

**Doctoral Students Council Minutes  
 December 11, 2009**

Members Present:

Anthropology: Christine Pinnock  
 Art History: Whitney Thompson  
 Biology: Karyn Collie  
 Chemistry: Tony Perri  
 Comparative Literature: Anick Boyd (Excused)  
 Computer Science: Suzanne Tamang  
 Criminal Justice: Nicole Hanson  
 Criminal Justice: Tarra Jackson  
 Earth and Environmental Science: Katie Gill  
 Educational Psych: Leigh McCallen  
 English: Lindsey Freer  
 Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian Lit:  
 Zaida Godoy-Navarro Hispanic and  
 Luso-Brazilian Lit: Astrid Roldan  
 Linguistics: Jeremy Rafal  
 Music DMA: Roz Woll

Music PhD: Naomi Perley  
 Political Science: Jeffrey Broxmeyer  
 Social Welfare: Tami Farber  
 Music PhD: Jordan Stokes  
 Philosophy: Kyle Ferguson  
 Political Science: Patricia Stapleton  
 Psych: Environmental: Gregory Donovan  
 Psych: I/O: Paul Agnello  
 Psych: Social Personality: Puleng Segalo  
 Public Health: Amber Ahmad-Baker  
 Sociology: Colin Ashley  
 Sociology: Christina Nadler  
 Theatre: Eero Laine  
 Urban Education: Shana Henry  
 Urban Education: Edwin Mayorga

Plenary

Steering Committee

Constitution and Bylaws

Media Board

Health Issues

Cultural Affairs

At-Large: Carolina Barrera-Tobón, Boris Daussá-Pastor, Stephanie Domenici, Anne Donlon, Maggie Galvan, Kim Libman, Linda Neiberg, Shawn Rice, Jason Schneiderman, Jeremy Seideman, Ji Hyon (Kayla) Yuh.

Absent:

Professional Development

Anthropology: Mariya Radeva (Excused)  
 Art History: Annie Dell'Aria (Excused)  
 Biochemistry: Richard Able (Excused)  
 Biology: Carlos Penalzoza (Excused)  
 Biology: Samantha Sheppard (Excused)  
 Classics: Jared Simard (Excused)  
 Economics: Andy Bossie (Excused)  
 Eng: Chem: Mehrdad Kheiripour (Excused)  
 English: Jill Belli (Excused)  
 English: Allyson Foster (Excused)  
 French: Lauren Donaldson (Excused)

History: Jennifer Jordan (Excused)  
 History: Anton Masterovoy (Excused)  
 Physical Therapy: Heather Griffith (Excused)  
 Psych: Cognition, Brain, Behavior: Steven Noel (Excused)  
 Psych: Learning Processes: Amanda Mentzer  
 Philosophy: Chris Sula (Excused)  
 Audiology: Rachel Marcus (Excused)  
 Comparative Literature: Krystyna Michael (Unexcused)  
 Computer Science: Mohamed Saad (Excused)  
 Engineering: Biomedical: Zeynep Dereli Korkut (Unexcused)  
 Psych: Developmental: Vicky Barrios (Unexcused)

At-Large: Sari Altschuler (Unexcused), Kate Broad, Edwin Demper (Excused), Ian Foster (Excused), Ashley Foster (Unexcused), Armin Lahiji (Excused), William Mangold (Unexcused), Benjamin Miller (Excused), Alison Powell (Excused), Maggie Robertson (Unexcused), Denise Torres (Excused).

Christine Pinnock (CP) Calls meeting to order at 6:42pm.

**I. Approval of Agenda**

Gregory Donovan (GD) motions to approve, Jeremy Seideman (JS) seconds motion, unanimous approval.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

GD motions to approve, Lindsey Freer (LF) seconds motion, unanimous approval of minutes.

**III. Approval of At-Large Members**

Shawn Rice (SR) introduces Jennifer Sloan (JS2) from Sociology and Edward Seidoff, who is not present. SR motions to ratify the membership of both. Tony Perri (TP) seconds the motion, unanimous approval.

**IV. New Business**

*A. Middle States*

GD motions to approve to send to president and Middle States committee. TP seconds, unanimous approval.

*B. Prison Studies Group*

Tony and Logan from the PSG present on the group's organization and projected involvement in the GC community. Suzanne Tamang (ST) motions to charter the organization. Kyle Ferguson (KF) seconds, unanimous approval.

*C. Bylaw 15*

ST motions to approve, Boris Daussà-Pastor (BDP) seconds, Bylaw 15 approved, 1 abstention (JS2)

*D. Bylaw 21*

ST motions to approve, Jordan Stokes (JS3) seconds motion, Bylaw 21 approved, 2 abstentions (GD and JS)

*E. Repeals 4, 9, 10, 16 & 18*

JS3 moves to table, JS seconds, all opposed, 2 abstentions.

GD motions to approve pending ratification by DSO, JS seconds, unanimous approval.

**V. Student Affairs Report**

Chartered Organizations that still need votes are discussed as is the Bikes and Building Initiative. Announcement to email ST or general DSC if interested in becoming more involved in the Bikes initiative. NYSHIP-Increase in fees 70cents/2 weeks for individuals and 45cents/2 weeks for families. Scott Voorhees, appointed interim NYSHIP coordinator. Student Health insurance survey on eballot.

**VI. Communication Report**

SR gives ballot information, Discussion about School of Professional Studies, tax preparation, writing center and T&R.

**VII. Business Report**

Chris Sula absent, SR reports. Turn in requests for programs by end of following week. Review of financial statement distributed.

**VIII. U.S.S. Report**

Allyson Foster announces newly elected member.

**IX. Committee Reports**

*Health Issues Committee*

Kimberley Libman (KL) announces H1N1 vaccines free in NYC upcoming weekend.

*Elections Review Committee*

SR introduces JS2 as UFS Liaison.

*Grants Committee*

BDP suggests Possible bylaw to combine grants (Professional Development and Cultural Affairs).

AF motions to adjourn, ST seconds motion, unanimous approval.

Meeting adjourns at 7:56pm.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Anick Boyd*