

Pharmacy Undergraduate Society 2405 Wesbrook Mall Vancouver, B.C. Canada V6T 1Z3

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PhUS Council Minutes October 04, 2021 12:00 PM

Attendance:

President	Jeremy Bulatao	Р	1 st Year Rep	Alecz Reyes	Р
VP Internal	Marcus Wong	Р	1 st Year Rep	Ronak Sardari	Α
VP External	Grace Li	Α	1 st Year Rep	Thazin Maung	Α
VP Academic	Lilyan Jia	R	2 nd Year Rep	Isabella Woroshelo	Р
AVP Academic	Grace Song	Р	2 nd Year Rep	Hajer Mahmood	Р
VP Finance	Chris Xi	Р	2 nd Year Rep	Alyssa Azote	Р
VP Social	Felisha Teja	Р	3 rd Year Rep	Alicia Klaassen	Р
AVP Social	Radha Gupta	Р	3 rd Year Rep	Zyrel Zaparilla	Р
VP Communications	Marcus Lo	Р	3 rd Year Rep	Mariam Mouhajer	Α
Secretary	Kruti Shukla	Р	4 th Year Rep	John Lee	P*
Senator	Kanika Khosla	R	4 th Year Rep	Parsa Shahbazi-Amin	Р
Sports Reps	Owen Li		2022 Grad Reps (4 th Year)	Celine Jeon	Α
	Sunny Singh	Р		Ayah Kapani	Α
Sponsorship Coordinator	Aamir Ladak	Р	Faculty	Sandra Jarvis-Selinger	Р
2023 Grad Reps (3 rd Year)	Maddison Gahagan	Р	Faculty	Kerry Wilbur	Р
	Maria Ahmed	Р			
Faculty	Jennifer Chatterton	R	Faculty	Marion Pearson	Р
Faculty	Emma Riek	R	Faculty	Ginette Vallee	R
Faculty	Gloria Cheng	Р			

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

Guests: Jeffery Pan

Meeting called to order at 12:05 PM

Approval of Minutes

Moved: Jeremy; Seconded: Chris



^{*}John Lee acting as proxy for the Class of 2022 Grad Reps Ayah Kapani and Celine Jeon



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Discussions:

1. VP Finance

- a. Budget Proposal
 - PhUS revenue: \$80k (from prior fiscal year), \$60k (PhUS fees), \$8.5 (GPA revenue), \$5k (sponsorship revenue), \$1.26k (locker sales)
 - Major PhUS expenses: \$30k (Social expenses), \$27.3k (UpToDate contract), \$15.5k (GPA ii. expenses), \$8.5k (sports expenses), \$6k (Clubs Fund)
 - 1. PhUS has \$30,000 in surplus which will be allocated to events such as Skits night and Gala.
 - 2. The remainder of the funding will go to the Halloween event.
 - iii. Allocated more money to Clubs Fund to ensure each club has sufficient funding to run their events.
 - Up-to-date contract: 3 year contract -> increases by \$2,125 USD per year (is a significant iv. portion of our expenses)
 - 1. Action: Discuss if we want to renew the contract and/or if we want to make changes to the annual PhUS fees.
 - Cake and Champagne (C&C) for Class of 2022 ٧.
 - 1. Traditionally, this event is not funded by PhUS grad reps fundraise for the event.
 - a. Class of 2022 grad reps were not able to have their fundraising events take place and so the previous VP Finance budgeted \$15,000 for the event.

2. VP finance:

- a. Understands that there were less opportunities for Class of 2022 grad reps to fundraise for the event; however, \$15,000 is an excessive amount to be allocated to one grad year.
- b. This matter was privately discussed, and not discussed with the council so there was no formal vote put in place to determine if this funding should be allocated to Class of 2022.
- c. With such an extensive amount of budget being given to one student year, it will be difficult to budget the remainder of the surplus between Classes of 2023/2024.
- d. Proposes that future VP Finances submit a formal budget by the end of September each year to prevent misunderstandings like this from occurring in the future.
- e. Send a list of action items to the Class of 2022 Grad reps.
- 3. John Lee (representing Class of 2022 Grad reps)
 - a. Grad reps have been planning out the event with \$15,000 so it is difficult to budget with only one month remaining till the day of the event.
 - b. Despite the \$15,000 funding provided, the students will be paying ticket prices to make up for added expenses (ie: COVID-19).
 - c. Excess money will be given back to PhUS if it is available.
- 4. Class of 2023 Grad reps





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> a. Discuss with Class of 2022 Grad reps if they will need 50% of the proceeds from the name tag sales this year, on top of the \$15,000 they are receiving from PhUS.

i. It is difficult for Class of 2023 Grad reps to fundraise money due to COVID-19 restrictions, and as such they would really appreciate it if they could keep 100% of the earnings from the nametag sales as they will not be provided with \$15,000 from PhUS to plan out their C&C.

5. VP Internal

- a. Is \$15,000 a reasonable cost for C&C? What are the cost estimates for this year's C&C for the Class of 2022?
 - i. Context is required to have a productive discussion on costs and fair allocation of finances.
 - ii. John Lee (proxy for 2022 Grad Reps): ~\$13,500 is the cost estimate for the venue this year. In a typical year, total C&C costs come to \$12,000-\$14,000 (includes venue/food/champagne etc.) The cost this year is higher due to COVID and being limited to a short-list of dates (PY4's are on practicum rotations).
- b. Ideally the allocation of the surplus should have been equally distributed amongst the 3 student years (Class of 2022/2023/2024) as all three years missed out on Skits Night and Gala last year.
 - Class of 2024 arguably missed out on the most with a virtual GPA and white coat ceremony.

6. President

 Understands the POV of Class of 2022 grad reps, however does not support the idea of allocating an extensive amount of money to one student year.

b. Grad event budget for Class of 2022

i. Previous VP Finance 2020-2021 Jessica Jiang - "Grad Class of 2022 had little potential for fundraising (with the exception of name tag and hoodie sales) and their grad event was delayed due to COVID directly. For subsequent years, they have the potential to at least fundraise at sports events and social events, and this gives more time for sponsorships to be secured. Just like our annual Pharmacy Gala, students pay a certain amount for tickets and this will bring back about a third to a half of the \$15,000 itself. I am happy for you guys to give the remainder of the surplus to the following years' grad event but matching the amount spent for Class of 2022 does not seem logical to me when 1) fundraising can occur, 2) not all of funding for following grad events have to be paid out during this academic year, 3) more time for securing sponsorships. The fundamental point that I am trying to get across is that the Grad Class of 2023 and 2024 have much more fundraising power than Class of 2022 and their grad event won't be directly affected. It will make a large difference in how much PhUS council supports each year's grad event financially."





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Round Table:

Faculty	 Dr. Jarvis-Selinger: Opportunity for Pharm students to be mentors on her project (Rural e-mentoring in BC) - work alongside underserved Indigenous communities -> introduce the idea to year reps so they can spread the word.
President	- NTR
Secretary	- NTR
VP External	- NTR
VP Internal	 PhUS Lounge was cleaned (walls, cupboards, fridge, sink scrubbed by hand) with the help of Bella Woroshelo and Kruti Shukla Beverages (carbonated water, pop, juice, tea, hot chocolate, coffee) and snacks were purchased for the lounge to support PY1s studying for their first EOB Uptake of snacks and drinks was rapid → may need to put out less? New coffee grinder and coffee machine were purchased (old coffee machine had mould growing throughout the machine and could not be salvaged)
VP Academic	- NTR
VP Social	- NTR
VP Sponsorship	- NTR
VP Finance	- NTR
Communications	 Please fill in Google Form: https://forms.gle/CA2zda4pLfXc4usz5 Jeremy, Marcus W, Chris, Kanika, Owen, Sunny
Senate	- NTR
Sports Reps	- NTR
Grad Rep 2022	- NTR
Grad Rep 2023	- Sweater sale is now open
1 st Year Rep	- NTR
2 nd Year Rep	- NTR
3 rd Year Rep	- NTR
4 th Year Rep	- PEBC-related announcements are being consistently delivered to the Class of 2022.
	Any concerns with PEBC registration can be directed to Year 4 Reps!

Meeting Adjourned: 12:59 Moved: Bella ; Seconded: Kruti

Be it resolved that the PhUS council adjourns the meeting.

