

This semester, I was elected as the Secretary-General for BarMUN V! I quickly got to work and hit the ground running by hiring a fantastic secretariat. They are as follows: Katrina Trost, Sarah Blair, Alex Ionescu, Dustin Vandenberg, Cassidy Bissell, and Cameron Sheehan. They all demonstrated with outstanding interviews and applications that they are more than qualified to fill their respective positions.

Since then, we've accomplished some big things in the early going. We've conducted a brainstorming session with the BUIAA membership in order to get some great committee ideas, and we think that will lead to a truly dynamic substantive track. We've also stepped up the early marketing blitz, setting a date for October 11-14, 2012, and using a save the date email along with facebook and twitter to spread the word. We've already seen spikes in our online viewership. Finally, we've been working on finding a more comfortable and convenient hotel when compared to last year's selection.

I can personally say that the BarMUN V Secretariat has been outstanding so far. They've been able to help me through the early difficulty of being abroad here in Italy (it's great by the way!). I'm truly excited that BarMUN V will surpass all expectations and continue to be the best crisis conference on the Model UN circuit.

-Travis Cunningham