## General Assembly Minutes

**Thursday, December 10, 2015**  
**Puck Building, 295 Lafayette Street, Rudin Conference Room, New York, NY**

### ATTENDEES:
- **WSA Executive Board**: Bakar Ali (President); Julliard Lin (VP of Student Groups - Program/Specialization); Ruhi Momin Bengali (VP of Student Groups - Professional/Interest); Pam Campos (VP of Student Groups – IDPS); Raquel C. Reynoso (Secretary); Hannah Peterson (Treasurer); Carlos Quirola (Ombudsman); and Diana Rosenthal (Senator).
- **Wagner Student Groups**: ACE; ALAS; Bridge; IPSA; SCJR; UPSA; WagnerTech; WCG; WEFA; WEPSA; WISS; WMLO; Wagner Philanthropy; WPA; WSAFA; WagVets.

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<td>Bakar Ali, <em>WSA President</em></td>
<td>Overview of Meeting</td>
<td>• WSA General Meeting Agenda is presented with the Call to Order.</td>
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<td>Carlos Quirola, <em>WSA Ombudsman</em></td>
<td>WSA Survey Review</td>
<td>• Updates regarding the Wagner Survey process presented.</td>
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<td>Raquel Reynoso, <em>WSA Secretary</em></td>
<td>WSA Constitutional Review Committee</td>
<td>• Presentation from Constitutional Review Committee regarding survey feedback and next steps.</td>
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| Ruhi Momin Bengali, *WSA VP of Student Groups - Professional/Interest* | Capstone Selection Discussion | • Suggestions for future semesters:  
  o Obtain more information on the Career Expo set up  
  o Collect information of clients not selected to see if other students are interested in those organizations.  
    • Offer more options of client organizations.  
    • Evaluate fairness of student selection process.  
    • Create one consolidated list of all clients for students to review with short video pitches from each client.  
    • Begin presentation/interview process of clients early in the semester.  
  In the Fall 2015 semester, client presentations occurred on two consecutive Mondays that were high holidays; need to consider and be inclusive of all students.  
  • Communications and expectations should be set clearly to be transparent.  
    • Full process should be transparent, especially |
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<td>• Deadline for submitting receipts for reimbursement WSA student groups:</td>
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<td>o Wednesday, December 16 to receive funds this semester. Submit before the break to ensure funds.</td>
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<td>• Encourage more student groups to promote and present dry Happy Hour. Wagner Diversity Council is open to ideas for different types of events to expand inclusion of all students.</td>
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<td>• Carlos Quirola, representative of Wagner Cares, has extended the deadline for project leads Spring 2016 to April 16, 2016</td>
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• the importance of team building.
  • The team building should be even earlier in the semester (although improvement seen as it used to be conducted in the Spring)
  • Perhaps can add fields in summer survey
  • Need to clarify in the beginning of study that your specialization will determine the types of clients are assigned to you at Capstone.

- Research program is very rigid.
- Evaluations/assessment are conducted at the end of the semester, although should be conducted more often.
  • Focus on selection process- include narratives
- Important to work with the administration and faculty to create solutions for selection process.
  • Push for concrete actionable proposals
  • Administration and faculty are always open to feedback.
  • Should reach out to Prof. Foldy and Dean Schachter to clarify process and then identify areas for revision.

• **Next Steps/Action Items:**
  - Continue obtaining feedback from students
  - Present feedback to Administration
  - Keep students update on process
  - Highly encourage students to share feedback with WSA E-board to share with Administration.