

**Princeton USG Senate
Meeting 1
September 5, 2021
8:00PM**



**Undergraduate
Student
Government**

Introduction

1. Question and Answer Session (15 minutes)
2. President's Report (5 minutes)

New Business

1. Introduction: Christian Potter (5 minutes)
2. Onboarding Document: Ashwin Mahadevan and Josephine Kim (10 minutes)
3. Budget Approval: Turquoise Brewington (10 minutes)
4. Committee Applications and Social Media Strategy Discussion: Hannah Kapoor (15 minutes)
5. Orientation Schedule: Ashwin Mahadevan (10 minutes)
6. SGRC Confirmations: Lehman Montgomery (5 minutes)

Consent Agenda

1. Movies Chair Confirmation: Cheyenne Zhang '22

Hi! I'm Cheyenne, and I'm a senior concentrating in Computer Science with certificates in East Asian Studies and Cognitive Science. On campus, I'm involved with the COS Council, USG Movies Committee, and the Chinese Language Association. I'm passionate about media, business, technology, and diversity, and am looking forward to working with you all.

Senate Onboarding Document

SUMMARY:

- Senate members email Josephine (Exec Sec) at jk40@princeton.edu to submit agenda items along with any materials needed for their presentation by Friday before the Sunday Senate meeting.
- Notify Josephine in advance about absences and who will be attending as a substitute.
- Josephine sends out the meeting packet before the meeting and meeting minutes after the meeting.

WEEKLY TIMELINE:

SUN: Senate meeting

MON-WED: Senate members attend committee meetings and work on committee, task force, and individual business. Executive Committee (ExComm) members attend the weekly ExComm meeting (Tuesday). Josephine sends out meeting minutes on Monday.

THURS: Contact Josephine to submit an agenda item

FRI: Send Josephine materials for the packet (e.g. bios, spreadsheets, docs)

SAT: Josephine sends out the finalized packet (agenda and materials)

When to contact Josephine

- 48 hours before your absence at a Senate meeting, along with the name of the person who will be subbing
- Submitting agenda items
- Sending in materials for the packet
- Questions about what happened during the meeting
- Voting, confirmations, referenda, presentations—if you have procedural questions about how to present, prepare your documents, format correctly, or who to invite, you can ask Josephine.

Confirmations

Background: When new Senate members are elected/appointed/selected, or when committees select new members, they are confirmed at Senate meetings. They will be introduced by a current Senate member and then approved by a vote. Short bios for each confirmed individual will be included in the packet before the meeting.

Action Item: Send Josephine bios for anyone you/your committee will confirm by the Friday (see timeline above) before the meeting.

Referenda

Background: Referenda are petitions that have garnered enough signatures from the student body to appear on the ballot during elections. In order for a referendum to be presented before the Senate, it must be formatted correctly and sent for the packet by the Friday before the Senate meeting. Often, referenda will be edited and re-drafted, incorporating suggestions from the Senate, before the student body votes on them.

Action Item: Send Josephine the version of the referendum that you want included in the packet by Friday. This will be the language that the Senate will be reviewing, so please make sure that you are sending the most up-to-date versions.

Budget proposals/funding requests

Background: Senate members can present budgets or funding requests for approval through a vote.

Action Item: Spreadsheets or documents outlining budget/funding allocations should be sent to Josephine by Friday to be included in the packet.

Voting

Background: Some Senate members are voting members and some are non-voting members. If you are unsure about whether you have the capacity to vote, you can ask Josephine. Voting members can vote on budgets, funding requests, motions to vote, confirmation of new members, and other items.

Action Items: If you are missing a meeting, your substitute will vote on your behalf. Please notify Josephine of your absence and your substitute at least 48 hours before the meeting, or your absence will be noted as unexcused.

Clearly signal when you abstain or vote against something. If you do not make your vote clear, it may not be counted in the meeting minutes.

SGRC Club List

The Princeton D&D Club

- “The Princeton D&D Club proclaims that it has been founded and is dedicated to promoting and encouraging, amongst its members:
 - A love and understanding of the Tabletop Roleplaying Game Dungeons and Dragons: 5thEdition, including its rules and narrative capacity,
 - A lively community of players and Dungeon Masters (DMs) bolstered by a regular meetup schedule for campaign sessions and viewing of actual play shows,
 - An ability for storytelling, cooperation, and improvisation as fostered by the creative environment of a live D&D game,
 - A BIPOC and LGBTQ+-friendly space in which members can experience and empathize with the personal narratives of other players.”

Princeton Impact Capital

- “Founded in 2021 and based at Princeton University, our finance club is a devoted community of undergraduate students who want to reimagine the approach to financial education. We put sustainability and responsible investing at the heart of our mission, and we aim to make a difference with an innovative educational curriculum focused on aspects beyond typical accounting and financial modeling, but also on the environmental impact of investments and the ESG scale. Our mission is four-fold:
 - Educate members and the community on ESG, Impact Investing and SRI
 - Host industry experts in ESG and impact investing to give talks to our general membership
 - Establish metrics to manage an ESG simulation portfolio that beats the market on a risk-adjusted basis
 - Create opportunities for the furthering of professional development of University students”

Princeton NeuroTech

- “Princeton NeuroTech proclaims that it has been founded and is dedicated to promote and encourage, amongst its members:
 - Provide a place where students can access resources, so they have the opportunity to get hands-on experience earlier in their career
 - Facilitate students to do hands-on work on neurotech projects and take part in hackathons and competitions hosted by domestic and international entities, also getting to know other students and projects from universities.
 - Allow students to get involved in the neurotech community with access to professors, students, researchers, companies, startups, opening up opportunities for the future.”

(Preliminary) Orientation Schedule

10-11:15 am - Headshots with Sameer & Breakfast
*Dress nicely :)

11:15-12 - Welcome Address - Dean Deas + USG Alumni

12-1pm - Lunch & Constitution Training + Senate Procedure Presentation

1-2 - Goal Setting; Design Thinking

2-2:30 - Dean Dolan Address

2:30-3 - Open forum with Christian & Ashwin - What do you want to see from USG this year?

3-3:30 - Break

3:30 - 4 - Icebreakers/Get to Know You Activity

4-5 - Position Specific Breakouts:
Senators, U-Councilors, ExComm

5-6- Task Forces

5:30-6 (we have the space until 7) - Dinner