



SCHOOL OF
PUBLIC HEALTH

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

School of Public Health Student Senate Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, 4/3/2024

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, HSEC 2-110

Attendees: Caylin Crawford (notes), Quin Nelson, Jonathan Barnes, Grace De Boom, Emma McGrew, Eleanor Hansen, Annie Lemieux, Grace Savard, Liam Diaz, Rahma Abufoor, Laila Bushagour, Nicole Sewell, Maya Koffski, Mariah Olinger, Michelle Crandall, Heather McGinnis, Emily Larson, Stefanie Wiesneski

1. Welcome, grab food, and get settled

2. Last meeting of the year, thank you all for your hard work!

3. Guest Speakers:

- a. Heather McGinnis and Emily Larson from OSA with an update on the Student Service Fee policy
 - i. [PowerPoint presentation with update summary](#)
 - ii. [Draft of SSF Admin Policy](#)
 - iii. [Draft of Board of Regents Policy updates](#)
 - iv. All students who are taking at least 6 credit hours in a qualifying degree-seeking program will be assessed the student services fee.
 1. Target for enacting this policy is Fall 2024
 - v. This policy change was the motivation for creating the advocacy committee. Special thanks to the advocacy from SPH Student Senate over the past two years to get this policy changed and pushed through!

4. Officer Reports

- a. President:
 - i. [SPH Public Health Institute](#) discussion
 1. Week 1: May 13-17
 2. Week 2: May 20-24
 3. Week 3: May 28-31
 4. Registration is open now
 - ii. [President's recommendations for next session](#)
- b. Vice President
 - i. Will give updates in events.
- c. Communications
 - i. Please share our posts on social media to help promote upcoming events!
 - ii. [Instagram](#)
 - iii. [LinkedIn](#)
 - iv. [Slack Workspace](#)

- v. [Facebook](#)
- vi. [Twitter](#)
- vii. [Email: sphss@umn.edu](mailto:sphss@umn.edu)
- d. Finance
 - i. Share out that the grants app deadline is April 29th!
 - 1. Exciting: We hit our grants budget! We have additional funding so we're not close to cutting off grant applications but we've handed out \$8,161!!
 - ii. Please keep voting!!
- e. Secretary
 - i. Election update
 - 1. Thank you all for your patience while we sorted out election details.
 - 2. Voting is open today, Wednesday April 3, 8:00 am through Wednesday April 10 11:59 pm, PLEASE [vote here](#)
 - 3. New Eboard members will be contacted before the announcement is made
 - 4. Announcement will be made April 17th and again in the SPHere newsletter on April 22nd
 - 5. Celebrate new Eboard at the SPH Spring Celebration
 - a. Please come early for photos at 5:30pm
 - 6. Program representatives are welcome to serve another year, you will be contacted by the new Eboard over the summer to see if you're interested.
 - ii. Update to the UMN email address change information
 - 1. If you have questions, check out:
 - <https://it.umn.edu/services-technologies/resources/faq-planned-changes-email-offerings>

5. Committee Reports

- a. Alumni Committee
- b. Events Committee
 - i. Pickleball @ Minneapolis Cider Co
 - 1. April 11th, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
 - 2. If you have rackets, please bring them
 - ii. Coffee and Donuts:
 - 1. Will be Monday through Thursday the week of April 22nd
 - a. Donuts and coffee arrive at 9am and are available while supplies last. Clean up happens at 1:00pm.
 - 2. Expect a sign up genius for senator roles soon!
 - iii. SPH Spring Celebration: May 8th 6:00-8:00pm at McNamara

1. Full SPHSS come for photos at 5:30pm
 - a. Meet at the patio area on the south side of McNamara
- c. Advocacy Committee
 - i. The inaugural year of the advocacy committee was a roaring success, thank you all for your leadership, support, and participation!
 - ii. SPHere update subcommittee
 1. The SPHere student survey is [available here](#), please take it (it's short)
 2. Survey results reveal celebration with pizza will be Wednesday, April 24 12pm-1pm
 - iii. Admitted Student Days subcommittee
 1. Met with Dean earlier this week - she is in full support!
 - a. Dean Pettigrew has committed to in-person Admitted Student Day - requested that we share her message of support with those we are in conversation with :)
 2. Emily Dunsworth - in-person Admitted Student Day is in the budget for next year!
 - iv. Next meeting AC meeting is April 10, 12-1pm, email Caylin (crawfl44@umn.edu) if you're not on the calendar invitation and would like to be
- d. Professional Student Government (PSG)
 - i. PSG is next week - Nothing to share at this time
- e. University Senate
 1. **Lost & Found**
 - a. Peer Mentorship, "Students Helping Students"
 - b. Useful for international students to aid in forming connections with non-international students
 - c. Current chapter in Carlson
 2. **A Rite of Passage in public health (or lack of)**
 - a. Other programs get white coats or something as a grad gift when they graduate or do their fieldwork/rotations. SPH and public health doesn't have that, besides a new wall decoration and fancy hood.
 - b. I've enquired about SPH specific merch, specifically stuff that is of nicer quality. (Patagonia, NF, etc.) The idea is that these wouldn't be available to people outside of SPH (besides alum). I've been told something like this existed in the past and even contributed to scholarships for students.
 - i. Best Case: SPH temp store for students, staff, Fac, alum

- ii. Worst case: Need to go through channels to get approval and having to figure out logistics
 - c. The other perspective is allowing SPH students the ability to “advertise” who we are, giving us something to show and be proud of. We all worked hard to be here.
- f. Education Policy Committee (EPC)
- g. Research Committee
 - i. Working SEED grants
 - 1. Reviewing SEED grant applications
- h. Commencement Committee
 - i. Student speaker has been selected!!
 - ii. Recognition, Awards, and Honors Committee is meeting April 23rd to review faculty/staff nominations and decide on winners.
- i. National Public Health Week
 - i. We are in the middle of NPHW!
 - ii. Please contribute to the KudoBoard (I’m begging you)

6. Voting

- a. Stipend Voting for Executive Board: \$625 each Eboard member per semester
 - i. Motion and second are needed for each position.
 - ii. Voting yes means you feel like the Executive Board member has fulfilled these duties for Spring semester 2024 as written in the [SPHSS 2023-2024 constitution](#). Voting no means you feel like the Executive Board member has not fulfilled these duties for Spring semester 2024.
 - iii. Jenny Porter has designated Quin Nelson to preside over the vote per the resolution attached
 - iv. Executive Board Members
 - 1. Quin Nelson
 - a. Motion: Grace Savard
 - b. Second: Liam Diaz
 - c. Passes
 - 2. Emma McGrew
 - a. Motion: Laila Bushagour
 - b. Second: Maya Koffski
 - c. Passes
 - 3. Annie Lemieux
 - a. Motion: Mikayla Reinke
 - b. Second: Jonathan Barnes
 - c. Passes
 - 4. Grace De Boom
 - a. Motion: Nicole Sewell

- b. Second: Liam Diaz
- c. Passes
- 5. Caylin Crawford
 - a. Motion: Mariah Olinger
 - b. Second: Maya Koffski
 - c. Passes

7. Old Business/updates

8. New Business

9. Announcements and good news

- a. [Minnesota Public Health Association](#) annual conference registration is still open and they still have scholarships available (and SPHSS has grant \$\$)
 - i. Katelyn Maddox, SPH alum and one of last year's senators, is on the planning committee
 - ii. Program overview is [here](#)
 - iii. April 25-26 at St. Catherine's University in St. Paul
- b. SPH Spring Celebration May 8th 6-8pm, come at 5:30 for group photos
- c. SPHere survey reveal pizza lunch is April 24, 12-1pm
- d. Thank you all for a really great, productive year. It was a pleasure working with you all. Add everybody on LinkedIn so we can stay connected.

10. Adjournment