



# Georgia Association of Student Councils

## January Meeting

2024-2025 Meeting Minutes

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## Call to Order: 10:10 AM

The second official board meeting for the Georgia Association of Student Councils was held on 01/04/24 with Joy Louiz, Lauren Chiru-Danzer, Jada Nagbe, & Lilian Cao presiding as President and Mehek Saha and Jayden Nguyen serving as Secretaries.

## I. Overview

### A. Financial Report - Kelly Cooper

- QuickBook is working; Profit & Loss Statement + Budget 25-26 Copy in folder
  - Need help from adults with categorizing
- Increased net profit from all events (BLAST, Summit, District Conferences)
  - Due to more participants + membership

### B. Leadership Development Coordinator Report - Holly Shih:

- CSLP
  - 4 online sessions + Capstone + GASC Event
  - Ms. Droms will present cords on stage at Convention
- JCSLP
  - 3 online sessions + Capstone
  - Advisors will present student with pin on stage at Convention
- Convention
  - Request to split JCSLP & CSLP into 2 separate presentation nights
  - 10 schools RSVP to present workshops at Convention

## II. Business By Pillars

### A. Leadership Development

District 1: Anh Duong & Amelia Cai

- Hosted District 1 Conf. in November; feedback:
  - Most were satisfied with keynote speaker, workshops, and overall event
  - Some wanted advisor breakout sessions to “share ideas from their own schools, directions to make it easier to navigate venue, more shareables or handouts from workshops to bring back to their own Student Councils”



District 2: Jack Ellis & Caredith Goover

- Hosted District 2 Conf. in November; feedback:
  - Issues with Georgia Southern facility (got bumped to smaller room, did not have enough seating)

Middle School MAL: Aditi Sood & Srinidhi Mohankumar

- Finished JCSLP
  - Sending Convention registration to advisors
  - Sending emails to remind middle schools to sign up for awards

Communication: Clerfania Previlon, Niya Neblett & Avery Weaver

- Continued weekly posts
  - Wellness Wednesday: Work2BWell
  - Fun Fact Friday: convention themed fun facts to entertain students/advisors

Vice President: Lauren Groce, Bub Woodson, & Hannah Miller

- Attended both district conferences

President: Joy Louiz, Lauren Chiru-Danzer, Lilian Cao, & Jada Nagbe

- Convention Updates:
  - Completed pin designs and shirt designs\*
  - In progress:
    - Opening act and skits
    - Creating the conference program
    - Brainstormed decorations, in the process of making purchases

Advisor Liaison: Jennifer McDaniel

- Continuing to send advisor newsletter
- Including fun recap information from District Conference
- Jan edition goes out Monday

Assistant Executive Director: Corey Stilwell

- Awards are now up for promotion, due Jan 31

Executive Director: Laura Droms

- President school & Registrar should be on weekly email cycle, weekly Instagram posts by Communications
- Vision Conference in June
  - Waiting for information from organization to promote at Convention
  - Applying to host Vision 2026 as State Host rather than School Host (sending interest by Jan 9)
- Potentially not hosting BLAST for the ongoing future



- Potentially not hosting Summit 2025; ideas for replacement:
  - Something in Athens

## B. Service

District 2: Jack Ellis & Caredith Goover

- Hosted a holiday canned food drive through November and December

Middle School MAL: Aditi Sood & Srinidhi Mohankumar

- Including activity ideas for Work to be Well and community service in our consulus

Communication: Clerfania Previlon, Niya Neblett & Avery Weaver

- Attended District Conference and Summit generating excitement for Convention at Dacula
- Coverage for Summit and District Conference

Secretary: Mehek Saha & Jayden Nguyen

- Sharing State Service Project in Gazette

President: Joy Louiz, Lauren Chiru-Danzer, Lilian Cao, & Jada Nagbe

- Tracking activities for State Service Project
  - Teacher appreciation hot chocolate bar
  - Name wall
  - Trunk or Treat
  - Meet your match events

Advisor Liaison: Jennifer McDaniel

- Adding a “submit your service” button to the advocate to try and promote member schools in future editions

Executive Director: Laura Droms

- Creating State Service Project Liaison (student appointed position)
  - Application, interview, recommendations
  - Create social media promotions for SSP, monthly newsletters, work with local school SSP ambassadors



## C. Membership Engagement

### District 1: Anh Duong & Amelia Cai

- Continued to contact schools through email to encourage membership into GASC with promotional materials
- Sent email to existing member schools about Convention and running for District Rep

### District 2: Jack Ellis & Caredith Goover

- Email sent out to the member schools of District 2, encouraging them to run for the GASC Executive Board for the 2025-2026 school year

### Middle School MAL: Aditi Sood & Srinidhi Mohankumar

- Increased middle school members from last year (25 current MS members!)
- Reached out to all new schools and reminders but are waiting on responses

### Parliamentarian: Niyathi Nalluri & Shaunak Buche

- Ready to send out the emails regarding election procedures

### Communication: Clerfania Previlon, Niya Neblett & Avery Weaver

- Posted Gazette and Consulus
- Worked on recruiting schools

### Secretary: Mehek Saha & Jayden Nguyen

- Continuing to send Gazette directly to students (100+ clicks!)
- Planning to collect emails at Convention

### Vice President: Lauren Groce, Bub Woodson, & Hannah Miller

- Pre-Conference flyer is created
  - Waiting to be approved for sharing

### Advisor Liaison: Jennifer McDaniel

- Showing off our new member schools via the advocate as a shoutout

### Webmaster & Registrar: Kirstin Murphy

- Schools still trying to get spots
- District Reps should reach out to school around them for registration

### Executive Director: Laura Droms

- Incorporate a late fee for registration after October 1st
- Goal of 30 renewals by April 1st; VP tasks by 2/19 meeting:
  - Prepare renewal info (paper flyer for advisor packet + online)



- Renewal email scheduled to send on last day of Convention

## D. Networking

Middle School MAL: Aditi Sood & Srinidhi Mohankumar

- Implementing school shout outs in consulus
- Reaching out to advisors through emails
- Networking with the JCSLP students and students who attended District conference

Parliamentarian: Niyathi Nalluri & Shaunak Buche

- Sent all materials needed for election to Ms. Droms
  - Waiting for approval
  - Need to post on Instagram

Communication: Clerfania Previlon, Niya Neblett & Avery Weaver

- Built stronger connections with other schools at district conference, interviews to generate excitement for Convention

President: Joy Louiz, Lauren Chiru-Danzer, Lilian Cao, & Jada Nagbe

- Went and networked with different schools to encourage excitement for Convention during District Conference

Advisor Liaison: Jennifer McDaniel

- Promoting our National organization and their programming

Executive Director: Laura Droms

- NASSCED/NA4SA: Attended with Mr. Stillwell
  - Presented workshop and participated as talktalk host
  - Ms. Gaertig received Barrie Finnemeyer Scholarship
  - Mr. Droms received Earl Reum Award for Southern Region
- CADA 2025: Will be attending with Mr. Stillwell in San Diego, CA
  - Will gather ideas for workshops. Advisor programs, potential speakers, etc.

## E. Democratic Principles

Parliamentarian: Niyathi Nalluri & Shaunak Buche

- Sent email about constitutional amendments; waiting on approval
- TODO: Create a Google Form for letters of intent



Executive Director: Laura Droms

- Proposed Constitutional Amendments
  - Must be submitted in writing to Parli & ED 4 weeks prior to convention (Jan 23)
  - Must be sent to all members 2 weeks prior to convention
  - Speakers against must register
- Ms. Droms' proposed amendments
  - Strike Article 5, Section 2E, sentences 1 & 3
  - Strike Article 5, Section 2E, item 4
  - Interpretation of Advisor Liaisons election—restructure to have 2 of this position:
    - Clause is ambiguous enough to not need an amendment; adding 1 Advisor Liaison (now having 1 per district)
- District Rep Elections
  - Figure out how to communicate election information (new interest form process)
- MMAL Skit Requirement?
  - Keeping after discussion
  - Executive Directors: ask MS advisors what the barrier is for election processes
- Parli should create a Google Form

## F. Advisor Development

Advisor Liaison: Jennifer McDaniel

- Advisor Programming for Convention?
- Trivia for Convention?
- Remind for Convention - code is **@gasc25**

## Adjournment: 12:11PM

The January meeting for the Georgia Association of Student Councils was adjourned at 12:11PM by Lauren Chiru-Danzer.