SPH Student Senate Meeting Minutes

Date:November 5th, 2019 Time: 6:30-8:00 pm Location: Mayo A-110

Attendance count: 13/20 (+Christine Vu - staff member to facilitate election of

communications director)

Teale Greylord, Diksha Srishyla, Puleng Moshele, Ian Passe, Yiyao Jin, Matt Rundle, Zach Maino, Ade Bakare, Alina Okomoto, Nicole Havel, Jacqueline Cassman, Sandra Osei, TH

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No.	Item	Speaker	Allocated Time	Meeting Notes
1	New communications director - Candidate statements - Voting	Zach	15 mins	 Zach explained the process Sandra Osei's statement was presented; Sandra was the only candidate Christine moderated the vote Sandra won the vote for communications director
2	Committee updates	EPC (Zach) Alumni Society (Jacquline and Christopher) CHIP (Devon) AHC SCC (Keelia) PSG (Matt and Ian)	20 mins	 Double-dipping policy resolved; needs to be communicated to students Online classes don't count as financial aid/fee-paying; need to take 6-credits on campus need to be taking those credits to get insurance GRE is now going to be department-specific - the department must justify why they require it - BU adopted this first, then UMN followed; UMich, Berkeley, Emory in the process of implementing the new GRE requirements GRE can be a deterrent to returning adult students Alumni Society:
				Alumni Scholarship

3	Sub-committee updates - Needs Assessment - Mental Health - Wellness Session	Teale	5 mins	 Engagement committee and the mentorship committee are the main foci CHIP The leadership conference on 11/2/19 was very successful PSG Used the meeting to remove elected president so that they could have access to grants and funding; the VP is now acting president Board of regents position is open Deadline for the VP position is November 8th (Tabled)
4	Bank account update	Puleng	5 mins	Budget update: - Funds in account: \$16097 - PSG check: \$5000 - Total funding: \$21097.35
5	Grant voting	Puleng	15 mins	Points that came up: • Funding is ultimately based on reimbursement and receipts; the granted amount is not given right away • Melissa has told us that we can allocate funding in any which way we choose, so long as it is not violating the professional code of conduct
6	Buddy system	Diksha	5 mins	• There was 87.5% support in favour of the program

				 Buddy pairs have been made based on program and topics of interest indicated in forms; each pair has 1 first year and 1 second year - you will each receive an email from Diksha Goals are for you to meet in person once and come up with one measurable goal to accomplish by the end of the semester, based on the topics you have in common to discuss
7	Identified topics	Zach, Teale	20 mins	 Gala funding - Approved funding for senate to fund all senators to attend the event - the school wants us there Student group funding Pass-through funding for the year - future discussion - new ideas No cap for the no. of times a person can apply Goal is to reduce barriers for groups to request funding Monthly Social Hours - tabled Bimonthly meeting - might be a good idea in order for us to get more things done. Some other professional school senates meet every week (suggested by Ian) SPHere clean-up; let us know immediately if you see supplies needing to be stocked/spaces that need to be cleaned up
8	New ideas	TH, Teale	10 mins	Professional Development Series (TH) • Vic and Darren want to work with senate to access students on a particular Wednesday every month

	 The first one will be November 20th The idea is to have them host sessions between 8-9 (breakfast) and then 12-1 (lunch) on these Wednesdays Senate and Career services will split up funding We must come up with unique names for these sessions MILI Program (TH) Finding ways to collaborate on increasing awareness on public health - putting together a conference
	Button Design Contest (Teale) Senate is co-sponsoring a diversity & equity button design contest for the SPH. All submitted designs will be turned into buttons. The winner will receive a prize (Swag Bag) and their button will be used school-wide! Submission deadline: December 1st. Voting will happen on the EDIT Facebook & during the EDIT meeting on December 10th. Everyone is welcome to participate.
9 Reminder to send program emails	Send them if you haven't already!

Tasks

Fill in the poll sent by Teale for bimonthly meeting preferences:
https://forms.gle/UGXFikDkwTYeQf2R7\
If you are in the SPHere during the day, consider sitting in the office and having office
hours - code to the office door is 38198

☐ Consider volunteering your time for the Gala because it will save Senate money: https://umn.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9pfw3MStOpOLHvv

☐ Contact TH for any suggestions you have for the Professional Development Series: tran0865@umn.edu

Contact your program director for access to your list-serv to send out the email based on		
the template sent by Teale, if you haven't already		
Set up a time to meet with your buddy!		
For E-board:		
☐ Plan decision-making on student group pass-through funding system		
Decision on monthly social hours		