UWOSS Meeting

Feb. 10, 2012

12:30-1:30pm in Room 309

Present

1st Years:

Helen Mach, Lauren Hsia, Stephanie Powell, Diana Le, Shaun Rideout, Kelsey Johnson, Emma Rickert, Brenna Lyle, Moira McAvoy, Sarah Hagedorn, Sean Reimer, Eryn Zorn

2nd Years:

Leanne Zimmer, Katy Leidl, Kayla Beattie, Anthony Fu, Theola Li, Tracy Vo, Courtney Kennedy, Brandon Prete

3rd Years:

Shannon Pennifold, Andrea Lasby, Tiffany Nazareth, Rachel Gardiner, Chelsea Poncsak, Chris Fitzpatrick, Matt Harrison, Josh Smith

4th Years:

none

Absentees

1st Years:

Heidi Friesen, Suzanne McNeill, France Muise, Sarah Farrag, Chris Poh, Bryant Mah

2nd Years:

Mike Lunardo, Colin Bain, Alyson Sas

3rd Years:

Tonia To, Jeff Thompson, Larry Guo, Jay Mithani, Kristel Jefferies

4th Years:

Colin Hobson, Lauren Koch, Kristen Smith, Lindsey Wegner, Mike Rowe, Carla Bunn (on rotation/in clinic)

12:37pm - Meeting came to order

Chair of the Meeting – Andrea Lasby Minutes taken by Tiffany Nazareth

Item #1 - FSF Meeting

This year, we're getting \$1000 from FSF since we didn't get the \$500 for last year!

We have to contact whoever the administrator is (James Lam currently or if a change, contact Chris Dupont – Chair) to get that funding

Optom has two votes at FSF – struggles with continuity – UWOSS President and Student Director (could be anyone as of now). So we'll be proposing the President Elect be the Student Director so that there is some continuity over the years – since the elect will be around in the second year for better transition

Item #2 – Change in Bylaws – President will go to all FSF meetings and President-Elect will go as the Student Director

Andrea proposes this motion.

Rachel Gardiner – seconds this proposal

Votes For: 100% of attendees

Votes against: 0%

Item #3 - Upcoming UWOSS Elections

CRO - Josh Smith took the floor

Next Thursday (Feb 16), at lunch, there will be a meeting for all interested parties – nominations due the next day (Friday Feb 17)

Information session on the Thursday: election procedures, rules about advertising, etc.

After reading week, there will be meeting on Wed. Feb 29 for the election speeches – at lunch. Anyone who is running for a contested position will be giving a speech. (If only one person running, they are automatically in) Q&A period to follow.

Voting will happen on March 5-6 – online voting through FEDS – register using student number and votes are ticked off the voting list so that you can only vote once!

The following day, we will announce the results.

New process for UWOSS to have the WHOLE STUDENT BODY vote for who is on the UWOSS Exec – it is better for the student society's relationship with FEDS and for faculty to know who the student reps are. Andrea will videotape the speeches so that 4th years can still see the speeches on our website and vote accordingly.

Any questions by students can be directed to Josh as the CRO.

Next week, Josh will pop into one of the classes to speak to everyone and see who is interested for UWOSS Exec positions.

Item #4 - Student Life Endowment Fund

FEDS has a massive fund (\$60,000) to give to students who have a reason to benefit university students as a whole – they could contribute to the costs of such projects

Chris proposed – replacing the couch that got stolen – even non-optometry students use them We can't ask for things that the university deals with – must be something FEDS can help out with – i.e. clinic renovation – affecting us, and all students on campus who come to our school for eye exams Student services/student life type things that this endowment fund will help

Shannon proposed we incorporate UWOSS student space into renovations – maybe FEDS will help renovate this space, furnish it, decorate, etc. Within 2-3 years

Item #5 - Optomspiel

Went well – a review of what to do, what not to do for next year will be written up by Colin Bain Booking ice time in advance is important!! – since problem with usual location: Westmount Curling Club. Cambridge Country Club was a happy alternative

Item #6 – Eye Ball

Change in location: Delta not Waterloo Inn

Capped at 350 people – ballroom is slightly smaller than what we're used to but the 1st year social reps have checked out the hall and it's nice and should be able to accommodate us.

Group discount for hotel room bookings - \$112 – booking under "Optometry Eye Ball" Maximum for Montreal attendance – 70 people, so enough room for us UW optoms

Item #7 - Skit Night

Classes doing ok with prepping for this

Rehearsal times – will be no earlier than last year – we don't want to have to pay for extra technicians

1st years – rehearsal starts at 12pm

2nd years – 1pm

3rd years – 2 pm

4th years – 3 pm

Doors open at 6:30pm, event starts at 7pm

Judges - Dr.'s Choh, Simpson, Hutchings, Prokopich, Hadley

Item #8 - Town Hall Meeting in March

Josh, Andrea, Mike, Heidi, etc. met with Debbie Jones, Marlee, and Murray Turnour who's in charge of IOBP – to see where the students are sitting on this issue – wasn't settled when OAO came to speak with us

Faculty meeting on March 5th so after this, there will be a town hall meeting – all profs and students are invited and we will discuss this issue further.

At another date, we will ALSO will be talking about academic integrity – the profs haven't forgotten but this issue still needs to be addressed. Profs probably don't know what to do with the situation on their hands...

Meeting adjourned at 12:49pm

Next meeting? March 16th at lunch