



AGENDA

AS Spring General Meeting

Wednesday, May 8, 2019, 5:30pm

Room 132A, New Medical Building, 15 Arch Street, Kingston, ON

1. Opening Remarks and Land Acknowledgment
 - Tim Yearington
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Reading and Adoption of the Minutes of the previous General Meeting
4. Reading and Adoption of the President's Report
 - Rae Woodhouse
5. Speaker's Report
 - Lauren Wierenga
6. Awards
 - a) Lectureship
 - b) A.A. Travill
 - c) Aesculapian
 - d) Award of Merit
 - Jonathan Cook
7. Presentation of Athletic Awards
 - Noah Liberman and Emma Spence
8. Installation of the President-Elect
 - Rae Woodhouse
9. Amendments to the Constitution and By-laws
10. Adjournment

1. Opening Remarks and Land Acknowledgment

2. Adoption of the Agenda

- Motion to adopt the agenda

3. Reading and Adoption of the Minutes of the previous General Meeting

- Motion to adopt the minutes from previous AGM

4. Reading and Adoption of the President's Report

- Reading and Adoption of the President's Report [Rae]
 - Got QMed email addresses for everyone!
 - MD/PhD students, AS and Class Councils for all years have QMed email addresses now
 - We have institutional memory this way
 - Integrated 3 new positions – Sig Co, Ed Com Co, and Equity Officer
 - Ran Spring elections in a different format
 - Went over updates from different portfolios

5. Speaker's Report

- Speaker's Report [Lauren]
 - Meetings have been fun to run!

6. Awards

- Lectureship
 - Term 1: Stephen Pang & Fil Gilic
 - Term 2A: David Lee
 - Term 3: David Holland
 - Term 4A: Alex Menard & Michael Leveridge
- A. A. Travill
 - Emma Spence
- Aesculapian Society Award
- Award of Merit
 - Alex Morra
 - Ali Dergham
 - Avri Lynn Ding
 - Claire Moura
 - Courtney Leach
 - Lori Minassian
 - Craig Rodrigues
 - Danielle Weber-Adrian
 - Dawn Armstrong
 - Evan Lusty

- Martina Heinelt
- Rae Woodhouse
- Sean Leung

7. Presentation of Athletic Awards

- Aesculapian Cup: Molly Dushnicky
- 1st year top athletes: Maia & Cully
- 2nd year top athletes: Noah & Emma

8. Installation of the President-Elect

- Installation of the President elect [Rae]
 - Danny Jomaa

9. Amendments to the Constitution and By-laws

- a) Motion to adopt nemo contra voting [Lauren]
 - Passed
- b) Motion to amend the AS Fee [Claire]
 - Update the constitution to reflect the recent referendum that increased the AS membership fee from \$23 to \$25, and the ability of the AS to increase the fee with inflation.
 - Passed
- c) Motion to add Dream Fund to VP Finance portfolio [Claire]
 - Add responsibility of the Dream Fund under VP Finance portfolio.
 - Passed
- d) Motion to update name of Funding Review Board [Claire]
 - Change all references to the Funding Review Board to the Student Interest Group Committee.
 - Passed
- e) Motion to define membership in AS [Claire]
 - Clarify criteria to hold membership in the AS under new mandatory and optional fees.
 - Passed
- f) Motion to update Class Council funding [Claire]
 - Clarify how much each class council receives based on how many students opt out.
 - Passed
- g) Motion to change the timeline of sending out minutes to at least 24 hours prior to next meeting [Shubham]
 - Change the role description of Communications Officer to reflect what's already been in practice - sending council meeting minutes along with the call for agenda items (at least 24 hours) prior to the next meeting.
 - Passed
- h) Motion to make the phraseology regarding Council eligibility more general if a student is unable to complete their year [Jon]

- This by-law refers to the ineligibility of an AS member to sit on the Council if they cannot complete the academic year. We propose to expand the wording in this section to include any reason as to why a student does not complete a given academic year, rather than the current wording which only accounts for a student failing an academic year.
 - Passed
- i) Motion to remove the Matheson room from the portfolio of the VP Internal [Jon]
 - This by-law describes the duties of the VP Internal as being responsible for the Matheson room, which no longer exists. We propose to remove reference to the now defunct Matheson room from the constitution.
 - Passed
- j) Motion to have the Dr. Jacalyn Duffin award be run by 4th Year Presidents at same time as other awards [Jon]
 - This section describes the Dr. Jacalyn Duffin Award. It currently requires the VP Internal to run the nominations and award tally, however contacting the 4th year class is better suited to the 4th year Presidents. We propose to change this aspect of the award, placing the onus on the 4th year presidents to run the Dr Jacalyn Duffin Award. This will fit well with the Wilson and Laurence Awards which are also currently run by the 4th year Presidents.
 - Passed
- k) Motion to clarify timing of clerkship curricular rep elections in January [Lauren]
 - Specify clerkship rep elections must take place immediately upon return to Term 4A to ensure the elected individuals have adequate time to perform required roles throughout Term 4.
 - Passed
- l) Motion to clarify requirements for self-nominations and the accept/decline period [Lauren]
 - Update to be consistent with current practice - self-nominations must be accepted, and all nominations must be accepted/declined during the 2 day accept/decline period.
 - Passed
- m) Motion to indicate that the number of nominated individuals will not be disclosed to candidates during the accept/decline period [Lauren]
 - Add to the nomination procedure that the number of nominated individuals will not be disclosed to candidates during the accept/decline period based on current practice as this can cause interested individuals to decline.
 - Passed
- n) Motion to clarify the process of disclosing election specifics [Lauren]
 - Clarify that the specifics of elections (i.e. percentages of votes) are not disclosed for privacy reasons and candidates (not members) can view data by submitting a request to Speaker and President.
 - Passed
- o) Motion to clarify when a by-election will be held [Lauren]
 - Add that a by-election will also occur if no nominations were accepted (i.e. all nominations were declined) by the end of the accept/decline period.
 - Passed

- p) Motion to clarify timing required for Speaker of Council to announce council meetings [Lauren]
 - Ensure 72h is consistently stated throughout the constitution.
 - Passed
- q) Motion to clarify timing required for Speaker of Council to send out agenda [Lauren]
 - Ensure 24h is consistently stated throughout the constitution as 1 day is too vague.
 - Passed
- r) Motion to specify the scope of the Global Health Liaison Jr involvement with medical student-led programs and initiatives [Sharon]
 - Restrict scope of medical student-led programs and initiatives to those Global Health related.
 - Passed
- s) Motion to adapt the athletic points scoring system and change this section to a policy statement [Noah + Emma]
 - The previous scoring system was difficult for ASAOs to use and left lots of activities up to the individual discretion of each ASAO each year. Our proposed changes will make things more consistent in scoring from year to year and will make the tallying easier for ASAOs with less ambiguity.
 - Passed
- t) Motion to change the awarding of Letter M pins to reflect current practices [Noah + Emma]
 - Many Letter M recipients do not attend the SGM so we want to change it so these awards can be delivered at other times.
 - Passed
- u) Motion to change Letter M pin eligibility to reflect current practices [Noah + Emma]
 - Letter M pins used to only be awarded to 4th year students, but in recent years they have been rewarded to everyone with sufficient points.
 - Passed
- v) Motion to remove Bylaw 15 Section 2.2 from the constitution [Noah + Emma]
 - This section explains an old practice that has not been done in years, that is an inefficient use of time and resources, and is impractical to follow. As well, the plaque referred to in this section can no longer be located.
 - Passed
- w) Motion to change the recognition period for Letter M pins [Noah + Emma]
 - Students should be recognized for athletics achievements in the summer too, not just during the school year.
 - Passed
- x) Motion to change the awarding time of the Aesculapian Cup [Noah + Emma]
 - The recipient often does not attend the SGM and it would be better received at a different time earlier in April with fellow 4th students also present.
 - Passed
- y) Motion to recognize Class Athletes of the Year for the Second Year Class to reflect current practices [Noah + Emma]
 - This trophy used to only be awarded to first year students but in recent years it has been awarded to second year students as well without the constitution having been updated.

- Passed
- z) Motion to update the constitution with wording that reflects current terms [Tania]
 - Replace 'clubs' with 'AS Student Interest Groups', and 'AS clubs policy' with 'AS Student Interest Groups Policy' throughout.
 - Passed
- aa) Motion to update the responsibilities of SIRO to reflect current practice – I [Tania]
 - Add Service Learning Projects to SIRO's portfolio.
 - Passed
- bb) Motion to update the responsibilities of SIRO to reflect current practice – II [Tania]
 - Add sitting on ASIG distribution committee, overseeing administration of the AS Interest Group budget, and training interest group executive to SIRO's portfolio; remove updating research database.
 - Passed
- cc) Motion to add SIRO to the Budget Review Committee [Tania]
 - Add SIRO to the review committee.
 - Passed
- dd) Motion to rename the Education Committee Coordinator to Academic Coordinator [Danny]
 - In keeping with changing the Education Committee to an Academic Roundtable (see motion above), this change would rename the Education Committee Coordinator to recognize that their responsibilities are mostly external to the Education Committee and involve collaboration with the VP Academic.
 - Passed
- ee) Motion to add the Academic Coordinator and Student Interest Group Coordinator as Ex Officio members [Danny]
 - Recognizing that the Academic Coordinator and SIGCO collaborate significantly with the VP Academic and SIRO, respectively, include them in the constitution as ex officio members of the AS.
 - Passed
- ff) Motion to redefine the Education Committee as an Academic Roundtable [Danny]
 - The Education Committee currently does not meet as required by the constitution because members largely conduct their responsibilities independently and have only met on an as-needed basis. This would suggest changing the Education Committee to an Academic Roundtable that only meets on an as-needed basis. This name change will also be reflected in changing the name of the Education Committee Coordinator to Academic Coordinator.
 - Passed
- gg) Motion to update wording of class jackets By-law [Danny]
 - Update the wording of the by-law to reflect current names and titles of SGPS and the Social Affairs Officer.
 - Passed
- hh) Motion to clarify potential Honourary Members of the AS [Danny]
 - Clarify that Honorary members must be current faculty members of the School of Medicine.
 - Passed
- ii) Motion to amend Admissions Committee criteria [Rae]

- Clarify the commitment for admissions committee student reps, as requested by the UGME admissions officer.
 - Passed
- jj) Motion to define term of Council Members [Rae]
 - Define the transition period for AS council members who are elected in the spring.
 - Passed
- kk) Motion to remove mention of the AMS and add SGPS [Rae]
 - Update the constitution to reflect the recent referendum that switched the AS from the AMS to the SGPS. Also, update the roles of the University Affairs Officers to reflect the current roles.
 - Passed
- ll) Motion to add the Clinical Skills Reps to the Joint Governance Committee of the GSK Clinical Teaching Center [Rae]
 - Add duty to sit on the Joint Governance Committee of the GSK Clinical Teaching Centre to the role of the Clinical Skills Reps.
 - Passed
- mm) Motion to define the powers of Honourary Members [Rae]
 - Clarify that honorary members cannot hold any office within the AS council.
 - Passed

10. Adjournment

- Motion to end the meeting – 7:30 PM

Meeting duration: 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM [120 minutes]