

Board of Directors

Date | Time Feb 5th | 7PM-8:30PM | Location STC 1019

Estimated Duration: 1.5 hours

Members

Executive Council:

J. Surdi (President) | Z. Hasan (VPI) | A. Jogoo (VPFA) | C. Benson (VPA) |

Executive Coordinators:

K. Shaban (Speaker) | T. Sharma (Administrative Coordinator) | K. Karim and V. Tang (Financial Associates) |

Departmental Clubs and Societies:

Biochemistry Student Association (BSA) | Biology Undergraduate Society (BUGS) | Chemistry Club (ChemClub) | Materials and Nanoscience Society (MNS) | Physics Club (PhysClub) | Science and Business Students' Association (SBSA) | Earth and Environmental Undergraduate club (WATROX) |

University Wide Committees:

Aviation Society | Biomedical Student Association (BMSA) | Psychology Society | WUSA Science Councillors | WUSA Science Senators | Women in Science (WIS) |

Absentees | K. Karim and V. Tang (Financial Associates) | WUSA Science Councillors | WUSA Science Senators | Women in Science (WIS) |

Call to Order **AT 7:03PM**

Move to begin the orders of the day.

Motion: President

- Seconded: ChemClub
- 8 in favour
- 0 opposed
- 0 abstained
- The motion has passed**

Move to approve the agenda

Motion: President

- Seconded: PhysClub

- 8 in favour
- 0 opposed
- 0 abstained
- The motion has passed

Announcements

Old Business

Move to Old Business, where refresher of last term is provided.

Moderate Caucus

Move to a moderated caucus, where additional items can be brought by Board members.

Public Session

Move to open question period from member-at-large. Note: Any Society members can speak during this time, including Board members.

Committees, Clubs and Societies Reports

Move to close Public Session and proceed to In Camera Session

Executive Updates

- President
 - Charging cables have been put in the SciSoc office
 - This will be happening during office hours
 - Valentines Week
 - Media posters have been printed
 - Please have someone in your office hours, as it was a problem in the Fall with the Halloween event
 - The poster is almost done and it will be sent to you by Saturday
 - Please have your door open during office hours
- Vice President Academic
 - VPA: In regards to the genetic counseling, thank you psychsoc for answering my email, no one else did
 - BUGS, BSA and BMSA were sent emails as well, if you guys want to participate please let me know

- if you guys would rather just message you on Facebook, let me know as well
- The first year reps are doing the professional photoshoot next week and it is open to everyone
- Will be sending out emails to everyone in regards to the research seminar as a couple of you expressed interest and also mentioned it with your one on ones with VPI
- Please make sure that you tell your VPs to send your events through emails so they can be shared, do this before Sunday evening.
- Vice President Finance and Administration
 - VPFA: Thank you for sending the budgets last week, last terms were not allocated but it is happening, the update on the carryovers will be happening, everyone is in the positive and some are very much in the positive, you can go over budget if needed as you have the safety net
 - The CnD has been doing well. There is a promo for Valentines week. Please help promote on social media
 - The second debit machine is currently being sorted out and will be in the following week. Come to me if you need the machine or the cash box
- Vice President Internal
 - Had one on ones with everyone that followed up with me
 - WATROX is wanting to have one still
 - Self care kits tomorrow with SBSA is happening in the STC B1 Atrium
 - Changes to clubs hallways was brought up by MNS
 - General Meeting is being planned tentatively for February 13th
- Executive Coordinators
 - No updates

Departmental Clubs/Societies

- Biochemistry Student Association (BSA)
 - Had their first event of the term last week and it was pretty successful
 - Broke even with the hat and sweater sale
 - Upcoming events
 - Valentines week event with SciSoc and that is it for this month
- Biology Undergraduate Student Society (BUGS)
 - We haven't had a meeting since the first meeting

- ❑ the BOT was a big hit, 50 people came and most people stayed over the time
- ❑ the coordinator applications closed and they will be hired by friday
- ❑ Trivia night
 - ❑ BUGS: Poster has already been advertised? Do you want it?
 - ❑ SciSoc: yes we do!
- ❑ Review Night: Three TAs have been hired and they are not being charged. BUGS has checked with Chris Dupont in regard to this. Dupont is also advertising it
 - ❑ They will be getting thank you gifts and that will be after reading week
- ❑ Student prof night has been finalized for March 20th
- ❑ Chemistry Club (ChemClub)
 - ❑ Trivia night last night, a little low turnout but that was because of midterms being really close to the date
 - ❑ Upcoming events are still being sorted out
 - ❑ Student prof night previously mentioned by BUGS
- ❑ Materials & Nanosciences Society (MNS)
 - ❑ Valentines day skating will not work out due to scheduling issues
 - ❑ No event next week besides caffeine and converse and they are going to have stalking with the speed of love
 - ❑ Next event is going to be after the break for the 26th for midterm distress as mentioned in the previous board meeting
- ❑ Physics Undergraduate Society (PhysClub)
 - ❑ Had our meeting last week and finalized dates
 - ❑ Tomorrow is going to be a cleanup event which is influenced by pizza
 - ❑ Next monday is going to be board game and integration bee
 - ❑ After the break we have
 - ❑ Pancake breakfast on the 28th, PHYS 175 review
 - ❑ Student prof night March 6th with MNS
 - ❑ Research seminars every friday are being planned
 - ❑ Schrodinger's hack collaboration is also being looked into

- it is upper year physics students organizing a physics hackathon
 - They will be holding it in the spring term
- Science and Business Students' Association (SBSA)
 - Last week with BOT, really good turnout
 - the original restaurant backed out so we have to do campus pizza
 - Tomorrow DIY kits with SciSoc
 - Next Wednesday midterm breakfast with CnD is happening
 - VPA: How many people came to BOT?
 - 70 people approximately
- Earth and Environmental Undergraduate club (WATROX)
 - Chill movie night
 - Took final submission of the swag design contest, they are not planning to do anything next week due to scheduling and they are finalizing tubing (actually in two days)

University-wide Committees

- Aviation Society
 - Friday career day and 120 people show, 10 different companies, 20 different alumni, really successful
 - Doing a mentorship event, to link upper years with first years
 - They want to do a bubble tea event
 - Where can we find cheap bubble tea?
 - SciSoc: Sweet dreams does \$2.70 per person which is where we get it from
 - Will be in touch with SciSoc
 - Gala in March
- Biomedical Student Association (BMSA)
 - House warming today: a lot of people came and were eager to come
 - A lot of upper year students were happy about the space
 - A lot of people just want chocolate
 - Swag is being looked into at the current time
 - Questionnaire for Valentine's event is being released so
- WUSA Science Councillors
 - not present

- Psychology Society
 - Therapy dogs was good
 - Valentines day cards are sold in the store
 - Hoodies are being made to sell by February
 - Memorandum of understanding is being drawn up to get funding from SciSoc for per student based funding
- Science Senators
- Women in Science (WIS)

New Business

Move to New Business, to discuss new orders of the day.

1. Ratification of Board of Directors meeting minutes from January 29th, 2019 - submitted by Zahra Hasan [VPI SciSoc]
 - Seconded: ChemClub
 - 8 in favour*
 - 0 opposed*
 - 0 abstained*
 - The motion has passed**
2. To approve the new Science Society Executive Officer Vice President Communications Position, as per Article IV Section 5 of the Science Society Constitution - submitted by Zahra Hasan [VPI SciSoc]
 - VPI: Constitution is posted in the FB group, please open
 - 2 minute recess 7:27PM**
 - We want to have new positions for the election cycle
 - Article 4 section 5: VP communications
 - Currently we have pres, VPI, VPA, VPFA
 - VPA looks at academic and advertising and things
 - We want a VP solely dedicated to the marketing thing
 - This would be an asset to the team
 - Being VPA now, it would a lot more emphasis on the academic role
 - Improvements would be made in terms of the academics side along with better quality events, due to the amount of focus that would be put in.
 - Right now it is being split
 - Pres: we are essentially looking at to split roles to have more focus in the areas, more effective in the way SciSoc runs

- Logistically, Marketing media, bod, faculty, WUSA, etc
 - Same voting seat as the other VPS
 - Seconded: PhysClub
 - 8 in favour*
 - 0 opposed*
 - 0 abstained*
 - The motion has passed**
3. To approve the new Science Society Executive Officer Vice President Student Life Position, as per Article II Section 5 of the Science Society Constitution - submitted by Zahra Hasan [VPI SciSoc]
- Roles that stem that from that is VPI and pres, there is a lot of overlap right now
 - Pres works with events, VPI works with advocacy
 - They both do a lot currently with meetings and board
 - It would be good to have someone solely to focus on event planning
 - These new roles are just to be split the workload to have more specialized work roles to have everything done more efficiently
 - More applicable to board, as events need to be cohesive between all the clubs
 - VPI currently does this
 - Voting would be the same as other VPs
 - Seconded: MNS
 - 7 in favour*
 - 1 opposed*
 - 0 abstained*
 - The motion has passed**
4. To approve the new Science Society Executive Officer Vice President Retail Position, as per Article II Section 5 of the Science Society Constitution - submitted by Zahra Hasan [VPI SciSoc]
- VP Finance and Retail, are under VPFA ringt how, they are both very intensive roles, looking at expanding more
 - We want to be continue growing and need a bigger team
 - VPFA: There is a lot of work that goes into each of the roles, it has been stalking up and it is good to have someone to
 - CnD can be focused on or intensively and grow
 - Seconded: BSA

- 6 in favour
- 1 opposed
- 1 abstained
- The motion has passed

5. Approval of name change of the Science Society Executive Officer Vice President Administration & Finance position to Vice President Finance, as per Article II Section 5 of the Science Society Constitution - submitted by Zahra Hasan [VPI SciSoc]

- Role of pres would stay the same
- VPI: focus would be working with BOD, speaker, and faculty, departmental clubs relationships, wusa etc.
- VPI internal would have the saem voting
- VPF would have all say on financial matters
- Seconded: WatRox
- 7 in favour
- 1 opposed
- 0 abstained

The motion has passed

6. Approval of changes to the Science Society Constitution, as prepared by Zahra Hasan and Kimia Shaban - submitted by Zahra Hasan [VPI SciSoc]

- Changed things
 - FEDs to WUSA, him/her to them, gender neutral
 - Lots of references with positions, inconsistency with labels
 - definitions were laid out
 - Grammar and punctuation were fixed
 - Blue text was ratified last term and does not need to be discussed again
 - Important articles that were changed in the Constitution
 - Article 5 section 4
 - Voting quorums: certain quorums were really low so we are changing that
 - Article 5 section 6
 - Impeachment now must be unanimous
 - Section 5
 - Report your absences, if you do not the person may lose their seat
 - person who representing loses the seat, not the club

- More executives have signing authority
 - Unspoken rules are now defined
 - Article 8, section 9 (used to be 11)
 - Very important section
 - Quorum for voting will be 10% to 5% as we haven't been able to be able to pass
 - We have to have BOD approve people then if we don't have quorum
 - Voting amendments
 - 75% quorum to 60%, constitution changes will be 60% as it makes it easier with the number of voting people on BOD
 - PhysClub: Very first page, part c, 'encourage and support...'
 - VPA: it is supposed to be 'initiatives'
 - Aviation: In regard to the Memorandum of Understanding, with ESS we have the same thing, they have put it in the constitution, Would SciSoc do the same so it is not lost for future executives?
 - VPI: we have to update policies and procedures and we can do it in there, it doesn't have to go through a GM so it is easier
 - What is ex officio?
 - Speaker: you are given that seat in respect to the role they have
 - Article 7 section old section 4 , why is it removed
 - Robert's rules is there, we don't need it
 - Is this redundant?
 - Speaker: robert's has postpone, postpone indefinitely etc.
 - It's more restricting that it meant to be
 - it is a limitation on Robert's Rules we are removing because it is useless
 - You don't want to keep restarting the motion
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- Seconded: MNS
 - 8 in favour
 - 0 opposed
 - 0 abstained

The motion has passed

7. Approval of Allocated Funding for Aviation Society - submitted by Akshay Jogoo [VPFA SciSoc]

- Aviation, gets funding each term depending on the number people in their term
- 125 students this term
 - correction: 111 in Science
 - $111 \times \$4 = \444 dollars from SciSoc based on MOU
- Seconded: WatRox
- 8 in favour*
- 0 opposed*
- 0 abstained*
- The motion has passed**

Meeting Adjourned

Move to adjourn the meeting

Motion: Watrox

Second: BSA

Motion cancelled

- Moving everything to a GM, on the 13th, need to have these roles in nomination forms by the 2nd, please advertise, please come we need quorum, IT IS 25 people. This is all very strategically planned, meeting between 5-7,
- Watrox: are execs required to come and do we have different voting capacity?
- VPI: no you don't have to but it is highly recommended that you come, you have the same voting capacity
- How long with the GM be?
- VPI: no idea, it has to be more proper, kimia is running it
- should be done within the hour
- Aviation: Off topic but I will ask now Science cnd catering, can't do catering for 100 people apparently. Right now we are with engineering, but we would like to pay SciSoc.
- VPFA: talk to me in the meeting

Motion: WatRox

- Seconded: BSA
- 8 in favour*

- 0 opposed
- 0 abstained
- The motion has passed

Meeting adjourned at 8:02PM

Next Meeting Date: Feb 26th at 5:30 pm (please note time change)