



APSA General Council Meeting
January 21, 2019 at 17:00
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1. Call to order (17:04)
2. Roll call (2 min) - 17:06 - Jes, Jenn, John, Lynnea, Kristen, Preston, Mark, Jordan, Gezina, Lily, Troy, Lawrence, Thom, Trina, Monica, Jyoti, Anthony, Kevin, Amy, Morgan, Teresa, Marvin
 - a. Regrets: Miray, Ravina, Maddie, Megan, Thomas
3. Additions to the agenda (1 min) - 17:07

Motion: To approve the agenda
First: Jenn, Second: Lawrence
4. Review last meeting's minutes (1 min) - 17:08

Motion: To approve the previous Council Meeting Minutes
First: Mark, Second: Jenn

New Business:

5. Attendance at office hours and council meeting - Jes (10 min) - 17:18
 - a. Jes - I don't want to police councillors but this has recently been an issue with multiple people. You are expected to show up to office hours and council meetings. You were elected for these positions, and it is disrespectful to APSA members and the rest of council when you don't show up. We discussed this at executive council last week. As per the constitution, technically if you miss 3 council meetings, even if they are excused, you can be removed from your position. You must have a good excuse to miss a meeting - a good excuse does not include having an exam the next day. Meetings are posted so far in advance; you should plan around them. They are not optional. As far as office hours go, if you are not attending your office hour when you are supposed to be, you will get one warning. If you get a second warning it means you will be prohibited from attending any APSA event. We hold APSA members to this standard (ie: blacklist), so we need to hold councillors at this standard. For example, the RxA event last week - it was a great success but we had 7 APSA councillors cancel last minute. This was embarrassing on ASPA's part so we need to be respectful.
 - b. John - When you say "no more APSA events" - is that for the year or for the duration of your APSA memberships?
 - c. Jes - It depends on the offense and how often it's been happening. The person is at risk of completely losing their APSA membership which would be for the duration of your years in pharmacy school. We would take it to executive council and discuss it.
 - d. John - My second question is whether we should more strongly enforce a blacklist?
 - e. Jes - Yes, that could be something we implement and VP Academic would monitor and enforce this. But if you have a valid excuse and you let me know, I can at least reach out and see how else I can help.
 - f. Kristen - I would like to do that as soon as possible. Today I had a student speaker at lunch and it was embarrassing that 70 people RSVP'ed Yes to this event on Facebook but only about 20 people showed up. I plan on making a post tonight on APSA Members' Corner about accountability to your commitments. It would be easy enough to have a sign in sheet so we can reprimand people who are RSVPing but not showing up.
 - g. Mark - Another way to do this would be to have a Google Form at the end of a presentation that can count for attendance.
 - h. Jes - All I ask is that the baseline of your responsibilities as a councillor is completed.



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6. Fall break update - Jes (2 min) - 17:20
 - a. Jes - I wrote a letter on behalf of APSA to GFC, posted in Council Resources, saying that we don't support the removal of fall break. The faculty submitted to GFC their proposal and documents. GFC went in favour of the faculty's proposal and ruled in favour of removing fall break for the entry-to-practice PharmD program. On a survey, first years said they preferred 2 4-day long weekends which faculty submitted in their proposal. Faculty has also agreed to survey the students and see how this has affected students after next year. Also planning to be proactive and implement more mental health resources. I am happy that students were consulted and they chose the next best option.
 - b. Monica - I found that most of my class was pretty okay with the result.

7. Pharmacy Awareness Month (PAM) update - Mark (5 min) - 17:25
 - a. Mark - March is PAM and there are lots of events planned by the PAM planning committee. I wanted to remind everyone that March is going to be a busy month. If you were planning something, please run it by me and I am happy to work with you so there are no time conflicts with PAM in the month of March.
 - b. Jes - The sooner you plan something for the month of March, please let Lynnea know ASAP so she can put it on the APSA calendar so that everyone can see what is planned and prevent overlap.
 - c. Trina - SAF-Pharm committee is happy to help with anything.
 - d. Mark - Can other students join the PAM planning committee meetings?
 - e. Jes - Yes. As long as they step out for any in camera portions.

8. Pharmacy Christian Fellowship - Lawrence (10 min) - 17:35
 - a. Lawrence - I am leading a Christian fellowship as part of pharmacy. I reached out to 2 professors (Pat Mayo and Cheryl Sadowski) who are down to help us. I wanted to know what the process is in terms of lunch and learn or lecture discussions open to everyone, similar to the student presentation today.
 - b. Jes - As far as lunch and learns go, as long as you run it by Lynnea and she doesn't see any reason why it shouldn't be a lunch and learn through pharmacy, she can book the room.
 - c. Lawrence - I was also wondering if APSA has funding for lunch and learns.
 - d. Preston - There is room to make small additions. Sponsors are ideal but we can talk about it.
 - e. Lawrence - I will reach out to Lynnea and decide on a good date.
 - f. Lawrence - PCF also wanted to set up a fundraiser. We would like the money raised to be used for food or events or care packages. How would this process work? Do we go through Preston and then get the money re-allocated?
 - g. Jes - I think through Preston would probably be easiest. It wouldn't be PCF's own bank account, versus the grad committee which is the only committee that handles their own finances.
 - h. Preston - It would be pretty easy to go through the APSA account.

9. Yearbooks - Lawrence (5 min) - 17:40
 - a. Lawrence - Lifetouch is who does the yearbook and grad photos. We used to have yearbook photos taken but we haven't been actually using the photos! I don't know if this is something we should continue because we don't use it. The idea is that they do it and people buy it but no one really wants to buy that. We miss so many people in each year because no one shows up.
 - b. Jes - Informal vote: Who thinks it would be worth it to set up the yearbook photos? Who



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thinks we shouldn't continue with it? (Majority said they shouldn't continue). Especially because now we are mainly doing yearbooks through grad class versus each year of pharmacy buying a yearbook every year.

- c. Lawrence - Okay, we don't pay for them anyways so we this will just save Lifetouch the extra work.
- d. Lawrence - The other issue is that we still don't have a Yearbook Editor for the 2020 yearbook. There have been 2 by-elections and no one has expressed interest. I am willing to step up alongside Thom if we are at the point where we just appoint a person.
- e. Jes - I will double check the constitution but I don't have any problem appointing you both as Yearbook Editors. I will run it by our class of 2020 one last time as well.

10. Additions to the Agenda

a. Elections - Jes

1. Jes - Presidential forum is this Wednesday at lunch. This isn't required for all councillors to attend but it would be nice for you all to be there. There are 3 candidates running - Andrew Song, Ryan Cummings, Teddy Bates. Because there are 3 candidates, we will be pressed for time so Alex Kwan and I have put together a Google Form for people to ask questions so we have an idea of what the general APSA population wants to ask. We will only have time for about 5 directed questions so my fear is someone asking a question during the forum that won't help APSA members decide who to vote for. Are there any questions you think are really important to ask the presidential candidates? I personally will be asking one directed question, each of the candidates will be asking a directed question to the other 2, and only time for a couple more questions. The candidates wouldn't be seeing these questions beforehand but there won't be a question period from the audience during the actual event. Any feedback?
2. Mark - Maybe be transparent and let people know that they won't have time to ask questions during the forum.
3. Jes - Yes, Alex and I are still figuring out the logistics but we will let everyone know ASAP.
4. Kristen - I would like to take attendance at this event, especially since there is food involved.
5. Morgan - We can, but just keep in mind the tight timeline. Having a list at the start and checking off people takes time off the beginning, so a Google Form would probably be best.
6. John - We should post on the event page to let people know that attendance will be taken.

b. Update on trade show - Trina

1. Trina - We were able to condense it in the morning which was well received. We were hoping to get 150 students but only 110 signed up. On the day, 20 students didn't show up. Originally we had it as a blacklisted event and this year we didn't because I thought it may prevent students from signing up. But going forward I think we do need to enforce the blacklist.
2. Jes - If you have a list of the students who didn't show up, I don't have any problem with you sending all those students an email about professionalism and accountability.
3. Mark - Something that is concerning to me is that with PAM there are a lot of events going on. Is it possible to go class to class to remind people to remain accountable



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to their commitments?

4. Jes - We can definitely start talking to classes. And telling people they will start receiving emails to hold people accountable when we notice they don't show up. Just a reminder that if you RSVP to an event, you are held accountable to be there and it is unprofessional to not show up.
11. APSA Bear (1 min)
 - a. Anthony - I would like to give it to Amy for her work with the RxFactor. She put a lot of work into it and it was a pretty awesome show.
 12. Adjournment (17:48)
First: Jenn.