

Budget Committee and Board of Directors
of the Bernard M. Baruch College Association
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Present: (Q) = Quorum, (A) = Alternate | *Currently 13 voting members; 7 members required for Quorum

(Q) Chairperson: Art King	(Q) USG President: ABSENT
(Q) Secretary: Treniece Moore-Walters	(Q) GSA President: Fatouma Keita
(Q) Treasurer: Monroe Russell	(Q) Student Rep: Shokhrukh Dustmurodov
(Q) Faculty Rep: Michael Waldman	(Q) Student Rep: Lary Gomez
(Q) Faculty Rep: ABSENT	(Q) Student Rep: ABSENT
(Q) Independent Rep: Barbara Lambert	(Q) Student Rep: Ricky Ke
(Q) Independent Rep: Patrick Murphy (12:57p)	(A) Student: Bricen Fisher

Absent: Betty Duverger, Laiba Hussain, Stephanie Jimenez

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Art King at 12:45 p.m.

APPROVAL VOTE

Approval of Minutes of the February 16, 2023 meeting (10-0-0)
⇒ GSA Pres. Fatouma Keita was introduced to the Board.

Acceptance of the FY2022 Audited Financial Statements (11-0-0)
⇒ The treasurer presented the Audit Reports which spanned a 2-year period.
⇒ Auditors did not find any disagreeable materials in Report. (MC)
⇒ Speaks to MR's staff on how they uphold the bylaws & paperwork at the Association. (AK)
⇒ Audit Report was accepted by the Board.

Appeals

- ⇒ **USG Clubs & Organizations | Voting as one | Total \$7,130.00** (11-0-0)
 - ⇒ African Student Association (ASA) \$2,580.00
Prepared by Tyler Yang, *USG Chair of Appeals (absent)*
Presented by Osvaldo Garcia, *USG Executive Vice President*
 - ⇒ Vietnamese Student Association (VSA) \$3,450.00 (11-0-0)
Prepared by Tyler Yang, *USG Chair of Appeals (absent)*
Presented by Osvaldo Garcia, *USG Executive Vice President*
 - ⇒ Collegiate Association of Women in Business (WIB) \$1,100.00 (11-0-0)
Prepared by Tyler Yang, *USG Chair of Appeals (absent)*
Presented by Osvaldo Garcia, *USG Executive Vice President*

Program Changes

- ⇒ **Undergraduate Communications Boards** (11-0-0)
 - ⇒ The Ticker: Increase to the stipend line \$5,000.00
Presented by Emanuela Gallo/The Ticker

Surplus Requests

- ⇒ **Student Building Fund** (11-0-0)
 - ⇒ Student Center Budget request from unallocated funds \$15,000.00
(Add'l student coverage for the additional student spaces)
Presented by Damali T./Director, Student Life

- ⇒ Old Bookstore Location. President Wu pushing for an expedited opening in 3wks; eventually, that space will house student study space, BOSS and the Welcome Center.
- ⇒ FYI this is temporary space for approximately 18 months before the permanent.
- ⇒ (MC) Have not received a budget template yet. It should come in all at once in the May meeting.

Old Business

- ⇒ An update to the student leaders:
 - ⇒ In advance of Muslim holidays (i.e., Ramadan is forth approaching) Muslim leaders are encouraged to work with the Office of Student Life to secure a space big enough to accommodate a larger group for their observances. There is no guarantee that a large space will be available each time because approximately 98 clubs compete for the same limited spaces. (AK)
 - ⇒ If one religious group is accommodated, **ALL** must be accommodated. Due to the fact that we are a state institution, we cannot provide individual accommodation for any one religious group in particular. (AK)
 - ⇒ Some complaints have already been received regarding the current discomfort of some other religious groups, who were of the opinion the Meditation Room was for Muslim students only. (DT)

New Business

- ⇒ DT working on Surplus requests with USG.
- ⇒ May 23, 2023, Association/Auxiliary deadline.
- ⇒ April 4, 2023, Tax-Levy deadline.

Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 1:35p.m.

Next meeting April 20, 2023.

Minutes taken by: *Treniece Moore-Walters*
Secretary

Submitted by: *Treniece Moore-Walters*