Date: 14 Sept 2016 **Time:** 16:00-17:30 **Venue:** Classroom 14

NoteTaker: Michael Moyer Speaker: Glen

Attendance: Saza, Avery, Shardul, Scott, Hebe, Stinson, Brandon, Nirali, Sara, Ana, Sunwoo,

Timo, Glen, Michael (tardy), Aditya (tardy)

Observer: Regina Lee

Judiciary Representatives: Tee Zhuo, Keith Tong

Absent: Izzah

Next meeting: 28 September, 4pm

- 1. Administrative Things [30 minutes]
 - **a.** Declaration of Conflicts of Interest, per Article X [15 minutes]
 - i. A conflict of interest is where a member of Government is a meaningful participant in a non-Government party to a Government decision. Meaningful participant means, in the context of Yale-NUS College, that the member of Government is in a leadership capacity of a student group, has a vested financial interest in the outcome of a Government decision, or has a vested personal interest in the outcome of a decision as it pertains to them in a non-government capacity, or if any of the above applies to a significant other of the Government member.
 - b. Portfolio Responsibilities [5 minutes]
 - c. Ratification of Appointments [5 minutes]
 - d. Swearing in [5 minutes]
- 2. President/Vice President Statements [23 minutes]
 - a. Vision and thrusts for the year
 - b. Setting of expectations
 - c. Statement of Intent
- 3. Project/Portfolio Items [12 minutes]
 - a. Speaker [2 minutes]
 - i. How to propose items to agenda
 - b. Vice-President [5 minutes]
 - i. Introduction to the school
 - c. Events [5 minutes]
 - i. Halloween
- 4. Feedback [5 minutes]
 - a. By portfolio where necessary
- 5. Team Bonding Activity [20 minutes]

Summary: This was the first student government meeting after the government handover, and thus dealt primarily with administrative issues. First, all members of student government declared their conflicts of interest, which included club membership and club leadership positions. The government ratified portfolio positions and discussed portfolio responsibilities, the presidents discussed their vision, all Council members were sworn into office, and confidential feedback relating to student life was discussed.

Portfolios positions were ratified as follows:

- Academics
 - o Director: Timo
 - o Deputy: Shardul
- Student Orgs
 - o Director: Ana
 - o Deputy: Scott
- Student Life
 - o Director: Sara
 - o Deputy: Sunwoo
- Budget
 - o Director: Aditya
- Logistics
 - o Director: Michael Moyer
- External Comms
 - Co-Directors: Hebe and Logan [Logan later dropped, correction to be ratified at next meeting]
- Athletics
 - o Director: Brandon Lee
- Events
 - o Director: Nirali
- Backbenchers
 - o Stinson
 - o Izzah
- Liaison to CIPE
 - o Nirali
- Liaison to Elm College Council
 - o Avery
- Liaison to Saga RCAC
 - o Sara
- Liaison to Cendana College Council
 - o Sunwoo
- Liaison to Public Affairs
 - Hebe [later changed by consensus to Avery, to be ratified by next meeting]

- Liaison to Infra
 - o Glen, Brandon
- Liaison to Arts
 - o Glen
- Liaison to ERT
 - o Scott

Agenda	Discussion Point	Actionables
Declaration of Conflict of Interest	 Saza- no conflict of interests Avery- Elm College Council, Christian Fellowship, syncD, Legally Blonde, Elm Student Associate Scott- Lit Collective barbershop Hebe- Baking Club, GOYAC, RC3 Stinson- Badminton, Octant Logan- Mocktant, Volleyball, debate, improv Brandon- Bookstore, Habitat, KidsAccomplish, table tennis, badminton, floorball, Christian Fellowship, ComPact Nirali- GOYAC, RC3, sycnD, YNDUS Sara- Saga RCAC, Global Health Alliance, Captain of Volleyball Anandita- KidsAccomplish, Football Team Sunwoo- Compact, Legally Blonde, GOYAC, NUS Archery Timo- YIRPA, GCC Glen- Barbershop, Legally Blonde, PS We Care, Green Room, Photography Shardul- Football, YIRPA 	
Portfolio Responsibilities	 Saza: Saza and Avery to meet all of you in the next 3 weeks Brandon added to Infra Liaison Ratification Vote. Would you like to ratify these appointments? Yes: Saza, Avery, Shardul, Scott, Hebe, Stinson, Brandon, Nirali, Sara, Ana, Sunwoo, Timo, Glen, Michael No: none Abstain: none 	Slate of portfolio appointments passed
Swear-in	- All are sworn in	
Presidential vision	Vision- Care for the welfare of the student body Thrusts 1. Acknowledge our purpose and presence 2. Members become honest and transparent in dealings 3. To act as effective liaisons between the student body and the administration 4. Clarify the relationship between NUS Expectations	

- 1. If you don't attend ½ of the meetings you may be impeached
- 2. Reply to messages and forums promptly
- 3. Raise clarifications----> have everything in meetings
- 4. USE SLACK
- 5. Always CC gov email in your emails with admins for record keeping purposes
- 6. Reply to emails from feedbacks by 72 hours

Portfolio Responsibilities

- 1. Meet with the person handling your portfolios by 18th September
- 2. The list of things you hope to achieve by Sept 24th
- 3. Meet Saza and Avery for a 1 on 1 session by 1 Oct
- 4. Form and source standing committees by 30 Sept.
- Aditya can I exist within the existing committees?
- Avery Yes!
- Sara Are the deadlines hard or can we make it soft?
- Saza We want it done before or during Recess week
- Glenn You can do this over skype
- Brandon No mention of Athletics in the constitution.
- Avery Although it was not in the constitution, you can create a standing committee.
- Glenn We have 10 minutes to discuss the statement of intent. What do we want to achieve together as a government?
- Crickets
- Glen Post on the slack please if you want to tell me anything specific about the agenda.
- Sara What do you want to be put in the agenda posts?
- Glen 1 to 2 lines of what you hope to accomplish.
- Avery *passes around Sheet of Power, which delineates the structure of the administration within Yale-NUS*. It is on slack also!
- Bolded items on the power map student gov has liaisons for them
- Glen ERT Director Ken Panko is leaving also
- Nirali Halloween is on Oct 28 which is a Friday. They want YNC to head the safety for the events (mostly haunted houses). Nirali wants a select committee established for Halloween.
- Glen Are you proposing for 3 separate haunted houses?
- Nirali We did not discuss this in definite terms.
- Glen members on the council should be on RC³ and Michael;)
- Nirali Find some more people to join the committee
- The vote for a select committee for Halloween passes.

Other- **Subhas** has officially resigned. Submitted his resignation

	email, approved by Saza.	
Hebe's External Committee	 Discuss confidential feedback submitted by students, designated to the portfolio of student life Issue with professor referred to a student's Vice-Rector 	
Speaker Glen housecleaning issues	- Glen - Recess week we are off! Next time we will meet is the 25th of September. 2 WEEKS OFF	
Fun and Games	- List your names and how you got it. Then explain what it means to you.	