

Student Affairs Committee  
10-08-2021

Attended:  
Chair Lila Campbell  
Elfreda Blue  
Michelle Van-Ess-Grant  
W. Houston Dougharty  
Jessica Dass  
Aleyanna Boothe  
Tardy:  
Absent:

Meeting Commenced at 3:00 pm est

*Ice Breaker:*

- Name, pronouns, hometown, major and year/how many years you've been at Hofstra
  - Michelle, she/her, Queens, NY, 4th week at Hofstra
  - Jess, she/her, Valley stream, NY, Psych, Sophomore
  - Aleyana, she/her, Stewartsville, NJ, Urban ecology, Sophomore
  - Elfreda, she/her, Albany, Georgia, English literature, 14 years at Hofstra
  - Houston, he/him, Sante Fe, NM, literature and student affairs administration, 8 years at Hofstra

*General Notes:*

Houston:

- It is very important that we have our university senate because it puts students at the same level as faculty and we have a huge impact
- The most recent thing we did was the smoke and tobacco free campus policy
  - Elfreda and Houston both were here within this

Big Focus last year was on

- Rewriting the Bylaws of our committee
  - The old bylaws said that we would be an advisor to Michelle
  - We changed this to become a group that would hold a lot of power within our Usenate

We use these meeting and invite people to come to the table

- Faculty
- Students

Graduate student representative

- See if there would be someone that would be willing to join this table

*Business:*

- Pre Existing ideas/initiatives
  - Bylaws rewriting
    - Within the fall mostly

- Night Shuttle Bus
  - New Director of Psafe (Gerri Hart); Geraldine.Hart@hofstra.edu
    - Community relations for Psafe
    - Employing students
- Disability Awareness activities
  - Movies
  - Stigma busting
  - What happens at SAS?
  - Universal design in the classroom
- Race and Equality Council
  - 16 members there
  - Unsure of what is going on with them
    - We should see if they have any ties with any governing body
    - Could we get them connected to Cornell Craig?
- New initiatives
  - 18th credit for free?
    - Undergraduate Academic affairs committee
      - Kevin Boston-Hall
    - We could offer the proposal and bring it to the SEC
    - Talk to Kathleen Wallace (Planning and Budget)
    - Look at comparable schools
      - We could be at an admission disadvantage
  - Disability Initiatives (work with what we have)
    - Universal design
    - Julie Indar
    - Craig Rustici!
      - Reach out to him
      - He is doing a lot of research about our history of Disability on campus
    - Symposium disability
      - Reach out to DREAM
      - Watch and Discuss
  - Shuttle Initiative
    - Reach out to Mercedes
  - Mask Mandate
    - Not enforced enough; not watched over enough by faculty and within buildings
    - Reach out to faculty, Dean and Provost
  - EthicsPoint
    - Can use for any type of concern
    - Is anonymous
    - Faculty must include certain things within their syllabus
      - Could we make headway with this as an addition
      - Bring it up in the SEC

- Cronell Craig can be a great resource
- EthicsPoint is sent to certain people based on it

*Questions, comments, concerns?:*

Adornment:

- Senator Boothe moves to adjourn meeting
- Senator Dass seconds

Meeting adjourned at 3:53 pm est

Respectfully submitted,  
Lila Campbell  
Student Affairs Chair

**Student Affairs Committee  
10-20-2021**

Attended:  
Chair Lila Campbell  
Jessica Dass  
Aleyanna Boothe  
Mercedes Jasterzenski  
Tardy:  
Absent:

Meeting Commenced at 10:00 am est

*Ice Breaker:*

- Name, pronouns, hometown, major and what song have you been listening to on repeat this week?
  - Juline: "Last One standing" (In Shang-chi)
  - Aleyanna: ""
  - Mercedes ""

*General Notes:*

Last Meeting: Big Focus last year was on

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  - We changed this to become a group that would hold a lot of power within our Usenate

*Business:*

- Pre Existing ideas/initiatives
  - Shuttle Bus initiative; Geraldine.Hart@hofstra.edu
    - Noticed that you can call to get the shuttle bus but there is an app that is offered to track the shuttle bus
    - The safety needs to be improved as there is a specific route that they need to stay on that would keep it safer, access to an app that tracks where they are
    - We do not want students to be sitting/standing on the corner of some random street at night
      - PSAFE will say no to anything and everything you say
        - "No" ID strong policy
        - "No" overcrowding
        - "No" off route
      - Steve is not having the best time
    - We have the resources to do this

- PSAFE is not really always the best to work with because they keep everything under wraps and without notifying the general population
- New initiatives
  - Race and Equality Council (check in to see if they are still even working on anything)
    - Work with them on programs
    - Reach out to them
    - Racial equity training? Help them with their initiative
      - Money thing and the drive has left from their
    - Website
      - Not fully created, still in the works
  - Universal design
    - Work with DREAM?
  - 18th credit for free

*Questions, comments, concerns?:*

Adornment:

- Senator Jasterzenski to adjourn
- Second

Meeting adjourned at 10:27 am est

Respectfully submitted,  
Lila Campbell  
Student Affairs Chair

**Student Affairs Committee  
11-5-2021**

Attended:  
Chair Lila Campbell  
Senator Boothe  
Senator Chowdhury  
Senator Wilson-Carter  
Michelle  
Tardy:  
Absent:

Meeting Commenced at 3:00 pm est

*Ice Breaker:*

- If you could be any animal, what would it be and why?

*General Notes:*

*Business:*

- **Shuttle Bus**
  - One of the main focus points because it has been started beforehand
  - Steve Fabiani
    - Email him for a meeting
- Race and Equality Council
  - Looking at anti bias training
    - Looking at our role (Roco met with a lot of upper level administration)
    - Iman is now the contact person for the Council
- Universal design
  - All of our energy will be needed for this initiative
  - It would take a few years
    - Thinking policy drafting?
- **18th credit for free**
  - Providing stats for this
  - Small search showed off that perhaps only 6% of the population use the 18th credit
    - Follow up with Jean

*Questions, comments, concerns?:*

*Adornment:*

- Senator moves to adjourn
- Second

Meeting adjourned at 3:27 pm est

Respectfully submitted,  
Lila Campbell  
Student Affairs Chair

**Student Affairs Committee  
11-17-2021**

Attended:

Chair Lila Campbell

Senator Juline Chowdhury

Senator Jessica Dass

DOS Michelle Van-Ess-Grant

VP Provost Elderda Blue

Tardy:

Absent:

Meeting Commenced at 9:00 am est

*Ice Breaker:*

- What is your favorite item you've bought/been gifted this year?
  - Tellfar Bags
  - Owl plushie (Hedwig from Harry Potter)
  - Air fryer for cooking snacks
  - Tickets to the Van Gogh exhibition

*General Notes:*

*Business:*

- **Shuttle Bus**
  - *One of the main focus points because it has been started beforehand*
  - *Steve Fabiani*
    - *Email him for a meeting*
  - *Setting up meeting between Mercedes,*
- **Race and Equality Council**
  - *Looking at anti bias training*
    - *Looking at our role (Roco met with a lot of upper level administration)*
    - *Iman is now the contact person for the Council*
  - *Juline is reaching out to Iman to see what's up and let her know to reach out to me*
- **Universal design**
  - *All of our energy will be needed for this initiative*
  - *It would take a few years*
    - *Thinking policy drafting?*
  - *Benchmark against other institutions that are similar to ours because this will help us get there faster; modeling what they are doing*
  - *Look for a master list of schools that are comparable to us*

- Think about how we can divide the work
- Elferda will be looking for this list for us
- Looking for places that are accessible as well
  - We have good ADA accessible but there could be some things
    - “You have to know the secrets”
- Work with SAS and Julie Yindra
  - How do we ensure that we can partner with those who have done things/have started things?
  - We have to understand the scope of disabilities and their needs
- Signage and better way of letting people know where things are on campus
- If you don't live in that space or community, you might take it for granted
  - Who is advocating on my behalf?
    - There is fear within asking
- Work with DREAM?
- End goal: Drafting a proposal and getting it out there
- **18th credit for free**
  - *Providing stats for this*
  - *Small search showed off that perhaps only 6% of the population use the 18th credit*
    - *Follow up with Jean*
  - 12-17 credits is a set rate, full time tuition; this year's full time tuition rate is \$51,360 per year, or \$25,680 per semester. Anything further is charged per credit, and this year's per credit rate is \$1,687.
  - Start off with a survey
    - What about Dual-degree programs?
      - It should not be an 18th semester
  - What is the history of the 17th credit?
    - What are we modeling?
    - People could choose between the two, and then on top of that look to summer and then internships
      - Go to Finance Aid

*Questions, comments, concerns?:*

Adornment:

- Senator Chowdhury moves to adjourn
- Second

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 am est

Respectfully submitted,  
Lila Campbell  
Student Affairs Chair

**Student Affairs Committee**  
**12-3-2021**

Attended:  
Chair Lila Campbell  
Tardy:  
Absent:

Meeting Commenced at 3:00 pm est

*Ice Breaker:*

- What is your favorite food at thanksgiving?

*General Notes:*

*Business:*

- **Shuttle Bus**
  - Updates:
    - Setting up meeting between Mercedes and Psafe and myself for the spring
- **Race and Equality Council**
  - Updates:
    - Iman will be reviving the committee for the Spring
- **Universal design**
  - Updates:
    - Met with Julie Yindra;  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z2uc7F4ILTvG055-ccPSgsnHZVK5xo3hNc\\_fX8k6wjE/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z2uc7F4ILTvG055-ccPSgsnHZVK5xo3hNc_fX8k6wjE/edit)
    - Met with DREAM; [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z2uc7F4ILTvG055-ccPSgsnHZVK5xo3hNc\\_fX8k6wjE/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z2uc7F4ILTvG055-ccPSgsnHZVK5xo3hNc_fX8k6wjE/edit)
- **18th credit for free**
  - Updates:
    - Meeting with Jean next Friday at 11 am
    - Sending email to Kelsey Downing (recommend) F.advisor
      - 12-17 credits is a set rate, full time tuition; this year's full time tuition rate is \$51,360 per year, or \$25,680 per semester. Anything further is charged per credit, and this year's per credit rate is \$1,687.

*Questions, comments, concerns?:*

*Adornment:*

- Senator moves to adjourn
- Second

Meeting adjourned at pm est

Respectfully submitted,  
Lila Campbell Student Affairs Chair

Student Affairs Committee  
02-16-2022

Attended:  
Chair Lila Campbell  
Senator Juline Chowdhury  
Senator Aleyanna Boothe  
Senator Mercedes Jasterzenski  
Elfreda Blue  
Tardy:  
Absent:

Meeting Commenced at 1:00 pm est

*Ice Breaker:*

- What did you do over break that was fun?
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*General Notes:*

- Chair updates:
  - Working on getting a meeting set up between us and PSafe
    - Thank you all for voting on the doodle poll!

*Business:*

- Shuttle:
  - Any new ideas?
- Text Iman after this meeting

*Questions, comments, concerns?:*

*Adornment:*

- Senator Chowdhury moves to adjourn meeting
- Senator Boothe seconds

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm est

Respectfully submitted,  
Lila Campbell  
Student Affairs Chair

Student Affairs Committee  
03-04-2022

Attended:

Chair Lila Campbell

Senator Juline Chowdhury

Senator Mercedes Jasterzenski

Michelle Van-Ess-Grant

Aisha Wilson-Carter

Tardy:

Absent:

Meeting Commenced at 2:00 pm est

*Ice Breaker:*

- What is your favorite flavor of chips?
  - Pringles Barbecue
  - Buffalo and Ranch
  - Cheese doodles; Baked cheetos
  - Sour cream and onion
  - Oyster crackers!
  - Honey barbecue

*Business:*

- Shuttle: Meeting with PSAFE on March 7th 12-1pm, the information was sent out
  - [Questions for PSafe!](#)
  - Juline is sending some notes about the app
  - Everyone will come up with 2 questions each to discuss to put into a survey
    - Put this message in the groupme
    - [Survey Questions for Public Safety concerns](#)
  - Record the meeting!
  - Mercedes: Overcrowded night shuttle; Bring it up
  - Juline; We shouldn't be using the vans but now they are back
- Next steps after meeting:
  - Look at those who are opposed/agreed & Based on their power levels
- REC; It is starting up again, what would you like to proceed and do?
  - Talking with Rocco
  - Aisha will be going to the meeting today (3-4) at 4
    - She does workshops and has shared information with Rocco
    - We are at the point of how students could participate
      - Students could train other students

- We are welcome to their suggestions and since there is wide support for it
- We should allow them to be at the table and allow them to have a voice within this decisions however they can not participate/create the trainings
- We should be motivating the council to keep moving forward with their plans
- We need to tell them that they have the power to get things done!!
  - It is student's voices that get things pushed!
  - We have leverage and are able to get things happening

Transitions are big!

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*Questions, comments, concerns?:*

Adornment:

- Aisha Wilson- Carter moves to adjourn meeting
- Senator Jasterzenski seconds

Meeting adjourned at 2:36 pm est

Respectfully submitted,  
Lila Campbell  
Student Affairs Chair

Primary Meeting with PSAFE  
03-07-2022

Attended:

- Lila Campbell
- Mercedes Jasterzenski
- Michelle Van-Ess-Grant
  - Erika Schaub
  - Giovanni Ortiz
- Geraldine Hart

Topics of Discussion:

- Main concerns:
  1. Stricter ID reqs
  2. Overcrowding
  3. Gray vans vs White and Blue vans
  4. App

Questions from Gerri & Giovanni

- When is overcrowding the most prevalent?
  - On the weekends when people use the shuttle
  - We would like to track ID's for the night shuttle
    - Steve might know a lot of the people on the shuttle &
- Erika's update on the app
  - Going with a new GPS system
    - It will be able to track it better; It is through Verizon
  - The shuttle should be the route
    - The night shuttle is only going off route to go to the train station
    - The app is not live yet
    - We are hoping to enhance the experience of the app
- When the shuttle goes off route, are we promoting it or are we doing on demand service?
  - Can we develop the app to enhance this
  - There is a difference between the intention of the shuttle and how the shuttle is truly being run
    - Can we do one on route and one that is on demand service?
      - We have been considering this
      - We would have to figure this out with student affairs
        - We need to logistically focus on as we would need more drivers and such and another bus

- We will have to do a bit of a data dive to figure out ridership
  - We are able to do date, time, and the drivers “track”
  - Each driver when they complete their shift, they bring a paperback with a count on how many people there had gone on and off of the bus for the night
  - The bus have a capacity but is this met and kept safely
- When we have low ridership we stopped the use of the gray vans but now we have use for multiple shuttles again?
  - The biology department owns the gray shuttle

**Student Affairs Committee**  
**04-01-2022**

Attended:  
Chair Lila Campbell  
Senator Aleyanna Boothe  
Vice Provost Elfreda Blue  
Tardy:  
Absent:

Meeting Commenced at 2:00 pm est

*Ice Breaker:*

- How are you doing today?
  - Feeling good
  - Tired and have a paper to do but ready for the weekend

*Business:*

- Shuttle:
- We have some good primary notes/discussion. We will be having a secondary meeting this coming monday from 11 to 12, information will be sent out. If you can not make it, there will be minutes taken and I will record the meeting.
  - [Meeting with PSAFE 03-07](#)
  - We have 4 questions so far, how many do we want to do? (5 or 6)
    - [Survey Questions for Public Safety concerns](#)
  - Gray van vs Regular shuttle bus
  - 2 separate buses seem to be a great compromise
    - One on route and one on demand
  - We are excited for this to happen!
- REC: Follow up within the last 2 weeks!
  - What did their meeting go like?

*Questions, comments, concerns?:*

*Adornment:*

- Senator Boothe moves to adjourn meeting
- Elfreda Blue seconds

Meeting adjourned at pm est

Respectfully submitted,  
Lila Campbell  
Student Affairs Chair

**Student Affairs Committee  
04-20-2022**

Attended:  
Chair Lila Campbell  
Senator Jessica Dass  
Tardy:  
Absent:

Meeting Commenced at 1:00 pm est

*Ice Breaker:*

- How were your holidays if you celebrated them?
  - I celebrated Easter and I am doing Ramadan for the month

*Business:*

- Shuttle:
  - [Meeting with PSAFE 03-07](#)
    - [Survey Questions for Public Safety concerns](#)
  - We just received federal grant for electric busses from NY
    - Coming in the Fall
- REC:
  - Had one meeting so far & set up doodle for secondary meetings
- Elections:
  - April 29th is the due date for materials
  - Elections are : **9am May 2 to 5pm May 3**

*Questions, comments, concerns?:*

*Adornment:*

- Senator Dass moves to adjourn meeting
- There is a second

Meeting adjourned at 1:11 pm est

Respectfully submitted,  
Lila Campbell  
Student Affairs Chair