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**MINUTES OF THE PLENARY MEETING OF THE  
UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE OF THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK  
HELD  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022  
AT THE CUNY GRADUATE CENTER**

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The meeting is called to order at 12:30 PM.

**I. ROLL CALL**

Upon a roll call the attendance recorded is 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:**

Ethan Milich, Executive Director  
Fernando Araujo, Project Coordinator

With 35 voting members present, a quorum is established.

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**AGENDA**

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
- IV. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT
- V. USS STEERING COMMITTEE ELECTIONS
- VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Doumbouya asks the body if there are any objections to approving the agenda. Hearing no objections, the motion to approve the agenda.

**III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2022**

Chairperson Doumbouya asks the body if 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.

**IV. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT**

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Ju0WpHSXmzFFdv14F-6LkWVhCP0nn\\_q8/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Ju0WpHSXmzFFdv14F-6LkWVhCP0nn_q8/view?usp=share_link)

**V. STEERING NOMINATIONS**

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.

**A. ROUND 1**

**Election for Chair of USS:**

Votes for Sen. Salimatou Doumbouya: 32 (Congratulations!)  
Write in votes for Altaron Grama: 1  
Write in votes for Riyahauna Headley: 1

**Election for Vice Chair of Legislative Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Frank Lachapelle: 26  
Votes for Sen. Jamal Mark: 1  
Votes for Sen. Aryeh Kalb: 8

**Election for Vice Chair for Fiscal Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Johnathan Colon: 29 (Congratulations!)  
Write-in for Sen. Miguel Arias: 6

**Election for Vice Chair for Graduate Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Xiaole Jiang: 34 (Congratulations!)  
Blank/Void: 1

**Election for Vice Chair for Senior College Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Aharon Grama: 30 (Congratulations!)  
Write-in vote: Abstain  
Write-in vote: Protest  
Blank/void: 3

**Election for Vice Chair for Community College Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Nikki Tam: 21  
Votes for Sen. Naing Aung: 13  
Blank/void: 1

**Election for Vice Chair for Evening and Part Time Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Daniel Flores: 24  
Votes for Sen. Petra Flores: 11

**Election for Vice Chair for Disabilities Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Zairee Ali: 17  
Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 17  
Write-vote: Abstain

**Election for Vice Chair for International Student Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Zhou Yin: 19  
Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 16

**Election for Vice Chair for Technology Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Tessalia Serighelli: 34 (Congratulations!)  
Blank/void: 1

**B. ROUND 2**

**Election for Vice Chair of Legislative Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Frank Lachapelle: 25  
Votes for Sen. Aryeh Kalb: 9

**Election for Vice Chair for Community College Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Nikki Tam: 24

Votes for Sen. Naing Aung: 10

**Election for Vice Chair for Evening and Part Time Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Daniel Flores: 26

Votes for Sen. Petra Flores: 8

**Election for Vice Chair for Disabilities Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Zairee Ali: 18

Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 16

**Election for Vice Chair for International Student Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Zhou Yin: 19

Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 15

C. ROUND 3

**Election for Vice Chair of Legislative Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Frank Lachapelle: 27

Votes for Sen. Aryeh Kalb: 8

**Election for Vice Chair for Community College Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Nikki Tam: 31 (Congratulations!)

Blank/void: 4

**Election for Vice Chair for Disabilities Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Zairee Ali: 24

Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 11

**Election for Vice Chair for International Student Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Zhou Yin: 20

Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 15

D. ROUND 4

**Election for Vice Chair of Legislative Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Frank Lachapelle: 32 (Congratulations!)

**Election for Vice Chair for Disabilities Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Zairee Ali: 22

Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 9

Blank/void: 1

**Election for Vice Chair for International Student Affairs:**

Votes for Sen. Zhou Yin: 17

Votes for Sen. Lucia Chavira: 14

Blank/void: 1

**VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sen. Gregory announces that on October 6th, there will be a Walkout and Rally in Defense of Abortio Rights. Will take place at the Graduate Center at 5:00 PM.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

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

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