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1. **Welcome**
  - a. Ice Breaker: Sit next to someone who isn't in your year, campus, or committee
  - b. Grab breakfast:)
2. **Approval of the Agenda:**
  - a. Motion to approve the agenda, seconded (19 yes, no, 1 abstain)
3. **Approval of Last Meeting's Agenda:**
  - a. **MSC December Agenda 2025**
  - b. Motion to approve last meeting's agenda, seconded ( 19 yes, no, 1 abstain)
4. **Student Development Updates:**
  - a. Welcome Back Fair Reflections
    - i. Some difficulty with having cohort members attend MHC events
      1. Most people who attend do so consistently, reach out to them and check in
      2. Keep showing up to events! The more often you show up, the more likely it is that you run into your cohort members at event to encourage attendance
      3. Notify students of events ahead of time, it keeps the momentum going until the event




4. Try to reach out to your friend groups to encourage them to bring a friend. All of our events are open CUNY wide so the more the merrier!
- ii. We had some Friedman Transfer Scholars!! Please make an extra effort to talk to them and make their transition smoother :)
  1. Some transfer scholars have reported that they have not met their representatives yet or have not felt comfortable in their MHC community
- b. [Student Lounge Volunteer Applications Open](#)
  - i. Still collecting applications
- c. [Opportunities Fund Application Period is open](#)
  - i. Sasha De Silva is in charge, can contact
  - ii. Internship/study abroad requirement
- d. [Supporting Excellence](#) 2/27
  - i. Save the date!! (Friday)
  - ii. Conference about innovation, AI, diversity, and technology
- e. [Restorative Practice](#)
  - i. Program that focuses on restorative justice and leadership
- f. Career Closet will launch this Feb. 20 (same day as the [Career Fair!](#))
  - i. You should attend this event even if you are not looking for an internship. It is good to expose yourself to these environments!
  - ii. It will be in the student pantry room next to the Reading Room
  - iii. If you need an outfit for work, this is a great way to schedule an opportunity to try out new clothes and figure out what exactly you want to wear
- g. [Arts Gala](#) – 3/6
  - i. Celebration of artists in the Macaulay community
  - ii. Food and music!
- h. [CUNY LGBTQIA+ Conference](#) – 3/27
  - i. Held at Medgar Evers College (9 AM to 6 PM)
- i. Macaulay Olympics – 4/12
  - i. Held at John Jay College
  - ii. Logistics Team will be planning campus player sign-ups and officially confirming sports/activities.
- j. [Building Renovations](#)
  - i. Dean Hoover and some students were able to look over the blueprints during a meeting in January
  - ii. You can visit [this website](#) to learn more about the building plans
- k. [Vendor List](#)
  - i. Various vendors that Macaulay clubs frequent
- l. Budget Reminder
  - i. MSC Finance Committee Deadline for March Meeting      02/19/2026
  - ii. Spring Budget Readjustment Deadline                      3/28/2026



iii. Spring Additional Funding Deadline 04/01/2026

**5. President's Updates:**

- a. New members!!
  - i. Selina (Hunter 2026) representing Hunter 2026
  - ii. Ava (Baruch 2029) representing Baruch 2027
  - iii. Asmita (CCNY 2029) representing CCNY 2028
- b. Election Charter
  - i. Vacancies are filled by offering it to the runner up from the cohort. If the first winner had no competition, it will be open to the runner up from other cohorts
  - ii. Once reelections open for the next academic year, everyone is able to run for those positions again. If you would like to run for an e-board position, you will come to MHC on the election day and present a speech to the council.
- c. Reflect on Fall Semester
  - i. Keep up the momentum from the last semester! Keep attending events, communicating with the council, and the drive and ambition you had :)
  - ii. Please communicate in advance! For example, if we had communicated in advance, we might have been able to reschedule the meeting.
  - iii. Improving volunteer commitments: if you sign up for a set number of hours, please stay for all of it. This is especially important when we have some of the larger events this semester.
- d. Expectations Review
  - i. 7 Events Per Year: we have this so we ensure we have enough supports at events so not everything falls on VPs
    - 1. At least 3 per semester, 1 cohort event, and participate in either the Halloween Party OR Formal (4/25/26)
    - 2. For this semester, we already have 10 confirmed events. Last semester, we had 9 events.
- e. Cohort Events
  - i. This event also counts towards your yearly requirement!
  - ii. Brooklyn was thinking of hosting a karaoke night - date TBD
- f. Career Closet - will share flyers to send out
  - i. [Career Closet Flyer](#) [Career Fair Closet Notes](#)
  - ii. Thinking of making a booklet with some outfit inspo
  - iii. Some volunteers are needed to decorate the space and help people pick out their clothes - also counts towards your requirement
- g. [CUNY Honors Cornell Tech](#) - 5k stipend, due 2/27
  - i. Highly encouraged for many students
  - ii. MHC students impressed Cornell so much they are thinking of offering two full-rides to a graduate program at the school!
- h. [CUNY Film Fest @ MHC](#)
- i.  MSC Resources 25-26



- i. If you have any trouble with uploading forms or reaching out to your cohort, this folder has instructions and video recordings for guidance
- ii. You can also keep your MSC event photos and documents here
- j. [CUNY Immigration Assistance](#)- students who need assistance with recent immigration policy changes can request a free consultation with an attorney by completing [this form](#).

## 6. Campus and Campus Event Updates

- a. Baruch:
  - i. Deans visit 2/5/2026, During club hours
    - 1. Visits from Roblin Meeks, Nina Del Gatto, Curtis Hoover, and Dean Byrne
    - 2. Talked directly with students about how to make Macaulay better, specifically talked about marketing, 25 year anniversary, and the deans explained why we are not getting OMNY cards :(
    - 3. Getting our MHC name, how can we include transfer students and welcome them into the community
    - 4. Overall a big success! If you have any specific questions ask Dylan
  - ii. Deadline to apply for graduation - Feb 15th
- b. Brooklyn
  - i. Our trees are gone. Like ripped out. :( So invest in some good suns screens this year.
  - ii. Tell your class that opps fund opened up and to attend the personal statement meeting. Friday Feb. 13th on zoom at 12pm.
  - iii. Deadline to apply for graduation - Feb 15th
- c. City
  - i. Club fair!
  - ii. New dining options
  - iii. Fellowship apps due early March
  - iv. Emmanuel Cruz visited Honors Lounge
  - v. Apply to graduate 2/20
  - vi. add/drop minor by 2/15
- d. College of Staten Island
  - I. Opportunity funds first draft meeting
  - II. Welcome back event in lounge
  - III. Hoping to coordinate Macaulay and Verrazano Honors mixer soon
- e. Hunter
  - i. Finished up MHC Hunter Class of 2030 Interviews last week
  - ii. New "lounge" staff Iris that now sits at the lounge desk
  - iii. Club Fair happened last week
  - iv. USG events are still happening to kick off the semester
  - v. Apply for graduation by Feb 15th
- f. John Jay



- i. CareerCon on 2/4 and 2/5 and more on 2/17-18 for healthcare and community services
    - ii. Winter Clothes Drive
    - iii. One of our elevators is broken and permanently stuck on the 8th floor
    - iv. Town hall on the 11th
  - g. Lehman
    - i. The 3rd floor lounge in the library is closed 🚫 - the individual study rooms and most of the quiet spaces are gone
    - ii. We are going to collaborate with SUAS and Honors Council to create a large honors community event - more details to come after our Monday 8-9am meeting
    - iii. A Night of Black History (2/27)
    - iv. Science Hall elevators broken
    - v. Club Fair (2/18)
    - vi. Finished MHC 2030 interviews
    - vii. Class of 2029 is going to a Brooklyn Museum Dinner as a part of MHC 351
  - h. Queens
    - i. We had an Opportunity Fund Information Session on 2/4
    - ii. We also had Club Day also on 2/4
    - iii. Welcome Back Honors event on 2/9
      - 1. Pizza, Game rooms, Arts & Crafts
    - iv. Noticing a decrease in advisor accessibility
      - 1. Reach out to Kathy, director of advising. Express concern
- 7. **USS Delegate Updates:**
  - a. They had one of the first meetings that did not overlap with the MSC meeting.
  - b. Delegates are still advocating for OMNY cards
  - c. Multiple new delegates and runner-up elections
  - d. Future meetings will also not overlap with MSC meetings
  - e. Are we feeling welcome?
    - i. MHC sits at the guest table since we have no voting power, but delegates felt they were able to join the conversation
  - f. Why do we go?
    - i. We can bring up issues unique to MHC students and expand our circle of influence. Our presence also promotes the idea of us having a vote
  - g. How do we get voting power?
    - i. Other CUNYs get Student fees which they use to fund USS. Since we don't charge student fees, we aren't financial contributing to the program
    - ii. Since MHC represents multiple colleges, there is an issue about having more than one representative for one school.
    - iii. Despite the lack of voting power, there should be some provisions to include MHC in the wider conversation (being included on the emails, having a seat at the table, etc.)



- iv. We do have other conversations with USS. TEDxCUNY reaches out to them for funding and Students Development works with them for Title IX projects. Having a talk about MHC representation has been difficult, however.
  - h. Are there other means to reach them?
    - i. Attending in person meetings, and/or their office hours
    - ii. Using a form of communication other than email.
    - iii. MHC students in the USS Delegate are trying to include MHC in the conversations,
- 8. Diversity Committee:**
- a. We are having our diversity committee meeting this Tuesday,
  - b. Supporting Excellence Day » 2/27 Friday at 10am -3pm Innovation and AI: Diversity and Technology
- 9. Senior Committee:**
- a. Wednesday April 22nd 5-8:30pm at iMentor Headquarters
    - i. Semi-formal evening event
    - ii. Waterfront venue!!
    - iii. Seniors do not have to pay to attend
    - iv. Plus-ones being allowed is TBD
  - b. Photographer Volunteer » Susan
  - c. 25th Year Time Capsule Volunteer » Ian
  - d. Need Decoration Volunteers
    - i. Decoration plans are in the works. Putting up some decorations to match with the Macaulay theme
    - ii. You get to join the party!
    - iii. Set up will happen in the late afternoon (2-4pm?)
    - iv. Anyone interested? (This is tentative, if you are not available on the date reach out to Yassir in advance)
      - 1. Dylan
      - 2. Asmita
      - 3. George
  - e. Social Media Campaign Volunteer »TBD Next Meeting
- 10. Macaulay Olympics Committee:**
- a. April 12th from 3-6:30pm @ John Jay College
    - i. Set up: 2pm-3pm
    - ii. Clean-up: 6:30pm-7:30pm
  - b. Volunteer Form will be sent out into WhatsApp gc
    - i. Counts as an MSC required event!
  - c. Rianne and I (Nicole) are going to John Jay right after this for a tour yay! :D\
  - d. Olympics Meeting: 1pm-2pm today, Feb 8th 2026
  - e. Please encourage any clubs you know to collab with the committee.
- 11. Committee Updates**
- a. Finance (Zoe George [zoe.george@macaulay.cuny.edu](mailto:zoe.george@macaulay.cuny.edu))




- i. [Club Budget](#) [February]
- ii. Reminder: If you are planning to buy items for your cohort event or submitting a purchase request, please send an email to Student Dev and I (before your event) explaining how much of your allocation you will be using, what you will be using funding for, and when the event will happen
  1. Make sure you are only using how much you have been allocated!!
    - Max Amount Per Cohort Event
- iii. Reminder for club leaders: The [final deadline](#) of the semester for regular funding is on **February 19th @ 11:59 PM**
  1. If you need additional funding, definitely [submit a request](#)
- iv. Regular Funding
  1. Peace Action - \$159.00
- v. Motion to approve regular club budget funding (9 yes 0 no 8 abstain)
- vi. Additional Funding
  1. Macaulay FIT - \$375.00
  2. Art Tank - \$200.00
- vii. Motion to approve additional club budget funding (9 yes 0 no 5 abstain)
- viii. MSC General Events
  1. Olympics - \$400.00
    - a. 6 yes 0 no 12 abstain
  2. Valentines Event - \$112.99
    - a. 7 yes 0 no 10 abstain
- b. Academic Affairs (Tin Ng [tinhang.ng@macaulay.cuny.edu](mailto:tinhang.ng@macaulay.cuny.edu))
  - i. We are bringing back the fireside chat this year! This is a great opportunity for Macaulay students to meet/talk to the deans about any issues they have with Macaulay, but also learn a little more about them! (Deans mentioned they will be providing donuts and hot chocolate)
    1. Friday 3/27 5-6pm
    2. Friday 4/17 3-4pm
  - ii. College Council Dates:
    1. 2/26 THURSDAY 3-5pm
    2. 4/30 THURSDAY 3-5pm
  - iii. Let Tin know if interested
- a. Campus Affairs (Audrey Adon-Rosario [audrey.adon-rosario@macaulay.cuny.edu](mailto:audrey.adon-rosario@macaulay.cuny.edu))
  - iv. Run Club Chartering
    1. [Link to Constitution](#)
  - v. Fostering collaborations with clubs
  - vi. Q&A
    1. How will you distinguish yourself from MHC FIT?
      - a. Running is more of a niche that would have a hard time integrating itself into FIT that has a more general interest in athletics



2. How do you see yourselves integrating into large-scale events?
  - a. We hope to focus on the biweekly meetings at first to get our footing, later extending to hosting large-scale events like a group run at Central Park
  - b. Also, we have reached out to Student Development who has connected us with a sports science professional that is willing to support events.
3. How are you going to ensure that people of all levels are able to participate?
  - a. Relying on knowledge gained from previous run clubs and teams, using pacers helped beginners build up their ability to run. For their larger events, like their proposed event at Central Park, they will rely on the group running at different paces, with a leader setting the pace to ensure everyone is on track.
  - b. Training plans for each level will also be shared
  - c. Online platforms like Strava will also be used to foster engagement
4. What are the logistics of these runs? Where will your belongings be and will there be water coolers available?
  - a. There are free lockers and sometimes other materials available for students to leave their belongings. They also intend to leave their belongings at the building
5. How do you intend to accommodate students who cannot afford the gear needed to run?
  - a. We intend to try to supplement the costs for some gear
- vii. Discussion:
  1. Could this club still be a sector of MHC FIT
  2. This club is already heavily subsidized - pantry snacks, NYC resources, etc.--it will not be a heavy burden on our budget
- viii. Motion to charter Run Club » 15 yes, 2 no, 2 abstain
- c. Community Service (Emmy DeMuro [emma.demuro@macaulay.cuny.edu](mailto:emma.demuro@macaulay.cuny.edu) )
  - i. CSW is planning to look for any clubs who would want to collaborate so far we are working with Peer Mentors and Peace Action!
  - ii. January Peer Mentor Collab event hosted by Gaby and Veronica went very well (Heard positive feedback from attendees!)
  - iii. Annual Fight for Air Climb March 21st» Flyer and Club Macaulay Link coming soon
- d. Student Life (Nasir Anderson [nasir.anderson@macaulay.cuny.edu](mailto:nasir.anderson@macaulay.cuny.edu))
  - i. Ian & Jaicee are hosting a Valentine's Rom-Com Night on February 13th from 3:45-6pm



- ii. Amna from Art Tank expressed interest in collaborating with MSC for Arts Gala on March 6th. Maybe we can have a table and it can count as an event credit. How does everyone feel about it?
  - e. IT/Communications (Ralph Osias [ralph-montas.osias@macaulay.cuny.edu](mailto:ralph-montas.osias@macaulay.cuny.edu))
    - i. Put your name down below if you'd be interested/available for filming content to promote the Career Closet next Friday (2/13) from roughly 12-3pm
    - ii. Continue sending in flyers/posters to promote events!
    - iii. Sample Cohort Email Template:  February Email Template
- 12. Old Business**  
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- 13. New Business:**  
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- 14. Mountain Lion Monthly Winner 🏆 AARONNN**
- 15. Final Remarks and Discussion:**  
a. Thank you Clean Up Volunteers
- 16. Adjournment:**  
a. Motion to adjourn, seconded ( 19 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain)
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**Upcoming Important Dates for Follow-Up:**

**Upcoming Club Events:** *Check Club Macaulay for more events*

**NEXT Scholars Council Meeting**

**Date:** March 8th, 2026

**Time:** 11 AM - 1 PM

**Location:** Lecture Hall