



PhUS Council Minutes - Meeting #5
 August 6, 2020 @ 8:30 PM

Attendance:

President	Parsa Amin	P	1 st Year Rep	-	
VP Internal	Jeremy Bulatao	P	1 st Year GC	-	
VP External	Kevin Kang	P	1 st Year GC	-	
VP Academic	Giordano Bua	P	2 nd Year Rep	-	
VP Finance	Jessica Jiang	P	2 nd Year GC	-	
VP Social	Radha Gupta	P	2 nd Year GC	-	
AVP Social	Felisha Teja	P	3 rd Year Rep	-	
VP Communications	Marcus Lo	P	3 rd Year GC	-	
Secretary	Vanessa Cheng	P	3 rd Year GC	-	
Senator	Nick Pang	A	4 th Year Rep	Elisa Colasurdo	A
Sports Rep	Chris Xi	P	4 th Year Rep	Kathleen Lau	P
Sponsorship Coordinator	Grace Li	P	2021 Grad Reps (4 th Year)	Dane Chapman Gina Sangha	R R
2022 Grad Reps (3 rd Year)	Celine Jeon Ayah Kapani	P P	Faculty	Sandra Jarvis-Selinger	A
Faculty	Jennifer Chatterton	A	Faculty	Kerry Wilbur	A
Faculty	Emma Riek	A	Faculty	Ginette Vallee	A
Faculty	Marion Pearson	P			

P (present) | A (absent) | R (regrets) | L (late)

Guests: Anmol Sooch from Pharmily, Dr. Brent Page from UBC PharmSci Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Committee

Meeting called to order at 8:33 PM

Approval of Minutes

Moved: Jeremy; Seconded: Kevin

Standing Business:

Motioned: Be it resolved that the Pharmacy Undergraduate Society approves the MIF (Minor Initiatives Fund) application for Pharmily Mentorship Program for the amount of \$200

Moved: Jeremy; Seconded: Giordano

Approved: 14 ; Objections: 0 ; Abstained: 0





Discussions:

1. VP Internal

a. MIF application by Pharmily (presented by Anmol Sooch)

- I. Mentees (PY2, PY3) are meant to serve as social support to guide incoming PY1s in all aspects of pharmacy
- II. There will be three 30 min virtual meetings between mentor/mentee per term. Mentors will determine the topic of discussion and method of meeting
- III. The MIF application was originally for the purpose of events (e.g social mixers), but due to current circumstances, the application has been revised to request funding for resources such as information for those moving to Vancouver, stress relief, etc. Other MIF funding will be for merchandise such as lanyards, tumblers, etc

b. Purpose for focusing on printing

- I. Resources are so that students have a tangible copy once they're in class

c. PhUS Sponsorship agreement

- I. Resources will have a section for sponsors, where PhUS is to be listed
- II. PhUS clubs and PhUS initiatives, will be mentioned as well

d. Concern for potential overlap

- I. Pharmily has and will continue to hold meetings with other clubs and committees (e.g Mental Health Taskforce, PhUS, Pharmily, PTALC, Faculty Peer-Mentorship, Student Success Program, etc) to avoid overlap
- II. Pharmily's resources are focused on student life and adjustment to pharmacy, rather than educational resources

2. VP Academic

a. PhUS statement (cont. from last PhUS meeting on July 22, 2020)

- i. PharmSci EDI is currently working on a statement to inform our faculty that we are reviewing practices in our academic program and workplace training
- ii. Purpose:
 1. To identify insufficiencies in education and training with respect to systematic racism and cultural consciousness
 2. To gather information from our community in PharmSci about their experiences with cultural incompetence
 3. Both will be used to create an action plan, supported by Dean Coughtrie and the Senior Management Team (SMT)
- iii. EDI and PhUS both recognize the current obstacle with how to go about addressing BLM movement in a thoughtful and action-filled way, rather than an overarching statement. We want to show that we're actively addressing and bringing light to issues within the Faculty.
 1. Currently EDI has a pre-statement along with the Qualtrics survey to show accountability, which are under review prior to release
- iv. Discussion to be tabled and updated in future meetings, as EDI is currently meeting monthly



b. Suggestions

i. Infographic

1. An infographic focusing on racism within the healthcare workplace may also be useful and tech-friendly for students
2. An infographic addressing topics such as implicit biases and data inaccuracies in academic studies may also be beneficial to students
 - a. It may be challenging to summarize academic papers whilst balancing academia and cultural sensitivity

ii. Segment topics of discussion

1. Different aspects of the topic should be individually recognized and incorporated into our classroom learning
 - a. This is currently being worked on by faculty

3. Sponsorship Coordinator

a. Pfizer Lunch and Learn

- i. Pfizer would like to hold a “lunch and learn” through a video conference with participants logging in to join in real-time
 - ii. Platform suggestions:
 1. Facebook Live, which can be uploaded on PhUS’s public page
 2. YouTube Live, which offers better quality video
 3. Zoom, which can also be recorded and uploaded. However, students may be deterred from joining due to the added step of logging in
- Pfizer’s Lunch and Learn will be educational, therefore PhUS will not be collecting fees

b. Sponsor logo placement

- i. Instead of placing logos on the front of PhUS’s Facebook page, we could include them in the About section instead
- ii. We can also consider putting sponsor logos on PhUS’s Facebook cover photo
- iii. Sponsor logos will also appear at the bottom of our future e-newsletter

4. Secretary

a. Meeting with Faculty regarding student-wide emails

- i. PhUS Secretary and VP Communications had a Zoom meeting with Dr. Marion Pearson and Jennifer Chatterton
- ii. E-mails sent to students should be for academic purposes only, but PhUS weekly newsletters have been a grey area for awhile
- iii. Due to anti-spam legislation and FIPPA, PhUS newsletters currently are not in compliance with communication requirements
- iv. Our action plan now is to create our own e-newsletter where students are subscribe and unsubscribe through email

b. PhUS Newsletter and cybersecurity/ automation measures for our mailing list

- i. We are currently exploring options to securely store students’ emails and automate functions for when they choose to unsubscribe
- ii. Newsletter template may need to be coded in HTML for mobile-friendly content
- iii. Faculty will help with being a liaison between PhUS and PY1s for required emails (ones that PY1s have no other way of receiving) and can help us ask IA leads to allot 5 mins for students to sign up, so that we retain our audience



- iv. PhUS President will have an opportunity to introduce PhUS in the upcoming First Year orientation (September 8, 2020), so he can notify students about the newsletter as well
- v. PhUS newsletter will be called **the Pharmagram**, after the previous newsletter prior to OSS email sendouts

5. Faculty

a. Student Support Steering Committee

- First meeting will be next week!

Round Table:

Faculty	- NTR
President	- Will be posting more information soon regarding a call for volunteers for the Student Orientation (September 8th) - Will be needing ~ 38 student volunteers (1 volunteer/IA group). PY1s will get the opportunity to ask student volunteer questions about pharmacy
Secretary	- Gloria Cheng to be on leave until August 2021. Any OSS communications where you would ask her can be sent to Emma Riek (emma.riek@ubc.ca) instead
VP External	- UBC AMS discussed COVID data and how it impacts academics, physical/ mental health, and policies going forward. - Campus Space will be releasing September - CampusSpace is meant for managing AMS clubs but will hopefully be something that all campus groups will start using - Purpose: To create a virtual community and a social network for students
VP Internal	- NTR
VP Academic	- NTR
VP Social	- NTR
VP Sponsorship	- NTR
VP Finance	- NTR
Communications	- Please fill in this form if you are on the Exec Council: https://forms.gle/QqvVXzzcaq2yJjME6 - Parts of the site that need to be filled: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HV2e9fPgDstUUBYltCa2i09IgiKFCeUVzloBrQjckVvE/edit
Senate	
Sports Rep	- NTR
Grad Rep 2021	
Grad Rep 2022	- NTR
1st Year Rep	
2nd Year Rep	
3rd Year Rep	
4th Year Rep	- Will email Dr. Wilbur regarding PEBCs in the coming weeks

Meeting Adjourned: 9:44 PM

Moved: Kevin; Seconded: Jessica

Be it resolved that PhUS council adjourns the meeting.

