



AGENDA

AS Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 17, 2021, 5:30 PM

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Motion to start the meeting
3. Motion to adopt agenda
4. Approving last meeting's minutes
5. Question period
6. Council Updates
 - AS President – Tony Li
 - Vice-President of External Affairs, Senior – Angela Salomon
 - Vice-President of External Affairs, Junior – Jamal Tarrabain
 - Vice-President of Internal Affairs – Joseph Samuel
 - Vice-President of Academic Affairs – Pedram Akbari
 - and for Academic Coordinator – Adriyan Hrycyszyn
 - Vice-President of Finance – Kiera Liblik
 - Treasurer – Ciara Morrison
 - Communication Officer – Bahar Entezari
 - University Affairs Officer, Senior – William Khoury
 - University Affairs Officer, Junior – Aceel Hawa
 - Social Affairs Officer – Alison Ross
 - Athletics Officer (2) – Linda Archila and Darwin Jimal
 - Global Health Liaison, Senior – Jessica Ho
 - Global Health Liaison, Junior – Rebecca Ng
 - Student Initiatives and Research Officer – Zahra Haq
 - and for Student Interest Group Coordinator – Sloane Kowal
 - Wellness Officer – Avneesh Banghu
 - Equity Officer, Senior – Christine Moon
 - and for Student Representative to the Admissions Committee – Mary Foley
 - Equity Officer, Junior - Duva Karunakaran
 - First Year President – Molly Cows
 - Second Year President – Jenn Campbell
 - Third Year Co-Presidents – Victoria Lee-Kim and Iku Nwosu
 - Fourth Year Co-Presidents – Josh Gnanasegaram and Rae Woodhouse
 - Past AS President – Danny Jomaa
 - Speaker of Council/Chief Electoral Officer – Marielle Balanaser
7. Agenda Items

8. Next meeting
9. Varia
10. Motion to end meeting

MEETING MINUTES

1. Opening of the meeting

- Meeting called to order at 5:32PM
- Members in attendance
 - Adriyan Hrycyshyn
 - Alison Ross
 - Angie Salomon
 - Avneesh Bhangu
 - Bahar Entezari
 - Christine Moon
 - Danny Jomaa
 - Duva Karunakaran
 - Iku Nwosu
 - Jamal Tarrabain
 - Jenn Campbell
 - Jessica Ho
 - Joseph Samuel
 - Kiera Liblik
 - Linda Archila
 - Marielle Balanaser
 - Molly Cows
 - Pedram Akbari
 - Rae Woodhouse
 - Rebecca Ng
 - Sloane Kowal
 - Tony Li
 - Victoria Lee-Kim
 - William Khoury
 - Zahra Haq

2. Motion to start the meeting

- Joseph, Kiera

3. Motion to adopt agenda

- Christine, Will

4. Approving last meeting's minutes

- Angie, Rebeca

5. Question period

- None

6. Council Updates

- **AS President – Tony Li**
 - Working with the Faculty of Health Sciences on preliminary steps to their strategic plan development – how to engage medical students

- There was an interest group event cancellation due to miscommunication between faculty, students, and the UGME
 1. The situation has been reviewed to prevent a similar incident in the future
- Looking to provide information regarding clerkship for interviewees
- Still waiting to receive updates from CFMS on their anti-racism initiatives
- Working on the KFL&A immunization strategy to get student involvement in vaccination rollout
 1. Current plan is to run a multi-pronged mass vaccination clinic
 2. There will be lots of opportunities for student volunteers
 3. Faculty will also be involved
 4. Timeline to be finalized
 5. Looking for sources of funding for travel to surrounding areas (i.e. Napanee)

Speaker's list

- *Angie: regarding the accreditation survey, could we request an incentive be provided for filling out the survey?*
 - *Tony: I will meet with the committee soon and can bring this up.*
- *Kiera: some students may not feel comfortable answering some of the questions on the survey – could it be clarified that the information is confidential, and that there will be follow-up with any concerning comments if necessary?*
 - *Tony: absolutely, will bring this up as well.*
 - **Vice-President of External Affairs, Senior – Angela Salomon**
 - First weekend of Wellness retreat finished up; sign up for second weekend is still open
 1. There are lots of prizes available!
 - There are a few awards coming out – look out for those in the Facebook Queen's Medicine Group
 - **Vice-President of External Affairs, Junior – Jamal Tarrabain**
 - AMBOSS platform has offered some deals to medical students – check out the Facebook Group for more info!
 - **Vice-President of Internal Affairs – Joseph Samuel**
 - Lectureship awards for terms 1 and 3 have been awarded:
 1. Term 1: Dr. Healey and Dr. Gilic
 2. Term 3: Dr. Holland and Dr. Parker
 - Will be soliciting nominations for terms 2A and 4A soon
 - Mentorship planning coming in the near future
 - **Vice-President of Academic Affairs – Pedram Akbari**
 - Observerships are close to getting back up and running
 1. Big barrier has been eye protection; hospitals have a lot supply
 2. UGME is proposing roll-out for observerships; first years and those upper years with few observerships will get a 2-week head start – this will be communicated via email
 - Rotating observerships

1. Both first and second years should be able to do rotating observerships in the summer
 - Community week still harder to get running
 1. Many sites are not opening up – few spots available
 2. Decisions to be made as provincial restrictions progress
 - Looking into having in-person lectures for first years
- **Academic Coordinator – Adriyan Hrycyshyn**
 - Everything is being organized tentatively as of now for observerships – on track for now
- **Vice-President of Finance – Kiera Liblik**
 - Will be reaching to each portfolio to check in on budgeting
 - Ciara is up to date with reimbursement – email her if you have any questions regarding reimbursement
- **Communication Officer – Bahar Entezari**
 - The Queen's University Scientista club has reached out to the AS in search of some medical student volunteers to help some technical skills workshops for undergraduate students interested in a career in medicine – I was wondering if I should reach out to interest groups to solicit some help for these events.

Speaker's list

- *Iku: it may be helpful to ask class presidents for help from clerks – may be more helpful than pre-clerks*
- *Zahra: agree with Iku – not sure how useful IGs will be as they are mostly run by pre-clerks! Could still reach out to IGs if you'd like.*
 - **University Affairs Officer, Senior – William Khoury**
 - Attended the SGPS meeting last week – no big updates to report
 - **University Affairs Officer, Junior – Aceel Hawa**
 - Have been involved with starting an interprofessional health connections group – had a first meeting this past week; will be hosting more throughout the rest of the semester
 - **Social Affairs Officer – Alison Ross**
 - Planning some social events for this semester
 1. Looking into having a local cross-country ski weekend; very weather and lock-down dependent
 2. Lots of room to collaborate with other groups (athletics)
 - AS Social Gala will not likely be happening this year
 - **Athletics Officer (2) – Linda Archila and Darwin Jimal**
 - Trying to see if we can have some variation of Med-Law games
 - In place of Med-Law fundraiser, we are trying to do a fundraiser through clothing sales
 - There are some class specific challenges going on
 - Looking into organizing intramurals
 - **Global Health Liaison, Senior – Jessica Ho**
 - There have been some great events run by the sub-committees, check out the FB group to learn more

- CFMS is hosting a facilitated discussion on March 2nd; will be open to school representatives and students at large
- **Global Health Liaison, Junior – Rebecca Ng**
 - Nothing to report
- **Student Initiatives and Research Officer – Zahra Haq**
 - Looking into drafting formal policies for event cancellation, and circumstances under which the AS might need to step in and cancel events
- **Student Interest Group Coordinator – Sloane Kowal**
 - Lots of ongoing IG events – check them out!
- **Wellness Officer – Avneesh Banghu**
 - Just started Wellness Month – make sure to sign up!! Lots of prizes up for grabs
 - The events involve participation in activities and gaining points through those – fewer zoom events to avoid zoom fatigue

Speaker's list

- *Iku: third years have not received any updates for Wellness Month, could consider putting this into class emails*
 - *Avneesh: could I add your class to the Facebook page to get upper years involved?*
- *Rae: the best way to get a hold of upper years is via email*
 - **Equity Officer, Senior – Christine Moon**
 - Working on training events coming up
 - Hosting a joint event with Queen's Commerce and QLaw on February 27th – Indigenous Health and Healing Panel
 - **Student Representative to the Admissions Committee – Mary Foley (absent)**
 - **Equity Officer, Junior - Duva Karunakaran**
 - Nothing to report
 - **First Year President – Molly Cows**
 - Started red zone this week – COVID testing went smoothly
 - Zoomies (interview video screening) are happening this Friday
 - **Second Year President – Jenn Campbell**
 - Nothing to report
 - **Third Year Co-Presidents – Victoria Lee-Kim and Iku Nwosu**
 - Had president's roundtable with 2022 presidents
 1. A major topic of discussion was the standardized letter of reference for the CaRMS application; generally, not thought to be a good idea given the recent changes due to COVID – sent a letter vocalizing this concern
 - **Fourth Year Co-Presidents – Josh Gnanasegaram and Rae Woodhouse**
 - CaRMS is submitted
 - Fourth years are going into C block
 - **Past AS President – Danny Jomaa**
 - Admissions committee advisory group met with Faculty Senior Equity Advisors to discuss the initiatives that have been introduced in the last

few months – the students would like more engagement with the AdComm, promotes transparency

- **Speaker of Council/Chief Electoral Officer – Marielle Balanaser**
 - As we move closer to SGM, governance committee will be meeting sometimes during the week of March 26th

7. Agenda Items

- None

8. Next meeting

- March 3rd, 2021 5:30PM

9. Varia

- None

10. Motion to end meeting

- Joseph, Will
- Meeting ended at 6:03PM