

Date: 7 March 2016

Time: 10PM - 11PM

Venue: Classroom 14

Note-Taker: Adam

Attendance: Adam, Shreyasa, Patrick, Elson, Joey, Gin, Sharlene

Absent: Glen, Erika. (both with apologies)

Agenda:

- Election of Chief Justice
- Outline of duties
- Setup general procedure for initiating complaints and suits
 - Setup google form, gmail
 - Write out a procedure for how suits are processed
 - Utilize a public forum to publish minutes
- Some time for meeting “in totality”
- AOB

Summary:

The Judiciary elected Patrick Wu, Saga '19 as the Chief Justice for this Judiciary term. The Judiciary also discussed procedures regarding the filing of complaints and suits against the Government, as well as general duties of the Judiciary. Moving forward, the Judiciary will meet weekly to discuss any complaints or issues that arise over the course of the week.

Agenda	Discussion Points	Action
Election of Chief Justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Nominees for Chief Justice<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Patrick, Adam● Unanimous vote for Patrick● Patrick takes over as Chair of the meeting.	

<p>Outline of duties and procedures.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Duties of chief justice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Issue clarifying documents re: court actions ○ Serve on Appeals Committee ○ Manage Judiciary affairs. ● Duties of broader judiciary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adjudicate and make decisions on suits ○ Make reparations to parties in a suit. ○ Send somebody to council meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Each person needs to go at least once ■ Adam: If we can show up, we should go to council meetings ■ Shrey: Will set up a schedule. Each person should show up for at least 2 dates per month. Council meetings are on Friday. ○ Review the constitutionality of the council's actions. (Does not need suit.) ○ Write monthly reports. ● Set up a general procedure for sending in complaints and suits ● Two-thirds majority needed for decisions. ● Once a month meeting times need to be set up. ● Sharlene: When do we serve to? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrick: End of the semester ○ Shrey: We step down at the same time as council members. ○ Adam: Technically the council only steps down after elections i.e. in July. ● Adam: What do we need to take note of when we attend council meetings? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shrey: Outlined under Constitution Article V Section 4. ○ Patrick: Just keep an eye on them and if there are any issues of misconduct. If they ask a question on Constitution, defer to the greater Judiciary unless it's a straightforward question (e.g. how many terms can the President serve?) ● Shrey: What does the Appeals Committee do? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrick: Adjudicate disputes between student orgs and individual students and government ○ Elson: Regular complaints and suits are decided by the judiciary. 	<p>Shrey to set up a schedule</p> <p>Everyone to fill up the scheduling form.</p> <p>Patrick will write out procedural guidelines for Judiciary to review (by Thursday)</p> <p>Patrick will also set up the channels for communication (Google form and email address)</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrick: All complaints should go through the Google form. We then allocate it to the right group to handle. ● Shrey: If the Judiciary has the final authority, does that mean we can make changes to the Constitution? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrick: No, unless there is a clause in the Constitution that needs to be clarified. Otherwise changes in Constitution must go through Council. ● Shrey: Under the clause of communication of DoS, should we have a liaison with DoS in the case of illegal activities etc? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrick: Chief Justice should do it. All Justices have the constitutional obligation to report any illegal matters. ● Shrey: We need to publicize our functions to the student body. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrick: Do we need to hold an event? ○ Shrey: I think written would be enough. ○ Adam: When we publicize the procedures, we can include this information inside as well. ○ Shrey: We might want to have a lunch table to let students know what we are doing. ○ Elson: We should publish what we had done today to the student body. ● Adam: Do we want to announce the Chief Justice on Facebook tonight? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shrey: It will come out in the minutes and the email. ○ Patrick: I do not think it is necessary. ● Elson: When we put up the minutes up, should we post on Facebook? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adam: I will let Council know. Maybe admin privileges to Facebook group. ● Patrick: Also, we need to issue a report every month re: constitutionality of the Council's actions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adam: We can discuss the monthly report during our monthly meetings. ● Shrey: If a complaint arrives, what is our response time? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sharlene: What if there are many complaints coming very quickly? ○ Patrick: We can set up an emergency meeting to respond to that. ○ Sharlene: Can we respond to straightforward complaints online? ○ Adam: Online votes do not count. 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrick: I can write an opinion and we can vote on Monday meetings. ● What do we do in suits re: decisions? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If we cannot come to a unanimous consensus, we will postpone the verdict until we can meet on Monday with a written opinion from the Chief Justice. 	
Meeting time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Patrick: Regular meetings will be Mondays 10pm. If nothing then meeting will be cancelled. 	
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Patrick: When I have more time, I will write an opinion on things that need to be changed in the Constitution. 	

Agenda for our next meeting:

- Review the google form/procedural documents
- Meet “in totality” some time this month.
- If anyone has any other business to raise, e.g. legislation or other concerns about council

Reminders/ Updates:

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