

Agenda for SPHSS Full Senate Meeting

October 4, 2023 from 6:00-8:00pm in Mayo D325

Present: Quin Nelson, Emma McGrew, Grace De Boom, Caylin Crawford, Annie Lemieux, Chasity Corbin, Laila Bushagour, Nicole Sewell, Rahma Abufoor, Mariah Olinger, Liam Diaz, Grace Savard, Jonathan Barnes, Mikayla Reinke, Connor Oetzmman, Peyton Ristau, Michelle Crandall, Eleanore (Ellie) Hansen

Notes: Let's bring nametags next time

1. Welcome, grab food, and get settled.

- a. [Mission of SPHSS](#)
 - i. Area of advocacy: Within School of Public Health
 - ii. Internal and External committees
- b. Context within SPH
- c. Context within University + Student Government

2. Executive Board Introductions

- a. Quin Nelson: President
- b. Emma McGrew: Vice President
- c. Annie Lemieux: Director of Finance
- d. Grace De Boom: Director of Communications
- e. Caylin Crawford: Secretary
- f. Jennifer Porter: Assistant Dean for Enrolled Student Experience, SPHSS Advisor

3. Whole Senate Introductions

- a. Name, pronouns, program
- b. Ice breaker

4. Meeting visitors

- a. Abaki Beck - GLU-UE SPH Rep (Union) beck1369@umn.edu
 - i. Brand new graduate student union
 - ii. Proposals are posted on the union website if you want to look over it.
 - iii. More information for upcoming events on social media GLU UMN ([IG](#), [Twitter](#), [website](#))
 - iv. Upcoming involvement:
 - 1. October 12, 2023, wear buttons of support (organizers will be at Caribou in Moos Tower on Tuesday and Thursday)
 - 2. Rally on October 26, 2023
 - 3. General membership meetings once/month, next one is at the end of October (watch social media) ([IG](#), [Twitter](#), [website](#))

5. Senator Responsibilities and Expectations

- a. **Slack**
 - i. We recommend downloading the desktop version of Slack.

- ii. Voting is done on slack primarily.
 - 1. Putting slack on your desktop will help you see all notifications without being tagged.
 - 2. Voting through slack helps us to be efficient, especially with awarding grants.
 - 3. PLEASE vote.
 - a. When less than 50% of people are voting it's hard to pass things
 - 4. All new senators should have received an invitation for the SPHSS Slack channel.

b. Grant information

- i. Professional Development grants
 - 1. Funded by SPHSS
 - 2. \$600 max per student per academic year
 - 3. Reimbursement-based
 - 4. Grant application will be posted on Slack for voting.
 - 5. Voted on by all SPHSS members.
- ii. Student group grants
 - 1. Also funded by SPHSS
 - 2. \$200 per group per year
 - 3. Also posted on Slack for voting

c. Committee appointments and involvements

- i. Please email whoever is the contact person that you would like to be a part of their committee by **Friday, October 6, 2023**
 - 1. **Events committee**
 - a. Responsibilities:
 - i. Plan and execute special events for the SPH student body. Collaborate with the SPH alumni association, other student groups, and groups from other schools to host meaningful events that promote the goals of the 2023-2024 SPHSS.
 - b. Meeting times and time commitment:
 - i. Monthly meetings TBD hosted over Zoom. In addition, attend as many SPHSS events as possible.
 - ii. If you want to be involved and this time doesn't work for you, reach out to Emma.
 - c. Contact:
 - i. Emma McGrew [mcgre182@umn.edu](mailto:mcgrel82@umn.edu)
 - 2. **Advocacy committee:**
 - a. Grace De Boom and Caylin Crawford leading.
 - b. Meet at least once between senate monthly meetings.
 - c. This year: SPHere lounge makeover? Outdoor seating?
 - d. Previous advocacy includes:
 - i. Health insurance issue

1. Proposal approved by Board of Regents but will not go into effect until Fall 2025
 - ii. Providing high-quality masks for students
 - iii. Hybrid/flex classrooms and COVID policies for attendance
 - e. Contacts: Caylin (crawfl144@umn.edu) and Grace (deboo016@umn.edu)
3. **External Committee Appointments:** Email Quin Nelson (nels9793@umn.edu) if you're interested in any of these committee appointments.
 - a. **Educational Policy Committee (EPC) representative**
 - i. Attend 2 meetings per month.
 1. Curriculum committee: First Monday of the month 9:30am-11:00am
 2. Second Monday of the month is full EPC 12:00pm (typically a short meeting)
 - b. **Professional Student Governance (PSG) representative**
 - i. Need a first year student
 - ii. Michelle Crandall is the returning representative.
 1. Interprofessional opportunity
 2. To apply for PSG grants, apply ASAP before they run out of money.
 - c. **COGS (Council of Graduate Students)**
 - i. For MS or PhD students
 - ii. Still figuring out this relationship, is anyone interested?
 - d. **Alumni Society:** Flexible deadline
 - i. Need 2 student representatives from SPHSS.
 - ii. Time commitment: 15 hours/year (3-4 committee meetings and 4 board meetings)
 - iii. Enhance current student experience and increase connections with alumni.
 1. Alumni ambassadors, events, and mentor program sub-committees
 - e. **Recognition, awards, and honors committee:**
 - i. Start meeting in February or March, only meet a few times this year.
 - ii. Honor cool work, like helping to plan graduation ceremony.
 - iii. Nice opportunity for second year students
 - iv. 1 spot available?
 - f. **Research committee:**
 - i. Eleanore (Ellie) Hansen (hans6999@umn.edu)
 1. Monthly meetings
 2. 1 student from SPHSS

3. Where should SPH go in terms of research focus?
 4. Pilot and start-up funds programs for research.
 - g. **Health Sciences Student Consultative Committee:** Monthly meetings
 - i. Have not met yet this year
 - ii. Similar to CHIP
 - iii. University level, subset of University Senate
 - iv. SPH rep needed
 - h. **University Senate**
 - i. Time commitment:
 1. Meeting once/month
 - ii. Any student who is interested is welcome to participate.
 - i. **Undergraduate representative**
 - i. We need one under grad student but don't have one yet
 - j. **DEI committee representative**
 - i. Meets the first Wednesday of the month at 9:00am
 - ii. Need 2 reps
- d. Social Media
- i. Follow us!
 1. [Twitter](#)
 2. [Instagram](#) Main form of communication for students and alum
 3. [LinkedIn](#)
 - a. And add SPH Student Senate to your profile, resume, and email signature.
 - i. Promote yourself and the leadership roles you are involved in.
 4. [Facebook](#)
 5. Senator introductions on IG
 6. Student Takeovers?
 7. Promoting events or opportunities, school-wide or within the community
 8. Anyone interested in learning more about social media?
6. **Business:**
- a. Grants Voting *Start official meeting with Roberts Rules*
 - i. If you're unfamiliar with making/voting on motions, review [Robert's Rules of Order](#)
 - ii. Please be timely with voting for grants in Slack.
7. **Reminders:**
- a. No reminders
8. **We are so glad you're here and we're excited for this year!**
9. **Let's get a picture!**

