

SUNY Downstate School of Public Health Meeting Notes

Meeting Date: Nov. 22, 2022

Subject: SPH Student Council Meeting

Time & Location: 3:30-4:15 PM held via Zoom platform

Attendance

Voting- Members in Attendance

Janille Williams (President)

Hector Gonzalez (Treasurer)

Brianna Caldwell-Williams (Secretary)

Asad Manan (Vice President)

Michelle Williams

Kadeen Waldron

Elizabeth Ogundare

Rosia Pacaud

Nivia Gomez

Meeting Notes:

- Meeting called to order by Janille Williams at 3:35 PM
- Welcome

Reminders

Immediate Action needed:

- Providing prizes to those who have won the games from the Halloween game night. Janille will purchase the \$25 Amazon gift cards to winners and then submit for re-imbusement.

Meeting times (Updates and time changes)

- Monthly meetings with Dean Demissie and EBoard: 1st Friday of the month- 3:30-4:00pm (May change for the spring semester.)
- EBoard Meetings: 1st Friday of the month- 4:00-4:30pm
- General Council Meeting: Last Friday of the month- 5pm-6pm

Feedback from the Halloween Game Night

- Janille and Hector both reported that the game night had a great turn out! Most SPH staff attended in person. In terms of faculty, Dr. Daniels-Osaze attended in-person and Dr. Reynolds attended via ZOOM. All attendees enjoyed the games, bonded, and requested more in-person activities.

Sex in Medicine

- We did not hear back from Dr. Keosha Bond and her team.
- Back-up plan:
 - Janille and Hector (SPH student council reps) along with Joya Ahmad (SHEA rep) led an intimate and candid conversation on to discuss common sexual and reproductive misconceptions affecting youth and young adults.
 - This space offered participants the opportunity to address 'taboo' topics and will help develop their confidence to ask about their partners' status before sexual intercourse.
 - Topics discussed had a common theme of the intersection between culture, religion, and sexual health.
 - Free condoms and food were distributed.
 - The medical and public health students in attendance requested more 'pillow talk' discussions.
 - SPH student council plans on having similar sessions in the spring 2023.

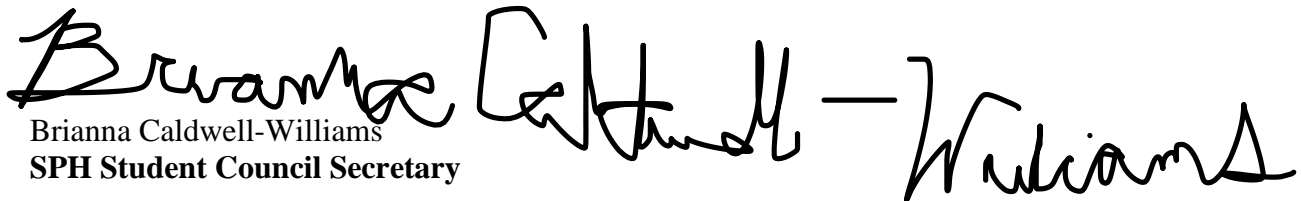
Sip & Paint Event

- Students have expressed interests to do a sip and paint event
- Council plans to have one at the start or end of the spring semester.

Lecture Series

- It was suggested to have a lecture series in collaboration with the Faculty of the School of Public Health. Council will discuss further at the next general council meeting and meeting with the Dean to make sure that this is feasible.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm


Brianna Caldwell-Williams
SPH Student Council Secretary