



Bethune College Council Meeting # 2  
June 28, 2021, 6:00pm EST  
Chaired by Claire Del Zotto

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**Start Time:** 6:00pm EST

**Voting Members:** Mary Kyleen Tambot, Yashna Paresch Manek, Myra Whitfield, Gemner Sandoval, Arman Sadr & Sarah Abubaker (shared vote), Valentina Acosta, Amran Adam, John Amanatides, Paula Wilson, Clifford Baker

**Non-Voting Members:** Claire Del Zotto, Alice Fours, Mary Grace Wong, Hassan Khan, Bowen Sun, Meryl Ann Justine Pirasol, Pooja Natali

**Absent:** Suzanne Park, Andrew Skelton, Alice Fours, Helia Zamani, Fatima Dhaldien

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**President's Update**

- Working with Meryl on frosh week planning.

**Executive Vice President's Update**

- Planning a virtual council retreat, tentatively to be held on Thursday July 15<sup>th</sup> from 12pm-2pm.
- Renovations committee: Gemner and Bowen will be going on campus to review renovations details.

**Vice President Finance Update**

- Beginning financial audit.
- Received signing authorities, will have them changed to accommodate this year's council.
- Preliminary budget projections made. Plan to end the year in surplus and will work with the bank to allocate excess funds.

**Vice President Social Update**

- \*See *Appendix I* (attached) for detailed event planning document.
- Deadline for event submission: June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Event ideas are blended: some online and some in-person components to reach as many students as possible.
- Sample timeline and event list proposed at meeting will be finalized as COVID-19 guidelines change.
- Budget will be presented within the next month as finalized.



### **Orientation Chairs Update**

- Captains have been hired, accepted leaders will be notified shortly via email.
- Budgets for virtual and blended frosh are being planned.
- Alice and Meryl have created jerseys and frosh kits, to be approved.

### **Vice President Athletics Update**

- Athletic events still taking place on Wednesday's and Friday's.
- BPAC will be hiring 4-5 senior members, VP promotions, VP communications shortly.

### **YFS Update**

- YFS president will be attending July 12<sup>th</sup> BCC meeting and will be giving a presentation.

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**Meeting Adjourned:** 6:26pm EST

**Next Meeting:** Monday July 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm EST



Appendix I: Tentative Event Planning Document  
Submitted by Valentina Acosta

**Events for 2021-2022**

**NOTE:** All in-person events will be socially distanced and will follow the university's guidelines, the province of Ontario, and Toronto. Health and safety are a top priority.

**Event Name:** Culture Night

**Event Date:** September 30, 2021

**Event Description:** Constituents show off their cultures by showing things such as traditional dishes, clothing, rituals, dances. This could be shown live and they can post about it on Instagram and we will share it on the Bethune account.

**Delivery:** Zoom & JCR

**Cost of event:** Free

**HOSTS:** Amran

**Event:** Murder Mystery

**Event Date:** October 9, 2021

**Description:** Roleplay: A few Bethune College Council members will act as the "suspects" while the rest of the constituents try to guess who the murderer is. The story is TBD.

**Delivery:** Zoom & JCR

**Cost of event:** \$50 (5 \$10 gift cards for the first 5 people to guess it right) OR uber eats food as a prize

**HOSTS:** Amran

**Event Name:** Carnival + "Happy Hour"

**Event Date:** October 15, 2021

**Event Description:** Cotton candy, games, raffle, and tarot readings. Additionally, this can be used as a "talent show" for individuals to show off their singing, dancing, talents.

**Cost of event:** free

**Delivery:** In-person at the JCR

**Cost for Bethune:** See Budget\*

**HOSTS:** Yashna, Kyleen

**Event Name:** Halloween Costume Night & Movie Night

**Event Date:** October 29 (Friday) or October 31, 2021 (Sunday)

**Event Description:** Constituents will be able to watch a movie together in the JCR while chatting. The movie will be voted on through Instagram. \*Halloween themed movie

**Where the event will take place:** JCR & Discord/Zoom

**Cost of Event:** Free

**HOSTS:** Yashna, Amran

**Event Name:** Comedy Show

**Event Date:** November 12, 2021

**Event Description:** Constituents will get to show off their jokes and comedian skills in a comedy show. If there is low attendance, comedians off of Netflix can be played for a comedy show night. A blend of both can also occur.

**Where the event will take place:** JCR & Zoom



**Cost of event:** free

**HOSTS:** Yashna

**Health Week**

**Event Name:** Bounce Back with York Federation of Students Wellness Centre

**Event Date:** November 29, 2021

**Event Description:** A free education and motivational skills-building program that provides mental health support for individuals over the age of 15 that experience depression or anxiety.

**Delivery:** Zoom & JCR

**Cost of Event:** Free

**HOSTS:** Valentina

**Event Name:** Face Mask Monday

**Event Date:** November 30, 2021

**Event Description:** DIY Face Masks + Jackbox

**Where the event will take place:** JCR + Zoom

**Cost of Event:** Free

**HOSTS:** Yashna

**Event Name:** Zumba/Dance

**Event Date:** December 1, 2021

**Event Description:** Beginner Zumba, we will hire/assign an individual to be an instructor. This is a fun way to stay healthy and in shape during exam season.

**Where the event will take place:** JCR + Zoom

**Cost of Event:** Free

**HOSTS:** Individual we pay

**Event Name:** Yoga or Workout

**Event Date:** December 3, 2021

**Event Description:** We will provide a beginner Yoga class through Zoom. The alternate option is we will get a personal trainer to provide a beginner workout for the constituents. The workout will not require any special equipment. Health tips will be shared on Instagram as well.

**Form of Delivery:** JCR + Zoom

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** \$50

**HOSTS:** Individual we pay

**Event Name:** Origami Friday

**Event Date:** December 4, 2021

**Event Description:** Casual event. Origami led by a youtube video.

**Where the event will take place:** JCR + Zoom

**Cost of Event:** Free

**HOSTS:** Val

**Event Name:** Merch Design Competition

**Event Date:** Ongoing throughout the winter break (starting Dec 24, final designs due Jan 10)



**Event Description:** Constituents will be able to design their own Bethune merch and others will be able to vote on which they like the best (through Instagram voting) and the design with the most votes will become an official Bethune merch item sold on our website. The person who designed the merch will receive a free one.

**Where the event will take place:** Submitted through email

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** \$50 (free merch for the winner)

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**Event Name:** “How to Adult” Session

**Event Date:** January 7th, 2022

**Event Description:** Constituents can participate in a “How to Adult” session where we can teach constituents how to survive on a budget while living on or off-campus and basic tools that are not taught in school.

**Form of Delivery:** Zoom & JCR

**Cost of Event:** Free

**HOSTS:** Amran

**Event Name:** Blue Mountain

**Event Date:** January 14-16, 2022

**Event Description:** 3 days, 2 night trip to the Blue Mountain Inn. Tickets will include transportation, lift tickets, discount on rentals, and hotel.

**Cost of Event:** \$150

**Cost for Bethune:** \* see budget

**Event Name:** Drag Make-Up Competition

**Event Date:** January 28, 2022

**Event Description:** The JCR will be decorated in a pride theme, constituents will be able to form teams of two and compete in who can create the best or most unique drag make-up look. The best look will be voted on by the constituents and the winner will receive a \$50 gift card.

**Form of Delivery:** Zoom

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** \* see budget

**HOSTS:** Val

**Event Name:** Black History Month Movie #1

**Event Date:** February 7, 2022

**Event Description:** A movie will be shown on discord for Black History Month. The movie shown for this week will be The Butler.

**Form of Delivery:** Discord (Dragons Den)

**Cost of event:** Free

**HOSTS:** Yashna

**Event Name:** Valentine’s Day Matchmaker

**Event Date:** February 14, 2022



**Event Description:** A matchmaking game where people can fill in a survey with some information about themselves and their preferences. Based on similarities they will be matched with others who have submitted one.

**Form of Delivery:** Email

**Cost of event:** Free

**\*\* Can get other colleges involved.**

**HOSTS: Yashna, Kyleen**

**Event Name:** Black History Month Speakers

**Event Date:** February 16, 2022

**Event Description:** Speakers will come to educate constituents on Black History Month and anti-Black racism. This will give a more educational aspect to Black History Month while the movies will have a more visual impact.

**Form of Delivery:** Zoom/JCR

**Cost of event:** Free

**HOSTS: Amran**

**Event Name:** Black History Month Movie #3

**Event Date:** February 25, 2022

**Event Description:** A movie will be shown on discord for Black History Month. The movie shown for this week will be Antebellum.

**Form of Delivery:** Discord (Pentadragon)

**Cost of event:** Free

**HOSTS: Amran**

**Event Name:** Murder Mystery

**Event Date:** March 4, 2022 @ 7PM.

**Event Description:** Roleplay: A few Bethune College Council members will act as the “suspects” while the rest of the constituents try to guess who the murderer is. The story is TBD.

**Form of Delivery:** Zoom

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** \$50 - first 5 people get a \$10 uber eats gift card

**HOSTS: Amran**

**Event Name:** Formal

**Event Date:** March 19, 2022

**Event Description:** Our annual Bethune Formal to end the year off. Tickets will include transportation, food, activities, entertainment, etc. Theme TBD.

**Location:** Destiny Banquet Hall

**Cost of Event:** \$40

**Cost for Bethune:** \*See Budget

**Event Name:** Minute to Win It Games + song association

**Event Date:** March 26, 2022

**Event Description:** The event will be conducted fairly similarly to the American TV Game Show “Minute to Win It”. Teams of two will compete against each other in a variety of 60-second games. Each team gets three lives. If a team is unsuccessful in completing a game, they lose a life and must play that



same game again until they pass or lose all their lives. Some of the games are one player (the team chooses which of them will play) while others require both members. In single-player games, the same player cannot play three games in a row. This means if Player 1 plays two games in a row then Player 2 must play the next game. The games will get more difficult each round a team advances.

**Location:** JCR (also possible for constituents to join through Zoom, they would just have to gather their own household supplies)

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** \$60 (\$30 gift card for winning team, \$20 gift card for second place teams and \$10 for third place team)

**HOSTS:** Yashna + Kyleen

**Event Name:** Networking Event

**Event Date:** April 2, 2022

**Event Description:** Work with commuter reps to set up a networking event similar to that of the 2020-2021 school year with York University Bethune alumnus. This will aid constituents in networking and developing connections while also gaining a better perspective on what they would like to do post-undergraduate.

**Location:** Zoom & JCR

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** Free OR Raffle: \$50

**HOSTS:**

### **Event Ideas - General Members**

**Event Name:** Scavenger Hunt

**Event Date:** October 22, 2021

**Event Description:** Teams of constituents compete against each other to try and locate various objects and bring them back to JCR using a variety of clues/prompts before the other teams (Constituents sign up in advance so we know how many teams to account for as each team will get a separate set of clues/objects to find. Teams should have about 10-15 people. Constituents can sign up in a team of 10-15 already planned or alone and then will be placed in a team.)

**Location:** In and around York University

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** Free (winning team gets a picture with Normi the Dragon and is featured on BCC Social Media) OR \$40 (winning team gets pizza party or ice cream)

**HOSTS:** Yashna (The number of hosts necessary depends on the amount of teams playing. One Bethune representative must go with each team to read out clues, provide help when necessary, and make sure the team is playing fairly)

**Event Name:** “Before I Graduate” Mural

**Event Date:** November 5, 2021

**Event Description:** Constituents come to write one thing they want to do before they graduate on a giant mural which will then be featured in JCR for everyone to come to read. Constituents can sign their names beside their goal or remain anonymous. Anything written that is deemed inappropriate or offensive on the mural will be removed. To do this the mural would be on a giant chalkboard and written in liquid chalk of various colours.



Alternatively, constituents will be given their own individual mini piece of chalkboard (or something similar) to write their “Before I Graduate” goal on and then will submit it to the Bethune Office where we will then glue each piece together to create a large mural. This method promotes social distancing better.

Or, we will send out a google form for people to submit their goals and then Bethune representatives will write their goals on the mural for them. This method promotes social distancing better.

**Location:** JCR or at home and then submitted to Bethune Offices

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** \$50

**HOSTS:** Yashna

**Event Name:** Clothing/Item Swap

**Event Date:** February 2, 2022

**Event Description:** People bring anything they don’t wear/want anymore and take a new item that someone else has left. All clothing/items constituents bring must be given to a Bethune representative or dropped off at the Bethune Office at least a week before the event to ensure each item is properly cleaned and sanitized before being given to other constituents to help prevent any spread of germs.

**Location:** JCR

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** Free

**HOSTS:** Yashna

**Event Name:** Song Association or Singing Bee

**Event Date:**

**Event Description:** We will divide the participants into two groups. There are two ways we can play this.

1. We give one member of each group a word that they must sing a song that has the word we gave them.
2. We give each group a set of lyrics with a missing lyric that they must fill in the blank.

The object of the game is to think of the song or fill in the blank before the other team and to gain the most points.

**Location:** Preferably JCR, however zoom could also work.

**Cost of Event:** Free

**Cost for Bethune:** Free or we could do a group prize for the group that gains the most points (possibly bethune merch?)

**HOSTS:** Kyleen