



Bethune College Council Meeting #16
Special Meeting
Winter Council Retreat
January 17 2020 4:00-6:00PM EST
Chaired by Emily Panzarella

Start Time: 4:10PM EST

Voting Members: Adam Brihmi, Syed Naqvi, Justin Calcada, Chanthe Powell, Pooja Natali, Arman Sadr, Gemner Sandoval, Ali Bashar

Non-Voting Members: Myra Whitfield, Claudio Budo, Sara Sarwari, Nicole Shwartz, Thadsha Vannan, Alyssa Soroka, Emily Panzarella, Nami Yazdankhah,

Absent: Ahmad Ali, Akin Adewale, Helia Zamani, Meryl Pirasol, Justin Drisdelle, Arsh Riyat, Clifford Baker, Suzanne Park, John Amanatides, Andrew Skelton

Guests: 0

CONSTITUTION CHANGE PROPOSALS

- A. Motion to approve of the constitution change from four (4) general members to two (2) general members, one (1) Director of Social, and one (1) Director of Finance
- Seconded by Syed
 - Discussion
 - Options to changing the number of general member position
 - 2 General Members, 1 Director of Social, 1 Director of Finance (*current motion*)
 - 2 General Members, 1 Director of Finance
 - 4 General Members, 1 Director of Social, 1 Director of Finance
 - 4 General Members, 1 Director of Finance
 - If there are too many General Members and Directors combined, members may not feel obligated or liable to complete tasks and attend events
 - If there are not enough General Members and Directors combined, events may not be as successful
 - Implementing Director positions would be beneficial as long as general members are given general duties across council as a whole
 - Unofficial vote*
 - 2 General Members, 1 Director of Social, 1 Director of Finance (current motion): 4 votes
 - 2 General Members, 1 Director of Finance: 0 votes
 - 4 General Members, 1 Director of Social, 1 Director of Finance: 1 vote
 - 4 General Members, 1 Director of Finance: 3 votes
 - 5-3-0 motion passes



- B. Motion to approve of the constitution change so that Orientation Chairs may run for President
- Seconded by Chanthe
 - Discussion
 - Orientation Chairs may run for President as long as Frost Week is changed from a VP Social responsibility to an O-Chair responsibility
 - This can be added to the bylaws
 - 7-1-0 motion passes
- C. Motion to keep Commuter Representative(s) as a hired position
- Seconded by Ali
 - Discussion
 - Keeping this position hired rather than voted will allow for unbiased rule enforcement
 - Hired positions ensure that members will fulfill their tasks
 - 3-5-0 motion does not pass
- D. Motion to approve of the constitution change so that Commuter Representative(s) is a voted position
- Seconded by Myra
 - Discussion
 - This position should be voted because these members are running events for students, therefore should have a voice for constituents
 - 5-3-0 motion passes
- Motion to extend the meeting time until all constitution changes have been discussed
- Seconded by Syed
 - 5-3-0 motion passes
- E. Motion to promote Orientation Chairs to an Executive position
- Seconded by Ali
 - Discussion
 - Executives consistently work for council throughout the year, whereas Orientation Chairs complete seasonal duties
 - Orientation Chairs can still attend Executive meetings without being Executive members
 - 3-5-0 motion does not pass
- F. Other constitutional changes
- Add duty for General Members to be responsible for Frosh Week call-outs
 - Move Frost Week as a duty from VP Social to Orientation Chairs
 - Implement the hiring of a Promotions Director under VP Communications as a part of their Promotions Committee



Motion to accept all of the above constitution changes for sections A, B, D, and F
Seconded by Syed
6-1-0 motion passes

Meeting Adjourned: 6:17PM EST

Next Meeting: TBA