



General Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 20, 2016

Puck Building, 295 Lafayette Street, Rudin Conference Room, New York, NY

ATTENDEES:

- *WSA Executive Board:* Erin Connell (President); Shirley Duong (VP of Events and Operations); Yunong (Stefanie) Zheng (VP of Student Groups - Professional/Interest); Imtiaz Hossain (VP of Student Groups – IDPS); Therese Russo (Secretary); Chai Jindasurat (Treasurer); and Christian Adams (Ombudsperson).
- *Student Groups:* BSA; Bridge; IPSA; PASA; UPSA; WagnerTech; WEFA; WHN; WMLO; WPA; Wagner Review; WagVets; SCJR

ABSENT:

- *Student Groups:* ACE; ALAS; SPA; WCG; WFPA; WISS; WMLO; Wagner Philanthropy; WSAFA; WWC; WIIN

I. Introduction

- a. The WSA President, Erin Connell, welcomed all students, and introduced the Town Hall discussion facilitator, professor Wilfred Codrington.

II. New York University Student Government Presentation

- a. University student government representatives shared the government's approach, goals, organization structure, and organizational composition. They also discussed the ongoing challenge to involve working graduate students, as most meetings occur during regular work hours.

III. Updates on Ongoing WSA Initiative and Committees

- a. WagnerCares held its first fall event at the Bowery Mission soup kitchen on Saturday, October 15th. It was a success.
- b. The Wagner Variety Show and Winter Gala (after party) is scheduled for Friday, December 2nd, with WSA first-year representative Max Zeiger leading event planning.

- c. The WSA Study Break event is scheduled for Thursday, December 15th in the Puck Building, at the Rudin Family Forum for Civic Dialogue. At this event, students can take a break from exam preparation to recharge with cookies and coffee.
- d. Hannah Byford is the WSA's new interim senator.
- e. The Wagner Diversity Council is accepting applications for membership until Friday, October 21st.

IV. Open Q&A

- a. Students discussed the charge of the Wagner Diversity Council, and the protocol for redistributing event appropriations.
- b. WagnerVets announced its plans to expand and change programming so that it is more inclusive of the student body, for expanded awareness about veteran experience.

V. The WSA Town Hall: U.S. Presidential Elections and Public Service

- a. With facilitation from Professor Wilfred Codrington, the Wagner student body discussed the U.S. Presidential Elections and Public Service through the following two questions: "What does it mean to be a public servant during this election cycle?" and "What does it mean to be a global citizen during this election cycle?"

VI. Assembly Closure.

- a. The WSA hopes to see everyone at the next WSA meeting on Thursday, November 17, 2016.