



AGENDA

AS Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 3rd, 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

2. Motion to start the meeting

- Linda, Angie

3. Motion to adopt agenda

- Angie, Tony

4. Approving last meeting's minutes

- Tony, Linda

5. Question period

- None

6. Council Updates

- AS President – Tony Li

- Welcome Duva!
- Faculty board meeting tomorrow (February 4th, 2021)
- SGPS called an impromptu meeting on Monday regarding elections
 1. Most positions acclaimed, one contested (VP Finance & Services), no candidates for VP Graduate, by-election to be held at a later time
- Program introduced by ministry of health to allow Ontario hospitals to hire medical students in paid part-time roles as unregulated health service providers; Dr. Sanfilippo consulted Rae/Josh/myself on logistics and feasibility, and at the moment based on need the best target is 4th year students; if there is a continuing need, there will be discussions to expand the offer to other years, but there are evidently complications
- CFMS: 5 days after our last meeting, the board officially announced the resignations 6 members of the board
 1. 5 of those members had resigned 13 days prior, as mentioned; there remain 7 members of the board
 2. The PRT received a response to their letter which outlined the current CFMS spreadsheet tracker as well as investigation that is going on; the only deliverable from their response was to release an action plan addressing the recommendations within 30 days of the report's release

- Vice-President of External Affairs, Senior – Angela Salomon

- Perspectives in Medicine campaign is ongoing
 1. <https://www.perspectivesinmedicine.ca/>
- OMSA Wellness Retreat in two weeks
 1. Registration is still open – some events still have availability
 2. Lots of great speakers will be featured!

- Vice-President of External Affairs, Junior – Jamal Tarrabain

- With help of Josh and Rae, compiled list of senior clerks to be added to test preparation software
- **Vice-President of Internal Affairs – Joseph Samuel**
 - Nothing to report; more to come in the near future
- **Vice-President of Academic Affairs – Pedram Akbari**
 - UGME to give more updates on curricular changes once lock-down status is updated; more to come in near future
- **Academic Coordinator – Adriyan Hrycyshyn**
 - Still organizing the observership program, waiting to hear from a few departments before sharing news with the first and second years
- **Vice-President of Finance – Kiera Liblik (absent)**
- **Treasurer – Ciara Morrison**
 - Interest group funding was approved this past weekend
- **Communication Officer – Bahar Entezari**
 - Nothing to report
- **University Affairs Officer, Senior – William Houry**
 - Nothing to report
- **University Affairs Officer, Junior – Aceel Hawa**
 - Nothing to report
- **Social Affairs Officer – Alison Ross**
 - Nothing to report
- **Athletics Officer (2) – Linda Archila and Darwin Jimal**
 - Nothing to report
- **Global Health Liaison, Senior – Jessica Ho (absent)**
- **Global Health Liaison, Junior – Rebecca Ng**
 - Nothing to report
- **Student Initiatives and Research Officer – Zahra Haq**
 - Reminder that if you are part of an interest group and have any questions regarding funding, please reach out
 - Will be looking into making form to be sent to fourth years for the Clerks Who Matched events; should we continue with this approach as we did last year?

Speaker's:

- *Rae: we think it would be easiest for us to send out a form to our class to obtain matching information; will work with you on this in the future*
 - **Student Interest Group Coordinator – Sloane Kowal**
 - Everyone got some money for interest group; lots of events ongoing!
 - Will be sending out medical supplies to groups which have requested them
 - **Wellness Officer – Avneesh Banghu**
 - Pre-clerkship confidential went really well last year
 - Released centralized wellness document for medical students
 - Future initiative – looking into creating a formalized peer support training program for medical students; will send out a poll to see what dates work with students (likely on a weekend)
 - **Equity Officer, Senior – Christine Moon**

- Welcome, Duva!
- Working on releasing Winter training in the coming months – keep an eye out!
- **Equity Officer Junior – Duva Karunakaran**
 - Hello, and thank you all for having me; looking forward to working with you in the future!
- **First Year President – Molly Cows**
 - Interviews for 2025s have been sent out!
 - Planning some virtual events for interviewees with first-year VP
- **Second Year President – Jenn Campbell**
 - 2nd years are wrapping up red zone
 - Meeting weekly with Dr. Jones and Miriam to discuss red zone COVID testing – looking to find a better solution to ensure everyone gets tested in time moving forward
 - Excited to have Clerkship Reps!
 - Class council is considering the addition a procedural skills course representative

Speaker's list

- *Iku: I think it would be worthwhile to discuss with Dr. Jones the COVID screening forms to be submitted for red zones – there seem to be inconsistencies*
- *Josh: the screening may be different for courses versus hospital work – should be investigated*
 - **Third Year Co-Presidents – Victoria Lee-Kim and Iku Nwosu**
 - Nothing to report
 - **Fourth Year Co-Presidents – Josh Gnanasegaram and Rae Woodhouse**
 - Finishing up clerkship this week!
 - CaRMS is being submitted this weekend
 - Fourth years are prepping for graduation
 - Question for everyone to think about – if there is anything anyone thinks would be of special interest for the student body, let us know as we are choosing our graduating class gift
 - Aesculapian Award nominations are open
 - **Past AS President – Danny Jomaa (absent)**
 - **Speaker of Council/Chief Electoral Officer – Marielle Balanaser**
 - Most recent elections are almost over
 1. 2024 professional reps and equity officer junior have been selected
 2. One 2023 clerkship rep position is open, holding by-election for the second position
 - There were some questions regarding the by-election process (i.e. reason as to why AS Council elects a 2023 Clerkship Rep in the by-election process) – essentially, a by-election occurs when there is a failure of the regular election process; it is meant to be a streamlined process to get the position filled as soon as possible
 1. This procedure is outlined in the constitution, but please respectfully defer questions regarding the by-election processes to Marielle

2. Moving forward, this procedure will be made clear during elections – perhaps a graphic can be made and shared with students to promote transparency

Speaker's

- *Rae: the by-election process has been discussed in the future, and similar issues were brought up; the by-election process is in place when the regular process fails – when students learn about it, they are more accepting of the process*
- *Jenn: the class was frustrated with the way the clerkship reps were elected; after discussion with Marielle, it is now more clear as to why the election ran the way it did – will be sharing this update with the class next week; we are open to bringing up motions from class members at future AS meetings*

7. Agenda Items

- None

8. Next meeting

- February 17th, 2021 5:30PM

9. Varia

- None

10. Motion to end meeting

- Tony, Angie
- Meeting ended at 5:58PM