



APSA Executive Council Meeting  
March 2nd, 2020 (14:00)  
**APSA Boardroom**

1. Call to order (14:00)
2. Roll call (2 min) Scott, Anthony Colleen, Jenn, Jadin, Kristil, Michael, Nils
  - a. Regrets:
3. Additions to the agenda (1 min)  
**Motion:** To approve the agenda  
First: Scott Second: Jenn
4. Review last meeting's minutes 1 min)  
**Motion:** To approve the previous Council Meeting Minutes  
First: Scott Second: Anthony

New Business:

5. Area of Focus for next APSA Council (15 min) - Jadin
  - a. Jadin - There was a curriculum committee meeting I wasn't able to make it to but Navjot passed the information to me and there were objectives for APSA for next year to collaborate with the curriculum committee and the faculty on. They want us to frame studying and learning in pharmacy as different in pharmacy as it is lifelong learning and things you learn in one course need to be applied in other courses. I will be bringing to their attention that grading us on a curve kind of limits that mentality. They also want to push the mentorship program so mentors do more, and push the faculty mentor program as well.
  - b. Kristil - I can make a feedback form for the AMP program and we can see how people are feeling.
  - c. Nils - We could also try and maybe match people before even orientation to try and help through some unknown times. If the Mint Cup continues, it could be tried to have them in the same team.
  - d. Jadin - They also brought up the change in epi pen rules and try to get some community outreach with pharmacy students going to schools to teach about epipens.
6. APSA Banner (2 min) - Colleen
  - a. Colleen - On the APSA standing banner, the stand is broken. I'm just wondering if you think it is worth it to replace it. As far as I know, we can't just fix that stand, I think we need to replace it. I haven't totally looked around, but SUBPrint has them (including a new banner) for \$129-\$229 depending on the size. We can get just the stand online also for a wide range of prices.
  - b. Nils - I'll take a look, maybe I can find a way to fix it.
7. Blue and Gold Tickets (5 min) - Nils
  - a. Kristil - Two blue and gold tickets are prizes for the wellness challenge. The initial plan was for me to buy them and get reimbursed, but is that necessary?
  - b. Nils - There are others like that such as for awards, last year they gave away 7 complimentary tickets and 7 free tickets for the planning committee. My thought was maybe to give discounted tickets to committee members. Prices are \$55, so maybe offer \$40 for the people involved in planning and the emcees. Also, tickets are based on an individual price.
  - c. Anthony - If people came to help with RxFactor they didn't need a ticket as long as they were



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- there early. But RxFactor was a fundraiser and Blue and Gold goes to APSA. It seems fair to me to discount their ticket.
- d. Michael - Would you change the cost on Eventbrite or have me reimburse them?
  - e. Nils - I think I'd have a limited number of paper tickets for those people. I can't set different ticket prices based on the Eventbrite package I got for the event.
8. COFA Joint Statement (5 min) - Scott
- a. Scott - We've talked about the COFA joint statement about the provincial budget. They wanted all 14 faculty associations to sign it. This was two months ago and last week there was a lot of pressure to sign it. There were a couple points I didn't like, but the biggest one to me was that the SU wanted to negotiate to have tax credits changed to upfront grants as needed and I think that some people may not need it at the beginning and since we are in a long program, we typically get a lot of tax credits. The SU didn't put forward the statement because a couple faculty associations took a stand or backed out later. So it seems like it's over now but they want to have a sit down meeting with the Faculty Association presidents.
9. Awards (2 min) - Scott
- a. Scott - I've heard there was a discrepancy and wanted to have a discussion and make sure it is handled.
  - b. Nils - We are trying to find a balance for how much awards should be worth, which has been a struggle for years and we still don't really know.
  - c. Jadin - One opinion is why would one award be worth more than another, when sportsmanship shouldn't be more than leadership, but the other opinion is some awards require more effort when applying such as need a CV and references.
  - d. Michael - Last year, they reduced all the values from \$500 to \$250 except the Past-President Award, and then people may apply more for recognition than financials. But I don't know why the Past-President Award wasn't deducted when everything else was. If we bump everything up to \$300, then Past-President would have to be deducted. There is some APSA funding and some sponsor funding each year. I said APSA would give \$7000 if we got no funding, and if we had sponsors then APSA would contribute less. It isn't sustainable to have the award money tied to the number of sponsors when that can fluctuate from year to year.
10. Adjournment (14:50)  
First: Kristil