President: Justin Chia Cheng Ze

Good evening to everyone, the 16th BS Club Main Committee, fellow nominees and returning seniors, my name is Justin Chia and I’ll begin my speech with a quote I found:

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. But rather, in humility, value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but to the interests of others.

I found this quote to be of special significance to me because of its emphasis of leadership being a form of service to the community.

Many tend to chase after influential positions and fame, but I beg to differ. I believe strongly in the essence of servant leadership. What it means is that we do not place ourselves higher than others but adopt a humble attitude towards giving back to our community.

If elected as the president of the 17th Biological Sciences Club Management Committee, I will work diligently alongside the committee from a position of being both the team leader and a team player. This is because I believe that as a leader, I need to be on the ground with the team.

In addition, I think it’s of utmost importance to hear any advice or feedback for the club to improve on. As such, I am open to hear from our student body on how and what can be worked on more. I hope to use our club’s social media platforms to reach out with the student population more.

Therefore, I want to exercise these values to run the committee and be more participative in SBS students’ lives. I believe that I am nothing but the captain of a ship. And this doesn’t mean that he doesn’t know the roles of a regular deck hand or cabin boy. The captain needs to understand the scenario and morale of those under him. I envision to be that type of captain. The type that provides direction of the steering wheel, but at the same time, scrubs the deck if needed.

Let me be your captain, let me your president, vote Justin for president!

Thank you!

Q: What are the things you would do to improvise based on what the 16th Biological Sciences Committee has already implemented and how would you improve on it?

A: I believe the SBS community can engaged more. But we shouldn’t do away with the grounding that the previous committee has already laid for us. I am planning to keep the ideas that worked well and showed lots of success. For example, the idea of combining exam welfare pack giveaway and our first event really helped with the turnout of the event.

Improvisation: I am open to new ideas and creative ideas form the community. In this committee I am more open to the opinion of committee members and from the student body. I am open to use various methods such as social media to reach the student body.

Q1: How can you express servant leadership and what is your direction for this academic year?

A: I believe I want the committee to have a culture of servant leadership that can be passed down the future committees.

Q2: How would you bond the new committee and represent them in the student body?

A: As the honorary general secretary, I am involved with all the portfolios. For the portfolios I am not so familiar in, I took the effort the past few months to find out more. So I am now more able to give advice to my new committee. I would also seek advice from seniors and ensure there is proper
handover to the new committee. I believe we need to ask ourselves what the students need and provide for them accordingly in order to best represent Biological Sciences club.

Q3: SBS Students can be quite tough to engage our students in terms of turn up rate. What are some ways do you plan to increase the attendance?

A: We will use social media to reach out to the SBS community more. Example: Bingo sheet on Instagram stories to engage the SBS student body more.

Q4: Based on your experience, what do you think you did not do well in the previous committee? And what would you change?

A: We did not involve everyone in the committee to organise the events. Everyone in the new committee can also contribute ideas for the events. We can involve more of the committee members in the planning phase for the events to put less pressure on the events directors.

**Vice-President: Ng Wei Qi**

Good evening everyone!

I’m Wei Qi and am a year 3 student! I am the current Academic and Welfare director of BS Club and I will be running for the position of Vice-President (External).

Being the Academic and Welfare director of BS Club had taught me many things. I acted as the bridge between the school and the students. Through the academic survey that was conducted, I realized that the students had many questions and opinions about the curriculum and certain modules. This has helped the school tremendously in improving the current curriculum. One example would be that the students could only choose to do either FYP or Internship. This was a prominent issue that many of the students faced and this issue was brought up to the school. The school saw the issue and managed to change the curriculum such that all students have a chance to do internship – since internship is an important experience for undergraduates.

After seeing what I can do for the school as an Academic and Welfare Director, I want to challenge myself to take on the role of Vice President of the Biological Sciences Club. I would like to continue helping the students of SBS and make a change. I felt that there was more that could be done for the students of SBS and I would like to keep improving the school’s facilities and environment. An example would be having a printer in SBS itself. I realized that the nearest printing shop for SBS students would be at North Spine, and it would be a hassle to walk all the way there and back just to print notes. I would like to have a printer in the building of SBS so that it would save time and be more convenient for the students of SBS.

In addition to being the Academic and Welfare director of BS Club, I was the Vice-President of my CCA Club in Singapore Polytechnic as well. Being the VP of the club made me learn that communication is very important for many things to work out. It was also very important for me to gain the team’s trust and respect since I was the one that had to relay information between the officer in charge of the CCA and the team. In SP, the team was initially separated and there were many incidents of miscommunication between the lecturer in charge of the CCA and the team itself. I had to try very hard to get things done and gain the team’s trust. I managed to achieve that by ensuring that I relay information accurately and in a timely fashion every single time and also planned several bonding events to allow the team to get closer.

Being the mentor to the various portfolios would be something new that I have never done before, since instead of leading a team of members, I am leading a team of leaders. I would like to challenge
myself to shoulder more responsibilities and become a better leader. However, becoming a better leader does not mean that I have to be louder and be always leading or anything of that sort. I would think that I am a mentor to leaders, and I will have to allow them to take charge of themselves and I will be there to guide them and take a step down to become a follower whenever needed.

Alongside with the incoming president, I would like to build a committee that is very family-like where everyone is close to each other. I believe that having close relationships will allow better communication between each other in the committee and because of this, events will run well and without hiccups. I think that it is important for everyone to voice out their opinions and let their voices be heard.

With that being said, there will definitely be problems faced and conflicts that might arise between each portfolio. This is where I will come in and help to solve the situation and resolve the conflict. It would be good for everyone to have an open-mind and be open to the different opinions that will be provided. I believe that based on my experiences and leadership skills, I will be able to assist the president in bringing the club to greater heights and also become a great mentor to the portfolios that are under me.

Q1: What was not done well in 16th and what can be improved?

A: Communication. Even though the committee was close, there wasn’t enough communication between portfolios. There could have been more communication between directors. Miscommunications have happened during the events and consequently only resolved during the event.

Q2: Why did you choose external and not internal?

A: I was previously an Academic & Welfare director, so it made more sense to go in to the vice president external portfolio as I’ve seen how it works. I am more able to guide the directors under me if I take on the Vice-President (External) role.

Q3: Would you consider shouldering the responsibility of both VP internal and external portfolios?

A: Yes definitely, I will work with the president and the various portfolios to run the club. I am experienced in planning events in the past, so I definitely can help out in managing the internal side of the club too.

Q4: What is your leadership style?

A: I am more outspoken, so I tend to voice out my opinions a lot. I want to constantly improve myself. Despite being outspoken, so I want to learn to tone myself down for the new directors of the incoming committee to step up.

Q5: You mentioned previously that as a Academic & Welfare director, you failed to implement your idea of setting up a printer in SBS. How will you prevent this mistake from happening again?

A: As I have been through one year with the Biological Sciences Club, I am more experienced now. I am now more familiar with the workings of the club, hence I will work towards implementing the idea of setting up a printer in SBS.

Q6: Were there any things that the previous Vice-President (External) did badly? And what will you do to improve on that?
He did an excellent job as a Vice-President (External). He was efficient in his communication when communicating to the directors under him. As such, I want to learn from his communication style for my future committee.

**HGS: Felicia Lea Chu Yan**

Good evening everyone. I am Felicia, currently a Year 3 Biological Science student and I am running for the Honorary General Secretary position of BS Club for this academic year. The reason why I am running for this position is because I would like to try something new. I would like to be more involved in faculty this year since I was only active in hall last year. Last year, I was a part of my Hall’s Dinner and Dance Committee as a Business Manager. At the start, I did express my interest for the secretary position during the sign-up session as well as during the interview but was assigned as a bizmag instead. Therefore, this year, I would like to take on the challenge of being the Honorary General Secretary of Biological Sciences Club. Although the jobscope of both portfolios are different, I believe that as long as I am willing to learn and try my best, I would be able to carry out the tasks expected from me well. Being in a committee the past year have taught me how to be a better team player as I had the opportunity to work with many people, with some who may have had different ways of doing things. In addition, I believe that I can contribute to the team by providing suggestions on how we can improve events such as Back to School as well as Bash since these events are closely related to what I have done in my previous committee. I promise to do my best if I get elected for this position, as it is an honour to be able to represent the student body. I would like to thank all of you for taking time off to come down to the rally today and with this, I have come to the end of my speech. Please vote for me! Thank you!

Q1: You are also a PDPA officer. Will you reveal any students’ data when we collect any data from our events?

A: I will not reveal any personal data of the students when we collect any data from our events. This is because I think that any rules set by the PDPA should be adhered to strictly.

Q2: What would you do if the committee members speak too fast during meetings and you are unable to take down minutes for the meetings?

A: I would ask the committee members to repeat themselves so that I can type down the things said during the meeting. I would also use my phone to record conversations, so I can play back the things and note them down.

Q3: What would you do to help with the other portfolios?

A: I have experienced helping with the Dinner and Dance Event of my hall as a committee member. In this committee I have organised Dinner & Dance and Back to School. Therefore, I believe that I can use my skills from my experience in the committee to help out with the organising of SBS events with other portfolios.

**Sports Director: Lee Dong Yeul**

Hello fellow SBS friends, classmates and seniors, my name is Lee Dong Yeul, a SBS freshmen, and I am running for the Biological Sciences Club “Sports & Recreational Director” role.

So, why exactly did I decide to run for this role among a myriad of positions available? To be succinct - sports have always been an integral part of my life, and how it has shaped the person I am today.
Sports have intrigued me from a young age, not because I am physically-able, but more because of how it can develop strong friendships, determination, and morale in an individual.

I believe that “Sports do not build character. It reveals it.”

If given the honorable chance to represent as SBS’s Sports & Recreational Director, I wish to not only continue the excellent work led from previous representatives, but to also raise awareness for sports to be participated among our faculty students. Occasional recreational and sports activities, that is equally compatible for all gender, can be organized throughout the semester.

Moreover, suggestions or proposals of sport events from anyone will be more than welcomed. I would be more than honored to also chair NTU’s Inter-School Games (ISG) as the faculty representative during the December holidays. As much as I love to be part of the physical aspect of ‘sports’, the managing aspect must not be neglected to ensure that the show goes on.

In terms of past experience, while I resided in Japan for 9 years, I have been actively involved in my school’s student council management team, cross-country team, soccer team, and even volleyball team for several years.

I believe that my past experience in management groups and sports teams in a different country and cultural setting will be a strong attribute to the BS Club. Diversity among groups could possibly formulate new, unique, and unconventional ideas.

Not only did my past experiences gave me an adept understanding of how most sports are organized and structured, but also fostered me to become much confident and comfortable with the camaraderie in a unique community group.

Lastly, best wishes to all SBS students in this academic year and the nominees of BS Club committee for your election!

Thank you all for your time!

Vote for Dong Yeul!

Q1: This year you are the chairperson of ISG. How are you going to source for another sports director for the main committee?

A: After I’m elected, I want to voice out and promote to other SBS students to get them to consider taking up the role. I have spoken to 3 different sports directors previously and I understand the commitment. I also understand the commitment during the December ISG period and I am available for that period.

Q2: What possible problems do you see can arise and what can you do to resolve them?

A: I am informed of ISG and how the sports directors work together from different faculties. There will be trouble, but I will give my best to NTU.

Q3: A recurring problem where we are not able to recruit enough athletes for ISG, how will you recruit more?

A: I will publicise using social media to highlight the benefits of participating. I believe that quantity is not everything, but rather the quality.

Q4: I (Shiva) was a sports director previously. Your responsibility is to conduct ISG and do ISG work, and recruit others for your sub-committee. Will you involve yourself in other portfolios?
I believe in teamwork and helping my other portfolios, and it is needed in anything to succeed.

Q5: Why do you take up this role?

A: I want to involve myself in the management aspect of sports. Therefore, I want to challenge myself in this role. I also want to work together with other portfolios and learn how to work as a committee member in university.

Business Manager: Larry Yip

“Hi guys, first and foremost I would like to thank everyone for coming down for the Rally Day of the 17th SBS Management Committee. My name is Larry and I’m a year 1 major in Biological Science.

My purpose for running is simple and down to Earth: for self-improvement and to expand my repertoire of skills. In my 8-10 years of being in a leadership position of an Uniformed Group, I have broadened my vision to see how many events are conducted and planned at the national and international level. On that journey, I picked up many valuables techniques and skills from administration, planning, operations, just to name a few.

Entering into a new phase of my life, I would like to experience serving in a different organization, one less rigid, hierarchical and more “Round Table” setting. I believe this is an environment closer to the working world of our society, one with an established hierarchy, yet flexible enough to work together as friends.

Business Manager is a role where I have minimal experience in. I see the opportunity to communicate with many different companies as a chance for networking as well as a chance to brush up on communication skills. Without a doubt, my lack of experience in this position puts me in a disadvantage. But fret not, I believe I have the capability to pick up the required skills and knowledge quickly with help from my seniors in the 16th Management Committee.

My attitude towards doing my best in everything is evident. Throughout my school, CCA or NS, I have achieved many awards and achievements; these are the tangibles. For intangible, I would like to be given the opportunities to work with everyone to create a pleasant and memorable working environment that people will value and treasure in their Uni life.

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone for your kind attention today and for your future support and faith in the 17th Management Committee. Thank you.”

Q1: Other than sourcing for sponsors, you are tasked to do fundraising. What is one example of what you want to when you get the role?

A: Due to inexperience in the role, I currently do not have a plan. I believe that ultimately, we need to be able to find out what the target audience wants and plan according to that.

Q2: Biological Sciences club is not a uniformed group. How will you manage the people under you? (Sub-committee)

A: I want to be on the ground and not much of an officer like in a uniformed group, which is something I wanted in this role. I want to connect to the subcommittee as friends and reach them at a more personal level.
Academic & Welfare Director: Chua Swee Kwang

Good evening, I’m Swee Kwang, currently in year 1. I’m running as academic and welfare director. The reason I’m running for this is because I believe be in a quota “if you can’t get a miracle, be a miracle for someone else”. My aim is to provide; events that will help them in their academic, conducting survey to get feedback from the students and using this information to help them or update the prof so that they’re able to change the way that they teach them. For example, some of the prof always said that “this was taught during high school “or “u should already know” but it seem like most of the students including myself don’t event understand. By making Academic survey, I wish that I’m provide feedback to the prof and the can change the way they change and thereby, our junior batch would experice the same thing.

Last, with my previous experience in army, I’m believe that I’m able to conduct an engaging bonding/cohesion for the incoming Committees and outgoing committees.

Q1: What are the roles of an Academic & Welfare director?
A: Conducting surveys, collecting feedback form students, and giving out Exam Welfare Packs and planning for AGM.

Q2: How will you go about doing things differently when you are elected?
A: I believe students can choose what they wan to in the welfare pack. I want to put motivational posters, drinks and snacks at the study lounge for the students.

Q3: How will you manage your sub-committee under you when they decide not to show up for your exam welfare pack packing session?
A: I will get volunteers from SBS student body and get the sub-committee to manage them. I will ask for help from the main committee in need be.

Q4: Every semester, the school office will send an e-mail to get feedback from students. What will you do to improve on this?
A: We can set up a booth at SBS lobby and get feedback in the form hardcopy forms instead of online forms only.

Events Director: Andrew Amadeus Susilo

Let me give you a background about myself: I came from Indonesia, lived in Singapore since 2-and-a-half years old. I went to CHS primary, RI, then RJC, and now I’m here as a first year BSPY student, fresh from A levels and school life, so you can hear fresh ideas from a freshman!

If you know me well, I might seem all-serious and no-fun, but in fact I’m not, and I can be friendlier and more sentimental than you think, I care for the welfare of the people around me, and nothing is more important to me than sharing good times with friends and creating memorable experiences for them, whoever they are.

For the benefit of those who don’t: I’m a reserved extravert, on one moment you might see me checking my text messages and social media feeds on my phone, on another you might see me contemplating or exploring my areas of interest. I probably can’t count with my fingers how many times I stepped out of my comfort zone, be it taking Literature at A levels without a prior Lit
background, representing my school in the International Biomedical Quiz, initiating a community project, or taking up major exco roles for a big school event back in RJC when I should be focusing on my A levels instead.

Oh yes, in case anyone is wondering what subjects I did for A levels, I did Bio + Chem + Math + Lit (all at H2 level), plus H3 molecular bio. Fun fact: the H3 practical lessons were held here at SBS, so I’ve practically experienced school life at SBS before I stepped in as a freshie – no pun intended. Just an info about my current CCA in NTU, it’s Enactus (a social enterprise club supporting UN’s sustainable development goals). I’ve tried and been through many things in my life, and that gave me diverse perspectives, so I pretty much understand both sides of the coin for quite a bit of things, just that I won’t toss the coins when making important decisions, yeah.

Moving on, for the most of you who attended FOC, did you remember how you’ve grown from an awkward freshie to an SBS student full of vitality and spirit? By the time you started enjoying the company of your friends and seniors, how much thought have you put to the unsung heroes behind the scenes? For those who didn't, how much will you look forward to opportunities to mingle with your fellow SBS-mates and overcome your FOMO? For all of you, I know you will look forward to a good time in SBS where you can relieve your academic stress and spend more time catching up with your friends, and feel motivated being part of a dynamic and united family here, and realise your little potential in the SBS community, right?

It is one thing to believe in promoting a vibrant and inclusive culture in the SBS family, but I don’t address needs at face value, I look for something beyond that – which is managing different levels of needs and making these plans come into action in a tangible manner as far as possible. A carnival won’t give you the hype if it starts late, keeping you waiting for games to be set up; you won’t enter and exit the games with the full enjoyment if it’s out in the open and you’re sweating there with no more water bottles available for you, or if everyone is just crammed waiting for their turn or trying to find where to queue. A D&D won’t leave you lasting memories if the resources didn’t give you an interesting or engaging enough programme; and you won’t choose to come for special events that clash with your other plans which you had probably made before you could hear about them loud, big and clear; neither will you want to bring your friends to something during your busy schedule and doesn’t attract you. And now the solution – an events director taking care of YOUR experiences!

I believe I can contribute valuably to that role, given my skills and insights gained from being part of the exco of Lit Week, a big school event in RJ, and my knowledge of event management obtained from a formal training in Red Cross at a HQ level, hence I would like to spread my wings to take up an event director role, under the supervision of the more experienced seniors from the main comm. To take it out of the BLINK context: passion is crucial for dedication, and I can offer my comm mates some motivation; team spirit is crucial for productivity, I will get everyone on board to do this all together; constancy of purpose is crucial for bringing YOU what we have promised, so I prefer planning early and keeping contingency plans in view to make sure our objectives are met; and versatility is crucial for basically everything, I believe in flexibility and being aware of priorities.

I hope that with my capabilities at dealing with both big pictures and little details, I can bring you what you’re looking forward to, I will keep my team organised with planning and admin, and maintain effective communication in and out of the team, keeping open to new ideas and stepping forward to stand up for what I believe is right. Most importantly, I want to hear YOUR voice, because you are my star, guiding me for what I should represent you for. I’m someone you can approach for any thoughts or feelings regarding SBS events, and I’m more than happy to make it happen for you if you have faith in me, because you are my one, I will do my best to keep to my word and not let
anyone down. Your voice, your choice. Lastly, I know you must be tired from listening to the speeches and Q&As, so I’ll let you listen to how I continue the rest of the song: “I am your light, I am your night, I am the one, so MAKE YOUR CHOICE TONIGHT!”

Q1: In your speech you mentioned about your background and school. How is this going to help you in being an events director?
A: I took an unconventional subject combination. Literature involves understanding people, I am a people person. So, I think communication is important, using the right words at the correct time, I believe one can convey the ideas one wants effectively.

Q2: You have 2 other events directors. What can you do to include all 3 of them to be on the same page?
A: I want an inclusive team where everyone’s voice is heard. I may a director for one event, but I think we can always work together to discuss plans. I want to reach a consensus, practice active listening and find a common direction with other events directors.

Q3: What would like your other 2 directors to have? What are the qualities?
A: I will look out for directors with initiative, effective at communicating, transparent in working style, to keep to our word when we say something.

Q4: The events subcommittee is the biggest in BS Club. What will you do as an events director when the subcommittee members don’t respond?
A: It happens everywhere to be frank. People feel unmotivated. When we pass down instructions, I will communicate to them with enthusiasm and use an appropriate tone to not sound too commandeering. I will talk to them one-on-one to help them gain a sense of purpose.

Q5: What other qualities or experiences do you have that are related to an Events Director?
A: I was the secretary for Lit Week in the past, and I am involved in the planning process. In addition, I am taking a mentoring role other than this.

Q6: Are you open to considering taking up another role other than the Events Director through co-opt if you are not elected as the Events Director?
A: I will try events director for co-opt and maybe publicity and publications. Events directors are the backbone of the club, so we need to give the students a pleasant experience in SBS. I was previously in Red Cross, and I believe this experience will help me with the help of seniors. I have done photography before and understand the requirements needed as a P&P director. I can do poster designs and edit photographs too.

Events Director: Lim Kai Yi

Good evening! I’m Eldeen from Year 1 of Bio Science and will be running for Events Manager in this election. A lot of you might be wondering why I’m here giving a speech when you look at the line up but not see my name. Well I’m actually “Kai Yi, Lim” on paper so no worries! I’m the right person you should be listening to.

In this short speech, I’ll be covering a few key points: who, what, when, where, why, how. But not specifically in that order.
Perhaps, I’m supposed to start with the vision I have, at least that’s what wikihow says. But because of the saying that goes “dare to be different”, let me share with you guys a story first.

I’m not sure how many of you have read our short write-ups on the voting site. But if you have, you’d realize that I had quite a few roles back in my previous school and perhaps wondered ‘was I there as a student or event organizer’, ‘what sane person would sign up for so many different things at once’. It all started when I was in sec 1, when I entered NUS High. The orientation programme there is very different. Instead of only the newbies getting to party, all the year 1s to 5s get to participate, with the planning and execution team being made up of student leaders and year 6s. So you can imagine how big the whole team was. During that very first orientation, the WHOLE group of them acted like they were one big family. Everyone knew everyone and they always looked like they’re having fun. And that was WHEN I knew. I wanted to be cool like my seniors. And the rest you can guess. I started getting involved, I was enthu, I got into committees, and one day many years later, I realized I was deeply in love with this thing called events. So here I am.

Now back to the topic, WHAT do I want to achieve. What I want to see, are events the school student body looks forward to, events that you want to take part in. Events that you enjoy, events that bond you, events that give you something, other than running late for lectures, to look back on. Imagine: the foyer all bright and colourful, with lots of laughter, a great atmosphere, food. Imagine: fun and games, booths to win prizes, pictures you can keep for many years to come. And to the people interested in joining the subcomm, I want to introduce to you the fun of planning, just like it was to me many years ago.

The biggest question would then be, HOW do I plan to fulfil what I’ve just mentioned? Honestly, I don’t know what uni students like. BUT I will find out. One way of doing so would be having a poll at the beginning of term with several ideas, so we can see what you prefer, to better plan the events for you. Wouldn’t it be great if you could provide “constructive criticism” before the event occurs so you could enjoy yourself during the actual thing, rather than only at the end, in a form, after you feel like you’ve wasted your time? I’d also like to open a portal of sorts for everyone and anyone to submit any ideas they might have, anything at all. In fact, the crazier the better. Thus, rather than planning based on what we think is good, we can plan for what you think is good.

But out of all the candidates, WHY me? First of all, let’s look at the word ‘events’. It consists of 6 letters and starts with the letter e, just like my name. Coincidence? I think not! Next, being highly experienced, I know what needs to be done in the process of planning an event, important aspects that needs to be taken note of, and am confident that I can handle all the admin work very efficiently. I am also skilled at troubleshooting any problems that might crop up last minute, to ensure that the event runs smoothly. Most importantly, I am a good communicator and can present my ideas clearly and so, I know I’ll be able to lead the committee well. Finally, I’m fun, I’ve ideas and I’m always full of energy! And these points, I believe, are most integral in someone you’d want to help plan your events for you to have fun.

So, WHERE do you vote? One way would be to log into your email, look for the right email, open it, click on the link, then vote. Alternatively, you could simply go to tinyurl.com/voteforkaiyi2k18 and log into your account to vote! And of course, the person WHO you should vote for, would nonetheless be me!

At the end of the day, the process of being a leader has honestly taught me a lot, helping me grow into a better person. And I sincerely wish to be able to keep growing with y’all. Because after all, if you look at me, I’m clearly not done growing.
Q1: What kind of problems do you foresee in the event? Was there a thing that you didn’t like and what would you do to change it?
A: B2S was too dark, too spaced out, and the event was too short.

Q2: You mentioned that you wanted to have polls for the What would you do in the event that people don’t respond to the polls you send out?
A: We can use Instagram to do publicity and at the same time, get feedback for our events. It would be good if students can play a part in what event gets planned. Students can get a better idea of how events are planned in BS club also.

Q3: As the events director you need to have initiative. Will you just sit back and let your other events directors do all the work for you? Are you a person with initiative?
A: I have a lot of initiative and very proactive. I believe in this role we need plenty of initiative. After all, leaders should take charge, if not the members under you will not have any direction on what to do.

Events Director: Zin Aye Tha
I am Zin, a Year 1 Biological Science student. I am running for the position of Events Director.

I wish to run for this position because I was inspired by the well-planned SBS Freshmen Orientation as well as Back To School day. It made me want to try something new and challenge myself. I wanted to be part of a team that worked together to create something that left an impact on everyone, just like how orientation did. As I strongly believe University life is about the memories that you make with your friends, and trying new things, and I hope to be part of a Club that is responsible for making University life memorable for everyone.

I like to believe my friends have less fun when I am not around. Aside from my fun side, I am also a perfectionist. I believe that details are what makes things run. In JC, I was involved in events such as planning a Teachers’ Day and a booth for my class funfair. This gave me the skills in planning as well. All of these are what I can bring to the table as an Events Director.

So vote for Zin, as I promise to make you grin.

Q1: There were 2 candidates before you. What do you think you have they that don’t have?
A: I’ve never had any experience planning. I will think and focus on generating fresh ideas, which makes me stand out from the other candidates who have lots of event planning experience.

Q2: You mentioned that you were a perfectionist. What would you do if the other 2 events directors don’t agree with you?
A: I want to have a discussion on the pros and cons of any idea we’re thinking of to deconflict and decide on a consensus between us three.

Events Director: Amanda Kok Sam E
Good evening, everyone! My name is Amanda. I am in Biomedical Sciences Year 1 and I am running for the position of Events Director.
I’ll just start off with a little bit about myself. I know this might sound a bit cliche but I have not always been a very outgoing person. However, I am someone who enjoys challenging myself and trying new things, which is why I am here today.

What really inspired me to join the SBS club is aBSolute, the SBS Orientation camp. I had a lot of fun there and felt very welcomed to the school that I will be studying in for the next few years. From being cheated by fake freshies to solving a murder case, the aBSolute experience is one that I will never forget. I am also very grateful to the seniors and freshies from my OG Umbra who I am very close with. I hope as events director I am able to organize more events in sbs that will help to all sbs students to bond altogether, making sbs one big family.

In my alma mater, I have taken up roles such as treasurer of the student council, group leader of a VIA project called Project Up and vice president of my school’s media resource library. Thus, I have experience in leading a team and organising events and activities for he school. I believe that the leadership and organisational skills that I have gained from these experiences will surely help me in my role as events director should I be elected.

Lastly, if I am elected, I promise to work hard and do my utmost best to organize events that sbs students can enjoy so sbs students can feel a sense of belonging to the school. Thank you!

Q1: What if you do not get elected? What are the other portfolios that you would consider other during the co-opt?

A: I will try to do co-opt for events director. I believe I have the relevant experience and the know-how to delegate work based on the team’s strengths. I will consider P&P as well.

Q2: What do you think that you have that the other nominees don’t? What makes you stand out?

A: I am a more introverted person, but I can listen to and relate to others very well. I am someone that will listen to the student body and incorporate their ideas into the events.