



Medical Student Council Meeting
Thursday, **March 10th** at 6:00 PM
Minutes

Voting Members in Attendance

Alfonso Caetta, Joya Ahmad, Alexis Roth, Ian Winthrop, Dan Kwon, Rachel Baum, McKenzie Andrews,
Srishty Amarnani, Mo Heiba, Amanda Jirgal, Anna Lieberman

**Minutes recorded by Joya Ahmad
Alfonso Caetta presiding over the meeting**

New Business

1. Budget Requests

- i. Pride Club, Lavender Graduation
 1. Total: \$891.80
 - a. \$181.80 for stoles
 - b. \$600 for food
 - c. \$65 for plaque
 - d. \$45 for speaker gift
- ii. Transfer Yearbook Fund to COM 2022
 1. For senior week then rollover after graduation to class reserves (no longer a yearbook planned)
- iii. Earth Day, Adam Burgman
 1. \$1000 requested

2. Class Updates

- a. 2022
 - i. Finding out about match next week
 - ii. Match Day event on Friday 3/18 - there will be an email very soon inviting the class to a breakfast (Student Center will be able to host this event with food)
 - iii. The event will be livestreamed, the NRMP will be releasing results at noon, and there will be the traditional envelopes with results
 - iv. Senior Week events are progressing with planning
 - v. The new electronic health system seems to be working
 - vi. There will be an option for M4s to do a physical with Student Health before residency
 - vii. Graduation robe order has begun

- viii. Exact number of attendees pending, but there will be an increase (likely 7-8 attendees allowed per student) that will be announced in early April
- b. 2023
 - i. No Step 2 CS anymore
 - ii. People are reaching out about Gateway 3
 - iii. Finishing up clinicals
- c. 2024
 - i. White Coat Tickets - there have been extra tickets approved
 - ii. Formal Email regarding site locations
 - iii. Studying in the library is appreciated by many students but the inability to drink anything is very challenging - this is being worked on/waiting for clarification from Dept. of Health because the buildings are technically healthcare facilities
 - iv. Issues with receiving NBME breakdown from Gateway - people haven't received them
 - v. Srishty sending survey to Dean Putman for administration
 - vi. There isn't much transparency with the student body about what concerns are brought up, what the data shows, and what the action items are
- d. 2025
 - i. Summatives next week
 - ii. Challenges with OSCE prep, we requested a practice OSCE but were unable to have that
 - iii. Run-through with faculty/staff has happened to try and avoid the issues from Unit 2
 - iv. OSCE schedule has already been released - people are very happy and this helps us a lot
 - v. Anatomy mock practical (thank you to Lily Stokoe and the other anatomy tutors) - one of the major benefits is being able to ask upperclassmen questions because questions are often dismissed by faculty
 - 1. There is a Learning Environment Committee that discusses how to foster a safe learning environment, Dean Lazar is going to bring up the culture of anatomy lab for discussion and suggest faculty development around answering student questions
 - vi. Anatomy mock practical was disassembled as per faculty decision due to donors not being covered/sprayed properly - this penalized many students who were not part of the original issue
 - vii. It's not just anatomy faculty that dismiss student questions - this has happened in other settings as well, professors often say that student questions are "obvious" and don't provide guidance
 - viii. Lack of standardization across groups/classes, including anatomy and OSCE and histology → communication can be a big issue, so when different facilitators or lecturers are all communicating differently, students are unsure what to rely on
 - ix. There have been requests to provide more OSCE prep and make sure the facilitators are well-prepared, there was a MedEd Grand Rounds, but it is very challenging for facilitators to know what we have or have not learned

Closed Meeting

- I. Motioned by Alfonso
- II. Seconded by Rachel

New Business

1. Approval of February Minutes (Vote)

- a. Motion to approve February minutes made by Alfonso Caetta
- b. Seconded by Rachel Baum
 - i. Vote
 1. For - 17
 2. Against - 0
 3. Abstain - 0

Motion passes to approve February minutes

2. Vote on club & Individual Requests

- a. Pride Club, Lavender Graduation
 - i. Motion to approve Dan Kwon
 - ii. Seconded by Rachel Baum
 1. Vote
 - a. For - 16
 - b. Against - 1
 - c. Abstain - 0

Motion passes to transfer \$891.80 from Projects and Programs (40-70174-012-30001) to Downstate Pride Club (40-70254-012-30001)

- b. Transfer All \$11,072.77 from Yearbook to COM 2022
 - i. Motion to transfer in full Dan Kwon
 - ii. Seconded by Ian Winthrop
 1. Vote
 - a. For - 17
 - b. Against - 0
 - c. Abstain - 0

Motion passes to transfer \$11,072.77 from YEARBOOK IATROS SENIOR (40-70351-012-30001) to Class of 2022 (40-72022-012-30001)

- c. Transfer \$1,000 of Program and Projects to Earth Day Event (Adam)
 - i. Motion to fund in full Dan Kwon
 - ii. Seconded by Rachel Baum
 1. Vote
 - a. For - 17
 - b. Against - 0
 - c. Abstain - 0

Motion passes to approve \$1,000 from Projects and Programs (40-70174-012-30001) for Earth Day

3. Greater Medical Council Elections

1. Vote for MC Treasurer

- i. **Rachel Baum** nominated as Treasurer by **Joya Ahmad**
- ii. Vote
 - a. For - 16
 - b. Against - 0
 - c. Abstain - 1

2. Vote for MC Secretary

- i. TABLED TO START OF NEXT MEETING

4. Table discussion on basketball court repairs pending a budget request

Motion passes to elect Rachel as MC Treasurer and table vote for MC Secretary to next meeting, for 2022-2023.

**Motion to end meeting by Alfonso Caetta
Seconded by Ian Withrop
Meeting Closed at 7:52 PM**