SUNY Downstate School of Public Health Meeting Notes

Meeting Date: Friday March 26, 2021

Subject: SPH Student Council Meeting

Time & Location: 2:00 – 2:35 PM held via Zoom platform

Attendance

- Voting- Members in Attendance (officers)
 - o Kristelle Pierre
 - o Reekarl Pierre
 - o Samiha Hussain
 - o Janille Williams
 - o Megan Hall
- Voting Members in Attendance
 - o Camille Hazel
- General Members
 - o Ikhtiyor Djuraev
 - o Christina Kim
 - o Omotunde Vivian
 - o Faven Araya
 - o Kayla Bedeau

Meeting Notes:

- Meeting called to order by Samiha Hussain at 2:10 PM
- Old Business
 - o Review of February minutes from 2/19/21
 - Samiha Hussain Motions to approve minutes from February meeting
 - Motion was second by Kristelle Pierre
 - The motion was then passed unanimously
- New Business
 - o SPH Student Council Elections
 - Adam will send out a Qualtrics links for voting to the student body
 - April 20th-23rd voting will potentially occur
 - Open positions
 - Janille intends to be president, but position is still open for others to run for
 - Vice-president: supports other positions on the council, takes lead in the absence of the president
 - Secretary: send out emails to student body about upcoming events, maintain the SPH student council Instagram page, reach out to internal and external contacts to host workshops

- Treasurer: establish budget for the upcoming school year, in addition to managing the current budget to finance activities for the semester, complete and submit relevant forms
- All positions are here to support one another!
- If interested send email to Samiha Hussain with name, sph program you are in, and a small blurb of your interest
- o Faculty awards
 - May use the same form that Alyson created for the Faculty Award from last year
 - Will have faculty award and a faculty award in mentorship
 - May make the form simpler
 - Will try to send out in the next two weeks
- Upcoming events
 - o SPH Gift Bags
 - The gift bags are prepared for distribution
 - Samiha Hussain Motions to approve purchase of gift bag items for a total of \$4615.62
 - Motion was second by Kristelle Pierre
 - The motion was then passed unanimously
 - o In person student mixer on student patio
 - SPH mixer will be held on April 5th, 2021
 - Will place order for cupcakes on 3/29
 - Samiha Hussain Motions to approve spending \$240 for the social mixer's packed cupcakes (regular and kosher cupcakes: in vanilla, chocolate, and red velvet)
 - Motion was second by Janille Williams
 - The motion was then passed unanimously
 - National public health week
 - Collaboration with the DrPH students to host a mental health program
 - Coping strategies for students on April 7th, 6-7:30PM via zoom
 - Students can potentially win one of three raffled groupon certificates for a message
 - Samiha Hussain Motions to approve a budget of \$200 for massage
 Groupons for winning attendees (4 groupons will be raffled to students who attend the panel session/ workshops)
 - Motion was second by Janille Williams
 - The motion was then passed unanimously
 - o Health Professions Week
 - We will not be able to host the week long workshop
 - Will help the next student council plan the workshop for the upcoming school year
 - Will try to host a workshop on studying for MCAT exam while in the SPH program
 - o Career development week (April 26-29)

- Dipesh Patel: will host a job searching workshop on April 29th from 3-4PM via Zoom
 - Dipesh Patel noted that he is also available to host a workshop for how to write a cover letter
 - Emailed him on his availability and am waiting for his response
- Samiha Hussain Motions to approve a budget of \$250 for Dipesh Patel to host the Job Searching workshop
 - Motion was second by Janille Williams
 - The motion was then passed unanimously

Meeting Adjourned

- Motion to adjourned meeting at 2:35 PM by Samiha Hussain and it was passed unanimously

Secretary of the School of Public Health Student Council