



**Agenda of the 85th Senate**  
**Hofstra University Student Government Association**  
**October 15th 2020**  
**Zoom University**  
**Hofstra University**

Call to order

Meeting Called to order at 6:31 PM

**A. Quorum Call**

- a. Quorum Set at 27
- b. Chair Khandelwal moves to suspend the rules and approve the minutes
  - i. Motion Seconded
  - ii. Motion Passed

**B. New Business**

- a. American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)

**C. Special Business**

- a. Mid Semester Reports
  - i. All Cabinet members presented their Mid Semester Reports

**D. Approval of the Minutes**

- a. Approval of Senate Minutes from 10/8
  - i. Chair Connolly-Sisk moves to pass the Senate Minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded
    - 2. Motion Passed
- b. Approval of Cabinet Minutes from 10/14
  - i. Senator Germaine Moves to pass the cabinet minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded
    - 2. Motion Passed

**E. E-Board Reports**

- a. President - T. Stark
  - i. Meeting with President Rabinowitz coming up
  - ii. Board of Trustees meeting coming up
- b. Vice President - A. Osner
  - i. November 19th is end of semester reports

- ii. Mid-semester reports were given tonight
  - iii. In leaders for leaders President Stark presented about her Library initiative
- c. Comptroller - N. Cote
  - i. Looking ahead: There will be no standard Budget Weekend for next semester. All clubs will receive the same funding they received for this semester. Whatever is left in a club's account at the end of the Fall 2020 Semester will roll into their funds for Spring 2021 Semester.
- d. Secretary - C. Greenberg
  - i. No Official Report
  - ii. Send Senator DeBiso Minutes!

#### **F. Committee Chair Reports**

- a. Appropriations - A. Liebowitz
  - i. Reminder that every club will receive \$1,000 come Spring 2021 Semester. Budget Weekend is cancelled and no Budget Requests are due.
- b. Club Resources - G. Khandelwal
  - i. We've been working primarily on recognizing clubs and completing senatorial actions. Moving forward, we will be focusing more on reaching out to clubs. Committee members will be assigned to a specific category of clubs to be in contact with.
- c. Communications - A. Colon
  - i. Thank you to members of the Advocacy Committees who submitted videos for Get To Know SGA. We sent a reminder to clubs about sending flyers and using LinkTree.
- d. Programming - A. Paturzo
  - i. Scavenger Hunt on Friday Oct. 30th
- e. Academic Affairs - K. Connolly-Sisk
  - i. Met with Elfreda Blue to discuss advocating for better classroom etiquette on Zoom.
  - ii. A meeting with SAS is coming up so please reach out if you have anything specific that you would like to be discussed.
- f. Equity & Inclusion - M. Mobley
  - i. We focused on our Town Hall project and drafting an email addressing the recent incident on campus.
- g. Facilities & Operations - B. Aquino
  - i. Talked about Proposal "Advocating for Yourself"
- h. Wellness & Campus Safety - D. O'Brien
  - i. We need two students to serve on the Art with Impact Panel on November 9th.
  - ii. We will be giving away different sanitizer products for the upcoming programming committee event.
  - iii. Survey questions for the new Welcome Week event are in the works.
  - iv. Community Standards is now closely monitoring students who miss their required COVID test or fail to fill out the daily health screening.
- i. Chair Connolly-Sisk moves to pass all minutes
  - i. Motion Seconded

- ii. Motion Passed

**G. For Good of the Order**

**H. Announcements**

**I. Snap Cup**

**J. Adjournment**

- a. Senator DeCrescenzo Moves to adjourn the meeting
  - i. Motion Seconded
  - ii. Motion Passed
    - 1. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm



Fall Mid-Semester Report  
President Tara Stark  
Vice President Alexa Osner  
October 15th, 2020

The 85th Senate was inaugurated on April 30th 2020. We are so proud of our committed senators and chairs who have continued our efforts of advocacy, civic engagement and education. Last semester, we ran on a three point campus wide platform that we envisioned for the 85th Senate. However, our work began early, as this summer we took action to meet for special meetings. The 85th Senate discussed and passed “A Resolution to Address the Sentiments of the Black Lives Matter Movement” relating to social justice on campus as well as invited a number of administrators to speak on behalf of the reopening of campus and the changes to the Title IX policies. These were certainly unprecedented times, but together we have seen the impactful work of 85 and the power we all have to uplift the voices of our students.

This semester we have had access not only to President Stuart Rabinowitz in our monthly meetings, but also Patricia Adamski, the Senior Vice President of Planning and Administration, and Provost Herman Berliner. Along with these meetings, we also met monthly with Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, Jean Peden-Christodoulou and Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs/ Dean of Students, Gabrielle St. Léger. We are happy to welcome back the Vice President of Student Affairs, Houston Dougherty, from his medical leave over the summer and we look forward to the meetings with him for the rest of the academic year. We will continue to have these meetings and use these unique spaces to elevate the student voice and the work of our senators and chairs.

Finally, we said a goodbye to our former advisor for the last three years, Denise Boneta. However, we welcomed two new advisors, Zaibis Muñoz and Sam Kloeckener-Soszynski, who jumped right into these roles and have been a great asset to our team. They offer new perspectives and ideas to push SGA in the path forward that we envisioned.

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## **Campaign Points:**

### **1. Campus Facilities:**

- a. When returning to campus post COVID-19, we will work with administration in ensuring the cleanliness of the campus spaces we use everyday.
- b. Knowing that we will be coming back to a new Hofstra, we want to ensure that future plans are in place to upgrade campus facilities that meet student expectations.

### **2. Cultivating Inclusion:**

- a. We will cultivate honest dialogue with identity-based groups on campus.

### **3. Hofstra for all:**

- a. We will push SGA to be an outward facing body that represents students beyond the boundaries of clubs and student leaders.
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## **A. Facilities**

- a. **Cleanliness of Campus Spaces:** With the work of Facilities and Operations Committee, SGA was able to donate hand sanitizers, masks and wipes to the Pride Pantry on campus. Now students will have access to these resources for free. Our Health and Wellness Committee has been keeping a pulse of the campus dialogue regarding cleanliness in residential and academic spaces. In senate, we have had active conversations to voice student concerns and feedback. The information shared in this space was useful feedback to bring back to administration.
- b. **Library Renovations:** From the work of last semester, Facilities and Operations Chair Aquino met with Vice President of Facilities and Operation, Joe Barkwill to follow up on further plans to renovate the Axinn Library. With recent confirmation, the library will continue to be renovated in the coming months with new furniture, lighting and updated study rooms. We are proud of the work of the Facilities committee to help push along this initiative and see tangible improvements happen. This further encompasses our campaign point of having campus facilities meet student expectations.
- c. **Game Room Renovations:** This semester we successfully allocated funds to renovate the Game Room.
- d. **Club Office Space Renovations:** Funds were approved to go through that were allocated to make updates to club office spaces.

- e. **Master Plan:** Moving forward for the rest of the semester and into the Spring, SGA plans to read and provide feedback to the Facilities Master plan created in 2015. We hope to provide insight on campus needs for upgrades to facilities and which areas would students benefit from the most. We are looking forward to working together with Vice President Barkwill and his team to provide feedback in the coming months.

## **B. Cultivating Inclusion**

- a. **Resolution in support of Black Lives Matter:** This summer, in the wake of the murder of George Floyd, the Equity and Inclusion committee crafted a resolution in support of the BLM movement as well as a call to action to the University to make sustainable efforts in supporting the Black student population. This resolution was unanimously passed by the 85th senate and put into action in the coming months.
- b. **Outreach to Black student organizations:** To make SGA as an accessible resource as possible, we reached out to the Black student organizations on campus to offer support and asked how best to serve their needs at that time.
- c. **Black Healing Counseling:** An important call to action to the University was to create a healing space for Black students to receive counseling services. Spearheaded by Equity and Inclusion Chair Mobley, this program was actualized this week on 10/13.
- d. **BLAC at senate:** In our first senate meeting, SGA invited members of Black Leaders Advocating for Change to have a dialogue with senate on how to support their efforts. At this meeting, BLAC was able to present their list of demands to the University and SGA asked questions and had a dialogue on how to best serve their needs. SGA continues to be in contact with BLAC with Facilities and Operations Chair Aquino working with them to advocate for a space on campus for Black students.

## **C. Hofstra for All:**

- a. **Leaders for Leaders:** This semester we founded the Leaders for Leaders program consisting of 12 passionate first year students. Each week we hold workshops for our students on topics ranging from overcoming obstacles as student leaders, navigating student leadership in a pandemic, to advocating for diverse student populations. Each cohort member is assigned an SGA mentor where they meet biweekly. Next semester our first years will become associate senators and sit on our logistic or advocacy committees. They will then complete a leadership capstone project to demonstrate the tools and skills they have learned throughout their time in the program.

- b. **COVID-19 Letter:** On September 9th 2020, SGA, the Commuter Student Association, Panhellenic Council, Professional Fraternity Council, Residence Hall Association, and Student Athlete Advisory Committee all co-signed an open letter to the Hofstra community. Together we held our peers and ourselves accountable to be responsible during a pandemic and continue social distancing off campus. This letter was sent via email to all Hofstra undergraduate and graduate students.

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### **A Path Forward:**

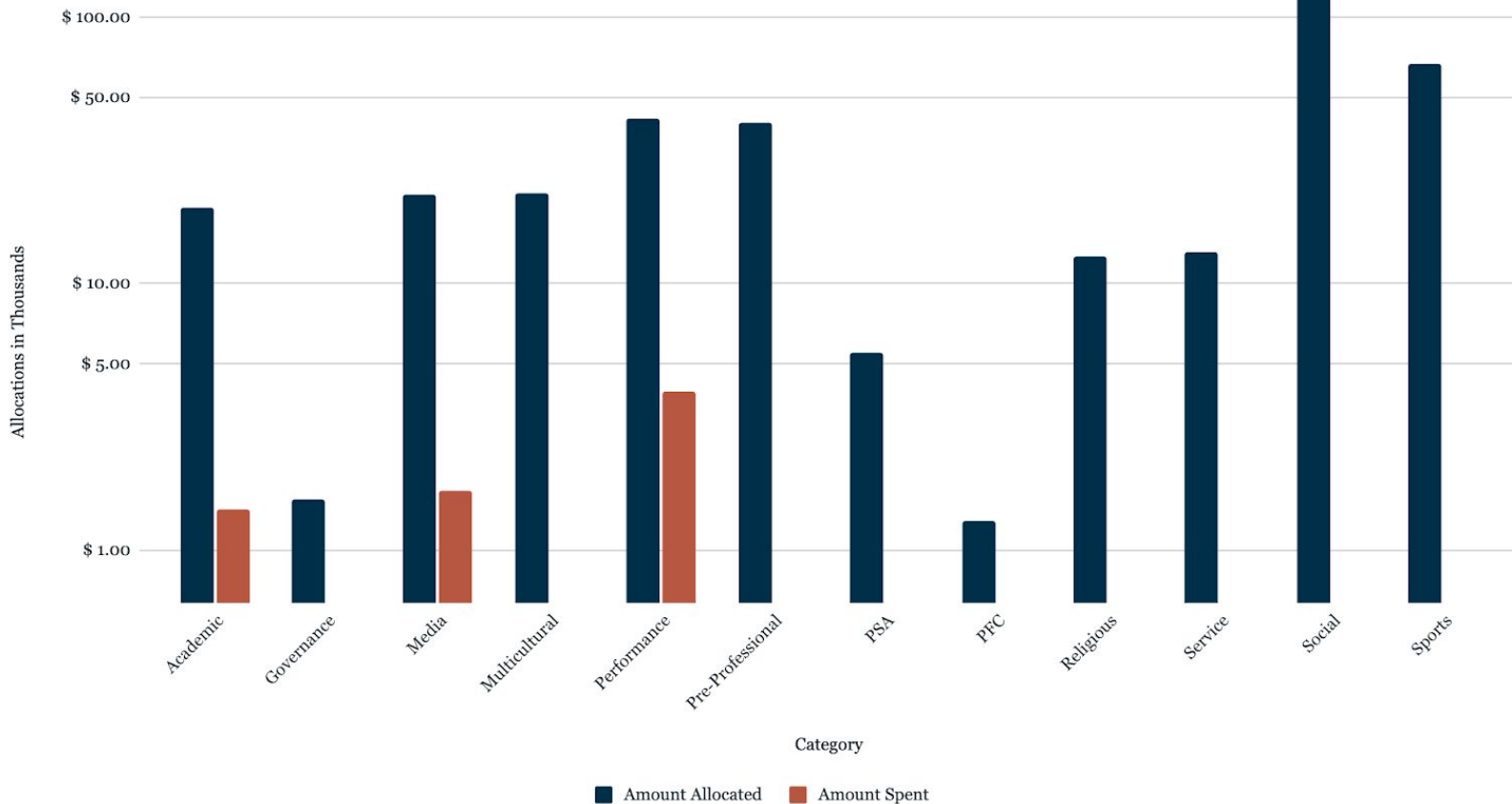
The work of our senators has pushed forward what we envisioned the 85th senate to look like. Though SGA is embarking in new territory with being fully operational online, the 85th senate has excelled at adapting to new challenges thrown their way. We look forward to uplifting the student voice, building upon our vision for SGA and continuing to be a source of strength during these challenging times.

# Mid-Semester Report for Fall 2020

## Office of the Comptroller

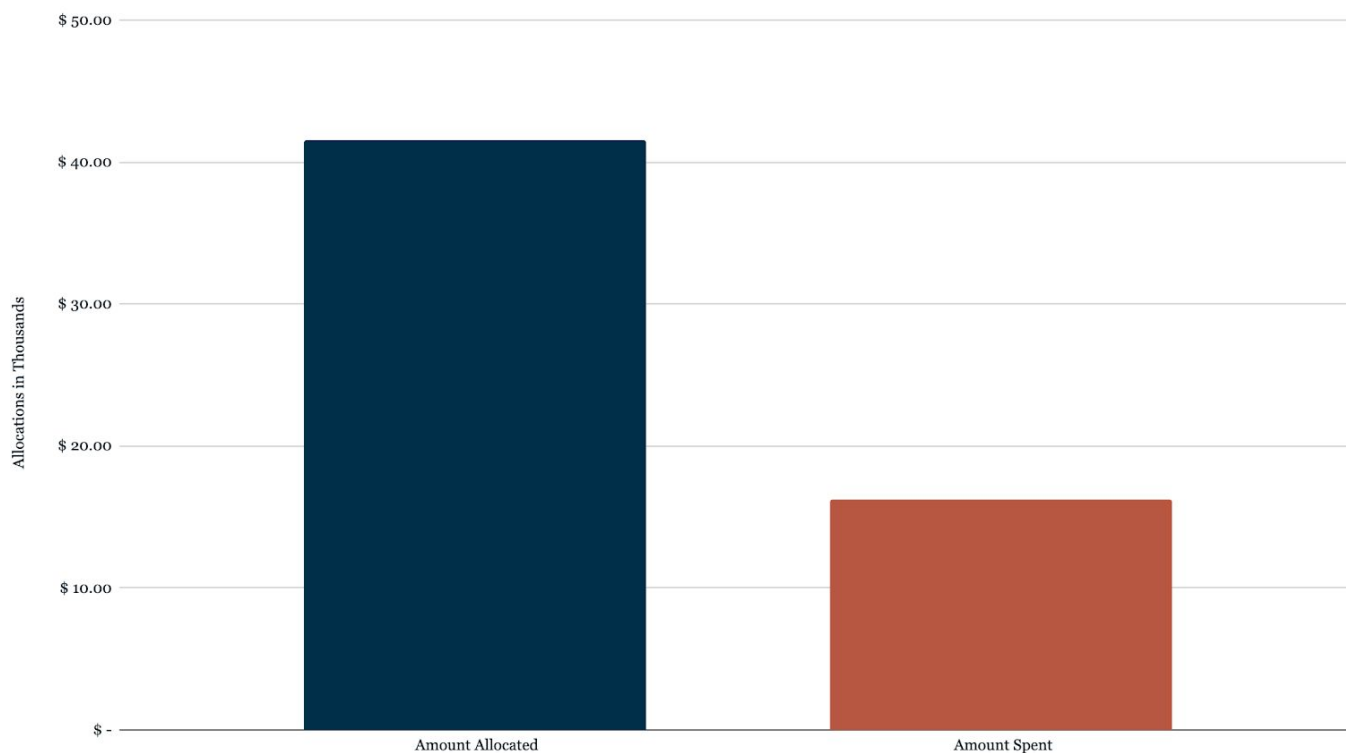
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### External SGA Spending



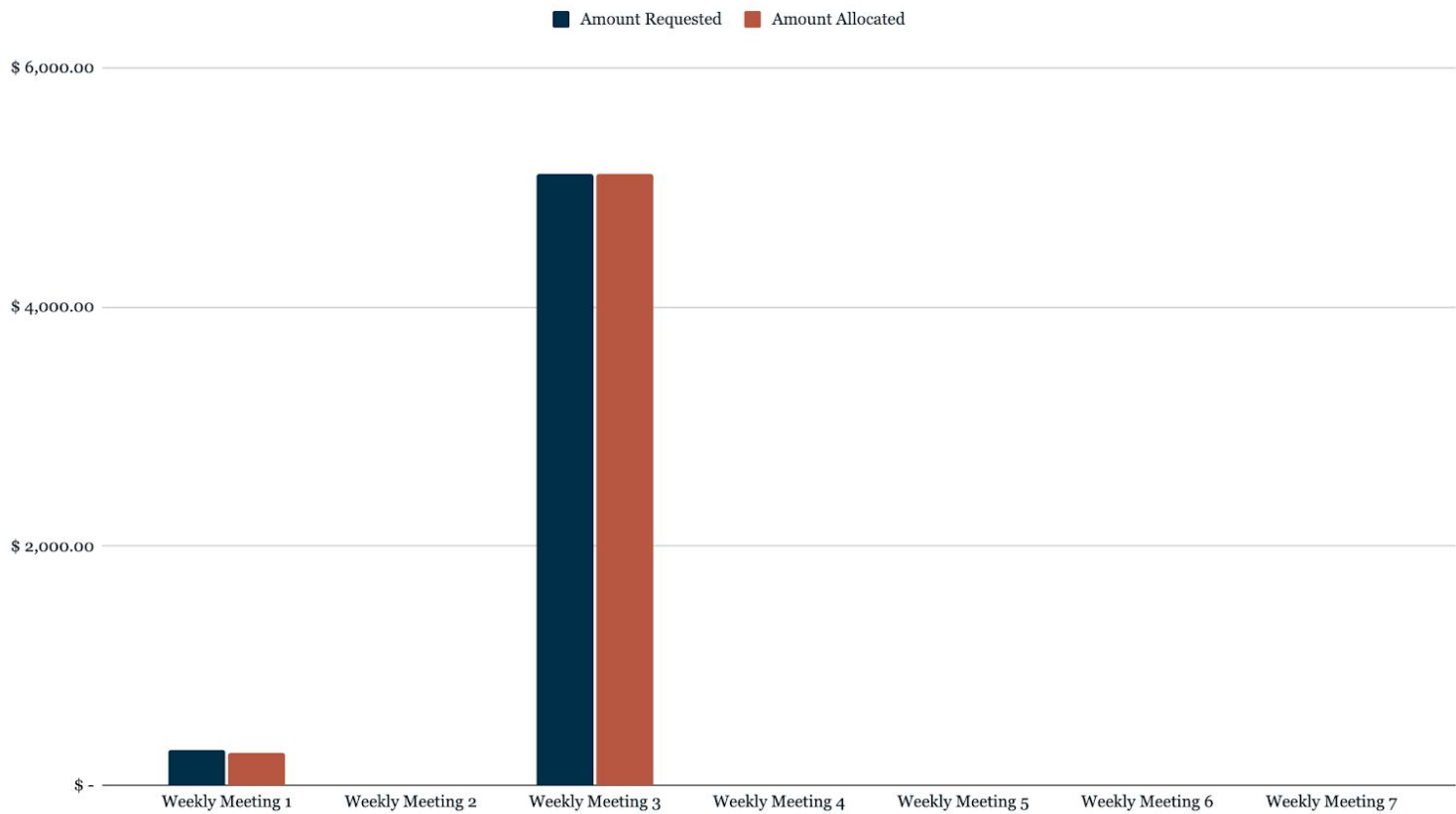
Above is the spending carried out by student clubs and organizations. This chart details the amount allocated versus what clubs have spent to date (October 14, 2020). Few club categories have made significant strides in spending, the four being Academic, Media, Performance and Sports categories. Academic spending 7.35% of the total allocated, Media spending 7.66, Performance spending 9.46%, and Sports 0.94%.

### Internal SGA Spending



The above chart shows SGA's internal spending which is carried out by the various committees in the Senate. This does not break down spending by various committees, rather this is a total allocated versus spending for SGA itself. To date (October 14, 2020), SGA has spent \$ 16,203.30 of the \$ 41,546.42 allocated to it (39.00%).

Weekly Meeting Allocations for Fall of 2020



This is a breakdown of the total amount requested versus the amount allocated to student clubs and organizations during each weekly allocations meeting to date. Each semester there are eight allocations meetings. So far we have held seven, during which only two meetings had clubs attend. These were weeks one and three. During week one of the \$300.00 requested, \$271.75 was allocated (90.58%). Week three saw \$5,108.52 requested and \$5,108.52 allocated (100.00%).

Looking Forward:

The semester has seen a sluggish movement in spending across all club categories. Working with the Appropriations Committee and Club Resources, it will be my responsibility as Comptroller to expand outreach to clubs to assist them in utilizing the funds at their disposal. This includes what remains in each of their accounts as well as the funds SGA has available to allocate.

## **Mid Semester Report – C. Greenberg SGA Secretary | Chief of Staff**

### **Summer 2020**

Over the summer I was really busy prepping for the new year as the returning Secretary. I quickly started meeting with Faculty and Staff to tell about the changes of the Student Government Association. As well as help the President and Vice President acclimate to their roles. After that was completed, I assisted with tasks of welcoming new students to the Pride and help with club fairs via zoom. I want to thank Chair Antonella Colon for assisting me with that. I started to put the Student Government roster together as well as push that out so the Cabinet can keep track of all the senators that are here right now. As well as start to plan which senators that would be appointed once the school year started. I will go into that detail shortly. After that, Over the summer I made all zoom codes for every event that would be happening and put that on one document so it would be easy to find as well as make for less confusion the day of for every meeting for the year.

### **Archivist Fall 2020**

After reviewing all candidates for the position, I chose Senator Calob Congdon to assist me in typing the minutes every week as that can get pretty Stressful at times. Calob thank you for making my role a lot easier as I couldn't have done it without you especially when I had to screen share and couldn't type the minutes.

### **Ethics & Conduct Chair Fall 2020**

My next Position I appointed when the semester started was the role of Ethics & Conduct Chair. They are the ones that manage the attendance and making sure

that everyone is completing their roles as a Cabinet Member and Senator. For this position I appointed Senator Maxie DeBiso. After being appointed and closely monitoring the attendance she made a guideline of what is excused and what is unexcused that is located right below my report. Maxie thank you so much for helping me keep track of all 33 Senators and 12 Cabinet members you made my role much easier.

### **Social Chair**

The most recent Position I appointed was Social Chair and I felt the need to make this position again because of how different this year was, I wanted a way that Senators can all get together whether it is on zoom or whatever else, to be able to feel like we are in the office again. I appointed Senator Gigi Walker for this role.

The first project she did was Cub and Lion Selection Process that was exciting to receive someone let alone the process to make that. So, thank you Gigi for making this SGA tradition stay alive. I hope they can do it again in the future.

Other projects she put together were Warm and Fuzzies which are positive words to everyone in the senate which they all received. I am looking forward to what you have planned for the rest of the year.

### **Remainder of the Year**

I am looking forward to the rest of the year and for what else we have planned. I would like to thank the rest of the 85<sup>th</sup> Senate for making this a great Virtual year. Even though we are on zoom it has been an adventure that we are all working on together. On that note, that concludes my Mid Semester Report

## **SGA Senate Attendance Policy Sheet**

### **Senator Requirements**

- Senators must attend committee meetings and senate meetings as well as any other required events. Office hours are also required.

### **Cabinet Requirements**

- Cabinet members must attend cabinet meetings, committee meetings and senate meetings as well as any other required events. Office hours are also required.

### **Executive Board Requirements**

- Executive board members must attend E-Board meetings, cabinet meetings and senate meetings. Office hours are also required.

### **Justice Requirements**

- Judicial panel must meet once a month. Office hours are also required.

### **Associate Requirements**

- Associates must attend meetings of the committee they are assigned to. Office hours are also required.

### **Office Hours**

- Senators are required to complete one (1) office hour every week the senate is in session.
- Cabinet members and the E-Board are required to complete two (2) office hours for every week the senate is in session.

### **Things That You Can do Instead of an Office Hour**

- 2 or more club elections
- If there is tabling for that week, completing at least one hour of tabling.

## **Absences**

- Students have three (3) excused absences per semester.
- The Ethics and Conduct Chair can deem any reason inexcusable and this will result in one (1) unexcused absence.
- Not going to senate will result in one (1) unexcused absence.
- Not going to a cabinet meeting will result in one (1) unexcused absence.
- Not completing an office hour will result in one-half (1/2) unexcused absence.
- Not attending retreat will result in one (1) unexcused absence.
- Arriving half-way through a senate meeting or leaving early from a senate meeting without letting the Ethics and Conduct Chair will result in one (1) unexcused absence.
- If the Vice President does not submit the agenda to senate will result in one (1) unexcused absence for the Vice President.
- If a committee chair does not submit a mid-year or monthly report will result in one (1) unexcused absence against the chair.

### **Excused Absences**

- An absence may be considered excused if given a minimum of 24 hours notice to the Ethics and Conduct Chair before a senate meeting. An absence may be considered excused if given a minimum of 24 hours notice to the Ethics and Conduct Chair as well as the Committee Chair for a committee meeting.

### **Unexcused Absences**

- No reasoning behind an absence will result in one (1) unexcused absence.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON HOW MANY ABSENCES YOU HAVE REACH OUT THE ETHICS AND CONDUCT CHAIR**

**ETHICS AND CONDUCT CHAIR EMAIL: [sga\\_ethics@pride.hofstra.edu](mailto:sga_ethics@pride.hofstra.edu)**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Charles S. Greenberg  
Student Government Secretary | Chief of Staff

**Mid-Semester Report  
Appropriations  
Fall 2020**

**Committee Members:**

*Chair A. Liebowitz    Comptroller N. Cote*  
*Senator M. DeBiso    Senator M. Hotaling*  
*Senator B. Welch    Senator M. Behm*  
*Senator A. Rudder    Senator M. Safian*  
*Senator J. Kang    Associate A. Sierra*

<i>WEEK 1</i>		
<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>Amount Allocated</i>
<i>Overbooked</i>	\$ 300.00	\$ 271.75
<b><i>Total:</i></b>	\$ 300.00	\$ 271.75
	<b><i>Total Percentage:</i></b>	90.58%

<i>WEEK 2 (No Allocations)</i>		
<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>Amount Allocated</i>
<i>N/A</i>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
<b><i>Total:</i></b>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
	<b><i>Total Percentage:</i></b>	00.00%

<i>WEEK 3</i>		
<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>Amount Allocated</i>
<i>Hofstra Esports</i>	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
<i>Overbooked</i>	\$ 108.52	\$ 108.52
<b><i>Total:</i></b>	\$ 5,108.52	\$ 5,108.52
	<b><i>Total Percentage:</i></b>	100.00%

<i>WEEK 4 (No Allocations)</i>		
<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>Amount Allocated</i>
<i>N/A</i>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
<b><i>Total:</i></b>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
	<b><i>Total Percentage:</i></b>	00.00%

<i>WEEK 5 (No Allocations)</i>		
<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>Amount Allocated</i>
<i>N/A</i>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
<b><i>Total:</i></b>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
	<b><i>Total Percentage:</i></b>	00.00%

<i>WEEK 6 (No Allocations)</i>		
<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>Amount Allocated</i>
<i>N/A</i>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
<b><i>Total:</i></b>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
	<b><i>Total Percentage:</i></b>	00.00%

<i>WEEK 7 (No Allocations)</i>		
<i>Club Name</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>Amount Allocated</i>
<i>N/A</i>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
<b><i>Total:</i></b>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
	<b><i>Total Percentage:</i></b>	00.00%

Meetings	Requested	Allocated	Percentage
<b>7</b>	\$ 5,408.52	\$ 5,380.27	95.29%

**Achieved Initiatives:**

- Reforming the Appropriations Policy Series and passing the Policy Series through the Senate
- Expanding the amount of Treasurer Trainings available in an online format

**Important Information:**

- Notification of the Cancellation of Budget Weekend, Budget Appeals, and Budget Review Sessions.

**Future Initiatives:**

- Continuing to be a resource for clubs and organizations throughout the pandemic, and helping them retain and gain members through this semester.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Liebowitz  
Appropriations Chair

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# CLUB RESOURCES MID-SEMESTER REPORT: FALL 2020

85<sup>TH</sup>SENATE- CLUBRESOURCESCHAIRMANGOPALKHANDELWAL

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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*Associate Ettiman Kaur*

*Associate Bryan Perez*

*Senator Katherine Funk*

*Senator Will Germaine*

*Senator Javeria Imran*

*Senator Kristin Ortiz*

*Chair Khiya Connolly-Sisk*

*Club Resources Chair Gopal Khandelwal*

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## CLUB ELECTIONS

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So far this semester, there have been eleven (11) club elections facilitated by senators over zoom and two (2) through Google Forms this semester and sign-ups during committee have been somewhat successful thus far. It has been noted that despite several promptings from Cabinet, more Senators will need to volunteer to staff elections to complete their club election requirement.

Following the advent of the Google Form Elections system, the forms allow the Club Resources Chair to accurately track clubs which have not conducted elections for some time. It is a requirement of Senators to submit the Google Form for each election that they complete.

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## POLICY UPDATES

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The Student Government Association has passed two (4) pieces of legislation and two (2) resolutions up to this point.

A massive overhaul of the Policy series occurred during the transition period and changed policies that were in place since the end of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Senate, clarifying the roles of the Advocacy committees and changing the roles of some of the appointed positions of Senate.

S.A.2020.85.003 was legislation that required all Senators to host at least one (1) club election each semester. Previous Club Resources and Rules Committee Chairs have noted the difficulty that they face in having senators host club elections. As such, by making this a requirement of Senate, this makes it easier for elections to be validated.

S.A.2020.85.005 brought needed changes to the Appropriations policy, including limiting how old a quote may be, and clarified several definitions that SGA had struggled with in the past.

S.A.2020.85.007 allowed the Club Resources Chair to act as Chief Justice *pro tempore* in a Club Hearing, given that the Chief Justice had a conflict of interest, and that the Club Resources Chair would thereby refrain from interfering within the election.

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## SENATORIAL ACTIONS AND JUDICIAL OPINIONS

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A number of Senatorial Actions have been proposed to the Senate and successfully passed to become SGA's official stance on certain issues, initiatives, and undertakings to support University-wide projects. Judicial Opinions hold the same weight as any legislation, and are notified to the Senate.

**S.A.2020.85.001, *passed***

Resolution to Address the Sentiments of the Black Lives Matter Movement

**S.A.2020.85.004, *passed***

A Resolution to support Black Leaders Advocating for Change at Hofstra University

**S.A.2020.85.002, *passed***

Edits to Policy Series

**S.A.2020.85.005, *passed***

Changes to the Appropriations Policy Series

**J.O.2020.85.001, *passed***

[REDACTED]: Majority Opinion

**S.A.2020.85.006, *tabled indefinitely***

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

**S.A.2020.85.003, *passed***

Proposal to Make One Election Mandatory for all Senators

**S.A.2020.85.007, *passed***

Updates to the Judicial Panel Constitution

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## CLUBS SEEKING SGA RECOGNITION

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Overbooked

Recognized

SheEOs

Recognized

American Society of Civil Engineering

*In Progress*

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## CLUB DERECOGNITIONS

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Due to several clubs not hosting elections for an extremely long time, the Club Resources Committee chose to derecognize these clubs. Six (6) clubs were derecognized (African Students Association, American String Teachers Association, Masquerade Musical Theatre Co., National Association for Music Education, Physician's Assistant Club, Roller Hockey), while four (4) club's budgets shall remain frozen (Circle K, Club Baseball, GiveKindnessHU, Pride Productions) until they provide proper election details.

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## UPDATED CLUB CONSTITUTIONS

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- ❖ Danceworks

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## CLUB OFFICE SPACE REALLOCATION

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In order to begin understanding which clubs want an office for the Fall 2021 semester, a Google Form shall be sent out to all clubs via GetInvolvedHU asking them to sign up if they so desired. In the meantime, a potential allocation was worked out, allocating clubs to the spaces they required by virtue of the larger OSLE group they belonged to, as well as similarities between clubs.

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## LOOKING FORWARD

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- ❖ Work on getting clubs the information they need regarding policy and policy changes that affect them, as well what they need to fulfil the SGA Recognized Club requirements
- ❖ Create a written script for Club Elections
- ❖ Send out space reallocation interest form
- ❖ Work on Club Office Outreach and the Diversity Training Initiative
- ❖ Finishing the Club Office Allocations Plan

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

*Gopal Khandelwal*

CHAIRMAN GOPAL KHANDELWAL

CLUB RESOURCES COMMITTEE, FALL 2020

Communications Mid Semester Report  
Fall 2020  
85th Senate- Chairwoman Antonella Colon

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Members:

- *Facilities & Operations Chair Bernice Aquino*
- *Senator Danny DeCrescenzo*
- *Senator Thomas Doherty*
- *Senator George Kaludis*
- *Wellness & Campus Safety Chair David O'Brien*
- *Senator Andrew Patane*
- *Senator Afsah Shareef*
- *Associate Olivia Bevinetto*

Summer Work:

- Representative for SGA in New Student Orientation's Involvement Panel
- Introductions to 85th Senate's Cabinet on Instagram
  - Logistic Committee Chairs
  - Advocacy Committee Chairs
  - E-board Members
- Welcome Week SGA Info Sessions
- Posted Hofstra's reopening policies from the summer senate meeting with Joe Barkwill, Elfreda Blue, and Jean Pede-Christodoulou.

Fall Semester Projects:

- Events:
  - Attended Office of Student Leadership and Engagement (OSLE)'s Virtual Involvement Club & Organization Fair.
  - Fall Elections Info Sessions:
    - August 31st
    - September 1st
    - September 2nd
  - Spooky Movie Night
    - Programming's movie night

- October 7th at 7:30pm
- SGA Photoshoot
  - Had committee members take point to take pictures of SGA members to create more content for the instagram.
- Get to Know SGA
  - A biweekly series created to replace SGA office hours due to the pandemic and not being able to use our office space.
  - Each member from all of the Logistic and Advocacy committees submit a video updating students on projects/initiatives within their committees while also introducing themselves.

#### Social Media:

- Working toward transitioning from the lifestyle shots of the members, followed by the Canva flyers promoting the events to incorporating design elements in the pictures of SGA members.
- Hofstra's Branding Guide was introduced to the committee as guidelines to follow when making designs along with the either of the SGA logos.
- We use Instagram stories regularly to share the flyers of events we are a part of, as well as highlighting events some offices/clubs on campus are promoting and working on.
- Started posting Senate Recap flyers to highlight the main points and to keep students informed from week to week.
- Promoted SGA's newly created first year program Leaders for Leaders. Featured all twelve members on the instagram with facts about themselves.
- Revamped the Instagram highlights to include Wellness Wednesdays, Senate Recap, COVID-19 information, Get to Know SGA, and Leaders for Leaders.

#### Promotion:

- Weekly the SGA box on the Hofstra Portal is updated to reflect the current events happening for that week's Senate meeting, as well as our social media. We push the weekly Senate meetings since we want students to come and ask questions, especially when administrators are coming.
- Laptop stickers were purchased (designed by Senator Schanck) as a way for students to recognize who we are around campus to ask us questions.

#### Goals:

- For clubs to use committee resources to promote their events like the google form on the SGA linktree and DMing the instagram.

- Release the SGA newsletter “Decorum For’Em” started by the previous Communications Chair at least twice a semester.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Antonella Colon

# Programming Committee

## Midsemester Report Fall 2020

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### Committee Members

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Chair Maria Mobley  
Senator Susan Cheng  
Senator Calob Congdon  
Senator Kathryn Harley  
Senator Rachel Potula  
Senator Faith Schanck  
Senator Julie Singh  
Senator Gigi Walker  
Associate Amanda Doherty  
Associate Gabrielle Schroeder  
Chair Alexa Paturzo

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### COVID-19 Procedures

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- Programming committee has been tasked with combating putting on events and programs for students that adhere to the state, local, and Hofstra COVID-19 policies
- The committee has navigated these uncertain times by doing research and incessantly checking for policy and legislative updates regarding the pandemic
- Despite the difficulty of planning programs and getting students to attend, the committee has successfully held and planned programs for this semester

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### Programs

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#### ➤ Movie Night in Pride Park

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- This event was held on Wednesday, October 7th
- Programming showed the film *Silence of the Lambs*
- The event was well attended, of the capacity of 50 students allowed to attend the event, we had 35 students RSVP and come to the movie night

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#### ➤ Trick-or-Treat Scavenger Hunt

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- This is a new event that SGA has never done before, so the committee and I have worked very hard to ensure that it will be successful and well received on both the ends of students and administrators

- This event will be held on Friday, October 30th
- SGA Advisor Sam Kloeckner- Soszynski, Director of Communications for Student Affairs Colin Sullivan, and I met with representatives from the Goosechase platform and decided to go forward with the event
- The game itself
  - Students can play as a team with up to four players, to ensure that students stay within their family units, per Hofstra COVID protocol
  - One student per team will download the app to his/her phone
  - The riddles or clues, created by my committee and I, will appear in a randomized fashion, to adhere to social distancing guidelines
  - When the students solve the riddle they will go to the respective checkpoint and take a photo to submit on the app
  - Once the photo is submitted, the platform will grant the next clue, and so on
  - The platform promotes healthy competition by stating the rankings of each team after each photo is submitted
  - At certain checkpoints, there will be tables set up with giveaways such as goodie bags filled with candy, hand/phone/credit card sanitizer (provided by Chair David O'Brien and the Wellness and Campus Safety Committee), and some extra giveaways given to us by Colin from Welcome Week (more information to come on specifics)
  - My committee and I have also discussed specifics such as decorations to make the game more festive, such a Halloween music, spiderwebs, and pumpkins
- Due to the randomizing nature of the platform, administration has stated that we do not need to cap this event at 50 people, so members of SGA will be able to play!

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### ➤ **Family Month**

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- Parent and Family Programs, a division within Hofstra's Student Affairs department, reached out to ask if my committee was interested in hosting a virtual program during Family Month
- Family Month is occurring in lieu of Family Weekend, due to COVID-19 procedures

- Friday, October 23rd Programming Deputy Faith Schanck and I will be hosting a Spooky Season Trivia for families over Zoom
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#### ➤ **Stressbusters**

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- Due to COVID-19 procedures, SGA will not be able to hold its most well attended event, Build-A-Friend
  - However, my committee and I will be ordering stuffed animals with SGA t-shirts and having students sign up for a date and time to pick them up in the Student Center
  - Stressbusters will be held by the University from December 2nd-6th, I have been asked to host a virtual program or two during that time, my committee has suggested either a Holiday Trivia Game or a Holiday Movie Night
  - More information to come on Stressbusters programming
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#### ➤ **Student Appreciation Week (SAW)**

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- Advocacy committees will begin to formulate questions over the next week and submit them to programming
  - Normally, SGA would table and ask students in the Student Center to take the survey
  - President Stark and I have discussed that we think the best way to gauge students' opinions and answers to these questions would be through a survey on their portal, and possibly having a pop up screen appear, similar to the one that was used during SGA elections
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#### ➤ **Trivia Tuesdays**

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- Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life Alex Federico reached out to me to gauge SGA's interest on cosponsoring Trivia Tuesdays
- Trivia Tuesdays is an event held every week where students can play for their club or organization for the chance to win money
- SGA would act as a liaison between the program and SGA recognized clubs to get the words out, and to ask if they want to host trivia on behalf of their club
- My committee and I would create a Google Form and send it out for clubs to fill out
- This will be allocated for in my budget for next semester, as to provide clubs with more opportunities

Respectfully submitted,  
Alexa Paturzo  
Programming Chair

Academic Affairs  
Mid-Semester Report

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Committee Members

Chair Connolly-Sisk  
Chair Paturzo  
Senator Behm  
Senator Kaludis

Senator Schanck  
Senator Congdon  
Senator Imran

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**Over the summer:** Over the summer, I set out a goal of talking to anyone and everyone who would meet with me, forming an idea of what each different administrative office does on campus in terms of academics. This semester my committee decided to work primarily on the communication of students to the different departments, as it seemed more difficult during this time for them to advocate for themselves this semester.

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**USenate Relations:** One senator has taken it upon himself this semester to better familiarize himself with the inner workings of Usenate this semester, in the hopes that the Academic Affairs committee can later collaborate with them on future projects. He has met with Kaylor Dimes to discuss the specific way in which Usenate functions, and hopes to attend a meeting later in the semester.

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**Student Access Services:** One senator, intermittently accompanied by me has opened a direct contact with Julie Yindra, director of Student Access Services this semester. Our goal is to brainstorm ways to better inform students of available accommodations, as well as to create an environment of more positive visibility for those who feel stigmatized for utilizing SAS. We hope in the spring, safety permitting, to co-host a program with SAS regarding visibility.

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**Center for University Advising/ Center for Academic Excellence:** Two of my committee members were assigned to meet with Marc Oppenheim from Advising Center, and Diane Herbert from the Center for Academic Excellence. Together, a dialog has been opened for students to voice concerns within advising and tutoring capacities, through regular conversation, and brainstorming sessions. So far conversations have revolved around how to better communicate the resources offered by the two offices, and what other resources students would like to see for the future.

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**Technology on Campus:** Two senators and myself have taken up the task of regularly meeting with Steve Fabiani and Mitch Kase to discuss how technology on campus and in the classroom is being utilized by faculty and students alike. As we transition into scholarship of an online variety, it's imperative that Hofstra remains a place where students can thrive academically. That's why Hofstra has installed numerous lecture capture devices to classrooms, improved wifi capabilities, and further pushed their program EdTech, which is offered through blackboard to help Hofstra better understand how to use the technology available to them. Hofstra IT will also be renovating the labs in Calkins and Hammer lab, which will be overseen by Bernice Aquino and Will Germaine.

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**Provost Office Relations:** After students voiced a concern at the end of the Spring 2020 semester that they were unable to fill out Course and Teacher Rating Reports (CTRs) I decided it was best to meet with the Provost office and relay those concerns. Our meeting went well and from it a plan was made for me to meet with Vice Provost Blue monthly. In our meeting we have discussed student concerns this semester in regards to CTRs, Professor etiquette on zoom, and the committee for a safe transition to students living on campus.

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**Student Affairs Relations:** Starting this semester, I started meeting with Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, Jean Peden Christodoulou. In our meetings we have been discussing the overhaul of student connect and updates on SafeStart planning.

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**Into the future:** While it is great to celebrate all the things Academic Affairs has accomplished as a committee, there is still a lot I would like accomplish before I've finished as Academic Affairs chair. For the remainder of this semester I hope that each of my committee members, as well as myself continue to uplift the voices of students who don't advocate for themselves.

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Khiya Connolly-Sisk  
Academic Affairs Committee Chair**

# EQUITY & INCLUSION MID-SEMESTER REPORT:

## FALL 2020

85th Senate ---- Equity and Inclusion Chair Mobley

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### Committee Members

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Senator Susan Cheng

Senator Anja Rudder

Senator Thomas Doherty

Senator Maheen Safian

Senator Will Germaine

Chair Antonella Colon

Senator Kathryn Harley

Chair Gopal Khandelwal

Associate Bryan Perez

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### Subcommittee Assignments

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The Equity and Inclusion committee was divided into three subcommittees.

1. Programming, which focuses on club relations, consists of Senator Cheng, Chair Colon, and Associate Perez.
2. Outreach, which focuses on connecting with administration, consists of Senator Doherty, Senator Germaine, and Senator Rudder.
3. Research, which focuses on analyzing school-wide issues, consists of Senator Harley, Senator Safian, and Chair Khandelwal.

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### Senatorial Actions

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[SA.2020.85.001](#), *passed*

A Resolution to Address the Sentiments of the Black Lives Matter Movement

[SA.2020.85.004](#), *passed*

A Resolution to support Black Leaders Advocating for Change at Hofstra University

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### Black Healing Counseling Group

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Within SA.2020.85.001, the document states that Hofstra should “provide free and appropriate counseling services to Black students,” so here is a timeline of how the program was brought into fruition:

1. June 2nd, 2020: SA.2020.85.001 passed by the Senate body. It was subsequently passed along to higher administration.

2. June 8th 2020: Dean of Students, Gabrielle St. Leger, invites President Stark, Vice President Osner and I to a meeting to discuss the resolution. There were three main demands listed within the original document, and the Counseling Service was deemed as the top priority.
3. June 12th 2020: There was a follow-up meeting regarding the logistics of the service with Dean of Students, Gabrielle St. Leger, Executive Director of the Student Health and Counseling Center, John Guthman, Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer, Cornell Craig, Director of Intercultural Engagement & Inclusion, Gillian Atkinson, University Senate Student Affairs Committee (SAC) Chair, Kaylor Dimes, and Wellness and Campus Safety Chair, David O'Brien.
4. June 24th 2020: After hearing the feedback from all of the appropriate administrators, Dr. St. Leger, SAC Chair Dimes, and I met to discuss the appropriate step forward, and what are goals are for the program.
5. July 12th 2020: SAC Chair Dimes and I met and finalized the name "Black Healing," and I also touched base with Dr. St. Leger who recently met with Dr. Guthman in relation to what the University could feasibly offer students.
6. August 12th 2020: Director of Communications for Student Affairs, Colin Sullivan, and I met about marketing materials.
7. September 24th 2020: The language for the flyer was finalized.
8. October 9th 2020: The [flyer](#) for the service was finalized.
9. October 13th 2020: The group met, and was confirmed to meet again on October 27th, 2020.

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### Upcoming Projects

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1. Assisting HOLA with their Alumni/Professor Panel for October 28th.
2. Developing the Diversity Town Hall for students.
  - a. The [proposal](#) was written by Senator Safian.
3. Assisting Wellness and Campus Safety Chair O'Brien with facilitating the Art with Impact program that allows students to discuss mental health in relation to the arts. This event is confirmed for November 9th.
4. Collaborating with the Cultural Center and IEI to bring speaker Dr. Ibram Kendi.

**Respectfully submitted,**



Maria Mobley

Rules Committee Chairwoman

## **Facilities and Operations Committee: Mid-Semester Report Fall 2020**

### **Committee members:**

Maxie DeBiso  
Daniel DeCrescenzo  
Abia Farzandali  
Wiley Fletcher  
Katherine Funk  
Rachel Potula  
Julie Singh  
Ben Welch

### **Pride Pantry**

The Pride Pantry is a resource for students who may be food insecure. Based on the assumption that a student who is food insecure may also be financially insecure, our committee wanted to provide students who use the Pride Pantry with PPE amidst a global pandemic. At the beginning of the semester, the committee chair met with Beth McGuire who oversees the Pride Pantry. She directed us toward Dom Lavin in order to get the physical materials needed to the Pride Pantry. Dom Lavin donated 500 cloth masks and 500 sanitizer pens to the Pride Pantry in SGA's name. This project was seen through by Senator Maxie DeBiso.

### **Black Leaders Advocating for Change (BLAC)**

In early August, BLAC published a list of demands to the University to combat the struggles and injustices Black-identifying students face. BLAC first came to Senate to present the entirety of their demands, and then they came to a Facilities committee meeting. One of their demands was for a Black student lounge space, which was discussed in great detail during committee. Gaby St. Leger, Dean of Students, was also present at the committee meeting to provide administrative input.

Following this meeting, our committee created a list of possible spaces for the lounge, and it was forwarded to BLAC. Joe Barkwill and Dean Gaby are currently reviewing plans as to where the lounge space can go and which necessary renovations should be done. BLAC, as well as the committee, hope to see the lounge space come into fruition by the spring semester. This initiative was spearheaded by Chair Aquino.

### **Sustainability**

Last semester, Senate passed a resolution which encouraged Hofstra to sign the Carbon Net Neutrality agreement. To follow up with this resolution, Senator Ben Welch will be resending the resolution to PLANT, Compass, and Joe Barkwill. Senator Welch is continuing his work on a proposal that will include data gathered in regards to other institutions that have signed the agreement. Next, our committee will be brainstorming other ways Hofstra can be

more sustainable, with hopes that we can present department-specific proposals to administration in the future.

### **Work Orders**

Since last semester, Senator Maxie DeBiso has worked closely with Joe Palasitis, Assistant Director of Residential Operations, to make the process of submitting work orders more accessible to students. An updated work Order PowerPoint was posted on the Hofstra Portal. Senator DeBiso is currently working with the Office of Student Life and Engagement to create a program for orientation in regards to submitting work orders.

### **Library Renovations**

In reference to last semester's work with Joe Barkwill, Dom Lavin, and various library personnel, the planned renovations for the Axinn Library were put on hold due to the COVID-19 pandemic's budgetary constraints. After the University performed budget audits, it was confirmed in October that budgeting was approved for the planned library renovations. Renovations will move forward as planned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bernice Aquino  
Facilities & Operations Chair

## **Wellness & Campus Safety Mid Semester Report**

### **Fall 2020**

#### **Committee Members**

Senator Michael Hotaling

Senator Jasmeet Kang

Chair Aaron Liebowitz

Senator Kristin Ortiz

Senator Andrew Patane

Senator Afsah Shareef

Senator Gigi Walker

Chair David O'Brien

#### ***Wellness Wednesdays***

The Wellness & Campus Safety committee continued Wellness Wednesdays this semester. Every week, a member of the committee chooses a health related topic and submits advice, tips and tricks, or information in relation to the topic. These graphics are posted weekly on the SGA Instagram story.

Wellness Wednesday	Committee Member	Topic	Graphic Designer
September 23, 2020	Afsah Shareef	Getting an appropriate amount of sleep	Thomas Doherty, Communications Committee Member
September 30, 2020	Gigi Walker	The benefits of yoga	Thomas Doherty, Communications Committee Member
October 7, 2020	Jasmeet Kang	Self massage for headaches and tension	Thomas Doherty, Communications Committee Member

October 14, 2020

Andrew Patane

Importance of flu  
shot

Thomas Doherty,  
Communications  
Committee Member

### *Meetings*

- I met with Joseph Barkwill, Vice President for Facilities and Operations, and Dom Lavin, Director of Physical Plant, along with Facilities and Operations Chair Bernice Aquino on September 15, 2020. We discussed the need for the restoration of disinfectants and cleaning supplies in Dutch Treats and the Netherlands Core.
  - Hofstra has increased the amount of disinfectants and cleaning supplies in these facilities since then.
- I met with Karen O’Callaghan, Director of Public Safety, and Erika Schaub, Assistant Director of Emergency Management, on September 17, 2020. We discussed:
  - The Safety Advisory Committee and Public Safety Rebranding Committee.
  - The amount of housing set aside for COVID related issues (6 in total, 2 for isolation, 4 for quarantine. Located in Colonial Square)
  - The upgrading of emergency lights around campus (improved to prevent lightning strikes)
  - 1900 students in residence at the time. The amount of students applying to return to campus was increasing.
  - Shuttles: only 20 students per bus, seats are marked to create staggered seating, masks must be worn and student ID must be presented to the driver.
    - Train shuttle: starts at 7:30am and runs until 3:00am.
  - Need for social media and outreach. Students can email the department (they are working on an online reporting system as well).
  - The department has lost 3 part time officers and 2 full time due to finances.
- I met with Dr. John Guthman, Executive Director of the SHACC, on September 22, 2020.
  - Telehealth and in person services are being offered.
  - Up to 16 people can fit in the conference room with social distancing guidelines for group counseling.

- SHACC offers Mindful Meditation Groups, Coping with COVID, Grievance Groups, and Recovery Groups.
- We talked about the need for social media presence for the SHACC, how to help students combat “Zoom fatigue”, and the need for social interaction.
  - We spoke of co-hosting an event for the spring. We are still in the planning phase.
- On October 8, 2020, the Senate body voiced their concerns regarding mental health/wellness around campus. I will update the entire body once I receive all information concerning the issues.

***Programming Health Kits Giveaways:*** The Wellness & Campus Safety Committee has ordered (with help from advisors Sam and Zaibis) phone sanitizers, credit card sanitizers, and collapsible hand sanitizer to give away for free at the Trick or Treat Scavenger Hunt hosted by Chair Alexa Paturzo and the Programming Committee on October 30, 2020.

***Art With Impact: Movies for Mental Health:***

Equity and Inclusion Chair Maria Mobely and myself have planned Movies for Mental Health. This will be a two hour virtual event hosted by Art With Impact, a nonprofit organization that focuses on promoting mental health through media and art. The event is scheduled for November 9, 2020 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm and is free of charge and open to all undergraduate students. Capacity will be 150 undergraduate students.

- Currently: Recruiting individuals to sit on the panel. The panel will consist of 5 people selected from the student body, campus, and community.
  - Ellen Ritz of NAMI Queens/Nassau has expressed interest in sitting on the panel.
- Two Hofstra clinicians will be present and on call at the event.
- The committee will assist in recruiting students to sit on the panel and promote the event.

***Research***

- Senators Kristin Ortiz and Michael Hotaling created a list of all off campus locations that offer COVID testing. Graphics will be made in the near future and will include the

address of the test sites, fee per test, contact information, time period for test results, and how to make an appointment.

- Senator Gigi Walker and Chair Aaron Liebowitz have done research on reusable chair coverings for public areas. Other universities offer these coverings to students as a form of PPE and are most commonly used in dining halls.
  - Research regarding pricing and accessibility of these coverings is currently being conducted. We are hopeful Hofstra will implement the coverings.

### ***It's On Us Ambassador***

This position is now overseen by both the Wellness & Campus Safety Committee and Equity & Inclusion Committee. Senator Katie Funk has been selected as this year's It's On Us Ambassador!

### ***Financial Wellness***

The Wellness & Campus Safety Committee will also focus on financial wellness. As our first initiative, we are looking into abolishing the \$25 fee for replacement student IDs. We intend on contacting Micahel Martin, Director of Card Services, to gather data regarding the semesterly and annual income from these fees.

Respectfully submitted,

David O'Brien

Wellness & Campus Safety Chair



## **Agenda of the 85th Senate**

**Hofstra University Student Government Association**  
**October 1st 2020**  
**Zoom University**

Call to order

Meeting Called to order at 6:37 PM

**A. Quorum Call**

- a. Quorum Set at 30

**B. Special Business**

**a. Senate Dialogue: Health and Wellness**

- i. Transparency do you know how they get randomly tested
  - 1. They will go by where you live on campus and other items but I will get more info and get back to you
  - 2. Wellness center updates
  - 3. Questions about masks on campus and the HHA Hofstra Health Ambassadors
  - 4. What are the details and information of the HHA
  - 5. Can we remind or have professors remind students to clean their desks after class before they leave
  - 6. Wellness Wednesday updates can you add to the
  - 7. The daily health emails and how students are not doing them
  - 8. Students concerns with headaches and nosebleeds happening when Covid-19 tests are administered specifically by certain staff
  - 9. Library rooms are very booked up can we put sanitizing wipes in the library rooms
  - 10. More monitoring of the library rooms
  - 11. If there are classes back to back can we leave time for a saniting in the rooms?

**C. New Business**

- a. S.A.2020.85.007

- i. The deputy would serve in the case the Club Resources chair can not perform any tasks by getting pulled into anything. The second part is the case incase of J-Panel chair can't work because there was a conflict of interest.
  1. Questions
  2. Senator Hotaling
    - a. Would we need to have another election for a chair when you graduate the pro tempore would serve as chair during the transition when I am not here because Chair Khandelwal is graduating
  3. Senator Behm
    - a. Can we have an election before you leave no we can not
  4. Chair Colon
    - a. Since there is going to be an election to replace you as Club Resources Chair is there really a need for a Club Resources Deputy?
  5. Senator DeBiso
    - a. What would the role entail or is there anything different that they would do
      - i. Yes they could do things the committee would not do
  6. Senator Behm
    - a. Would this be appointed
      1. It would be appointed
- b. Senator Hoatling moves to pass S.A. 7
  - i. Motion Seconded
  - ii. Motion Objected
    1. Debate
      - a. Chair Khandelwal
        - i. This should be passed because incase i have to step out of the room or if there is an investigation and I believe this should pass because I can not bring in the Chief Justice I do not want there to have to many conflict of interests
      - b. Chair Conolly-Sisk
        - i. Creating a position this could cause a poorly dedicated situation and this could be unfair of a situation or unfairness
      - c. Senator Congdon

- i. A first line of succession i think this is the path of least succession
- d. Senator DeBiso
  - i. I don't think this is important because we previously didn't have the position and have managed fine without it in cases that a previous speaker said it's necessary
- e. Chair Khandelwal Moves for a 5 minute moderated caucus
  - i. Motion Seconded
  - ii. Motion Passed
    - 1. I am fine with holding the CR part but i want the deputy for J-Panel pass and i can edit and make changes
  - iii. Senator Behm
    - 1. asks for edits to be made
- f. Senator Harley
  - i. I am worried about that aspect because of favoritism
- g. Senator Doherty
  - i. I feel that this could cause an area of clickiness you can't ignore the necessity maybe a way to propose to elect a deputy
- h. Chair Connolly-Sisk
  - i. I believe that there is a necessity but i have an issue giving them the title of this if there is a specific reason for this
- i. Chair Colon
  - i. It doesn't need to be a deputy or a name when in the past if it happened per case scenario i think picking someone fo the job is good not a title
- j. Senator Congdon
  - i. I think having a temporary chair when needed is better
- k. Chair Paturzo
  - i. I have a deputy and i like having the ability to count on them or the ability for them to help when needed
  - ii. Chair Khandelwal Moves to hold a straw poll on whether SA 7 should be amended
    - 1. Motion Seconded
    - 2. Motion Passed
- l. Chair Khandelwal moves to amend S.A.2020.85.007

- i. Motion Seconded
    - ii. Motion Passed
  - c. Chair Khandelwal moves to pass S.A.2020.85.007
    - i. Comptroller Cote: Yay
    - ii. Appropriations Chair Liebowitz: Yay
    - iii. Club Resources Chair Khandelwal: Yay
    - iv. Communications Chair Colon: Yay
    - v. Programming Chair Paturzo: Yay
    - vi. Academic Affairs Chair Connolly-Sisk: Abstain
    - vii. Equity & Inclusion Chair Mobley: Yay
    - viii. Facilities & Operations Chair Aquino: Yay
    - ix. Wellness & Campus Safety Chair O'Brien: Yay
    - x. Senator Behm: Abstain
    - xi. Senator Cheng: Abstain
    - xii. Senator Congdon: Yay
    - xiii. Senator DeBiso: Yay
    - xiv. Senator DeCrescenzo: Yay
    - xv. Senator Doherty: Yay
    - xvi. Senator Fletcher: Yay
    - xvii. Senator Germaine: Yay
    - xviii. Senator Harley: Yay
    - xix. Senator Hoatling: Yay
    - xx. Senator Imran: Yay
    - xxi. Senator Kaludis: Yay
    - xxii. Senator Kang: Yay
    - xxiii. Senator Ortiz: Yay
    - xxiv. Senator Patane: Yay
    - xxv. Senator Potula: Yay
    - xxvi. Senator Safian: Yay
    - xxvii. Senator Schanck: Yay
    - xxviii. Senator Shareef: Yay
    - xxix. Senator Singh: Yay
    - 1. By A vote of 26-0-3
      - a. S.A.2020.85.007 Passes

#### **D. Approval of the Minutes**

- a. Approval of Senate Minutes from 10/1
  - i. Chair Connolly-Sisk Moves to pass the Senate minutes
    - 1. Motion Seconded
    - 2. Motion Passed
- b. Approval of Cabinet Minutes from
  - i. Senator Germaine moves to pass the cabinet minutes 10/7

1. Motion Seconded
2. Motion Passed

#### **E. E-Board Reports**

- a. President - T. Stark
  - i. Response to new Letter from the president
  - ii. Met with Vice President of Student Affairs Houston Dougherty, Dean of Students Gaby St. Leger and Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Jean Peden-Christodolou
    1. Talked about what changes could happen with the new president and talked about the Hofstra Votes Campaign
  - iii. Leaders for Leaders update
- b. Vice President - A. Osner
  - i. Report given Jointly with President Stark
- c. Comptroller - N. Cote
  - i. Still Pretty Quiet but monitoring Student funding/spending.
- d. Secretary - C. Greenberg
  - i. Please review senate minutes from today
  - ii. Been very busy this week so has no new information
  - iii. Ethics Update: Lateness Chairs please let me know also and if you leave during senate randomly it will be a half absence

#### **F. Committee Chair Reports**

- a. Appropriations - A. Liebowitz
  - i. We are here for weekly allocations
  - ii. Treasurer training
- b. Club Resources - G. Khandelwal
  - i. All committee members will be assigned a club category to maintain contact with.
- c. Communications - A. Colon
  - i. Advocacy Committees are next week for Get to Know SGA
  - ii. We want to promote other clubs on our pages
- d. Programming - A. Paturzo
  - i. If you came out to the Movie night Thank you
  - ii. The Scavenger hunt game we want you now because our limits have been changed It is happening during Budget Weekend the Day is October 30th Time TBD
- e. Academic Affairs - K. Connolly-Sisk
  - i. The committee will be going on tour meeting with the deans of each school and seeing how they are each combating the challenges of COVID-19.
  - ii. Next week is our regular meeting with the Provost. Please reach out if you have anything that you would like addressed.
- f. Equity & Inclusion - M. Mobley
  - i. We have confirmed the date for HOLA it will be October 28th Time TBD

- ii. We are trying to envision a better town hall and to keep this more organized by having a speakers list at the end We want people to speak in the moment and send them an invitation to attend
- g. Facilities & Operations - B. Aquino
  - i. Update with the BLAC and got an answer from Joe Barkwill they are making progress with this but nothing is set and stone yet
- h. Wellness & Campus Safety - D. O'Brien
  - i. Trying to eliminate ID card replacement fee
  - ii. Art with impact is continuing
- i. Senator Potula 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 Doherty moves to adjourn the meeting
  - i. Motion Seconded
  - ii. Motion Passed
    - 1. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

# Cabinet Agenda

Zoom Room

October 14th, 2020

- A. Call to Order
  - a. Meeting called to order at 8:04 PM
- B. Peak and Pit
- C. Sam and Zaibis
  - a. Talked about and presented a way to work and submit your paperwork
- D. Discussion on SGA relationship with campus partners
  - a. There was a lack of communication with some departments
  - b. The feedback the admins have been giving SGA
  - c. The SGA plan of action
- E. SGA response to antisemitism on campus
  - a. Talked about the structure and how SGA wants to respond to this worked on making a document
- F. Pres/ VP Updates
  - a. Mid Semester Reports are tomorrow
  - b. USenate Meeting recap
    - i. Talked about the new calendar
  - c. Board of Trustees Meeting is next week
  - d. Working on planning Virtual SAW
- G. Comptroller Updates
  - a. Things have still been quiet
- H. Secretary | Chief of Staff Updates
  - a. Mid Semester Reports please send them
- I. Chair Check-Ins
  - a. Appropriations
    - i. Removed Budget weekend and all information regarding that for the semester
  - b. Academic Affairs
    - i. Met with Vice Provost Blue
  - c. Club Resources
    - i. Will be seeing a club for recognition for tomorrow
    - ii. Update of other clubs
  - d. Communications
    - i. Send info for clubs about using SGA Social Media
  - e. Equity and Inclusion
    - i. Working on Town Hall
  - f. Facilities and Operations
    - i. Update regarding the Library
    - ii. Traction of the sustainability initiative
  - g. Programming
    - i. The contract is in progress it is October 30th for the scavenger hunt

1. PLEASE COME
  - ii. Interest in hosting a Family Month event for a trivia event
- h. Wellness and Campus Safety
  - i. Giving out Phone, credit sanitizers gear
  - ii. It's On Us still working on
- J. For Good of the Order
- K. Adjournment
  - a. Moves to adjourn the meeting
    - i. Motion Seconded
    - ii. Motion Passed
      1. Meeting adjourned at 9:51

Appropriations Committee Minutes  
Fall 2020 Weekly Meeting 7  
10/12/20

**Meeting Commenced      6:33 PM**

**Attendance**

**Attended:**

*Chair A. Liebowitz  
Senator A. Rudder  
Senator M. Safian  
Senator M. DeBiso  
Senator M. Behm*

*Comptroller N. Cote  
Senator M. Hotaling  
Senator J. Kang  
Senator B. Welch  
Associate A. Sierra*

**Absent:**

I. Committee Logistics

A. Spring 2021 Budget Important Information

B. Notification of the Cancellation of Budget Weekend, Budget Appeals, and Budget Review Sessions.

***Week 4***

***Allocations:***

<b><i>Club Name:</i></b>	<b><i>Item:</i></b>	<b><i>Requested:</i></b>	<b><i>Allocated</i></b>	<b><i>Percentage Allocated</i></b>
<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00	00.00%
	<b><i>Total</i></b>	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00	00.00%
		<b><i>Total Requested</i></b>	<b><i>Total Allocated</i></b>	<b><i>Total Percentage</i></b>
		\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00	00.00%

**Meeting Adjourned      6:47 PM**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Chair Aaron Liebowitz

# Club Resources Committee Minutes

Fall 2020 Meeting #8

10/12/2020

## Meeting Commenced 6:33 PM

### Attendance

#### Attended

Associate Kaur

Associate Perez

Senator Funk

Senator Germaine

Senator Imran

Senator Ortiz

Chair Connolly-Sisk

Chair Khandelwal

#### Absent

Senator Fletcher

## Introduction/Low-Highs

### I. Chair Connolly-Sisk invents several words

### II. Club Recognition: ASCE

A. By a vote of 5-0-1, ASCE shall move onto Senate.

### III. Club Derecognition

A. Club Baseball

B. Roller Hockey

C. Women's Club Lacrosse

D. Give KindnessHU

E. African Students Association

F. String Teachers Association

G. Masquerade

H. National Association for Music Education

I. PA Club

### IV. Frozen Budgets

A. Circle K

B. HEAT Network

C. NAACP

D. Pride Productions

**V. Club Category Assignments**

A. Ettiman

B. Bryan

C. Katie

D. Will

E. Javeria

F. Kristin

G. Khiya

**VI. Brief Respite: Would you rather live on the Moon or in the Ocean?**

**VII. Executive Session**

**Meeting Adjourned**

**7:30 PM**

Respectfully Submitted,

Gopal Khandelwal

Club Resources Chairman

# Communications Committee Minutes

Fall 2020 Weekly Meeting 7

10/13/2020

**Meeting Commenced 6:35pm**

**Attended:**

*Chair Bernice Aquino*  
*Associate Olivia Bevinetto*  
*Senator Daniel DeCrescenzo*  
*Senator Thomas Doherty*  
*Senator George Kaludis*  
*Chair David O'Brien*  
*Senator Andrew Patane*  
*Senator Afsah Shareef*  
*Chair Antonella Colon*

**Absent:**

1. High/Low
2. Weekly Graphics
  - a. Senate Recap- Olivia
  - b. Leaders for Leaders Recap- Andrew
  - c. Wellness Wednesdays- topic is flu shots
3. Get to Know SGA
  - a. Advocacy Committees
4. Committee email to Clubs
5. Fall Graphics
  - a. Afsah
    - i. This/That
    - ii. Fall Drinks Emoji Challenge
  - b. Olivia
    - i. Halloween This or That
    - ii. Halloween Favorites

**Meeting Adjourned 7:30pm**

Respectfully Submitted,

Antonella Colon

Communications Chairwoman

# Programming Committee Minutes

Weekly Meeting #7

10/13/20

**Meeting Commenced 6:30 PM**

## **Attendance**

### **Attended**

**Senator Susan Cheng  
Senator Calob Congdon  
Senator Kathryn Harley  
Senator Rachel Potula  
Senator Faith Schnack  
Senator Julie Singh  
Senator Gigi Walker  
Associate Amanda Doherty  
Associate Gabrielle Schroeder  
Chair Alexa Paturzo**

### **Absent**

**Chair Maria Mobley**

1. Check-ins
2. Programming Ideas
  - a. [Scav Hunt](#)
    - i. The date has been set: **Friday, October 30th**
      1. Mark this off on your calendars, as attendance will be mandatory
      2. The contract is in process, it is happening!!
      3. Platform set up
    - ii. Ideas for Halloween Theme
      1. Black cats (motif)
      2. Dressing up for us and students
      3. Music
      4. Pumpkins
      5. Spiderwebs

6. Streamers

iii. Begin brainstorming ideas for checkpoints/riddles

1. Hofcats: find a black cat \*\* Bonus?
2. Hofstra Hall- ghost story; Kate and William Hofstra lived here -- Mr. Hofstra died in the house May 11, 1932 after missing the tickets to titanic; Calkins died in 1942 in Hofstra hall
3. Narnia- named after a famous fairytale-- all pine trees
4. Koi pond- sensory garden
5. Labyrinth by C V Starr- stand in the middle can't hear your voice
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; called WALTER holding a clipboard, Barnard is where the plane crashed
8. Lions outside of the playhouse (hats?) - a good photo op- hear me roar-- theater -- shakespeare??
9. Windmill by admissions- netherlands outside of the netherlands; you may not have been there but everyone went through it
10. Bird sanctuary- behind u club where you find solace in nature-- email
11. Calkins Hall -- used to be the gym
12. Socrates on the quad by Bits-- touch his head for good luck on exams

iv. Brainstorming for prizes and giveaways-

1. Candy and halloween goodie bags have been ordered

2. Colin has left overs from Welcome Week
3. Phone sanitizer

b. Family Month

- i. Collaboration with Parent and Family Programs, in lieu of Family Weekend
- ii. Programming will host “Spooky Season” Trivia on Friday, October 23rd at 6/7pm via Zoom for families
  1. Waiting for GA to get back to me about the time
  2. Faith and I will probably host, as not to overwhelm families
- iii. Creation of questions for game

c. Stressbusters

- i. GA reached out to see if SGA wanted to host a virtual program or two over zoom from December 2nd- 6th
- ii. Ideas?
  1. Trivia
  2. Holiday Movie Night from HBO, Disney Plus
  3. Game Night
- iii. Build-A-Friend will be a separate event\*\*

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. Housekeeping

- a. Sign up for [elections](#) 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. [Absences](#)

- c. Instagram- Get to Know SGA (in lieu of office hours)
  - i. Gigi \*next week\*
  - ii. Send your video in by Wednesday night, programming goes Thursday!
- d. Questions?

**Meeting Adjourned 7:10 PM**

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexa Paturzo  
Programming Chair

Fall 2020 Meeting #6  
10/15/2020

**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. What is your least favorite Starbucks drink?

**B. Updates**

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

**C. The Weekly Norm**

- a. [Sign up](#) for elections!
- b. Pick up your t-shirt if you haven't

**D. Representative for "Advocating for Yourself"**

**E. Student Appreciation Week**

- a. Issues with Zoom
- b. Comfort level with browser recording software

**F. Adjournment**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm est**

Respectfully Submitted,

Khiya Connolly-Sisk  
Academic Affairs Chair

Equity and Inclusion Committee Minutes

Weekly Meeting #6  
10/15/20

**Meeting Commenced**                      6:03 PM

**Attended**

**Attendance**  
**Senator Susan Cheng**  
**Senator Will Germaine**  
**Senator Kathryn Harley**  
**Senator Anja Rudder**  
**Senator Maheen Safian**  
**Chair Antonella Colon**  
**Chair Gopal Khandelwal**  
**Chair Maria Mobley**

**Visitor**

**Absent**

**Senator Thomas Doherty (Unexcused)**  
**Associate Bryan Perez (Unexcused)**

1. Introductions: How was your day?
2. Chair Updates
  - a. Hillel Email
    - i. Brainstorming
    - ii. Drafting Email

**Meeting Adjourned**                      6:31 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Maria Mobley  
Equity and Inclusion Chair

F20 Weekly Meeting #7  
10/8/20

**Meeting Commenced**

**Attendance**

**Attended**

Chair Bernice Aquino  
Senator Maxie DeBiso  
Senator Wiley Fletcher  
Senator Rachel Potula  
Senator Dan DeCrescenzo  
Senator Julie Singh  
Associate Abia Farzandali  
Senator Katherine Funk

**Absent**

Senator Benjamin Welch

- I. Highs and lows
- II. **MD** - Work order initiative updates
  - A. Advocating for Yourself - details
- III. BLAC & Black student lounge updates
  - A. Followed up with BLAC to see if there were any updates regarding the lounge space. They said they haven't received any new updates, and they asked if we could keep bringing their initiative up to admin.
- IV. Library updates
  - A. Followed up with Joe Barkwill to see if the library renovations are moving forward. Funding was received, renovations are moving forward as planned!
- V. Circle back to last week's conversation about streamlining COVID concerns
  - A. Want to wait until virtual SAW is confirmed so that we can gather data from students. If there is no virtual SAW, we can push our own survey as a committee. We will return back to this at a later date!
- VI. **BW** - Sustainability updates (given by Bernice)
  - A. Resending the carbon net neutrality resolution to Joe Barkwill, Plant, and Compass.

- B. Next steps: 1) Draft a proposal with specifics about being a carbon net neutral school, 2) Draft proposal(s) geared towards specific departments and how they can be more sustainable.
- C. Next week's committee meeting will be a brainstorming session for feasible ways that Hofstra can be more sustainable.

**Committee Adjourned 6:30pm**

Respectfully Submitted,

Bernice Aquino  
Facilities & Operations Chair

# Wellness & Campus Safety Committee Minutes

Weekly Meeting #7

10/15/20

**Meeting Commenced 6:00 PM**

## **Attendance**

### **Attended**

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

### **Visitor**

### **Absent**

**Senator Walker (unexcused)**

#### **1. Ice Breaker**

- a. **Good job, Jasmeet, with the Get to Know SGA video!**

#### **2. Compass Outreach**

- a. Email Compass regarding pencils at Dutch moving forward.

#### **3. Art With Impact**

- a. We need two students to sit on the panel. You do not have to but please spread the word.

#### **4. Wellness Wednesdays**

- a. Aaron will create content for 10/21/20. Use the spreadsheet!

#### **5. Programming Event**

- a. Giving away phone sanitizers, credit card sanitizers, and hand sanitizer

#### **6. Financial Wellness**

- a. We need to contact Michael Martin, Director of Card Services for data.

#### **7. SAW Survey Questions**

- a. Two questions
- b. How could Hofstra improve COVID prevention? Or Hofstra is doing a good job at combating COVID followed by strongly agree, agree, etc
- c. Are you aware of the mental health services offered by the Wellness Center?
- d. Do you feel protected by Public Safety on campus?
- e. Add a possible financial wellness question (Are you able to keep yourself fed on campus?)

#### **8. Advocating for Yourself**

- a. Need a member to sit on the committee

i. Kristin Ortiz

**9. Reminders**

- a. Make sure to check Hofstra Safe Start for daily updates**
- b. Sign up for elections, every senator is now required to moderate one!**
- c. We have two new advisors. Sam Kloeckener-Soszynski and Zaibis Munoz. You can reach them at [samantha.kloeckener@hofstra.edu](mailto:samantha.kloeckener@hofstra.edu) and [zaibis.munoz@hofstra.edu](mailto:zaibis.munoz@hofstra.edu).

**10. Questions/Concerns**

**Meeting Adjourned 6:30 pm**

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