

CGSS February Meeting Minutes

Date: February 7 2024

Time: 11:04 AM

Location: D211

Approval status: Approved

1. Call to Order:

- Present (13): Desiree, Aubry, Seja, Jason, Astoria, Sydney H, Sydney M, Athan, Nealan, Janice, Vanessa, Jiayao (zoom), Sabrina (late, 11:12)
- Missing (4): Svet, Yejin, Jorn (TAing), Kaitlin (Conference)
- Other ():

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (January)

- Approved by: Desiree
- Seconded by: Nealan

3. Candygrams

- Sold 25 candy grams last week
- This week is the last week to sell
- If not many sell, can budget higher end candy

4. Trivia Night

- Trivia night is popular, likely going to happen in March
- Might add alcohol to event so should start getting liquor license
- March 15 is the Friday before St. Patricks day so good date for the event
- Make sure to get Serving it Right license before event if haven't done so

5. Social Coordinators Report

- **See Candygram and Trivia Night above**
- **Dietary restrictions for Candygrams? Should be fine because not candy is sugar but should avoid buying candy containing peanuts**

6. Union Report

- **Put up some information on the bulletin board in grad lounge**

7. First Year Report

- **Absent**

8. Sports Report

- Sabrina and Aubry are organizing the Chemistry Sun Run team
- Aubry trying to book climbing wall (in the Nest)
 - i. Maximum 12-16 people on the wall
- Aubry about to send email about Storm the Wall happening on March 24
 - i. Sign up deadline on March 15
 - ii. CGSS can reimburse about 6 teams (even if there are non-chemistry participants in the team)
 - iii. Ideally teams are 8 people

9. International Student Report

- Desiree proposes motion to internally re-elect Jorn (previously member at large) to be the international representative
 - i. Vanessa seconds the motion
 - ii. In favour: Aubry, Seja, Jason, Astoria, Sydney H, Sydney M, Athan, Nealan, Janice, Jiayao

- iii. Result: Jorn is now the international representative, and we need to elect another member-at-large
- Need by-election for new member at large
 - i. Desiree will email department giving 2-3 weeks for people to self-nominate themselves
 - ii. Voting will happen during coffee time
- Desiree proposes motion to be election officer
 - i. Seconded by Nealan
 - ii. In favour: Aubry, Seja, Jason, Astoria, Sydney H, Sydney M, Athan, Janice, Vanessa, Jiayao
 - iii. Result: Desiree will lead the election for another member at large

10. GSS Report

- Nothing to report

11. Wellness Report

- Kaitlin planning sock wars for late February or early March
- Desiree proposes motion to make sock wars committee
 - i. Seconded by Vanessa
 - ii. In favour: Aubry, Seja, Jason, Astoria, Sydney H, Sydney M, Athan, Nealan, Janice, Jiayao
 - iii. Result: Sock wars committee formed featuring Kaitlin (in charge), Vanessa, and Astoria

12. Miscellaneous

- Everyone should enter their availability on When2Meet
 - i. If can't come to meeting, let the secretary know!
- Any first year can plan the first-year event if Svet doesn't
- Desiree is planning pottery event for grad students and post docs at Hand Eye Ceramics
 - i. Going to happen on a weekend for 2.5 hours
 - ii. Maybe for 20 or 25 and people pay \$25 each
 - If 25 people: CGSS pays \$1000
 - If 20 people: CGSS pays \$600
 - iii. Had pottery event before without any issues, 10-15 spots and it was filled up
- Science2Sale interested in doing a Q&A seminar in April
 - i. Maybe undergrads would be more interested so combine with grad students
- CGSS distinguished speaking coming March 5 (Vice president of Merck)
 - i. Every year CGSS lists profs they want to come to LMC
 - ii. CGSS to host breakfast coffee, lunch and dinner for speaker
 - Around 10 people for coffee, 5 people for lunch, 5 people for dinner
 - Someone from CGSS needs to be at each of those
- Search for new Chemistry department head
 - i. The search committee will find out on February 23rd who nominated themselves
 - ii. Open to all of faculty of science
 - iii. If no good nominee than Mike Wolf needs to continue being the head for another 6 months

Meeting adjourned: 11:50 AM