



## **Social Science Student Council Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** 01/17/24

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Format:** In-Person

**Meeting 4:** January Council Meeting

### **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Mover: Allison

Secunder: Emilie

### **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: SHREYA MENON**

- Located on the traditional land of the Anishinaabek, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Attawandaron people
- Initiate indigenous awareness

### **SPEAKER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Joined by SSSC Ambassadors
  - Welcome

### **MEMBER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Come to Karaoke, only \$2 dollars
- EDI trainers coming for the meeting, and welcome them when they come.

### **EXECUTIVE REPORT: PRESIDENT**

Done:

- Exec dinner
- Council merch super popular
- Election panel
- Shout out to Dorian
- Head Soph hired
  - Super excited for the next soph team
- 1 on 1 with VPs

Doing

- Making FYR and Exec Dinner
- Reaching out for future sponsorships

To-Do

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## **EXECUTIVE REPORT: ACADEMICS**

By Kathleena

Done:

- Diversity in elections
- Trish is the head of academic counseling
  - Completed everything she requested

Doing:

- Coordinating new academics; FYR rotation
- Planning January meeting

To-Do:

- Second-semester department rep event scheduling
- EPC on Friday
- Senate on Friday

## **EXECUTIVE REPORT: COMMS**

By Isha

Done:

- Lovely things SSSC's instagram posted
- Intro to R workshop posted despite hassles with Western tech services
  - We were victorious in this tech battle

Doing:

- Giving away spoke gift card
- Advertising Social Science Merch
- BMOS event graphics/posters
- Filming an exec "hot ones" interview
- Roundtable talk for Black History Month

To Do:

- Need to film Instagram reel for International Women's Day

## **EXECUTIVE REPORT: GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE**

By: Daniel Klapper

Done:

- Jan budget completed, sent to USC
- The first round of grants being sent out
- Met with USC and Social Science regarding the SDF

Doing:

- Grants Committee reading and reviewing the application
- Rebuilding projected budget
  - We are underspent, got a comfortable amount of budget remaining

To-Do

- Same old: RFPs, Grants, Emails

## **EXECUTIVE REPORT: EVENTS**

By: Rhegan

Done

- Social Sci spins
- Blood drive campaign
- One on one check-ins and planning for the entire semester

Doing

- Karaoke night!
- Sex toy bingo with advocacy
- Gala advertisements with comms and continue to plan the gala
- Student spotlights
  - Please participate!

To-Do

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## **EXECUTIVE REPORT: ADVOCACY**

By: Shreya

Done:

- Met with careers and experience for first-generation programming
  - On Feb 8th, SSSC will be collaborating with them
- Sima made a first-gen survey document
- Diversity in elections panel
- EDI training is booked and ready to go

Doing:

- Documenting accessibility
- Welcome Jaliyah and Ryan to advocacy!

To-do

- Film candidate reels for election
- Film portfolio reel
- What your tuition pay for part 2
- Film black history month
- Launch social science period project

## **TEAM SHOUTOUTS**

- **Shreya -> To Events team! Been doing so much**
- **Sofia -> Jake!**
- **Rhegan -> Everyone who signed up for booth**
- **Sofia -> all ambassadors that came**

- **Emilie -> blood drive event**

## **SENATE REPORT: Chloe**

Done

- Senate meeting happening on Friday
- Connecting all respective faculty students to academic resources during exam season through our exam tips media

Doing:

- Sessional Date Changes are being discussed
  - Reading week to move to Thanksgiving break instead of Halloween week

## **USC REPORT:**

- N/A

## **SOPH REPORT: COLE PURDELL-LEWIS**

- Basketball tournament in planning
  - Want the event to be big, will be super fun
- Looking at initiatives for next year's soph team
- Soph team application is out; recommend everyone apply

## **EDI TRAINING**

- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Training
  - From Women in STEM
- Privilege and Oppression
  - Privilege: the special rights, advantages, or resources granted or only offered to a particular individual or group that is not available to others
    - Privilege Check:
      - White Privilege
      - Citizenship Privilege
      - Gender Privilege
      - Light-Skin Privilege; A form of prejudice and Discrimination
      - Cis-Het Privilege
      - Socio-Economic Privilege; does not equate to being wealthy
      - Religious Privilege
      - Education Privilege
    - Activity: Privilege for sale
- Bias
  - Conscious Bias: knowing the prejudice we have and still acting on them
  - Unconscious bias: how stereotypes that have formed through socialization shape the way we view the world
    - Bias Activity

- Intersectionality
  - The ways in which we view one another. It involves social binaries, such as age, race or gender, which often overlap with each other which results in people facing layers or discrimination or disadvantages
  - Activity: Who are you
- Allyship
  - The state or condition of being an ally
  - Types of racism: individualistic racism (on a personal level), systemic racism (policies or practices)
  - Being non-racist
    - Acknowledgment
    - Self-awareness
    - Neutrality
  - Continuing being anti-racist
    - Education
    - Self-interrogation
    - Community action
- To reach out:
  - [womeninstemuwo@gmail.com](mailto:womeninstemuwo@gmail.com)

## FOR DISCUSSION

- Emilie is going to ask a Senate question
  - A point on Reading Week
  - Currently, professors with classes on Monday on Thanksgiving are going to miss one class because of the holidays
  - Possibility 1, shorten exam date by 1 day in December, 6600 people will need accommodation
  - Possibility 2, move reading week to the Thanksgiving week
  - Currently, things are looking like the reading week will be moved to Thanksgiving
- Thoughts:
  - Don't.
  - Testimonies can be sent through Slack
  - Need tangible student testimonies

## FOR ACTION

## ROLL CALL

- Bypassed

## ADJOURNMENT

Mover: Simon

Secunder: Paul