



AGENDA

AS Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 24, 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 Bhangu
 - 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 5:33PM
- Members in attendance
 - Aceel Hawa
 - Adriyan Hrycyshyn
 - Alison Ross
 - Angie Salomon
 - Avneesh Bhangu
 - Bahar Entezari
 - Christine Moon
 - Ciara Morrison
 - Darwin Jimal
 - Duva Karunakaran
 - Iku Nwosu
 - Jenn Campbell
 - Jessica Ho
 - Joseph Samuel
 - Josh Gnanasegaram
 - Kiera Liblik
 - Linda Archila
 - Marielle Balanaser
 - Mary Foley
 - Pedram Akbari
 - Rae Woodhouse
 - Rebecca Ng
 - Sloane Kowal
 - Tony Li
 - Victoria Lee-Kim
 - William Khoury
 - Zahra Haq

2. Motion to start the meeting

- Joseph, William

3. Motion to adopt agenda

- Ally, Tony

4. Approving last meeting's minutes

- Tony, Linda

5. Question period

- None

6. Council Updates

- **AS President – Tony Li**
 - Dr. Sanfilippo is ending his term – the exact timeline is not yet final

1. Will require sufficient transition time for the role
- Vaccinations
 1. Thank you to all the students who have been contributing to the effort
 2. Across the province there is currently a general 4 month waiting period for second dose
 3. There have been some scheduling difficulties recently
 - a. Zoning and curriculum have made it a complex process
 - b. Working with UGME to recognize that we are students with curricular commitments first – hopefully we will not see many conflicts moving forward
 4. CaRMS
 - a. Students appear not to be receiving as many interviews, especially in top specialties
 - b. Some students did not receive any interviews at all
 - c. Committees are meeting to figure out how the second iteration will work out
 5. COVID cases in QMed
 - a. No major concerns from PH or UGME
 6. CFMS
 - a. Received proposal from current board, with major asks regarding board restructurings
 - b. Plan is to wait for SGM before making big decisions
 7. AS elections
 - a. Reminder that interested students may be reaching out with questions about different positions
 - b. Start thinking about working on transition reports

Speaker's list

- *Iku: Dr. Guerin wanted to have an integrated Clerkship Rep – should we consider adding this as a position on council?*
 - *Tony: this is a great suggestion; we can address this at our upcoming governance meeting*
 - *Marielle: we will be drafting motions at the governance meeting, and any AS member can also draft motions for the SGM; let me know if you have questions about drafting a motion!*
 - *Rae: think it's very reasonable Iku! We had the benefit of our fam med/ psych rep also having done integrated, but it's a good idea I think as integrated expands more and more.*
- **Vice-President of External Affairs, Senior – Angela Salomon**
 - CFMS
 1. SGM on April 17th and 18th
 - a. Many student representatives on council are expected to attend, in addition to other students at large
 - b. If anyone is interested in attending, contact Jamal (see his FB post for more info)
 2. Nominations for CFMS Board of Directors are open

- OMSA
 1. COVID summer studentship grants are open
<https://omsa.ca/en/covid-19-summer-studentship-grants>
 2. Naloxone training on April 1st – every attendee will get a free Naloxone kit in the mail
 3. May other grants are open – contact me for more info
- OMA
 1. Currently running elections for their president elect
 2. All OMA candidates will be attending the OMSA meeting to chat with students and hear concerns
 - a. Anyone is welcome to attend
 - b. Sunday, 10:15-11:15

Speaker's list

- *Pedram: do we have to renew OMA membership, or is it rolling?*
 - *Rae: annual \$10 fee; plus an additional optional donation to OMSA*
 - **Vice-President of External Affairs, Junior – Jamal Tarrabain (absent)**
 - See CFMS updates above
 - **Vice-President of Internal Affairs – Joseph Samuel**
 - Mentorships
 1. Meeting with Student Affairs; there has been a lot of feedback from first year and others that the pandemic has made it hard to build the mentorship program; groups should be looking to host an event within the next month – be on the lookout for events from your captains!
 2. There will be a mentorship-wide event soon – late April or May; virtual event
 - Awards
 1. Working with Rae and Josh to figure out graduation awards
 2. Working with Molly and Jenn to get 2A and 4A lectureship awards
 3. Will be sending gout nominations for AS Awards
 - **Vice-President of Academic Affairs – Pedram Akbari**
 - HSF update
 1. Going into curriculum committee for review and revision
 - **Academic Coordinator – Adriyan Hrycyshyn**
 - Rotating observerships
 1. Looking to extend from 6-week to 8-week program; sign up will be posted soon
 - **Vice-President of Finance – Kiera Liblik**
 - Doing third round of funding; going through applications now
 - Getting in contact with groups to make sure everyone is spending their funds
 - **Treasurer – Ciara Morrison**
 - Reimbursements are taking a lot longer than usual (1-2 months)
 - **Communication Officer – Bahar Entezari**
 - Nothing to report
 - **University Affairs Officer, Senior – William Khoury**

- This Friday we will have out virtual Med-Law events
 1. Among Us and Trivia
 2. Sign up is currently open
- **University Affairs Officer, Junior – Aceel Hawa**
 - The Interprofessional Health Student Connections group hosted their second event of the year recently – went very well
- **Social Affairs Officer – Alison Ross**
 - Been reaching out to athletics officers to plan a collaborative social/athletics event
 1. Potentially a House Cup
 - Working with first- and second-year social reps to plan an event to celebrate the end of the year
 1. Usually we have an AS Social Gala in April; not likely happening this year
 - Thinking of adding a Social Affairs Junior Rep to AS Council; will bring forward a motion to the SGM
 1. If anyone is wanting to further discuss this, please reach out
- **Athletics Officer (2) – Linda Archila and Darwin Jimal**
 - QRS is up and running!
 - Looking for ways to spend the budget – let us know if you have recommendations
- **Global Health Liaison, Senior – Jessica Ho**
 - Getting in touch will all GH committees to make sure everyone is able to spend their funding
- **Global Health Liaison, Junior – Rebecca Ng**
 - Getting transitioned into the role for HHRC
 - Been getting questions for other GHJr from other schools; will be sharing their events in the Queen's Medicine FB group if anyone is interested
- **Student Initiatives and Research Officer – Zahra Haq**
 - Had the Research Task Force Summer Studentship
 1. Feedback form will be sent out soon
 - IG and class council events
 1. Class councils, please try to schedule around the AS calendar

Speaker's list

- *Jenn: should we book class council events through SIRO/SIGCO, or should we just organize that on our own?*
 - *Zahra: neither is a requirement, but it would be nice to plan around; thinking to make this official eventually*
- **Student Interest Group Coordinator – Sloane Kowal**
 - If social reps would like to email SIGCO their event schedule, please feel welcomed to do so
 - Looking to implement some rules about booking events to make sure they are accessible
 1. Document in process of being drafted with some guidelines

- Had interest from a non-medical student to join an IG event; if anyone has any opinions event accessibility, let us know; currently thinking to let the IGs decide on their own
- **Wellness Officer – Avneesh Bhangu**
 - Peer Support Training
 1. 23 people signed up for Peer Support Training
 2. Will likely be a one-day training event
 - Wellness committee
 1. Meeting soon to brainstorm some events
 2. Open to ideas from anyone as to how you'd like to see funding spent
- **Equity Officer, Senior – Christine Moon**
 - Nothing to report
- **Equity Officer, Junior - Duva Karunakaran**
 - Running a two-part anti-oppression training
 1. First session ran this Monday, next session will be next Monday
 2. If anyone would like to register, students are still open to do so
- **First Year President – Molly Cows**
 - Met with all first-year presidents and MedSoc presidents in ON
 1. Lots of concerns from different schools in terms of the first-year experience in medical school and how vaccinations will affect the opportunities moving forward
 2. Plan is to have one town hall in the next couple of months and another in the Fall to show what is going on behind the scenes and promote transparency regarding vaccinations among medical schools
- **Second Year President – Jenn Campbell**
 - Currently in yellow zone as a class
 1. COVID swabs are going well; the study is allocating slots for student in the study; others can get swabbed at Wellness Services
 - Working with Tony, Molly, Clerkship presidents to work out vaccination shift swaps – thank you to everyone who is contributing
 - Course feedback participation increased
- **Third Year Co-Presidents – Victoria Lee-Kim and Iku Nwosu**
 - Class is on week 2 of Block 3
 - Have been told by the UGME Deans via the CFMS President that the schools are planning on having limited opening on visiting electives
 1. Confirmed by Dr. Sanfilippo
 - Working on Med leather jackets (could be part of social portfolio in the future)
- **Fourth Year Co-Presidents – Josh Gnanasegaram and Rae Woodhouse**
 - Finishing up CaRMS interviews this week
 - Moving into yellow zone soon – will be back in Kingston
 - Second and fourth year mingler will be next Wednesday
- **Past AS President – Danny Jomaa**

- Meeting with Dean Philpot soon to discuss status of AS Report from last summer and review the progress of the admissions processes pertaining to the report
- **Speaker of Council/Chief Electoral Officer – Marielle Balanaser**
 - AS Council meetings timeline
 1. SGM April 21st
 2. Calendar for meetings has been shared with everyone – please let me know if you have any questions
 3. Governance committee meeting is tomorrow; will be drafting motions to be shared with council in early April
 4. Council will be able to review these, as well as add their own motions
 5. Students at large will also be able to bring forward motions
 - Elections
 1. Made an infographic to be shared with students with elections information
 2. Shows elections deadlines, procedures, explanation of by-elections
 3. AS Council members will be elected before the SGM

7. Agenda Items

- None

8. Next meeting

- April 7th, 5:30PM

9. Varia

- None

10. Motion to end meeting

- Joseph, Iku
- Meeting ended at 6:20PM