



**NYC College of Technology**  
**2015/2016 Student Government Association**  
**Meeting Minutes**

*Informal Meeting*

**Date / Time: Tuesday, August 4th, 2015 at 6:00PM**

**Location: SGA Conference Room, G-400**

**Present:**

Hercules E. Reid (President)  
Jennifer Fortunato (Vice President)  
Josue Kersaint (Treasurer)  
Janay Battsakinwunmi (Social Director)  
Radaisy Ramirez (Senator- School of Professional Studies)  
Iori Kotake (Auxiliary Enterprise Board - Student Representative)

**Guests:**

Amanda Marmol (Interest Secretary Position)

**Regrets:**

Kassandra Rodriguez-Urban (Part-Time Evening Representative)  
Sylwester Dombrowski (Senator at Large)  
Steven Velez (College Council - Student Representative)  
Chris Isla (New Tech Times Editor-in-Chief)  
Volodymyr Komendyak (Senator- School of Technology and Design)  
Marlon Myers (Senator- School of Technology and Design)

**A. Welcome & Message from the President –** Hercules E. Reid welcomed the committee to their fourth official meeting

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**B. New Student Orientation**

Hercules E. Reid discussed the importance of the presence of Student Government at New Student Orientation. It is the perfect time for Student Government to introduce themselves to the incoming students as well as make them aware that SGA welcomes them and their ideas.

Hercules E. Reid will be speaking at all New Student Orientations (August 11th, 13th, 18th, 20th and 25th) from 9:30-10am.

From 3:30-5pm there will be an Information Fair/Welcome Social (open session) where SGA along with other clubs will be available to provide incoming students with information about themselves.

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Hercules E. Reid mentioned how at this Information Fair/Welcome Social he will like to have a “giveaway” of phone back card holders, flash drives, water bottles etc with City Tech Student Government logo. This will also be a form of promoting Student Government to the incoming students. Hercules E. Reid stated that there must be **at least** three Student Government members present at this New Student Orientation Information Fair/Welcome Social.

Radaisy Ramirez agreed on attending the Information/Welcome Social on August 11th and 18th.

Jennifer Fortunato agreed on attending the Information/Welcome Social on August 25th.

Janay Battsakinwunmi agreed on attending the Information/Welcome Social on August 13th and 18th.

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**ACTION** : Hercules E. Reid will be emailing those SGA members unable to attend today's meeting with information on the New Student Orientation Information Fair/Welcome Social. All SGA members must inform Hercules E. Reid what date(s) they're available to attend.

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### C. **Summer Budget**

Hercules E. Reid stated a few ideas he had on how the summer budget will be allocated:

- Name Plates for Executive Board members desk
- Shirts for SGA members with student government logo and what position they hold
- Replace conference room chairs
- Re-paint walls - only permitted to paint walls white with the exception of an accent wall
- Giveaways for welcome back bash

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**ACTION**: All members must vote in on a color if there will be an accent wall.

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### D. **Student Government Association Constitution**

Hercules E. Reid informed everyone that it is their duty to review the Constitution and to make note of their responsibilities. He also emphasized on various

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sections of the Constitution such as the following:

- Article VI - Responsibilities of SGA Body
  - (G) The SGA Body Shall meet the first Thursday of each month. A special meeting may be called at the designation of the President or by signed petition of 50% of the membership of the SGA Body. Forty-eight (48) hours notice must be given for the calling of a special meeting of the SGA Body.
    - (1) All Committees of the Student Government Association, with the exception of the Budget Committee, must be established by the second week of fall semester.
- Article VII - Removal from SGA Body of the Student Government Association:

A member of the SGA Body may be removed from the body for any of the following reasons:

  - Non-attendance to two (2) official scheduled meetings
  - Not maintaining the required cumulative Grade Point Average Index of 2.5
  - Failure to maintain office hours
- Article IX
  - Section: 1 Budget Committee: Budget Committee must be established before ANY allocation of funds
    - A. Composition:
      1. Treasurer shall be chairperson
      2. Vice President
      3. Social Director
      4. Three Senators
    - B. Responsibilities:
      1. To be established within the first two weeks of the fall semester
- Article XI - Amendments to the Constitution:
  - (A) Any Student may propose an amendment to the SGA Constitution. The proposed amendment, with 200 student signatures, must be presented in writing to any officer of the Executive Board.
  - (B) Amendments to the Constitution must receive a 2/3 - majority vote from the SGA Body
  - (C)The entire student body must vote all proposed amendments approved by the SGA Body. The Student Body must be notified at

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least one week prior to voting.

(D) An amendment becomes part of the constitution the term after it has received a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority vote of all students voting.

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**ACTION: All SGA members are required to review the Constitution and make note and enact on their responsibilities.**

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**E. Next Meetings Agenda**  
TBD

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**F. Adjournment** – Hercules E. Reid adjourned meeting at 7:10pm.

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**Next meeting: TBD**

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