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**MINUTES OF THE PLENARY MEETING OF THE
UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
HELD
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11TH, 2022
AT THE JOHN JAY COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

I. ROLL CALL

Upon a roll call the attendance recorded was as follows:

2022-2023 Delegates & Alternates:

Delegates Present:

Jiang, Xiaole (Graduate Delegate, CUNY Graduate Center); Yin, Zhou (Graduate Alternate, CUNY Graduate Center); Handel, Caroline (Graduate Delegate, CUNY School of Journalism); Mitchell, Asantee (Graduate Delegate, CUNY School of Professional Studies); Ali, Zaire (Graduate Delegate, CUNY School of Public Health); Klimaytis, Greg (Graduate Alternate, CUNY School of Public Health); Caldwell, Tania (Graduate Delegate, CUNY School of Public Health); Wilson, Kevin (Graduate Alternate, CUNY School of Public Health); Flores, Daniel (Delegate, Baruch College); Jose Romero Urquijo, Maria (Delegate, Brooklyn College); Colon, Jonathan (Delegate, Brooklyn College); Grama, Aharon (First Alternate, Brooklyn College); McKessey, Kevin (Graduate Delegate, Brooklyn College); Mohiuddin, Abdullah (Delegate, City College of New York); Arias, Miguel (Delegate, City College of New York); Darwish, Rania (Delegate, Hunter College); Rodriguez, Fernando (Second Alternate, Hunter College); Echevarria, Tiffany (First Alternate, Lehman College); Dorsey, Joanna (Delegate, Medgar Evers College); Akent, Jannett (Second Alternate, New York City College of Technology); Mark, Jamal (Delegate, Queens College); Castor, Brandon (Delegate, Queens College); Headley, Riyahauna (Second Alternate, Queens College); Gregory, Petra (Delegate, College of Staten Island); Mercedes, Janyah (Delegate, College of Staten Island); Cisse, Zainab (First Alternate, College of Staten Island); Ramdeen, Justin (Delegate, York College); Hunte-Nelson, Carlene (Delegate, Borough of Manhattan Community College); Aung, Naing (First Alternate, Borough of Manhattan Community College); , Sadia (Second Alternate, Borough of Manhattan Community College); Moncayo, Sierra (Delegate, Bronx Community College); Clarke, Candise (Second Alternate, Bronx Community College); Boateng, Abigail (Delegate, Hostos Community College); Serighelili Castro, Tessalia (Delegate, Kingborough Community College); Tam , Nikki (Delegate, Kingborough Community College); Belykh, Shawn (First Alternate, Kingborough Community College); Lattif, Hanan (Second Alternate, Kingborough Community College); Jhin, Jongwook "Ryan" (Delegate, LaGuardia Community College); Chavira, Lucia (Second Alternate, LaGuardia Community College); Frampton Clerk, Aisha (Delegate, Queensborough Community College).

Delegates Absent:

Provost, Cory (Graduate Delegate, CUNY School of Law); Harte, Shanae (Graduate Alternate, CUNY School of Journalism); Sanchez, Carlos (Delegate, CUNY School of Public Health); Zia, Iraj (Delegate, Baruch College); Wan, Jennifer (First Alternate, Baruch College); Otisi, Chika (Second Alternate, Brooklyn College); Sattar, Asif (First Alternate, City College of New York); Tagaev, Daniil (Delegate, Hunter College); Gad, Laila (First Alternate, Hunter College); Ascencio, Sam (Delegate, John Jay College of Criminal Justice); Mighty, Kenya (Delegate, Lehman College); Thompson, Andre (Second Alternate,

Lehman College); Soto, John (Graduate Delegate, Lehman College); Soto, John (Graduate Delegate, Lehman College); Khan, Daniel (First Alternate, Queens College); Pena Oropeza, Enrique (Graduate Delegate, Queens College); Jimenez, Emily (Second Alternate, College of Staten Island); Lahens, Ryan (Delegate, York College); Petersen, Isabelle (First Alternate, York College); Tribhowan, Satrohan (Second Alternate, York College); Cruz, Candice (Delegate, Borough of Manhattan Community College); Cortes, Bryan (Delegate, Bronx Community College); Mensah, Jeithy Jason (First Alternate, Bronx Community College); Diallo, Thierno (Delegate, Guttman Community College); Moreno, Selina (Delegate, Guttman Community College); Malcolm, Ashanti (Delegate, Hostos Community College); Witter, Kacey (First Alternate, Hostos Community College); Carter, Brian (Second Alternate, Hostos Community College); Bahia, John (First Alternate, LaGuardia Community College); Penaloza, Nickole (Delegate, Queensborough Community College).

University Student Senate Staff:

Daniel Flores, Executive Director
Fernando Araujo, Project Coordinator

CUNY USS Election Review Committee (USSERC) Members:

Joseph Awadje, USSERC Chairperson and University Liaison to USS
Professor Hugo Fernandez, CUNY University Faculty Senate (UFS)
Ahmed Osman, CUNY Central Office of Student Affairs

With 30 voting members present quorum was established.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

AGENDA

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- III. VOTING ITEMS
 - A. USS BUDGET
 - B. SPECIAL ELECTIONS NOMINATION PROCEDURES (ITEM TO TAKE PLACE AFTER ELECTION PER AMENDMENT)
- IV. ELECTIONS OF STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS
 - A. UNIVERISTY STUDENT SENATE ELECTION REVIEW COMMITTEE
 1. VICE CHAIR FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
 2. VICE CHAIR FOR DISABILITY AFFAIRS
 3. VICE CHAIR FOR EVENING AND PART-TIME AFFAIRS
 4. VICE CHAIR FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE AFFAIRS
- V. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT
- VI. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
- VII. OLD BUSINESS
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS
- IX. ADJOURNMENT

In the interest of time, Chairperson Doumbouya asked that the agenda be amended to have the election items first. Sen. Grama moved to approve the agenda as outlined above: the motion carried unanimously.

III. ELECTIONS OF STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

USSERC Chairperson Awadjie began with introductory remarks on the regulations and procedures of the elections process. Candidates who receive 29 or more votes will be elected to the position. Below are the results from the elections.

Nominations for Vice Chair for Evening and Part Time Affairs

Sen. Chapelle	Nominated	Sen. Boris of Baruch College
Sen. Serighelli	Nominated	Sen. Petra Gregory of the College of Staten Island

Nominations for Vice Chair for Community College Affairs

Sen. Jiang	Nominated	Sen. Nikki Tam of Kingsborough Community College
Sen. Moncayo	Nominated	Sen. Naing Aung of Borough of Manhattan Community College

A. ROUND 1

Election for Vice Chair for Disability Affairs:

Votes for Sen. Zairee Ali: 31 (Congratulations!)
Blank/void: 2

Election for International Student Affairs:

Votes for Sen. Frank Lachapelle: 33 (Congratulations!)

Election for Vice Chair for Community College Affairs:

Votes for Sen. Jongwook (Ryan) Jhin: 32 (Congratulations!)
Blank/void: 1

Election for Vice Chair for Graduate Student Affairs:

Votes for Sen. Zhou Yin: 21
Votes for Sen. Kevin Brown: 11
Blank/void: 1

Election for Vice Chair for Part-time student Affairs:

Votes for Sen. Boris Joshua: 18
Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 10
Blank/void: 5

B. ROUND 2

Election for Vice Chair for Graduate Student Affairs:

Votes for Sen. Zhou Yin: 31
Votes for Sen. Kevin Brown: 1
Blank/void: 1

Election for Vice Chair for Part-time student Affairs:

Votes for Sen. Boris Joshua: 24
Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 9
Blank/void: 0

C. ROUND 3

Election for Vice Chair for Part-time student Affairs:

Votes for Sen. Boris Joshua: 32

Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 1

Blank/void: 0

IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2022

Chairperson Doumbouya ask the body is there are any objections to approving the minutes as presented with appropriate amendments to names and attendance errors. Hearing no objections, the motion to approve the minutes passes.

V. USS BUDGET

After reviewing the budget as a whole, the plenary proceeds on the approval of the budget. VC Grama of Brooklyn College motions to consider voting on the USS Proposed Budget, VC Colon seconded. Motion goes directly into vote on approval of the USS Proposed Budget. Motion passes unanimously. The USS Proposed Budget is therefore adopted and enacted as the USS Budget FY 2022-2023.

VI. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Sen. Grama motions to adjourn the meeting, the motion received numerous seconds. Motion passes unanimously. The meeting is adjourned at 5:45 PM.