Hostos Association Meeting

Tuesday, October 5, 2021 | 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. | Zoom

Minutes

In attendance
- Kenneth Acquah
- Bouampoundi Thiombiano
- Emmanuel Velayos Larrabure
- Abdul Abubakar
- Natasha Yannacañedo
- Junior Carela
- Johanna Gómez
- Nicole Wallenbrock
- Jerry Rosa
- Sonya-Jo Hamilton

Guests
- Jason Libfeld
- Albert Lai
- Erik Smiles
- Ursula Sanders

Call to order
- Meeting called to order at 2:33 p.m. Quorum established.

Review of agenda
- No changes

Review of minutes
- Motion to approve minutes: Natasha Yannacañedo, Junior Carela
  - Vote: 9, 0, 0 – motion approved

Appointment of new student representatives
- SGA members Junior Carela, Abdul Abubakar, Raymond Flowers and Sonya-Jo Hamilton will join the Association
- Motion to appoint above-mentioned students as Association members: Jerry Rosa, Emmanuel Velayos Larrabure
  - Vote: 9, 0, 0 – motion approved

Association elections
- Jerry Rosa gives summary of available positions based on Association Bylaws
- Motion to appoint SVP Esther Rodríguez-Chardavoyne as Chair, Johanna Gómez as Vice Chair, Ken Acquah as Treasurer and Jerry Rosa as Secretary: Natasha Yannacañedo, Junior Carela
  - Vote: 9, 0, 0 – motion approved

Review of line balances
- Ken Acquah reads out all line balances
Review of Earmark spending plans

- Children’s Center – $17,866.12
  - Dean Gómez – currently in the process of posting opening for position; Director resigned
  - Spending plan will not be presented at this time

- Sports and Recreation – $49,315.29
  - In full swing right now
  - Women’s Volleyball started their season
  - Dean Gómez – spending plans do not get voted on; presented as a formality
  - Board members can still ask questions

- Leadership Development – $3,796
  - Thanksgiving Giveaway – will announce whether it will be virtual or in person
  - SGA and PTK already put funds in; hoping that Student Activities will collaborate
  - Dean Gómez – collaborate with One Stop Center
  - They might help you identify more families that you can help
  - President’s Office is also collaborating with an outside organization

- Health and Wellness - $4,671.89
  - Focusing a lot on vaccination items
  - Funds will be used for supplies and programming
  - Last semester’s budget just went to gift cards (programming)
  - Question: Do people actually like the glass bottles?
  - Glass bottles are the healthiest, no issues with prior giveaways

- Student Activities - $7,375
  - Will collaborate with Leadership Academy on Thanksgiving event
  - Kwanzaa – will recognize Pat Mabry for over 20 years of service

- SGA Stipends – $23,500
  - Currently have 6 members serving
  - Will be joined by other Senators (to fill vacant positions)
  - CUNY sets standard for maximum amount that members can receive

- SGA Programming - $24,657
  - Three different scholarships
  - Dean Gómez – SGA is currently recruiting; refer students to Mr. Rosa or Mr. Libfeld

Discussion about anticipated budget proposals

- Jerry Rosa explains anticipated proposals and budget cap model
• Motion to approve budget cap model in the amount of $63,750 (Clubs and Organizations): Junior Carela, Emmanuel Velayos Larrabure
• Vote: 9, 0, 0 – motion approved

Adjournment
• Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Minutes by Jerry Rosa, Hostos Association Secretary