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Meeting Minutes
Nursing Undergraduate Society Meeting
12/03/2024
11:30AM
In-Person Meeting
Taken by: Amanda

Attendance: Erica Cambly, Lauren Mage, Amanda Ombricolo, Emily Xu, Annie Jiang, Simran Dhindsa, Sydney Dobronyi, Tom Joseph, Sophia Nguyen, Jade Gracey, Ana Constantin, Celine Frederick, Ria Patel, Olena Zubrytska, Amna Zafar, Kelly Lozovschi, Pankti Patel, Arianne Soriano, Rita Smolkin, Sheng Zhi Yao, Amanda Ha, Samantha Rapson, Serena Lai, Mariam Ghuman, Angelica Waight, Leena Khan, Hannah Civello, Claire Harvey, Vanessa Roscoe, Claudia Yong, Maryjo Antonio, Jerriane Palarca, Elise Zhang, Heaven Beshay, Rachel Ly, Chloe Thomson, Kaitlyn Yearwood, Sam Wong, Izma Shahzad, Jason Liu, Jessie Zhang, Sambavi Senthoo Selvan

Regrets:

1) Opening Remarks

2) Approval of Agenda

Motion: Amna Zafar Second: Sydney Dobronyi Passed: yes

3) Approval of the Previous Minutes

Motion: Izma Shahza Second: Ria Patel Passed: yes

4) Report from the Executives

- President ----- Lauren Mage
 - Update on Elections:
 - Welcome Jessie as our RAO Associate Delegate and Sambavi as our UTSU First Year Representative!
 - Voting for IHI Associate Delegate open now - results will be released this week. Please cast your vote by the end of today!
 - Still looking for 2 Junior Equity Coordinators.
 - Put out an announcement
 - Verna Huffman Splane Planning Meeting scheduled for **December 20th at 12PM**
 - Attendees will include our Senior Equity and Global Health members, as well as several GNSS members. Welcome to all - please let me know if you would like to attend the meeting!
 - Currently recruiting speakers for the event.
 - Event will take place in the Winter term - likely February.
 - Initiating planning for the Career Fair!

- Possible continued collaboration for the event with GNSS, but also exploring hosting independent events. Updates to come.
 - Possibly before consolidation
- Vice-President ----- Angelica Waight
 - Blood Drive Updates!
 - Occurred during the week of November 18th
 - We had a total of 10 donors this year!
 - For next semester's blood drive → Myself and GNSS VP are working out a date (sometime in late February/early March) and are currently communicating a time to also have the Swab Drive run as well!
- Finance----- Emily Xu, Annie Jiang, Hannah Civello & Claire Harvey
 - 2022-2023 audited financial statements finalized within next few days per auditor
 - Can begin working on 2023-2024 audited financial statements afterwards
 - New chequing account opened for Ontario Nursing Games
 - Ongoing Canada Post strike may impact mailing of cheques
 - E.g., RNAO and CNSA annual membership dues
 - Friendly reminder for subcommittees to run fundraisers as outlined in the [2024-2025 NUS Budget \(Apr 29, 2024 ver\)](#):
 - Equity: Sticker/lanyard/miscellaneous sale (\$150)
 - RNAO: Fall bake sale (\$160)
 - Mentorship: Bake sale (\$100), Raffles (\$200)
 - GHN: Fall raffle (\$375), Bake/hot drink sale (\$350)
- Communications----- Amanda Ombriccolo & Leena Khan
 - Please advise either Amanda or Leena about NUS events so we can put them in the calendar (only we have access no matter how many times i change it)
 - Reminder: contact publications for any graphics that need to be made for IG
 - You can contact either of us for sending out mass emails or announcements on the NUS facebook

5) Report of Committees

- Equity Coordinators----- Simran Dhindsa & Sydney Dobronyi
 - Holiday drive is still running until Dec 15 for Red Door Shelter. We are still accepting non-perishable goods, hygiene products, and baby products. Drop off is a box in the nursing lounge.
 - Verna Huffman Splane event - meeting Dec 20 to plan the event (civil discourse event)
 - Exam snack bar next week
 - Still looking for someone to host Indigenous sharing circle - talked to the speaker at 420 (week 10)
 - Equity concerns - will be sending out anonymous form
 - Plan to meet with faculty to discuss outcomes

- Safe Consumption Site (SCS) workshop/ teaching - Jan 27; Laura to support with snacks [room booking + ig post]
- RNAO Delegates----- Ana Constantin & Jessie Zhang
 - **Welcome Jessie! Our wonderful RNAO AD**
 - Jessie sent in newsletter updates
 - Transition meeting last week; No access to Facebook Group yet
 - Webinar **TODAY** from 5-7pm - Ableism topic, run by Nursing Students of Ontario (NSO) interest group
 - [Petition for political advocacy](#)
 - **Recap:** Held the **membership booth** (mentioned at last NUS meeting) for first year students on Nov. 8th — MANY thanks to Amna CNSA delegate for help!
 - RNAO ambassadors (not affiliated with NUS, only with RNAO) in first-year, Mavis is one of the ambassadors and she helped *Need to make a group chat with her and the others!*
 - **Membership invoice from 2023-2024, any update from Finance?**
 - Aware of Canada Post strike impacting mailing service - noted. RNAO was made aware.
 - Fundraising event brainstorm, **a call for input from NUS members**
 - December 12 (general last exam date) at 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
 - Community (461) students won't get to benefit sadly
 - "Holiday Cookies & Hot Chocolate" to hand out pamphlet & raise awareness about RNAO while selling the cookie/hot choc
 - Questions:
 - Would you stop by? How many people would attend?
 - Would you pay \$2 per small cup of hot chocolate with 2 cookies (if given 2 choices of cookie)?
 - Would need to break even...the hot chocolate powder tin would cost up to \$6.95 (or could be free) + x cups + x stir sticks (check nursing lounge) + x packs of 12 cookies at \$5 each
 - If we go ahead, promote via newsletter, Facebook/insta with graphic please, and word of mouth
 - Free hot water urn (and other cool equipment) rentals from UTSU: <https://www.utsu.ca/utsu-resource-bank/>
- CNSA Delegate----- Amna Zafar & Izma Shahzad
 - Successful NNSW, special thanks to Mel and Publications
 - CNSA National Conference
 - Successful candidates for the conference opportunity: Emmy Mindanao (2nd year) and Dhanyasri Maddiboina (1st year)
 - Flight tickets and hotel rooms booked (prices dropped yay!)
 - Thank you to Erica, Laura, President and VP for taking the time to help
 - Student who went last year won a raffled free ticket to the conference, wondering if she can share a room
 - CNSA membership fees

- Package submitted, cheque ready but delayed d/t strike, CNSA aware
- Bloomberg's got talent
 - Contacted IPHSA pres and junior social coordinators to collaborate
- IPE Representative----- Olena Zubrytska & Jason Liu
 - No updates
- IHI Delegate----- Mariam Ghuman
 - Meet with First Year rep, go over assignments they might have had that matched with IHI goals and for submission to UTIHI website (like last year)/General blog interest for UTIHI
 - Ontario Budget proposal 2025
 - <https://www.ontario.ca/page/2025-budget-consultations>
 - Google form open to first and second years
 - Previous year: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kkvSLWGpgVSiCkRbsRgu5CobKGxEc9XyGOMQvW6Smwo/edit?usp=sharing>
- UTSU Representative----- Ria Patel Sambavi Senthoo Selvan
 - Welcome Sambavi!!!
 - Fall SAP payments have been sent out
 - UTSU room bookings and equipment borrowing (resource bank): <https://www.utsu.ca/booking-spaces/> <https://www.utsu.ca/utsu-resource-bank/>
 - Winter dates to keep in mind
 - Jan 6th- Jan 31st- opt out of UTSU insurance plan– need to have proof of other healthcare plan
 - Jan 15th- predicted opening of Winter SAP application
 - Professional Faculty Headshot event- last year between Jan-April
 - UTSU Snacks during finals
 - Dec 3 10-1 – SS
 - Dec 3 1-5 – Robarts
 - Dec 3 1-5– Athletic Center
 - Dec 4 1-5 – Robarts
 - Dec 4 12-4 Gerstein
 - Dec 4 2-6 Athletic Center
- Social Coordinators----- Arianne Soriano, Rita Smolkin, Vanessa Roscoe & Claudia Yong
 - Gala Updates
 - Sales timeline (4 weeks): Start January 14 - Feb 14
 - Last week will be for plus ones
 - No eventbrite - will have in person sales instead (no extra cost)
 - Guest tickets will be about \$10 more
 - Confirm additional funding - Lauren
 - Send email to Advancement & Alumni Office

- Subsidized tickets from equity budget
 - Feedback about events
 - Timing is too late
 - Sign-up events for each specific events
 - Out of Toronto events
 - Tickets cost \$75.88 last year
- Year Representative----- Sheng Zhi Yao & Sam Wong
 - Still working on lulu is feasible for winter merch!
 - Poll to see interest regarding budget
 - Grad sweaters
 - Ironing out a couple of details before advertising to students
 - Students will pay for them directly, no need for payment by Finance
 - Grad photos book between January 13-16
 - Confirming with studio before sharing link with students again
 - NUS t-shirts have faculty funding (\$800)
 - Mock-up sent to group chat
 - Suggestion: give t-shirts to new NUS members and ask to use the remaining funding on other initiatives
- Athletic and Recreation Representatives----- Jade Gracey & Kaitlyn Yearwood
 - Nursing Games meeting to receive approval from the Dean is on Wednesday December 4th
 - Fall Intramurals has concluded
 - Winter Intramurals invites have been sent out & anyone can reach out to be added to any team
 - Games begin mid January
 - Mixed Soccer
 - Mixed Tennis
 - Mixed Water Polo
 - Women's Volleyball
 - Mixed Volleyball
 - Open Volleyball
 - Mixed Basketball
- Publications Coordinators----- Amanda Ha, Samantha Rapson, Jerrienne Palarca, Elise Zhang & Heaven Beshay
 - NUS instagram - thank you everyone for collaborating :))))))
 - Great collab w/ CNSA
 - Junior publications will begin constructing IG takeovers next week :)
 - If you have an instagram post you want up - send to publications.uoftnus@gmail.com and we'll make it look super awesome
 - Keep sending in photos to the google form - building up for 2024-2025 yearbook
 - Yearbook sale today!!! \$10 each
 - Getting the ad revenue cheques back in 3-4 installments
 - May take longer w/ strike

- When checking mailbox there were 2 letters, possibly for finance???
 - NUS office key location????? Will put the extra yearbooks in there for now
- Global Health Representatives ----- Tom Joseph, Sophia Nguyen, Rachel Ly & Chloe Thomson
 - \$5k from Pillars Scholarship allotted for 2025 Global Health Conference
 - Unfortunately this is half of last year's budget of \$10k :(
 - Thankfully ~\$2.8k leftover from last year's conference!
 - Request sent to faculty for additional funding (\$3k)
 - Faculty may want to collaborate and combine Verna Huffman Splane Event with the Global Health Conference
 - Reach out to other faculties to collab??
 - NUS poll to decide on this year's theme for the conference
 - Send a poll to NUS to gauge interest in theme for conference this year:
 - Migrant and Refugee Health
 - Health in Conflict Areas
 - Universal Health Coverage
 - Global Health Ethics
 - Currently finding a venue, food vendors, AV equipment, photographer, guest speakers, etc. - any cost-effective suggestions are welcome!
 - Planning to host a student raffle around early January to raise more money for Global Health Conference
 - Acquired free swag from faculty for prizes!! :)
 - Any other ideas to raise more money for the conference is appreciated!
 - Planning a bake sale in collaboration with other subcommittees for the upcoming winter term (Jan./Feb.) -> fundraising for a non-profit organization (TBD)
- Wellness Coordinators----- Serena Lai & Maryjo Antonio
 - Wellness Fair
 - Featured UofT organizations: CBNA - UofT, Centre for International Experience, Health & Wellness, The Family Care Office, The Sexual Violence Prevention and Support Centre
 - Raised \$160.21 for Wellness Retreat!! (\$92 from raffle sale, \$68.21 from Annie and Amna's charm sale on November 19 and 29)
 - Wellness Hub
 - Delayed because waiting for UofT carpentry team to put up pamphlet holders :((Faculty to update us when they come)
 - Followed up with Faculty and waiting on when we can order comfier and more welcoming furniture
 - Wellness Retreat at Hart House Farms
 - Confirmed January 25! (first deposit has been paid)
 - Snowshoeing, smores making, wellness crafts, board games, yoga
 - Looking for students who'd like to volunteer as yoga instructor for free ticket
 - \$30/ticket (includes transportation and food) -> aiming for AT LEAST 40 participants (includes NUS members) to receive faculty funding
 - Need to set up Eventbrite → Reach out to Finance

- Ticket sale starts ____ until January 9, 2025
- Any suggestions for bus companies? (school bus)
- 6 NUS members will drive up night before to set up venue and meal prep lunch for next day
 - Need 1-2 NUS members with car
- Mentorship Coordinator----- Kelly Lozovschi & Pankti Patel
 - HAST zoom call happened on Nov 20th, very successful (~90 people attended)
 - Reminder: UWORLD PACKAGE DUE TODAY
 - Potential 2nd meet and greet in the winter semester at the start, when it isn't too busy
 - Jan 13th or 14th?
 - Bake sale with Global health will happen in Jan/Feb

6) Other Business/Discussions----- NUS

- Holiday Movie Night Fundraiser (Annie & Amna) postponed to January
- Suggestion: include NUS general meeting dates/times in newsletters?
- Suggestion: add action items subheadings to meeting minutes to make it easier for people to remember what they need to do!
- Reminder: please return the NUS key to reception by the end of the day so that all members can access it when they need to!
- CBNA collab with equity and NUS in February!!

7) Update from Faculty----- Erica Cambly

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Next Meeting: