

**SGA Cabinet
Meeting Summaries
August 9, 2021**

Cabinet Updates

Samuel Ellis, President

- Yellow Jacket Club
 - Ajanta is Bringing back Traditions Keepers Council
- GTPD Advocacy
 - Public Safety Officer wages already raised to \$17.50 an hour
 - Goal of 9-10 Safety Officers
 - These officers will respond to mental health calls
 - Safety Walk
 - Allison on point, safety needs of campus are met (infrastructure improvements)
 - GTPD Survey
 - Polling campus on comfort around GTPD / improvements

Ajanta Choudhury, Executive Vice President

- Working w/ UGA's Lydia Medford on a potential letter to USG re: Mask wearing and vaccines
 - Still at estimated 85% vaccination rate
 - Working with Mihir on vaccine campaign
- Gt Comms on mental health messaging, more feedback on mental health communication
- Vaccine hesitancy campaign, Zizi & I will be contacting ATL-based doctors & clinics to see if they can help with providing info and/or informative videos

Tanish Goel, JVP of Finance

- RSO training with SOFO and CSE successful - turning it into a series.
- Org BiWeekly newsletter now has a section dedicated to RSO Finances.
- Fall JFC is all set to go. Room 117 - Smithgall Student Services Building.
- JFC's composition is still under review. Fewer applicants for specific SME positions.
- Will update the Roster for Undergraduate and Graduate Authors for JacketPages.

Megan Dass, JVP of IT

- Got the green light to move forward with the syllabus repo!
- Looking into adding [GT Wiki](#) under SGA
- Decided on an interactive debate for ethics week event
- Completed initial review of project specification docs

Allison Vermaak, JVP of Infrastructure and Sustainability

- Working for Week of Welcome, deciding what recyclables can be used for gt swag
- Initial talks for a revamp of peters parking deck

Rohan Sohani, VP of Academic Affairs

- GT resources list, SGA resource page & FASET partnership for new students
- Working w/ Megan on syllabus repo
- Researching OSI structuring at other institutions
- Trial for transfer student ambassadors

Bridgette Davenport, VP of Campus Services

- Students will be able to text feedback instead of having to fill out a survey.
- Dining events during Week of Welcome
- No dedicated allergen-free kitchen.
- Pushing to mid semester: international food items based on recipes submitted by students
- Vending: Putting together a feedback form to collect complaints about issues & requested items
- **PTS**
 - New management system for purchasing and managing parking permits coming next school year.
 - Contract to be awarded in early 2022.
 - Green route is NOT going away.
 - Revised hours for some services:
 - Stingerette: 8 pm - 3:15 am
 - Wait times should be reduced as all drivers will be working during service hours.
 - Midnight Rambler: 8 pm - 2 am
 - Gold Route: Starting earlier on weekdays. 5:15 am
 - Tech Square Phase 3:
 - The old PTS building will be torn down a park/study space area will be put there until construction starts. There will be space to park food trucks and have events

Anika Gouhl, VP of Communications

- Successful convocation speech- excellent job Sam.
- Week of Welcome booth successful
- Adding Covid protocols and Q&A to the welcome back letter before sending via listserv
- Will also be posting the Covid Q&A on Instagram stories
- Working on promos for specific committees and a large general promo push on Instagram

Grace Swift, VP of External Affairs

- Working on SAT/ACT optional stuff, trying to set up a meeting w/Rick Clark for early next week and go from there
- Putting a community fridge near / on campus- hosted by a local restaurant that provides it with electricity,
 - Expands just beyond GT, more of a midtown community fridge
 - *Could possibly:* donation of excess food from greek life and excess kitchens
 - *Cab brings up* that STAR also does this already^ how can we supplement existing functions

Zizi Ohamadike, VP of Operations

- Working with Mihir, Julia, and Amogh to contact student organizations as part of the vaccination campaign
- Fall Planning Committee - discussed the rights faculty/students have in regards to masks/vaccines in public spaces. There are plans to release this information (clearly and concisely) for faculty and students before the semester begins. If you have any questions for the committee, let me know and I can bring it up during our weekly meetings!
- Fall org fair - August 31 (rain date Sept. 9)

Derek Huell, VP of Student Life

- Contract secured for upcoming Movie Fest
- Identifying dates for Fall round table discussions
- Space reservation guide is now available on Engage
 - New recycle bin request form
- NPHC meeting w/ President Cabrera - plots are moving forward

Mihir Kandarpa, VP of Well-Being

- **Public Health**
 - **Projects & Other Updates**
 - COVID-19 Vaccination Campaign: Began outreach to RSOs (Amogh, Julia, Zizi, and I sent out our first set of emails to 350+ orgs).
 - **MPP:** Working w/ Ajanta to expand MPP: meeting with Tommy Little (Facilities) to discuss next steps with MPP expansion to more spaces on campus.
 - **National Health Center Week:** wrote on behalf of SGA to Dr. Holton and the Stamps staff to thank them as the frontlines throughout the pandemic.
- **Upcoming Meetings (next 2 weeks)**
 - **8/10:** Meeting with President of Seats at the Table to discuss mental health advocacy they are working on across GA
 - **8/18:** Rohan's and I are meeting with the Chair & ISyE Leadership to discuss wellbeing of ISyE Students and address concerns around COVID.

- **8/18:** Wellbeing Board is leading the Burdell's Declassified School Survival Guide event for new students.
- **Other Important Updates**
 - Working on a [Fall Wellbeing Update](#) for the Newsletter and to distribute widely to students/RSOs.
 - **Join the Student Health Council!** Please share this/fill [this form](#) out to be added to the Student Health Council listserv. This is the email: studenthealthcouncil@lists.gatech.edu
 - **Join the Mental Health Network!** Please share this/fill [this form](#) out to be added to the Mental Health Network listserv. This is the email: mentalhealthnetwork@lists.gatech.edu

Rohan Rege, Speaker of the House

- Updates on confirmation
 - Felt it best to have it as a trial bill during onboarding
 - Retreat!
 - will be framed as mandatory for UHR members but will be understanding about any concerns (no penalties for absences)
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Important Dates, Deadlines, Announcements

- At this point, Committee chairs should have been appointed
 - The focus should now be on onboarding committee chairs
 - Be sure to meet with respective admin in the next 1-2 weeks
- Next Cabinet Meeting:** August 23, 2021