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Student Development: Chris Daversa, Chris Cali, Mel Schwartz



1. Welcome

- a. Dr. Byrne addressed club leaders and scholars council
- b. Stated “engagement shapes Macaulay” discussed her commitment to acknowledging the goals of student leadership and securing more stable funding and opportunities for students
- c. Possible zoom meet and greet, will visit all campuses (to be scheduled)
- d. Q & A with students:
 - i. Question regarding opp fund and if enhanced funds will be available based on financial need
 1. Dr. Byrne said it may be a question directed for Assistant Dean Maldonado and that she will follow up with Veronica to have a conversation on the future of the opp fund; There are additional grants that are accessible via application
 - ii. Question regarding Macaulay’s obstacles about budget
 1. Dr. Byrne stated that Macaulay is a state agency and resources available to state agencies have shifted. Emergency funds are available and have been dispersed throughout each campus already. Trying to determine how to make Macaulay a more resilient state agency in times when the state budget is down.

2. Approval of the Agenda

- a. Do not have quorum

3. Approval of Last Meeting’s [Agenda](#)

- a. Do not have quorum

4. Student Development Updates

- a. Orientation Reflections/Feedback (esp. Community Resources Day)



- i. Fawziyah Shamim: first in person club fair, interesting to see live reactions vs. reactions online, freshmen seemed excited
- ii. Alexandra Kern: freshmen stated they felt very welcomed and supported
- iii. Jonathan Kogan (Macaulay Marauders): one of the best experiences he has had since his club fair in 2019.
- iv. (D&D): great attendance however lack of food was noted
- v. Veronica (Green Initiative): was hard to run both virtual and in person club fair at the same time, there should be a virtual fair but at a different time
 1. Virtual club fair is open until 9/12
- b. [Space Reservations](#)
 - i. Request events early! Space is limited
 - ii. Will take 7-10 business days to get event approved
- c. [Test positive at the building](#)
 - i. Click link to inform Veronica Maldonado for contact tracing
- d. [BioBlitz \(9/10-9/11 @ Randall's Island\)](#)
 - i. Be sure to sign up by 9/2/22
 - ii. For Class of 2025
- e. Club Travel
 - i. On hold-? For the fall, more info to come
 - ii. In the past, only 3 club travel plans were approved
 - iii. Required to send a chaperone, review travel proposals, travel orientation
 - iv. What is Considered Travel: Anything out of 5 boroughs and certain events within 5 boroughs, ex. hiking
- f. [SLV application](#)
 - i. Looking for Fall 2022 student lounge volunteers, deadline to apply is today (8/24/22)
 - ii. Apply using the link above
 - iii. Email Mel for more information (insert email)
- g. [Diversity Reception](#)
 - i. Annual event hosted with diversity initiative
 - ii. Next Wednesday 9/1 in Macaulay building
- h. [2026 Elections](#)
 - i. New students can now submit candidacy statements up until 9/6/22 using above link
- i. [Student Organization Leader Workshops](#)
 - i. Two officers from each club must attend a workshop
 - ii. In person and virtual options, look on Club Macaulay for more info
- j. [Leadership Opportunities page](#)
 - i. Clubs looking to recruit new leadership post positions using link above
- k. SPARC Training



- i. **LINK FOR SPARC INFO:**
https://drive.google.com/file/d/17ggR3aON9_INGCbioymH7JtZJC7-LV99/view?usp=sharing
- ii. Required for all club leaders and all MSC representatives
- iii. Past: Macaulay had its own course via blackboard
- iv. Now: students need to complete course via blackboard using their home campus for Fall 2022 Semester
- v. No screenshot needed to prove completion
- l. Virtual Fair
 - i. Fair is now live on Club Macaulay
 - ii. To club leaders: update your booths now on Club Macaulay if you haven't already
- m. [Important Dates & Deadlines](#)
- n. Budget Deadline
 - i. October 12 is last deadline to receive a budget this semester.
 - ii. 9/15 deadline for September budget approval
- o. Club Registration & Deadline
 - i. New Club Registration Opened Today (8/24) on Club Macaulay
 - ii. September 23rd Deadline to submit
- p. **Leadership Development:**
 - i. [Chris Cali slideshow on Planning a Great General Interest Meeting:](#)
 - 1. Introductions, Have an agenda, your mission, your accomplishments, your plans and future events, gather ideas, get students excited
 - 2. Ask about availability
 - 3. Can do multiple general interest meetings, half in person and half online
 - 4. Icebreaker Questions:
<https://teambuilding.com/blog/icebreaker-questions>
 - ii. Best day/time to host in person events: in the past it was usually Thurs and Friday nights
 - 1. Virtual events are harder for engagement
 - iii. About half of the clubs are doing in person interest meetings and the other half are online
 - 1. In person pro: fosters face to face connection and builds engagement
 - 2. Zoom pro: convenient
 - iv. Hybrid is a possible option for greater accessibility but requires coordination
- q. **Club Macaulay Feature:** Group Websites
 - i. Chris Daversa shows off the Macaulay Pre-Health website
 - ii. Websites can be edited via Club Macaulay to include events, mission, etc
 - iii. Can add a portal for events



- iv. Ask Chris, Chris, and/or Mel for further questions

5. Club, Organization, Initiative Updates

a. Club Updates

- i. Make sure to fill out your updates before meetings
- ii. Update club emails on the agenda
- iii. Next Club Council meeting is 9/16/22

b. Club News and Discussion

*Answer one or all: What important events or projects are coming up? What events or initiatives are you interested in having co-sponsors? **Is there any challenge you'd like to throw to the group for advice?***

*****Is there any feedback you'd like to share with the Scholars Council about current concerns you have?******

XWe'll just call out the club names one by one

- i. Macaulay Book Club (bookclub@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. Planning to have a book swap in person at the Macaulay Building sometime in September, date is TBD
- ii. Macaulay Business Club (businessclub@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. New & Full executives and E-board (already had a meeting, planning a second meeting)
 - 2. Registration + Budget Submitted
 - 3. 3 Virtual GIMs: 29th, 30th, 1st (63 responses at the Community Resources Day)
 - 4. Finalizing Mailing List for 2022/23
 - 5. Planning Committee (PC) applications will open after GIMs (Early to Mid September)
 - 6. Will have an introductory in-person networking event at Macaulay (space reservations = not done yet)
- iii. Macaulay Comedy Collective (comedycollective@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. GIM in September
 - 2. Planning Comedy cabaret in November
 - 3. Following up Community Resources Day with an email about GIM soon
- iv. Dungeons and Dragons Guild (DDguild@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. Planning on a General Interest Meeting in near future (September)
 - 2. BUDGET TO BE DONE SOON
 - 3. Guiding new students through D&D and getting more engagement
 - 4. Late addendum; 2 new eboard members and promotion of others
- v. Macaulay Chamber Music Society (macaulaychamber@gmail.com)
 - 1. Auditions next week 9/2 (5-7pm) and 9/3 (1-3pm) at the Macaulay Building
 - a. Reaching out to interested students from club fair



- vi. Macaulay Dancers (themacaulaydancers@gmail.com)
 - 1. Not present
- vii. Macaulay Deewane (deewane@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. Starting planning for this year's set (theme, music, costumes)
 - 2. Choreography/ learning/ prepping for auditions (Sept. 15 & 16)
- viii. Macaulay Feminist Society (feministsociety@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. General interest first 2 weeks of September
 - 2. Wellness circle to discuss the effects of Roe v Wade
 - a. Possibly research out to Macaulay Wellness Center and Psych club
 - 3. Collaboration with Peace Action (in the works)
 - 4. Holiday Drive for essentials
 - 5. Budget to be adjusted + submitted
- ix. Macaulay Against Cancer (mhcagainstcancer@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. We have added to our eboard, we added a Secretary and treasurer, both are class of 2025, & now our e-board is full
 - 2. We plan on having a zoom meeting this weekend to officially have everyone meet & discuss the semester & what events we'd like to host. Definitely something in person and some online. We also want to do a general interest meeting online sometime before September 15th and would love to host a movie night at the Macaulay Building.
 - 3. We had 30 students sign up at the club fair which is great & more than expected!
- x. Macaulay Chess Club (chessclub@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. GIM this Sunday 8/28 at 8pm
- xi. Macaulay Gastronomy Club (gastronomyclub@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. Not present, currently looking for new e-board members
 - 2. Will have a survey and email sent out to members soon - Erin Foo
 - 3. If anyone is interested in any e-board position role: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer (please let me know!)
 - 4. Currently no members
 - 5. This club does mainly food-based events
- xii. Humans of Macaulay (humans@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. Already submitted our budget
 - 2. We have a full board! Added a treasurer (class of '25) as well as a secretary/transcript editor (class of '24)
 - 3. Going to start posting content on social media every Friday evening starting 8/26 onwards
 - 4. Setting a 2 interviews/semester quota for all members to encourage more participation
 - 5. Will hold a GIM in the first half of September
- xiii. Macaulay Marauders Quidditch Team (macaulayquidditch@gmail.com)



1. We are having a general interest meeting September 2nd from 5-6 PM at the Macaulay Building.
2. Hold a broom decorating event mid to late September.
3. First practice will (hopefully) be held September 3rd.
- a. Macaulay Chapter for Habitat for Humanity (H4H@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - i. In process of planning GIM virtually, early sept
 - ii. Aiming to host 2 volunteer events this semester with or without h4h
 - iii. Sending out eboard apps
 - xiv. Macaulay Messenger (messenger@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. Expanded eboard to include social media manager and events coordinator, looking for tech coordinator to rebrand website
 2. Looking to publish on a weekly basis and reach out to Macaulay Monday
 3. Looking to reach out to speakers
 - xv. Macaulay Musicians' Collective (musicianscollective@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. We will continue to have weekly listen-alongs
 2. We will continue to have weekly, open rehearsals (dependant on if were prepping for an event)
 3. Please reach out to us as soon as possible if you intend to ask us to play at an event. We would love to do it.
 4. We're planning on doing a MMC only based performance.
 - xvi. Palestinian Culture Club (PalestinianCultureClub@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. Will not be active this semester
 - xvii. Macaulay Peace Action (peaceaction@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. Stop and Chat/GIM on Sept 9
 2. Many cool new events coming soon (like book club and summit at the Macaulay Building)
 - xviii. Macaulay Scribe (scribe@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. Not Present
 - xix. Macaulay Pre-Health Professions Club (prehealth@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. We are currently planning our General Interest Meeting as our first event, followed by a social mixer at Macaulay for our first in-person event.
 2. We are also recruiting 2 new e-board members and are undergoing the review process for applicants. (Secretary and Outreach Coordinator)
 3. We would like to collab with certain health/science related clubs on in-person events, seminars, speaker series, info sessions etc. Please reach out if interested!
 - xx. Macaulay Pre-Law Club (mhcprelaw@gmail.com)
 - a. Not Present
 - xxi. Macaulay Psychology Club (MHCPSYCHCLUB@gmail.com)
 1. Not present



- xxii. Macaulay Queer Alliance (queeralliance@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. LGBTQ Reception/ General Interest Meeting + Games - September 9th
 - 2. Picnic at Sheep Meadow Central Park
 - 3. Budget still in the works
 - xxiii. Macaulay Research Club (macaulayresearchclub@gmail.com)
 - 1. General Interest Meeting on Thursday, 09/08 at 7 pm
 - 2. Looking to recruit social media coordinator
 - 3. Interested in hosting a research symposium in November for Macaulay students.
 - xxiv. Macaulay Service Initiative (serviceinitiative@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. Recruited 4 new Directors of Volunteer Outreach
 - 2. In the process of planning new volunteer events, expanding our reach and organization partnerships
 - xxv. Spoon University at Macaulay Honors College (spoon@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. Recruited 3 new e-board members
 - 2. Planning general interest meeting and M(eat) Ups
 - 3. Follow up with interested students
 - xxvi. Macaulay STEM Society (stemsociety@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. We have a full e-board, and are planning our virtual GIM sometime in early Sept.
 - 2. As well, we plan on having an in person social mixer/speaker event.
 - 3. Goal to have the ASRC Tour in person event sometime in the spring.
 - xxvii. Macaulay Theater Club (theaterclub@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. We are putting on a production of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* November 18-20
 - 2. Auditions will be held on September 5th 7-9pm and September 7th 7-9pm
 - 3. We are also planning to co-host Murder Mystery Night with the Marauders! (More info TBD)
 - xxviii. Macaulay Triplets (triplets@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. Elected 2 new Eboard members (treasurer and secretary)
 - 2. Still planning GIM
 - 3. Audition 9/13 in Cabaret
- c. Special Initiatives
- i. Macaulay Art Tank (arttank@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - 1. We're planning a virtual general interest meeting on September 5th (Labor Day) via Zoom.



2. E-board meeting this Sunday to plan September events schedule that we want to reveal at the general interest meeting.
3. Volunteering opportunity in the works.
- ii. Macaulay Diversity Initiative (diversityinitiative@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. Club fair was a great success! 50 new member sign-ups
 2. We will be hosting Diversity Reception (Wed 8/31 7-8:30pm), informing students about our group, our goals, and hopefully recruit potential e-board members. Chance to foster a welcoming environment for incoming students of color!
 - a. Are any clubs interested in participating? Having discussion tables?
 3. Hoping to host a Town Hall/GIM meeting in September (virtually) to get input on students' outlook of Macaulay & bring those concerns to admin.
- iii. Macaulay Content Creators (contentcreators@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. Recently changed charter
 2. Lots of sign ups at Community Resource Day
 3. GIM 9/29
- iv. Macaulay Fit (fit@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. a lot of sign ups during community resource day
 2. switched from whatsapp to discord for better communication
 3. General interest meetings 09/02 6:30-7:30PM
 4. JDRF (Type 1 Diabetes Research) Walk volunteer event 09/24
 5. planning other events such as rock climbing and weightlifting
 6. almost done updating our website
 7. our social media will reintroduce the board and start posting Flex Friday
- v. Macaulay Gaming & Esports Community (gamingesports@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. Not present (more updates next Club Council meeting)
 2. Will try and have a gaming event at the beginning of the semester to recruit students
- vi. Macaulay Green Initiative (greeninitiative@macaulay.cuny.edu)



Leadership Application



- 1.
2. Green Initiative wants to increase collaboration between clubs in order to get back to pre-pandemic member engagement.
3. Planning GIM in next two weeks
4. First event of the year will be a recycling facility tour
5. Planning vegan cooking workshop
- vii. Macaulay Immigrant Support Network (immigrantadvocacy@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. Recruited a new e-board
 2. Club fair was a success, a lot of students signed up
 3. We are planning to have our GIM sometime in September
 4. We will send out an e-mail to students who signed up during the club fair, updating them on when our GIM will be and where it will take place
- viii. Orientation Leaders/Peer Mentors (peermentors@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 1. Not Present
 2. Orientation was a success! The mentors were super engaged and the mentees seemed to have a blast.
 3. Some of our mentors will be volunteering at the 2026 mixer.
 4. Our Peer Mentor retreat will be Sept 9th.
- ix. Student Lounge Volunteers
 1. Application is due today!
 2. Hoping to have weekly events starting from the second week of September
 3. Intern: Rosalynn Ye
- x. Senior Committee (everything on <https://linktr.ee/mhc22>)
 1. No info yet
- xi. TEDxCUNY (tedxcuny@gmail.com)
 1. Our GIM will be on 8/29 at 6pm via Zoom!
 2. We are also in the process of planning our first in-person Salon event of the year on 9/16 from 3-4:30pm. The Salon will be in the Cabaret at the Macaulay Building!
 3. [Applications](#) to join are due on 9/18.



- xii. *Any clubs missed or not registered yet
- 6. **Freshman Mixer- Friday, August 26th from 3-5pm**
 - a. Collaboration with peer mentors
 - b. Promote to freshman if you can
 - c. Contact alexandra.kern@macaulay.cuny.edu if you would like to volunteer at the event :)
 - d. Open to everyone!
 - e. 90's themed
- 7. **Special Initiatives Budget**
 - a. Something will be sent out soon

Call for Scholars Council Attendance – Announcement on Quorum

- Did not make quorum (10 representatives)

MSC Business: Club Leaders welcome to stay but not required

8. Voting

- a. Motions, Seconds
 - i. If you want to do something, you make a motion
 - ii. If someone wants to do that something with you, they second the motion
 - iii. We then ask the entire council whether they want to or not
 - iv. Can only happen when quorum is reached

9.

10. MSC Expectations/Requirements:

- a. **Charter:**
 - i. If you're unable to make it to a meeting, send a **notice at least 24 hours before** to scholarscouncil@macaulay.cuny.edu to have it count as an excused absence, you may have **no more than three unexcused absences.**
 - ii. Sit on a standing Committee of a Vice President.
 - iii. Communicate with their home campus and vice versa.
 - iv. Take part in one Scholars Council event and one Macaulay event per year
 - v. Attend all Scholars Council meetings as per the attendance policy.
- b. Engagement**
- c. Think about own personal expectations for September meeting
- d. **Student Handbook**
 - i. Give it a skim, helpful to know & explain policies when needed for constituents.
- e. Continuity and Completion
 - i. <https://macaulay.cuny.edu/continuity-completion/>
 - ii. Macaulay is following the pre-pandemic academic policy and dismissals are now reinstated

11. Dates and times for meetings & events this year:



- a.  MSC Version MSC Tentative Dates 2022

12. Dean Meeting Updates

- a. What does an engaged Dean look like?
- b. Set the tone for what deans do, what should that look like?

13. Diversity Committee

- a. New chairs? New members?
 - i. Chair:
- b. Considering collaborations with other MHC clubs/student activities to educate students across different campus groups.

14. USS Delegates

- a. Aka MSC representative to USS
- b. 2 nonvoting delegates:
- c. <https://www.cuny.edu/about/trustees/committees-of-the-board/>

15. Campus and Campus Event Updates

- a. Baruch
 - i.
- b. Brooklyn
 - i.
- c. City
 - i.
- d. College of Staten Island
 - i.
- e. Hunter
 - i.
- f. John Jay
 - i.
- g. Lehman
 - i.
- h. Queens
 - i.

16. USS Delegate Report

- a.

17. Committee Updates

- a. Academic Affairs (Zobia Jamal: zobia.jamal@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - i. All committee members please fill out survey
 - ii. First meeting last Week of September, if interested please join us!
- b. Campus Affairs (Erin Foo: erin.foo@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - i. Club council next month (9/16 - Friday) from 4-6 pm (make sure to remind club e board members to come in person → you need at least one person)
 - ii. 3 absences from Club Council results in deactivation of the club
 - iii. Excited for the upcoming year and seeing what clubs do



- c. Community Service (Taly Kronisch talya.kronisch@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - i. Goal: continue to update our MSC community service spreadsheet
 - ii. Community Service Weekend – March 25-26, 2022 (begin planning November)
- d. Student Life (Alexandra Kern: alexandra.kern@macaulay.cuny.edu)
 - i. Student life met at the Macaulay building—it was fun!
 - ii. September event–Powerpoint night 9/16 6:30–9:30
 - iii. Freshman mixer 8/26 3pm–5pm
 - 1. Volunteers needed!
 - 2. Please encourage any freshman you may know to go, let’s set the tone for future events!
 - iv. Engagement, we need help from other committees to make these events happen
 - 1. Halloween party coming up–big event, lots of volunteers needed!
- e. IT/Communications (Marieya Jagroop: marieyajagroop28@gmail.com)
 - i. IT/Comms met and discussed goals and responsibilities for the upcoming year.
 - ii. Took a look at analytics and insights on instagram to see best times to post fliers to increase engagement. Subject to change with classes beginning.
- f. Finance (Laila Gad: lailagad20@gmail.com)
 - i. Budgets were due for review by August 20, and were reviewed by the finance committee over the weekend
 - ii. Presentations are now REQUIRED for clubs requesting more than \$850

18. Old Business

a.

19. New Business

a.

20. Final Remarks and Discussion

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21. Adjournment

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NEXT Scholars Council Meeting

Date: 9/18/22

Time: 11am–1pm

Location: Lecture Hall

NEXT Club Council Meeting

Date: 09/16/22

Time: 4pm – 6 pm

Location: Lecture Hall