University Committee on Student Life Meeting Minutes
October 01, 2015

Michael Hengerer, Chair
Keagan Sakai-Kawada, Vice Chair

1. Welcome - Chair Hengerer requests a motion to begin, the motion is granted, seconded and the meeting begins.

2. Approval of Minutes - Chair Hengerer requests a motion to approve the minutes from May 7. The motion is granted, seconded and the minutes are approved unanimously.

3. Student Affairs Update - Marc Wais, Senior Vice President for Student Affairs presents the following updates:
   a. Smoothest move-in day and welcome week
   b. Transitional year ahead: new head of board of trustees steps in today. New president begins in January, and new provost will begin next year.
   c. Athletics made decision not to close Coles until the new facilities are up and running. Will be maintained so that after construction there will be four fitness centers (new Coles, 404 Lafayette, Palladium, and facilities at NYU Poly).
   d. Marc mentions NYC work on water mains around Washington Square Park (3-4 year project).
   e. 150 upperclass students living in hotel until beds open in housing.
   f. New one-stop-shopping (bursar, registrar, financial aid) in Brooklyn. As well as facilities for mental and physical health at NYU Poly.
   g. Spike in reports of sexual misconduct last year, and this year, which Marc interprets as students being educated on policy and feeling safe enough to come forward. All students must take the training or they will be unable to register for classes in the spring. (2 separate modules one for undergrads and one for grads/professional students). Marc mentions other resources available to students as well as an upcoming campus climate survey.

4. Cabinet Updates - Vice Chair Ettorre provides updates from the committees for the UCSL.
   a. Academic affairs - academic consistency here and thought the global network and accessibility of evaluations for all students.
   b. All u events - violet 100
   c. Alumni relations - reaching out to alumni at global and portal sites
   d. conference funding - funds trips for students, currently working on marking
   e. Elections commission - all university elections happen in the spring, currently working on the schedule that will be in place for every school.
   f. Global operations/policy - academic consistency and facilities
   g. Graduate affairs - looking to increase graduate council collaboration
   h. International student affairs - looking to make the square more internationalized
   i. Organization and governance - looking to organize student governed
j. Public relations - student government rebrand and outreach  
k. Site ambassadors program -  
l. Student activities board -  
m. Student affairs budget advisory committee - looking at old budget recs and making a new rec  
n. Student health advisory board - global public health board  
o. Student service - student reimbursement process  
p. Student technology and research  
q. Undergraduate affairs - student council issues.

5. Council Updates - Vice Chair Sakai-Kawada provides updates for the following councils - if you're interested in joining a school's committee or council please reach out to your chair/president.
   a. Class activities boards  
   b. CAS Student council  
   c. Commuter student council  
   d. Inter Greek council  
   e. Inter Residence Hall Council  
   f. Liberal Studies  
   g. Silver Grads  
   h. Silver Undergrads  
   i. School of Engineering Undergrad  
   j. SCPS Undergrad  
   k. Steinhardt Grad  
   l. Steinhardt Undergrad  
   m. Student Athlete advisory committee  
   n. stern undergrad council  
   o. Tisch undergrad  
   p. Wagner

6. New Business
   a. Voting on Rules of Procedure Changes - Chair Hengerer introduces the changes and President of the Inter Residence Hall Council Chabbot details the changes. See handout. Senator Carrington Gardner asks for clarification on appendix 3. Chair Hengerer requests a motion to approve the rules of procedure changes as is, the motion is seconded, 39 in favor, 6 opposed, 2 abstentions.
   b. SAB Restructure Proposal - Vice Chair details the SAB (the Union of the current SAB and ASSBAC). See handout. Both the SAB restructure and the below allocation system proposal will be voted on at the next meeting.
   c. Allocation System Proposal - Vice Chair Sakai-Kawada details the proposed changes to the allocation system. See handout. Please look through the summary changes and be prepared to vote next month. SAB Town Hall will be hosted on Thursday October 15th. Vice Chair Sakai-Kawada answers questions and concerns.
   d. Task Forces - Chair Hengerer introduces three issues that arise in student government.
      i. Affordability - cost of living at NYU (everything aside from tuition)
ii. Gender Understanding and Inclusivity - NYU is should be a community of inclusion regardless of gender identity and expression.

iii. Sustainability - green initiatives. email michael@nyu.edu to get involved with any Task Forces.

e. Motions from the Floor

7. Save the Dates & Announcements
   a. November Student Government Meeting
      i. Thursday, November 5th, 5:30 - 7:00 PM | Colloquium Room
   b. Student Government Office Hours
   c. Engagement Sessions

8. Sexual Misconduct & Sexual Respect Dialogue - the panelists (listed below) provide information around policy and update the UCSL on sexual respect at NYU. Chair Hengerer asks the panelists to define language around sexual respect policy at NYU. The panelist detail recent changes in current policy in regards to changes in Title IX. Student panelists detail the resources available (online modules and “the Space) and what they would like to see. the floor is open for questions and responses.
   a. Anne Johnson, Executive Director, Generation Progress, Center for American Progress
   b. Josy Jablons, President, Students for Sexual Respect at NYU
   c. Mary Signor, NYU Title IX Coordinator
   d. Thomas Grace, NYU Director of Community Standards and Compliance
   e. Zoe Ragouzeos, NYU Assistant Vice President for Student Mental Health

9. Adjournment - Adjournment - Chair Hengerer requests a motion to adjourn, the motion is granted, seconded and the meeting is adjourned.