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1. Executive Board Introductions

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- g. *VP of Finance:* Christian Buonamassa
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2. Approval of the Agenda

- a. **Approved**

3. Approval of Last Meetings Agenda

- a. No minutes

4. Mental Health (Dr. Miriam Korn)

- a. School Psychologist
- b. Marketed/introduced services and resources
- c. miriam.korn@mhc.cuny.edu

5. Student Development Updates (Chris Daversa)

- a. Student Support Team (Another Way To Seek Support Including Mental Health)
 - i. <https://macaulay.cuny.edu/student-life/student-well-being/student-support-team/>
- b. Scavenger Hunt at The College of Staten Island
- c. New Club Macaulay System
 - i. New mobile app
- d. New Orientation Leader and Peer Mentoring Program
 - i. Kristen suggested a “semi-requirement” due to a significant shortage
 - ii. General encouragement to join
 - iii. Requirements: Maintain continued contact and communication with the group (e.g. a physical meetup)
 - iv. Certain meetups (e.g. Escape-the-Room) cannot be funded
- e. Class of 2022 Elections Open
 - i. New members will be present at next meeting
 - ii. Recruitment email sent yesterday

6. Expectations and Introductions

- a. Introductions (Name, Campus, Class Year, Position (club leader or MSC member)
 - i. 3 minutes, 20 seconds
- b. Arrive promptly
- c. If you cannot make it contact scholarscouncil@macaulay.cuny.edu
- d. Everyone is welcome
- e. If you are too shy to speak, write your comment on a piece of paper and pass it up to the chair
- f. What method of communication works best for everyone?
 - i. Email

7. Club and Organizations Update**a. Clubs****i. The Art of Science**

1. *Inviting new guest speaks (mechanical engineer and scientist)*
2. *Application for Executive Board and recruitment*
3. *Building website*
4. *Building journal, looking for editors*
5. *General interest meeting coming soon*

ii. Colleges Against Cancer**iii. Feminism For All****iv. Humans of Macaulay**

1. *Humans of New York (Based on Macaulay Students)*
2. *Bridge gap amongst campuses*
3. *A social media outreach*
4. *Mental health initiative held last year*
5. *Combine photography and social activism*
6. *A lot of interest from freshmen at the club fair on Monday*
7. *Joint general interest meeting with photography club on Friday, Sept 7 to go over requirements and see if anyone would be interested in joining the board to help plan events.*
8. *Still figuring out what events we want to hold this year, but will most likely have a welcome picnic and maybe a game night and food festival.*
9. *Getting people to participate and submit posts and will try to incentivize people to be more active.*

v. Macaulay Book Club**vi. Macaulay Business Club**

1. *Very successful last year*
2. *Concluded with gala*
3. *CUNY Resource Day was also successful*
4. *Setting up general interest meeting and recruitment efforts*

vii. Macaulay Chamber Music Society

1. *Goal: "Continue playing music through college"*
2. *Hold weekly rehearsals and regular concerts in the Cabaret*
3. *Auditions to be held soon*

- viii. **Macaulay Creative Writing Club**
- ix. **Macaulay Crew**
- x. **Macaulay Dancers**
 - 1. *"Dance and Celebrate Dance"*
 - 2. *All America Dance Competition*
 - a. *Nationals*
- xi. **Macaulay Deewane**
 - 1. *Bollywood Fusion dance team*
 - 2. *First Stony Brook Dance competition*
 - 3. *Hosting auditions 13 and 14th of September*
- xii. **Macaulay DREAMers**
- xiii. **Macaulay Gastronomy Club**
 - 1. *"Gather people for the consumption of food"*
 - 2. *Collaborated with Macaulay Student Initiative*
 - 3. *Look to collaborate more this year*
 - a. *"Cupcake Crawl"...*
- xiv. **Macaulay Honors College Habitat for Humanity Campus Chapter**
 - 1. *Trips*
- xv. **Macaulay Italian Cultural Society**
 - 1. *"Celebrate Italian culture"*
 - 2. *Weekly event based on "cannolis"*
 - 3. *50 freshman signed up*
 - 4. *Movie Day?*
- xvi. **Macaulay Marauders Quidditch Team**
 - 1. *"Real Sport"*
 - 2. *Retain most of last year's team*
 - 3. *First event of year, today*
 - a. *Social gathering*
 - 4. *First match this Sunday*
 - 5. *Looking for someone to make an advertisement video*
 - 6. *Halloween-Escape-the-Maze?*
 - 7. *Collaboration!*
- xvii. **Macaulay Messenger Online Newsletter**
 - 1. *Sole newspaper*
 - 2. *Looking for writers*
 - 3. *Looking to work with Macaulay Book Club*
 - 4. *Difficult to collaborate, but, hopeful*
- xviii. **Macaulay Musicians' Collective**
 - 1. *"Doing what we do best"*
 - 2. *40 new signups*
 - 3. *Couple of events planned for the year*
- xix. **Macaulay Peace Action**
 - 1. *Activism*
 - 2. *Community Resource Day - Awesome Turnout*
 - 3. *Conference?*
- xx. **Macaulay Photography Club**

- xxi. Macaulay Pre-Health Professions Club
 - 1. Goal is to provide resources for pre health students
 - 2. Club fair had decent amount
- xxii. Macaulay Psychology Club
- xxiii. Macaulay Queer Alliance
 - 1. Goal: Provide a safe space for identifying students
 - 2. September 12 meeting
- xxiv. Macaulay S.P.A.R.K.: Students Partnering and Reaching Kids
- xxv. Macaulay Service Initiative
 - 1. September 14th general meeting with gastronomy and spoon university
 - 2. November 2nd annual fall rumba
- xxvi. Macaulay STEM Society
- xxvii. Macaulay Theater Club
 - 1. Perform musical in Fall - Godspell
 - 2. Auditions: September 12 - September 14
 - 3. Show: November 10 -November 11
 - 4. Looking for crew members (backstage, band, photographers, etc)
- xxviii. Macaulay Triplets A Cappella Group
 - 1. Karaoke Night: August 28, 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM
 - 2. Performed at the Club Fair
 - 3. Auditions: September 4 - September 5
 - 4. Fundraising Events?
- xxix. Macaulay YES: Youth Events for Seniors
- xxx. Pre-Law Club
- xxxi. South Asian Health & Development Initiative
- xxxii. Spoon University at Macaulay Honors College

b. Special Initiatives

- i. Film and Media Initiative CUNY Film Festival
 - 1. Robert Small (New Media Lab director) plans event. Looking for independent video projects to work on.
- ii. Macaulay Art Tank
 - 1. "Shifted gears" this past summer
 - a. Members studying abroad
 - 2. Arts Night
 - 3. Collaborate more!
- iii. Macaulay Diversity Initiative
 - 1. Class of 2022 invited
 - 2. First introduction for Macaulay as a "safe space for diverse students"
- iv. Macaulay Green Initiative
 - 1. Backspace
 - 2. Bees
 - a. If interested in taking care of bees, please contact them
- v. Macaulay Fit
- vi. Macaulay Splash!

1. *One Day Event in Spring where high school students can come and experience a Macaulay class*
- vii. TEDxCUNY
 1. *Student-run group licensed by TED*
 2. *Idea sharing*
 3. *Fifth conference in Spring*
 4. *Interest meeting on September 13*
8. Club Council Meetings
 - a. Separate meetings (only club leaders meeting) or Scholars Council meeting with Club Leaders
 - b. Prefer separate meetings because it's less cluttered
 - c. If meetings were to be collective, they would be on sundays
 - d. 15 members approved the motion to separate the meetings

5-min Break: Club leaders may leave if they would like, but all are welcome to stay.
Committees, please use this time to discuss upcoming goals for the year.

9. Macaulay Scholars Council

- a. What is the Macaulay Scholars Council? How do we describe ourselves?
 - i. Nicolette
 1. Communication between student body and administration
 2. Now almost a "buffer"
 3. Must gain freshman opinion and input
 4. Now taken more seriously
 5. Viewed as a "valuable resource"
 6. "I think we can"
 7. Push career development
 - ii. Isabella
 1. Would like to take this opportunity to better reach out to students and body
 - iii. Jon
 1. "Initiator"
 2. Foster community amongst the greater campus
 3. "Bringing attention to what needs to be done"
 - iv. Peter
 1. Town Hall Meetings were quite successful last year
 2. Better relationships with fellow members (Council)
 - v. Seb
 1. Improve on commitment and involvement
 2. Improve attendance (e.g. events and meetings)
 - vi. Rebecca
 1. Perks to get involved?
 - vii. Genevieve
 1. Built on Rebecca's remarks

- viii. Collective
 - 1. To be established
- b. Goals for the year
- 10. Committee Goals**
 - a. Academic Affairs (*Javiera*)
 - i. Brief meeting prior to today
 - ii. More advocacy at each campus
 - iii. More transparency at each campus
 - iv. Still learning function of committee
 - v. Graduate School Examination Fair?
 - 1. Logistics and other necessary information
 - b. Campus Affairs (*Caroline*)
 - i. Still to meet with entire committee
 - ii. Increased collaboration!
 - iii. Better engage those present in the building
 - iv. Better inform the use and function of Club Macaulay
 - c. Community Service (*Dylan*)
 - i. Advertise community service events
 - ii. Collaborate with Macaulay Service Initiative
 - d. Student Life (*Sebastian*)
 - i. Freshmen Attendance at events
 - ii. Fewer events, Higher Quality - Allocating budget effectively
 - e. IT/Communications (*Royal*)
 - i. Marketing and engaging student body via electronic means
 - ii. Getting people better involved with our current media accounts
 - f. Finance (*Christian*)
 - i. September/October Budget Allocations
 - ii. Giving Tuesday 2018 (**11/27/18**)
 - 1. \$21,000 last year
 - iii. Enable clubs financially
 - iv. Anyone interested let
- 11. Macaulay Scholars Council Retreat**
 - a. 10/13/18-10/14/18
- 12. Old Business**
- 13. New Business**
- 14. Final Remarks and Discussion**
- 15. Adjournment**

September Scholars Council Meeting (with newly elected freshmen)

Date: Sunday, September 23, 2018

Time: 11pm-1pm

Location: Classroom 2