



Bethune College Council Constitution Meeting  
Friday February 18<sup>th</sup> 2022, 6:00pm EST  
Chaired by Claire Del Zotto

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Start Time: 6:00pm EST

Attendees (as of 6:10pm EST): 54

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Note: All motions were put forth by Myra Whitfield, President of the BCC

1. **MOTION:** Remove all gendered language from the constitution.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 36 in favour, 2 opposed, 5 abstain
    - Motion passes
  
2. **MOTION:** With regards to Article 5 Item 12: Change wording to “The SOS Representative shall: Represent the interests of all SOS Peer Mentors, Peer Tutors, PASS Leaders and Class Representatives.”
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 33 in favour, 0 opposed, 5 abstain
    - Motion passes
  
3. **MOTION:** Add to Appendix I: Bethune College Council Financial Policies: Bethune College Council must set aside 10% of their yearly levy and leave it aside for Bethune-Affiliated Student Clubs to apply for and use.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 32 in favour, 1 opposed, 6 abstain
    - Motion passes
  
4. **MOTION:** Regarding the nominations committee, ARTICLE XI.3.e: Allow constituents to abstain vote or reject all candidates.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 34 in favour, 0 opposed, 5 abstain
    - Motion passes
  
5. **MOTION:** Amend ATICLE X.2.j to make it mandatory for the CRO to release public vote counts prior to ratification.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 32 in favour, 0 opposed, 4 abstain
    - Motion passes



6. **MOTION:** Make grammatical corrections to the constitution.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 29 in favour, 0 opposed, 6 abstain
    - Motion passes
7. **MOTION:** Add a Land Acknowledgement to the constitution.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 33 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstain
    - Motion passes
8. **MOTION:** Amend Article 3 to clearly state that only regular members of the BCC may vote in BCC elections and participate in all events.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 28 in favour, 6 abstain
    - Motion passes
9. **MOTION:** Allow the position of VP Athletics to be split between two candidates.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 30 in favour, 1 opposed, 2 abstain
    - Motion passes
10. **MOTION:** Add the role of Lassonde Representative to the constitution, and work to ensure that this position is filled annually.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 34 in favour
    - Motion passes by unanimous vote
11. **MOTION:** Make Commuter Director an elected voting position.
  - Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 34 in favour, 1 opposed, 2 abstain
    - Motion passes
12. **MOTION:** Allow there to be multiple Directors of Finance working under the VP Finance.
  - Seconded By Yashna Manek
  - 29 in favour, 5 abstain
    - Motion passes
13. **MOTION:** Hire a non-voting Outreach Director to create philanthropic opportunities for BC constituents.



- 30 in favour, 4 abstain
  - Motion passes

14. **MOTION:** Add clause requiring all council members to play 2 sports per semester or an equivalent.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 20 in favour, 4 opposed, 10 abstain
  - Motion passes

15. **MOTION:** Waive requirements to run for EVP if these requirements are not met by any candidate.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 26 in favour, 9 abstain
  - Motion passes

16. **MOTION:** Remove clause that the last hiring day should be the last day of elections. This will allow elected positions to be filled first.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 28 in favour, 2 opposed, 4 abstain
  - Motion passes

17. **MOTION:** Change wording from Communications Committee to Advertising and Promotions Committee.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 28 in favour, 2 opposed, 4 abstain
  - Motion passes

18. **MOTION:** Allow all BAC senior members to run for VP Athletics.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 29 in favour, 4 abstain
  - Motion passes

19. **MOTION:** Rename Commuter Representative to Commuter Director.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 27 in favour, 3 abstain
  - Motion passes

20. **MOTION:** Clarify that council members are only required to fulfill office hours if this is possible under given restrictions.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 30 in favour, 3 abstain



- Motion passes

21. **MOTION:** Clarify in the constitution that the Administrative Assistant is also the Speaker.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 30 in favour
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote

22. **MOTION:** Clarify that one year of council experience is the equivalent of 2 semesters.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 24 in favour, 2 opposed, 3 abstain
  - Motion passes

23. **MOTION:** Remove the clause requiring each committee to present an annual report in writing.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 29 in favour, 1 opposed, 3 abstain
  - Motion passes

24. **MOTION:** Add deadline to submit social events to the bylaws to make this date easy to modify based on unforeseen restrictions.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 26 in favour, 2 opposed
  - Motion passes

25. **MOTION:** Add changes to better clarify the duties of the Promotions and Advertising Committee.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 26 in favour, 4 abstain
  - Motion passes

26. **MOTION:** Clarify that quorum is 50% of current voting members.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 24 in favour, 5 abstain
  - Motion passes

27. **MOTION:** Clarify that the CRO shall prevent all council members from publicly promoting any electoral candidate.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 27 in favour, 1 opposed, 3 abstain
  - Motion passes



28. **MOTION:** Remove requirements for signed nominations from the election procedure.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 26 in favour, 2 opposed, 3 abstain
  - Motion passes

29. **MOTION:** Mandate that a meeting is held after hiring and elections to ratify positions by majority vote.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 25 in favour, 1 opposed, 4 abstain
  - Motion passes

30. **MOTION:** Change grounds for impeachment to two counts of any outlined violation, as opposed to requiring two separate rules to be violated.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 25 in favour, 1 opposed, 6 abstain
  - Motion passes

31. **MOTION:** Allow bylaws to be changed throughout year with  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority vote of council.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 27 in favour, 7 abstain
  - Motion passes

32. **MOTION:** Change 50th year savings fund to 60th year savings fund.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 21 in favour, 8 abstain
  - Motion passes

33. **MOTION:** Move honorarium regulations to bylaws, allowing the honorarium conditions to be easily changed as needed.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 25 in favour, 2 opposed, 4 abstain
  - Motion passes

34. **MOTION:** Allow constitution changes to be proposed as needed, instead of once per year.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
- 25 in favour, 1 opposed, 3 abstain
  - Motion passes

35. **MOTION:** Allow all new constitution items to take effect in the following semester.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr



- 27 in favour, 2 opposed
  - Motion passes

36. **MOTION:** Ratify the new constitution.

- Seconded by Arman Sadr
  - 27 in favour, 3 opposed, 2 abstain
    - Motion passes
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