



Council Meeting
January 18th, 2016 at 17:00 (ECHA L1-420)

- Call to order 17:00
- Roll Call
 - Eman Saleh
 - Essi Salokangas
 - Marline Aizouki
 - Saleem Alsaadi
 - Kasia Babyn
 - Aliaks Savin
 - Doug Lam
 - Alyssa Aco
 - Alyssa Schmode
 - Mehnaz Anwar
 - Phoebe Hsu
 - Helen Marin
 - Mariah Anderson
 - Kevin Thai
 - Jeff Chow
 - Maggie Huynh
 - Luke Ullyott
 - Sam Davidson
 - Yasir Iqbal
 - Daniel Leung
 - Callen Kenyon
 - Roy Tram
 - Shayne Rybchinski
 - Will Chan
 - Oksana Dacko

Regrets: Dana Moynihan, Bryan Hodgson, Sahiba Khurana

Motion: To approve the agenda. First by Luke, seconded by Jeff.

Motion: To approve the previous [Council Meeting Minutes](#). First by Mehnaz, seconded by Maggie.

New Business

- Independent Night - Recruitment Director
 - The event is coming up on January 27 and 5-6 volunteers are needed for signup and transport of props
 - Alyssa Aco, Roy, Mehnaz, Daniel volunteered so far, a few more are needed
 - Phoebe also needs a \$25 gift card for Aileen for the event - Roy and Helen will approve this budget item in the future
 - There are still about 15 spots left, class reps please try to send out more information in the class emails
 - Kevin will also add this to the Wednesday weekly post on APSA Member's Corner

- Teens for Jeans Campaign - Community Education Director
 - Last year, we donated jeans for youth development support for those who were in need and was a huge success so we would like to do it again this year
 - Options are to do jeans again or a general clothing drive
 - Socks, mittens, and hygiene are always easy to pick and highly needed as well
 - It might be hard to keep a big box outside due to theft
 - However, people stealing from those boxes may actually need the help
 - There is also a place downtown for seniors where they do a backpack drive
 - Backpacks are filled with various items and given to seniors - Alyssa Aco will send the name of the organization to Eman later
 - It may be good to stay with the same organizations as last year to build rapport
 - There will be a prize for the top contributing class and it will likely be a pizza party

- Geri Rx-Files - VP Student Services
 - APSA usually does not do this order but we could do it this year because there was a new edition released
 - Grad committee could do this sale to raise funds as well
 - We will do the order all together but give grad committee a certain amount of dollars per book sold to avoid having to hold two sales
 - Pharmacists who want this book will have to purchase one through a student

- APSA Property Stewardship - VP Student Services
 - Two TVs outside the Dean's office were stolen over winter break
 - Yasir has discussed this with Frank and he says the Faculty is planning to do something about it but no details were mentioned
 - There are currently no security cameras in the building
 - They are considering installing cameras
 - In the meantime, we will send a message to students to be vigilant while the Faculty makes progress
 - Kevin will also put a note on the weekly post about this
 - The door to the locker hallway is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays due to labs and there is a back entrance that does not require proxy access so students should be careful and ensure lockers are always locked

- Accommodation Forum - 1st Year Class Rep
 - The basic layout has been completed and they are looking to get students to fill in information for the forum
 - So far, there are sections for general advice, Edmonton, Calgary, Northern Alberta, and Southern Alberta
 - Within these there are also sub-forums and a regional/group transportation section
 - Doug is looking for councillors to make an account and think of interesting things to post
 - Planned release date is during the February reading week
 - An advantage of this forum is that information posted here will stay in future years and information can be added onto what is already there
 - Students must sign up with their ualberta email accounts but may choose whatever username they like
 - Doug is mainly working with the class reps and people living in the towns to post topics
 - If we can get many people on board at once, students will be more likely to use it
 - Doug will post the link on the councillor's page
 - Councillors please test it out by the end of January

- SAF-Pharm Lunch and Learn Budget - SAF-Pharm Director
 - The position had a \$400 budget but it was all used for the Thomas Dang lunch and learn last semester
 - There are 2 more lunch and learns planned and a budget increase is needed to fund these
 - The position is still new and there is lots of room to expand so increasing the budget would be beneficial
 - Daniel would like a \$600 increase for \$200 worth of food per lunch and learn and an extra \$200 for anything else planned later this year

Motion: *Be it resolved that APSA Council approve a budget increase from \$400 to \$1000 in the SAF-Pharm Director budget for lunch and learns and other advocacy events. First by Mariah, seconded by Will. All votes in favour, motion carries.*

- Blue and Gold Silent Auction and 50/50 Draw - IPSF Rep
 - Funds raised from the silent auction and 50/50 draw will be split evenly between grad committee and the PAM Canada campaign
 - Sahiba will share a spreadsheet to track the items for the auction
 - We cannot give the grad committee money from the 50/50 draw because the money has to be given to a charity
 - Instead, we will give money from the auction to grad committee while all the money from the 50/50 will be given to the PAM Canada campaign
 - The dollar amounts will still remain the same as if all the money was split 50/50
 - We are currently renewing our license for the 50/50 draw, councillors please fill the out the form and send it back to Mariah
 - We could make special pins for the class who donates the most items or raises the most money
 - We could also give points to the class for the punch competition
 - Either give points only to the top class or have a graded scale where the top 2 or 3 classes can still get some points

- Blue and Gold - VP Social

- Food will be kept the same as last year as we received positive feedback and people's dietary restrictions were accounted for
- Audio/Visual team, MCs, invitees, and judges
 - There was a problem last year because the \$350 budget item was not enough and we ended up increasing it to \$1350 to cover expenses
 - The money from the budget increase this year will go towards mics, screens, speakers, wages for the audio tech, and internet

Motion: Be it resolved that APSA Council approve the increase of the Blue and Gold Audio/Visual budget item from \$350 to \$1600 effective immediately. First by Alyssa Schmode, seconded by Maggie. All votes in favour, motion carries.

➤ Budget Changes - VP CAPSI Sr

- PDW was expensive and Alyssa would like to increase the budget for 3 things
 - Increase the CAPSI Sr/Jr food budget from \$80 to \$175 due to meetings causing them to miss provided meals
 - Increase the budget for attending councillors to \$100 for meals
 - This does not actually have to be addressed because their budget items are all in a single item for PDW
 - Change how food budgets are allocated in the future and give funding based on estimated need for more accountable spending
 - This will be done at the summer retreat next year when the new council is creating the budget

Motion: Be it resolved that APSA Council approve the one-time increase of the PDW Food budget item for VP CAPSI Sr from \$80 to \$175. First by Doug, seconded by Aliaks. All votes in favour, motion carries.

➤ Grad Committee - Grad Co-Chairs

- The co-chairs would like to know if council is okay with the TGIF kickbacks going towards grad
 - They previously went towards whatever initiative APSA was working on at the time (eg. CIBC Run for the Cure, Movember)
 - The money from TGIFs hosted when there is no fundraising going on could be given to grad committee
 - Council agreed that it is okay as long as we disclose where the money is going to the students beforehand

➤ Grad Mandatory Fundraising Policy - Grad Co-Chairs

- Sam would like to implement a mandatory fundraising policy such as a minimum \$100 in fundraising per student in order to attend grad
 - This is because the class of 2017 is behind in fundraising
- This idea could be useful for raising awareness on where we need participation
- Students have said they have better things to do than fundraise for grad and it makes the job more difficult for those who are actively involved
- The class of 2016's cookie dough sale and clothing sales were very successful
 - Essi found that the more they fundraised, the cheaper their grad tickets would be and that was encouraging for some classmates
- It was suggested to increase the APSA membership fee slightly and allocate it towards grad
 - Some councillors felt that we should not force students to pay money and force students to attend grad
 - Some students are naturally more involved

- We would also implement a system where if students do not participate in fundraising, their tickets will be more expensive
 - This may be more well-received because students are already dismissive of fundraising and forcing a \$100 payment on them may make them angry
- We could also have students log hours or contributions rather than dollar amounts
- Some students really do not have enough time to commit to fundraising for grad and it would be unfair if a mandatory fundraising policy made them unable to attend their own grad
- A safety net policy could be better than something forced onto the students
- Grad committee could also arrange all the fundraising activities and have students volunteer for them so they do not have to set everything up themselves
 - It could be more fair this way than imposing a money quota on students
- We do not want to create a negative environment and attitude towards fundraising for grad
 - Helen will meet with the grad co-chairs to further discuss options and solutions will be brought up in a future council meeting

- Student Initiatives - President - Tabled
 - Intro jewelry making class
 - Fit Pharm

- APSA Bear Award - Aliaks
 - Given to Helen - this was her first meeting that she was in charge of and she did an excellent job of it and was able to keep the meeting on track.

Motion: To adjourn. Seconded by Alyssa Aco.