

UWOSS Meeting
Mar. 16, 2012
12:30-1:30pm in Room 309

Present

1st Years:

Chris Poh, Helen Mach, Lauren Hsia, Stephanie Powell, Diana Le, Shaun Rideout, Kelsey Johnson, Emma Rickert, Brenna Lyle, Moira McAvoy, Sarah Hagedorn, Sean Reimer, Suzanne McNeill, France Muise, Sarah Farrag, Bryant Mah, Heidi Friesen

2nd Years:

Mike Lunardo, Colin Bain, Alyson Sas, Anthony Fu, Theola Li, Courtney Kennedy, Brandon Prete

3rd Years:

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

4th Years:

none

Absentees

1st Years:

Eryn Zorn

2nd Years:

Leanne Zimmer, Katy Leidl, Kayla Beattie, Tracy Vo, Sally Cleghorn

3rd Years:

Tonia To, Larry Guo, 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

FREE PIZZA LUNCH FOR EVERYONEEE!! Thanks for all your hard work!

Item #1 – Skit Night

Coming up in 2 weeks!!!

- 1) Debbie Jones wants us to NOT put up any videos of our skits online – DON'T put University of Waterloo beside whatever you do. It's up to the Class Presidents to enforce this. The school doesn't sanction videos. Try not to be verbally abusive to other people – no name calling. If any concerns about whether something is offensive, we'll discuss it.

- 2) Time changes for rehearsals! CHANGED again!
 - First years – 10am – 1h and 15 minutes (BE OUT OF THE BUILDING BY 11:15!)
 - Second years – 11:15 til 12:30pm.
 - Third years – 12:30 and done at 1:45pm.
 - Fourth years start at 1:45 and go til 3pm!
 - Tech guys will be there from 7am setting up, and will be around to help you run through your skits and sound/AV, lights, etc.
- 3) Andrea, Rachel, Shannon, and Tiffany will be around to set up and decorate from early morning
- 4) Lighting – whatever you want. Better to have one person doing lights and 1 person working the laptop.
- 5) Third years are introducing each year and breaks will allow for you to set up
- 6) Wireless hand-held mics, extension cords, are available. You can plug in instruments to amplifier – but there are no music stands or any musical equipment
- 7) Doors open at 6pm; usually, no one comes until 6:30pm.
- 8) Exec Elects will be selling tickets – sold a couple days beforehand and at the door. \$10 each, includes a drink and a couple slices of pizza.

Item #2 – Write Ups for UWOSS Events This Year

Thanks to those who brought them in – try and get other notes/receipts/stuff in to Shannon ASAP
Equipment Reps – consolidate and see what lenses you need for American Boards (all digital), etc.

Item #3 – IOBP

Faculty council meeting last week – there is a formal review happening, styled after the ACOE? The school goes through a review every 4-5 years. IOBP is currently doing a self-study period, and will be submitting that to the review panel (3 members, 2 external to university and 1 from the university but outside of Science). Right now, everyone wants to have a town hall meeting – but a few things need to happen prior: especially the review. THEN we can have the town hall, since the Dean of Science is now involved.

Josh is suggesting that we first have a letter written on behalf of all students (in the form of a petition) so that everyone can sign – expressing to Dean of Science that we're concerned over the current structure of the IOBP program and that we want to be consulted as future OD's who have an interest in how our profession works, etc. We want to inform them that we are strongly interested in this issue. In the Fall, we will likely have a university Town Hall meeting, once the review is underway. Self-study review will happen over the summer 2012.

Vikk Singh – in 4th year, has been on his externals and out in the “real world” – there is some concern from the 4th year class – they are REALLY in support of this review and input from optometry students.

Josh – moved that UWOSS writes a petition letter to the Dean of Science on behalf of all optometry students that will be circulated to all students/faculty.

Matt Harrison seconded it.

VOTE: 100% of present council members in favour, 0% against.

Josh will be happy to work on this letter. It will be SIGNED UWOSS.

It will be a good idea to have a Town Hall next fall where UWOSS chairs the meeting and invites the IOBP, the school, the college and the OAO.

NOTE: There is a Town Hall on Tuesday, March 27 – about academic integrity!

Item #4 – Eye Ball

First year social reps said planning is going well

CAOS Cup is happening on the Friday before Eye Ball – Chainsaw, Beta

Any music requests can be given to Alex Polczynski – directly through FB

Item #5 – Sands of Sahara – Volleyball Tournament

This hasn't been under the UWOSS umbrella in the past because it just started 2 years ago by Colin Hobson and Andrea Lasby as an aside event for anyone interested in playing beach volleyball. Now that it is an annual, sponsored event, it seems to have become recurrent event as part of UWOSS.

Who will run it now? First year sports reps. Because it's an event in second semester, they won't be too busy since they've already ordered the hoodies and optometry gear in the Fall.

We will be changing this in the Bylaws and then vote on this in September.

Item #6 – Director Search

Mike Lunardo is the student voice sitting on the council

Current status: there are 4 Applicants and the school is moving forward with interviews. If they like the candidates, they'll choose one of them. If not, there will be a shut down and they will restart the process.

UWOSS to come up with questions/characteristics we feel are important in our Director.

Item #7 – WATSEF

Current WATSEF Reps: Chelsea Poncsak and Kristel Jefferies are outgoing

Bylaws say: Vice-President from 3rd year and Vice President from 2nd year are now to sit on the WATSEF committee.

Chelsea needs the VP's email addresses for her to transfer information. New reps should contact Chelsea by the end of the summer about their WATSEF role. Tracy Vo will be taking that role for 3rd year next year. Chris Poh or Kelsey Johnson to assume 2nd year role.

Item #8 – UWOSS Society Room

FEDS requires UWOSS to have a safe to store funds/float, and a room to have for meetings, etc.

A FEDS accountant will be helping us to keep on track next year. She will meet with the Exec and VP finance regularly.

We have been communicating with faculty members regarding the Multi-faith room – they have approved this space as an optometry club room – renovations will occur in the Fall and the room will be ready for us to move into around Christmas 2012.

The Multi-faith space will be relocated to a room by the anatomy lab.

We will then apply for the Student Life Endowment Fund – for help in buying tables, computer, supplies, safe, filing cabinet, etc.

Access to this room: 4 keys for UWOSS executives and then those members could delegate space to subcommittees.

Item #9 – Announcing New Exec-Elects

Kelsey Johnson, Shaun Rideout, Sean Reimer, and Moira McAvoy are our NEW ELECTS! Congrats!

Meeting adjourned at 1:12pm