



APSA General Council Meeting
January 28th, 2025 @4:00pm, ECHA room 2-430

1. Call to order (4:04pm)
2. Roll call (2 min): Gauhar, Megan, Brent, Miguel, Jacob, Jin, Vincent, Kevin, Amy, Georgia, Kirsten, Fiona, Krisha, Mike, Zach, Max, Isabella, Jayden, Julie, MacKenzie, Matthew, Hafza, Judy, Aminah, Rebecca, Nathaniel, Josh, Don, Yeganeh, Julia, Dr. Ken Cor.
Non-Council Guest: Youssef Elezzabi
 - a. Regrets: Sania, Ally, Denae, Marissa, Abdiel, Toni, Allison, Bruce, Joana, Naomi, Remi, Sarah
3. Additions to the agenda (1 min)
Motion: To approve the agenda
First: Nathaniel, Second: Kirsten
4. Minutes of the last meeting (1 min)
Motion: To approve the [previous meeting minutes](#)
First: Zach, Second: Max

New Business:

5. Review of previous meeting's Action Items - Megan (5 mins)
 - a. Josh - RxFiles order update? Gauged class of 2025 yearbook interest from Madison?
 1. Submissions closed yesterday, have 110 orders. Waiting for invoice from RxFiles, should be in the next couple days. Distribution will happen once shipped. Nothing heard from 4th years yet, but will coordinate with the ones that filled out the form to order. Form has been sent about yearbook interest in class of 2025, will have an update in the first week of February.
6. Presidential Election - Yeganeh (5 mins)
 - a. Description: The Presidential Elections Campaign Period has begun. The elections forum will be held Wednesday, Jan 29 (tomorrow!) from 12-12:50 PM in MSB 2-27. This is the Google Form where you can submit questions for the candidates to answer at the forum: <https://forms.gle/Rbr8KdT9iT41j4mt5>
 - b. Notes: Want to have as many students there as possible, can pre-submit questions for the candidates via the Google form linked above. Friday is when voting will begin, that form will close Monday, hopefully results announced by Tuesday. May consider releasing general numbers of voters.
7. PBL garbage cans feedback - Nathaniel (3 mins)
 - a. Description: Looking for feedback on the removal of the small garbage cans from the PBL rooms.
 - b. Notes: Heard from some people that there have been negative reviews about it, some on council

expressed they'd like them back but was unclear why they were removed in the first place. Clarified that it was because they weren't getting emptied by custodial staff (shared responsibility by Student Services and APSA), concerns about odours, and people still not cleaning up after themselves. Some on council said that it hasn't been too disruptive and has helped with the smell, could potentially see if we can increase the number of garbage cans outside in the hallways in MSB.

8. Meet Your APSA Team document submission - Megan (2 mins)
 - a. Description: Reminder that the deadline is February 7th.
 - b. Notes: Will send another reminder email about it soon, consider directing any unanswered questions at the end to specific councillors.

9. Class Update - Krisha/Matt (5 mins each)
 - a. Description: How are the classes doing/feeling? Any feedback received regarding APSA events?
 - b. Notes:
 - First year: Class seems to be doing okay, no major burnout complaints yet.
 - Third year: Lots of APSA events happening, feeling like it's a bit hard to keep up sometimes but no significant complaints.

10. IPSF/Research Councillor/Community Ed Director Update - Kirsten/Fiona/Vincent/Judy (5 mins)
 - a. Description: Update on Fall events and brief overview of any upcoming plans for this semester
 - b. Notes:
 - IPSF: in the Fall, they were at 1st year orientation, did a lunch & learn with CAPSI, vampire cup in Oct with good sign ups, this week there is another blood drive (need ~15 more people to sign up in order to get food), there is a headshot campaign right now too (\$10 for 5-10 photos) with all proceeds going to Lung Cancer Canada. End of the month trivia night with SDM. Instagram takeover for PAM about tobacco with prizes at the end.
 - Research Councillor: PUJC was run 3 times last semester (20-25 students in the first session about PD in students, 2nd was pharmaceuticals-focused, 3rd was about Ontario Pharmacy College paper naming pharmacies with greatest employee dissatisfaction). This semester, 1st was looking at a new PPI-alternative, 2nd will be about Black History Month, 3rd will be with the LGBTQ+PhSc during Pride Week, 4th with MPSC focusing on Ramadan.
 - Per Dr Ken Cor: Research projects: if you're interested in doing research with a specific faculty member, reach out to them as they are aware of the timing (applications open at the start of February). Some projects may be a full time commitment in the summer, others may be more flexible. URI stipend: separate application process; work with a faculty member to possibly become an employee of their project (more of a collaboration). Students with a previous degree are NOT eligible to apply for the URI stipend.
 - Community Education Director: 3 main things (classroom presentations by pharmacy students, work with faculty for Indigenous admissions presentation that happens in October, and participate in WISEST conference in both fall and winter terms, which is a compounding conference). Right now, collaborating with FentaNIL naloxone training programs (presentation TBD). Also collaborating with Poison Prevention Centre for a presentation about medication poisonings (possibly to grade 5-6 students or in PharmD lecture). Will also likely do a "Cookies for Community Ed" event to encourage students to come out and learn about Com Ed. Looking at doing a lip balm/hand cream compounding sessions during Feb reading week. 1st and 2nd years likely had presentations from Com Ed committee already, 3rd years will happen tomorrow.

11. PAM Passport - Jin (5 mins)
 - a. Description: Short discussion on PAM passports
 - b. Notes: Looking for thoughts on individual sign ups vs a month-long PAM sign-up vs weekly sign-ups (but students must be signed up 2 weeks in advance).
 - Voting: large majority (>15) voted the PAM passport sign-up (2 votes for week-long, 2 votes for

individual)

12. Faculty Photo & Video Shoot Sign Up - Gauhar (2 mins)
 - a. Description: Sign up to be a part of the [faculty's photoshoot and/or video shoot](#) to help showcase our program
 - b. Notes: Want to encourage students to sign up for this, we are one of the faces of the student body and would be great to have ourselves represented!

13. APSA Bear - [Isabella] (2 mins)
 - a. Presented by Interprofessional Director to CSHP Representatives for their hard work and collaboration on the interdisciplinary team talk

14. Additions to the Agenda: 4th year graduation - Dr. Ken Cor
 - a. Notes: Faculty is collaborating with ACP, they want to do a "Welcome to the profession event", Dr. Cor wants to do a "How to prepare for PEBC event". Planning a half day where they will join together and have a lunch provided at Myer Horowitz or ECHA atrium where ACP will be there to welcome graduates and Dr. Cor will go through PEBC information. ACP partnered with the Faculty previously and organized a brunch on convocation day which was poorly attended, so this lunch on a different day may be better attended.
ACTION ITEM: Gauhar to connect Dr. Cor with the 4th year class rep to gauge interest in this event

15. Adjournment (4:44pm)
Motion: To adjourn
First: Josh, Second: MacKenzie