color. There are 5 larger schools that have these programmings.
 - b. Assign new tasks for each subcommittee
 - i. Programming: Outreach once the date is confirmed.
 - ii. Outreach: Follow up with IEI by sending an email to Gill and Amanda
 - iii. Research: Language for town hall proposal.
- 3. Chair Updates
 - a. Assign Get to Know SGA Senator: Maheen
 - b. Cornell Questions
 - c. Club Elections
 - d. Group Chats per subcommittee

Meeting Adjourned

6:30 **pm**

Respectfully Submitted,

Maria Mobley

Equity and Inclusion Chair

Facilities & Operations Committee Minutes

F20 Weekly Meeting #5 10/1/20

Meeting Commenced 6:02

Attendance

Attended

Chair Bernice Aquino

Senator Benjamin Welch

Senator Maxie DeBiso

Senator Wiley Fletcher

Senator Rachel Potula

Senator Dan DeCrescenzo

Senator Katherine Funk

Senator Julie Singh

Associate Abia Farzandali

Absent

- I. Highs and lows
- II. Elections and Get to Know SGA
- III. Any questions for Cornell Craig?
- IV. Pride Pantry PPE Project
 - A. Dom Lavin donated 500 cloth masks and sanitizer pens to the Pride Pantry in SGA's name. They will be included in the Pride Pantry packages that students pick up.
 - B. Updates from Maxie: saw through the project, RA policies.
- V. BLAC Lounge Updates
 - A. I forwarded our idea list to BLAC, they found it to be very useful!
 - B. Gopal and CR are strategizing about how to allocate club offices with the black student lounge in mind.
 - C. Dean Gaby has ideas of relocating OSAPA and SGA offices, and she's thinking of putting the black student lounge in the SGA office. (This is TBD, not concrete at all!)
 - D. Next steps -- Meet with Joe Barkwill, Dean Gaby, and BLAC in one collaborative meeting. BLAC will let me know when they schedule the meeting.
- VI. Personal initiative work **if time permits**
 - A. Please add a comment if you are currently working on/want to work on any personal initiatives. I want to be prepared with any resources I can give you or any ideas that we can all come up with together!

- 1. MD Work Order initiative = in Phase 2. Meeting with Sam on Friday to go over what Orientation can do.
- 2. BW Sustainability. Need to follow up with resolution.

Committee Adjourned 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Bernice Aquino Facilities & Operations Chair

Wellness & Campus Safety Committee Minutes

Weekly Meeting #5 10/1/20

Meeting Commenced 6:00 PM

Attendance

Attended

Chair Liebowitz Senator Hotaling Senator Kang Senator Ortiz Senator Patane Senator Shareef Senator Walker Chair O'Brien

Visitor

Absent

1. Research Recap

- a. Updates: Gigi and Aaron
 - i. Chair coverings: NO one has responded to Gigi's email regarding chair coverings. Aaron has been looking for online services.
- b. Other SGAs: Kristin, Michael
- c. Around campus: Andrew, Afsah
- 2. Questions for Conell
- 3. Wellness Wednesdays
 - a. Jasmeet will create content for 10/7/20. Use the spreadsheet!
- 4. Programming Event
 - a. Possibly RSVP for bag, no cross contamination
 - b. Possibly having a table where people can grab a bag
- 5. COVID Test Sites Update
 - a. Michael and Kristin
 - b. Wipe down your desk! Graphic
- 6. Art with Impact paperwork has been handed in. Possible November 9th
- 7. Committee members will start attending meetings with Chair O'Brien and admin.
- 8. SHAAC Flu Shot Graphic
- 9. Reminders
 - a. Make sure to check Hofstra Safe Start for daily updates
 - b. Who wants to go first for Get to Know SGA?
 - i. Jasmeet will represent our committee
 - c. Sign up for elections, every senator is now required to moderate one!
 - d. Photo Shoot tomorrow!
 - e. We have two new advisors. Sam Kloeckener-Soszynski and Zaibis Munoz. You can reach them at samantha.kloeckener@hofstra.edu and zaibis.munoz@hofstra.edu.

10. Questions/Concerns

a. No

Meeting Adjourned 6:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted, David O'Brien Wellness & Campus Safety Chair