

**Executive Board Meeting
November 10, 2019**



In attendance: EVP Yohn, CoS Hicks, VPPA Koehler, Dir. Kahn, Dir. Gregory, Rep. Goldstein, Rep. McNeil (VPCS Msallem joined via. phone call for her presentation)

1. Executive Team Updates - Acting President Yohn

a. Executive Vice President (Acting President) - Nathan Yohn

- i. Acting President Yohn began the meeting by bringing up his suggestions for open positions on the Executive Board.
 - 1. Chief of Staff: John Hicks was previously approved at the meeting on 11/03/19
 - 2. Interim VP of Comms: Carolina Vieira was approved
 - 3. Interim Director of Programming: Emma Wasserman was approved
 - 4. Interim Director of Finance: Blake Sorrell was approved
- ii. Acting President Yohn recommended that the Executive Board appoint an Interim VP of Development: Mia Vafa. The decision and candidate were approved.

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- iii. Acting President Yohn moved the Executive Board meeting into discussion of changes to the Constitution of GW College Democrats. The Proposed changes included the creation of an Election Commission containing one Senior Deputy Director, two committee members, and two general body members. The Commission would have control of any electoral ballots, and email where materials related to elections would be sent. Also proposed was the amendment to create the permanent position of Vice President of Development.
- iv. Acting President Yohn updated the Executive Board on upcoming information sessions for potential candidates for the upcoming elections of open Executive Board Positions. Yohn proposed that VP of Development be added to the list of positions for election, which was approved. The Executive Board discussed violations of electoral code by individuals who announced candidacies for positions prematurely, and voted to publish electoral rules and enforce future announcement regulations.

b. Chief of Staff - John Hicks

- i. New to position — No updates

2. Communications Updates

- i. Position Vacant — No updates

3. Political Affairs Department Updates

a. Vice President of Political Affairs - Nick Koehler

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- i. Vice President Koehler offered congratulations to Director Kahn for his work and contribution to electing new democratic majorities in the Virginia Legislature.

b. Campaigns Director - Louie Kahn

- i. Dir. Kahn offered the Executive Board information on the work done by GW College Democrats in the recent elections in Virginia. Kahn highlighted that our members knocked on over 1,000 doors and completed over 1,000 phone calls.
- ii. Dir. Kahn proposed to the Executive Board the creation of a GW Mock Caucus, which would invite student representatives of all democratic presidential candidates to speak on their behalf, after which those in attendance would caucus, the aim of which would be to engage and educate students on the Iowa Caucus.
- iii. Dir. Kahn proposed to the Executive Board a voter drive targeting left-leaning student voters to encourage them to register and vote in primary elections.
- iv. Dir. Kahn proposed to the Executive Board a debate between representatives of presidential candidates
- v. Dir. Kahn informed the Executive Board he was compiling a list of staffers on presidential campaigns to help members identify internship and job opportunities

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- vi. Dir. Kahn informed the Executive Board of an impending pizza party for members of the Campaign Committee who helped with Virginia elections.

4. Membership Department Updates

a. Events and Social Director - Sarah Gregory

- i. Dir. Gregory updated the Executive Board on the recent speed dating event, referring to it as a fun success, and thanking all who attended.
- ii. Dir. Gregory updated the Executive board on the next planned event, Dems Family Dinner on Nov. 21. Forms for bringing food without reimbursement are to be released soon, however Dems will provide staple items.
- iii. Dir. Gregory updated the Executive board on the upcoming food drive.
- iv. Dir. Gregory updated the Executive board on the confirmation of the Dems v. CRs basketball game. The event will take place at halftime of the GW Basketball game on Dec. 4. Money collected from the event will go to a charity of the winners choice.
- v. Dir. Gregory suggested to the Executive Board that following the basketball game GW College Dems holds a GBM so that the membership can meet new executive board members following the election.
- vi. Dir. Gregory updated the Executive Board on the proposed soul food hour, Pres. Yohn suggested changing the event to a latin food hour in co-sponsorship OLAS

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b. Freshmen Representatives - Maddie Goldstein & Jovawn McNeil

- i. Reps. Goldstein and McNeil updated the Executive Board on the upcoming Hilternship workshops, Nov. 13 on the Mount Vernon Campus and Nov. 18 on the Foggy Bottom Campus. Food will be provided at both events.
- ii. Reps. Goldstein and McNeil updated the Executive Board on planning of a pajama night showing of an Obama documentary.
- iii. Reps. Goldstein and McNeil asked the Executive Board for suggestions on input on ways to gather input on future events.

5. Community Service Updates

a. Vice President of Community Service - Amanda Msallem (called in)

- i. VP Msallem called into the Executive Board meeting and discussed methods of payment for GW College Dems events that would not require the time constraints of reimbursement.
- ii. VP Msallem updated the Executive on the cancellation of the blanket service event due to her illness.
- iii. VP Msallem updated the Executive Board on the upcoming MLK Day of Service, which she is requiring Executive Board members and requesting Senior Deputy Board members to attend