

# APSA General Council Meeting January 27th, 2020 (17:00) ECHA 1-182

1. Call to order (17:00)

2. Roll call (2 min) Scott, Colleen, Sam, Jenn, Navjot, Ryan, Angel, Anna, Jadin, Michael, Dana, Hanna, Mina, Matthew, Gurpal, Anthony, Steven, Kurt, Nick, Shemanti, Angela, Kristil, Nils

a. Regrets: Jes, Emma, Danial, Ayush, Eliana

3. Additions to the agenda (1 min)

**Motion**: To approve the agenda

First: Mina Second: Sam

4. Review last meeting's minutes (1 min)

**Motion**: To approve the previous Council Meeting Minutes

First: Matthew Second: Anthony

### **New Business:**

- 5. COFA Joint Statement (5 min) Scott
  - a. COFA Joint Statement
  - b. Scott The SU VP Academic has written a joint statement criticizing post-secondary cuts with calls to action. He wants all 14 faculty association presidents to sign it. At this point I'm not sure if I would sign it, but I will learn more about it and get back to you on the plan.
- 6. Transition Documents (5 min) Scott
  - a. Scott Sometimes transition documents aren't great, so just a reminder that whoever is coming in after you is coming in blind so do them a favour and have a solid document to pass on to the next person including month by month breakdowns and highlighting key parts of the job. Elections will come before you know it so be aware and prepare for it.
- 7. Student Transition on Faculty Committees (5 min) Jadin
  - a. Jadin Ravina and Ken want to make the transition to faculty committees easier on the incoming people so I just wanted to see who else is on a faculty associated committee. If you are, please email me so they can know what your role was on the committee and if your APSA role is associated with that committee or you are just volunteering to be on it.
- 8. Class Award Change (7 min) Jadin
  - a. APSA Awards
  - b. Jadin I need some approval to change the class award. I want classes to vote on who got their class award as opposed to the awards committee choosing from an application. I will ask the class for nominations with why they nominated them, and then send a Google Form to vote. Only I will see the results, and if it's a tie we have why they were nominated and I will have class reps come to weigh in. This is a bit of a change as the constitution states awards are determined by the committee deliberating on applications, but it also says I can invite other people to vote.
  - c. Ryan This makes a lot of sense, to have the class weigh-in on who is contributing to class morale. Another option is to do it similar to RxFactor selection and just have a blank space for anyone to write any name they want.

**Motion:** BIRT the selection process for the Class Award has been changed from the Award committee choosing a recipient based on an application to a vote by the respective class.



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First: Jadin Second: Michael. 17 in favour. 1 opposed. Jadin and Nils abstain. Motion carries.

### 9. Movember Update (5 min) - Anthony

- a. 2019 Movember Campaign
- b. Anthony I want to give a breakdown of what we raised and where it came from. Total \$11 500 donated, without APSA paying anything so that's great. There was a lot of hard work put in, especially Sam and her work with IG Wealth Management, who raised \$4500 in collaboration with us. Thank you so much to everyone who helped! I plan on posting this breakdown on APSA Members' Corner so everyone can see how we did.

# 10. March Event Bookings (2 min) - Jenn

a. Jenn - March is very busy with PAM, the PAM committee is planning over 20 events for March. PAM Committee would appreciate if you run any events you might be planning for March by me so that March is less overwhelming with the amount of events so students don't get so burnt out.

### 11. IPSF Fundraising (3 min) - Angela

a. Angela - This year, IPSF Fundraising is involved with most wellness events with PAM. Money raised will go to Breakfast Club of Canada and a local program, Food for Thought Edmonton. Any money, except the Pharm-Dent game, raised throughout PAM will go to these charities.

## 12. Interprofessional Update (3 min) - Shemanti

a. Shemanti - In March we have many events in PAM such as the inhaler event with medicine. I am working with medicine to come up with cases for it. This year was the first time my role was involved in rotations - we meet with HSERC to ensure IntD programming is incorporated into rotations. I will continue this even after I no longer have this position, just volunteering so they can see all that is going on with pharmacy.

# 13. VP Fundraising Proposal (10 min) - Sam

- a. Sam In transition last year, the previous fundraising director proposed the idea to make fundraising a VP Position. It does overlap with VP Finance so we didn't move forward with it earlier. I would like to propose this again because of the time commitment of on average 1 hr per day. In addition, I sit on 4 separate committees and work closely with many VPs so I can contribute to executive council meetings to minimize information transfer. The role has gotten bigger because of budget cuts so more focus will need to be on finding sponsors which means more effort and more time for this position.
- b. Ryan To executive council, how much fundraising decisions are made or discussed during your meetings?
- c. Scott Minimal.
- d. Ryan If the major point is workload, we could also consider having a fundraising committee.
- e. Sam The workload is manageable, and silent auction items could be delegated, but I think it ends in just having an unnecessary middle person. There could also be a designated silent auction person on the RxFactor committee and Blue and Gold Committee.
- f. Ryan Some drawbacks, is that it would add more hours required to the person of that position because there are more meetings involved.
- g. Anthony I think you also went above and beyond your role, so the role would need to change to qualify as a VP, because you need to ensure people who come after you continue to uphold that workload and quality.



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- h. Sam I would need to completely recreate my transition document to maintain it.
- i. Ryan There are other non-VP positions that put in a lot of work and we aren't discussing putting them up to a VP position.
- j. Kristil Elevating it to VP may encourage people to continue to put in the effort because it would be more expected of them to put in the work.
- k. Scott- You've brought up some great points. I would like to look into this a little more and sit down with Sam to talk further. We can bring it up again in 2 weeks and ask questions so it can possibly move forward at the AGM.

# 14. PQ Election Articles (5 min) - Matthew

a. Matthew - PQ is publishing 2 more issues this semester. I am looking for articles in general, hopefully from Scott and the incoming president-elect. We also want some articles about elections coming up and PAM. If anyone wants to run an update on their position, start brainstorming and reaching out to the committee or myself. February issue will probably come up right after the February Break. And then mid-late March before finals there would be one more issue.

### 15. APSA Bear (1 min) - Angel

- a. Angel APSA Bear is going to Anna this year because the trade show was awesome this weekend and she put in lots of work to put on a great event.
- 16. Additions to the Agenda
- 17. Adjournment (17:48)

First: Colleen