

APSA General Council Meeting February 10, 2020 (17:00) ECHA 1-182

1. Call to order (17:00)

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

a. Regrets: Jes, Emma, Danial

3. Additions to the agenda (1 min)

Motion: To approve the agenda First: Scott Second: Michael

4. Review last meeting's minutes 1 min)

Motion: To approve the previous Council Meeting Minutes

First: Scott Second: Ayush

New Business:

5. Welcome President - Elect (2 min) - Scott

- a. Scott Welcome Anthony as President-Elect! I'm excited to see what you have to bring to the role and to work closely with you in the coming months/years,
- 6. Monetary Efficiency/Improvement for Next Year (8 min) Scott
 - a. Essential Events
 - b. Scott We need to meet with the faculty and discuss the MOUs and the MMF in April. This document says what the faculty agreed to pay for, and what has actually been paid for. The receipts to the faculty need to be submitted by March 1st so the faculty knows what money of theirs we used and why. PAM will be hard but we will work on it. We just want to look for efficiencies to reallocate money where it is needed. So if in your position you know of some efficiencies or think of things the faculty might be willing to pay for (not lunch and learns or gift cards, and minimal food), let me or Anthony know.
 - c. Discussed money on wellness kits and events, conference costs for PARS, and backdrops and photography equipment for the IPSF headshots.
- 7. APSA Banking Situation (10 min) Michael
 - a. Michael As we discussed, our contact at Scotiabank left without telling us. We now have someone working with us from them and because of the confusion, we got some good things out of it. APSA (and Grad Committee) will no longer pay transaction fees, and we cancelled paper statements which cuts costs as well. I negotiated 400 cheques free, which will take some time to actually get, so if you need reimbursements let me know so we can get that money to you quickly. They are also keeping all their past commitments to us (ex. Welcome Back BBQ).
- 8. PAM Update (3 min) Jenn and Ayush
 - a. Ayush A reminder if you have an event in March that isn't on this calendar, let us know so we can advertise it on the calendar. 8 lunch and learns and 6 clinics, and 3 media commitments. We are publishing a PAM booklet for things we are all working on professional identity, community engagement, etc. so if you want something you are working on as part of PAM, let me know so you can be included. PAM prizes are only given by attending clinics.



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b. Ayush - Also, CAPSI elections are live and voting is due Friday so go vote, lots of people are running from UofA!

9. Emails (1 min) - Colleen on behalf of Emma

a. Colleen - Just a reminder to double check who you are emailing (check the email address) to ensure it is going to the right person, sometimes there are multiple people with the same name so just be sure.

10. Merging Social Media Officer and IT Director (5 min) - Angel

- a. Angel Ryan and I have discussed and want to combine our positions. At the beginning of the year is the most work for Ryan and has minimal work for me. Also, the website could be updated artistically and that could come from someone who wants to look at social media.
- b. Nils I think they could collaborate, but that it may be hard to find someone to do both.
- c. Ryan The workloads are able to be combined, the skills needed overlap somewhat, the website uses a service so that if you have experience with social media you should be okay. The additional skill would be some technological literacy, the website doesn't need coding but you need to be able to go through documents to find out how to troubleshoot issues. It would save man power in combining it, but by asking for the extra skill it may be more difficult to find someone to fill the role. The major thing the site needs right now is aesthetic updates and I don't have the skill for that.
- d. Scott The other discussion is whether Social Media Officer will remain a position for next year and get approved at the AGM. Or, if we combine them, we just adjust the description/position of IT director.

Motion: To combine Social Media Officer and IT Director into one position for elections this year.

First: Angel Second: Scott. 9 in favour. 11 opposed. Scott abstains. Motion fails.

11. Lunch and Learns (2 min) - Angel

- a. Angel Some of my classmates have been concerned about the use of styrofoam for lunch and learns and want more eco-friendly plates for things we use.
- b. Sam If it's styrofoam, they are usually provided by outside sources, not us.
- c. Kristil We did look at this for hot chocolate sale, but the cost was just drastically different.
- d. Jadin It could be bring your own mug.
- Kristil We could provide plates for lunch and learns and forego outside providers picking styrofoam.
- f. Angela It can be a comment also on your order.
- g. Michael Napkins work too and they're cheaper than plates.
- h. Ryan Sustain SU has a program but it is difficult.

12. Potential Healthcare Solutions Lunch and Learn (6 min) - Navjot and Matthew

- a. Navjot We've been planning this since about September with some lags in communication. The date they picked has a lot of PAM things but we haven't heard back from them for alternate dates. It is late in the semester and the budget is making it difficult. So if it happens, we were thinking instead of pizza doing snacks such as cookies, or doing a draw for a gift card or grad committee merchandise to pull people in instead of a full lunch.
- b. Nils I think there is some excess in my budget that i could probably put to this.
- c. Navjot I think people would come out because they are interesting topics, but it also isn't confirmed that this will happen.



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- d. Michael Financially, it is probably better to do this in September at this point. We could probably make it work with the budget for pizza, but ideally it would be September.
- 13. APSA Bear (1 min) Anna
 - a. Anna I'm giving the APSA Bear to Jadin for all her work with career series and awards!
- 14. Additions to the Agenda
 - a. Food Drive (1 min) Nils
 - 1. Nils SAF-Pharm Food drive this month! We are giving Mint Cup points so if you're doing office hours you need to track it with the Google Form and paper of who dropped it off and what they donated.
- 15. Adjournment (17:30) First: Sam