

**Executive Board Meeting
November 24, 2019**



Members Present: EVP Yohn, CoS Hicks, VPC Fujiy Vieira, VPM Bloch, VPCS
Msallem, Dir. Gregory, Dir. Sorrell

1. Executive Team Updates

a. Executive Vice President - Nathan Yohn

- i. EVP Yohn announced to the Executive Board that the approved constitutional changes had officially been implemented and updated online.
- ii. EVP Yohn asked the Executive Board to vote to go into executive session. The request was voted on and approved.
- iii. The Executive Board closed executive session

b. Chief of Staff - John Hicks

- i. CoS Hicks asked the Executive Board for approval of minutes from the November 17, 2019 meeting, which was unanimously accepted.
- ii. CoS Hicks reminded the Executive Board of the election guidelines posted by the Executive Team, and asked for strict adherence to them. *See Below*

2. Communications Updates

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a. Interim Vice President of Communications - Carolina Fujiy Vieira

- i. VP Fujiy Vieira informed the Executive Board on her upcoming interview regarding the recent banning of political ads on some social media platforms, and asked if any other members were interested.
- ii. VP Fujiy Vieira updated the Executive Board on the plans to livestream special election speeches, requesting a tripod to set the recording device on.
- iii. VP Fujiy Vieira suggested to the Executive Board that on thanksgiving GW College Democrats post an awareness post to educate membership on some of the controversy surrounding the holiday.

3. Political Affairs Department Updates

a. Vice President of Political Affairs - Nick Koehler

- i. Not Present

b. Interim Programming Director - Emma Wasserman

- i. Not Present

c. Campaigns Director - Louie Kahn

4. Membership Department Updates

a. Interim Vice President of Membership - Taylor Bloch

- i. VP Bloch informed the Executive Board that herself and Dir. Gregory had been in discussion about an event to inform members about the mentorship program and to potentially serve as a meet and greet.

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- ii. VP Bloch asked that members of the Executive Board sign up to be either a mentor or mentee in the mentorship program.

b. Events and Social Director - Sarah Gregory

- i. Dir. Gregory thanked the Executive Board for showing up to Dems family dinner, describing it as a resounding success and wonderful event.
- ii. Dir. Gregory informed the Executive Board of an upcoming event on Dec 9. from 6-8 in District B207, to serve as a meet and greet for the mentorship program.
- iii. Dir. Gregory informed the Executive Board that dates for the Dems vs. CRs basketball game were still in discussion.

a. Freshmen Representatives - Maddie Goldstein & Jovawn McNeil

- iv. Not Present

5. Diversity and Inclusion Updates

a. Interim Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion - Amira Alamin

- i. Not Present

6. Development Updates

a. Interim Vice President of Development - Mia Vafa

- i. Not Present

b. Interim Finance Director - Blake Sorrell

- i. Dir. Sorrell asked that members of the Executive Board submit budgets so that he can create the organizational one for College Dems, the guidelines are not too strict.

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- ii. Dir. Sorrell asked the Executive Board if fundraising could be done by selling older merchandise that is still in the office. The Board discussed but did not come to a decision.

7. Community Service Updates

a. Vice President of Community Service - Amanda Msallem

- i. VP Msallem reminded the Executive Board of the blanket making service event on Nov. 25th, and asked that everyone attend.
- ii. VP Msallem announced that there will be a new date for the service trip to a DC public school, and also asked that members sign up for Martin Luther King Day of service as there are 40 spots available for the trip.

* START: Executive Board Special Election Guidelines, original form*

Executive Board 2019 Special Election Guidelines

1. As members of the general body you are permitted to attend speeches. However, if you

do please follow these guidelines:

- a. Please refrain from sitting next to other members of the Executive Board if attending the event.
- b. Please refrain from engaging in long conversations with other members of the Executive Board during the event, if in attendance.
- c. If you are not a candidate and are asked for your opinion on candidates for election or desired outcomes, please state that as a member of the Executive Board it is not appropriate for you to comment at that time.

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2. On social media and in public please follow these guidelines:

a. Please refrain from sharing any material online that can be reasonably assumed

as an endorsement or show of support for any candidate, unless it is yourself. b. Please refrain from commenting on your opinion of candidates or desired outcomes of elections in any fashion.

3. If you are a candidate in the elections, please follow these guidelines:

a. Only express opinions and desired outcome of your race. b. Please refrain from discussions with any fellow Executive Board members not up for election at the election speeches.

We realize that we are all members of GWCD and entitled to our own opinions, we also realize that the Executive Board holds no power over elections due to constitutional changes. Given the events that have transpired it is imperative that Executive Board avoids any appearance of favoritism or partiality during the election, and any appearance at election speeches that could lead to the assumption that we are discussing our preferences of outcomes.

Nathan Yohn
Executive Vice
President

John Hicks
Chief of
Staff

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