

SUNY Downstate School of Public Health Student Council Meeting Notes

Meeting Date: Dec 21, 2022

Subject: SPH Student Council Meeting

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

Attendees

- 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

Meeting Discussion with Dean Demissie and Dr. Camacho-Rivera

- Leadership committee- Dean Demissie mentioned that the student council president's attendance is required for this committee
- The Admissions and Policy committees currently only has a DrPH student and is in need of an MPH student
- The list with committees and the student representatives were shared with Dean Demissie and Dr. Camacho-Rivera.

Discussion of Hybrid learning options for future semesters

- In terms of hybrid learning options Dean Demissie suggested that it would be great for students to be able to attend lectures at least 50% of the time in person.
- **Action tasks:** SPH student council will create and distribute a survey to gain information on student preferences on class attendance (in person, synchronous, asynchronous). The short survey was sent via the WhatsApp SPH group chat. Students were asked to answer the poll if they have not done so yet.

Discussion of Advisement

- SPH student council reported to the Dean that many students were not aware of who their advisors are, or they were having trouble contacting their advisors.

- **Action tasks:** The Dean was happy to gain feedback on the disconnect in terms of advisement. He will work along with the SPH student council, faculty and staff, to ensure students are getting the best career and academic advisement.

Meeting Discussion continued

Health and Wellness event for the end of the semester

- Concept: Gift Exchange Party
- Date set for December 15th
- **Action tasks:**
 - Create a flyer and assist with planning and execution of event!
 - Spread the word! Share on social media and WhatsApp chats!
- Motion to pass budget of \$1700 for Gift Exchange by Janille Williams, Seconded by Hector Gonzalez. All meeting attendants have agreed to have the School of Public Health student council to host the Holiday Theme Gift Exchange with no opposed votes.
- Games: Gift card prizes, drinks and decorations will be purchased by President (Janille Williams) and reimbursement will be issued. After the event reimbursement forms will be signed by Janille Williams (President), Hector Gonzalez (treasurer), and Brianna Caldwell-Williams (secretary)
- Games will include Bingo, Kahoot, and a Holiday themed jeopardy. Gift exchange will occur at the end of the party (all attendants are asked to purchase a gift with a value maximum of \$25).
- Food: Ernie will cater the event (food will be catered for 30-50 people. Food will include vegetarian friendly options and donuts as treats!).

Budget for Gift Exchange Party

- Food: \$1,500
- Beverages:\$50
- Prizes for game winners: \$150
- Total: \$1,700

Events for Spring Semester

Casual Fridays!

-Inviting faculty and staff to sit with students and get to know them on a more personal level.

Discuss career and educational options, personal values and beliefs!

Action Tasks

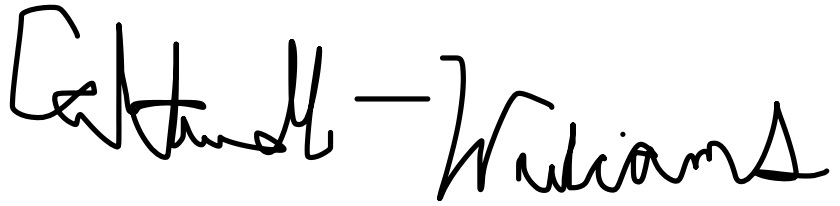
Brainstorm more events (preferably in-person and hands on) for Public Health Week!

Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm

Documented by



Brianna Caldwell-Williams
SPH Student Council Secretary

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