

April 23rd , 2023

Present: Sowmya, Bella, Fasika, Ella, Sam, Jason, Vak, Daria

Absent: Eddie (on flight back from LA conference)

Regrets: Lauren, Evan

Minutes

Action Items and Updates

VP Communication

- No special updates, carrying on previously initiated work of regular communications to class via newsletter, instagram and website
- Consulted Mike Paget on troubleshooting mailchimp

VP Academics

- Attended the CFMS Spring General Meeting in Quebec City April 13-16
- No more allotted white out time after exams :(
- Lounge update will be sent to me (Vak) by Dr. Naugler after he contacts administration
- Updates on Attendance policy: **Rewrite was asked at Western Deans. Wanted to balance student agency (for Career Development, family illness) with the need to have appropriate attendance and respecting SPs, patients, and preceptors. Policy has been rewritten – gone through UME deans group, resides with SAWH, gonna get feedback then after incorporating will be sent to Pres and VPAs (eddie, jason, me) for feedback before ratification at appropriate committee level (60% complete)**
- Updates on Mistreatment policy: **7th floor engaged with a consultant company about this (Dr Shannon Riziky leading mistreatment policy in department of medicine – process should involve more than UME alone (maybe coordinating with PGME as well) – still being worked on. Issues around transparency around what happens with the report, privacy concerns for individuals but they still want individuals to know what happens. UME wants us to know there is always action taken (e.g pulling past teaching records, meetings with department heads, removing preceptors). They want a safe mechanism and a thorough mechanism so they're taking their due diligence and time with it - also involves legal so its slower.**
- Concerns about certain residency programs in Calgary, questions about whether we can get the CSM to influence some of the program requirements
- Students having questions about how exam questions are created on exams

VP Finance

- Reimbursements + budget tracking on a continual basis

- Disbursed funding for previous conference funding application cycle, released application form for R1 of this years Conference Funding applications
- Created first day of class fee letter for Class of 2026 orientation package
- Finalized patagonia orders and payments

VP Events

- Blood Drive
 - Blood Drive rep working to coordinate more blood drives
- Head Shave
 - Met with Head Shave Reps to discuss Head Shave
 - Date: June 2nd 1-4pm
 - Contacted Kids Cancer Care who will supply hairdressers, spokeskid and 98.5 to emcees
 - Looking into securing funding to provide food at the event
- MMI
 - MMI video released
 - MMI guide released
- Post-Anatomy Painting Night
 - Wednesday, April 26th
- Med Dodgeball Tournament
 - May 5th
- Orientation
 - Orientation planning is going well
 - Meet and Greet
 - First Day Chill
 - Baby Animal Mixer
 - Indigenous Health Office Event
 - Spiny Buddy Lunch
 - Spiny Buddy applications made
 - Med olympics
 - BMSA BBQ
 - Hike
 - Clubs Fair
 - Amazing Race and Naming Ceremony
 - Med Gala (re-brand of Summer Formal)
 - Date: August 18th
 - Venue contract has been signed, photobooth secured, DJ secured
 - Stethoscope ceremony
 - Venue contract has been signed

VP Global Health

- Finalized selection of UME Global Health portfolio candidates as track leads for upcoming RIME curriculum
- Request for clarity on funding disbursement to support community and global health student projects
- Commissioning “Scents of Exile” to be hosted at HSC

- Launched G&C Health newsletter to connect students with opportunities relating to research, volunteering, advocacy, and funding
- Working with ILGH Office and community organizations to facilitate in-person longitudinal community-engaged learning opportunities for students

VP External (Provincial)

1. Health Summit in the Summer might be happening, purpose of which is for the AMA to align objectives with new government. Possible opportunity for students to observe
2. Conflict Resolution Training for Physicians is in the works. AMA will likely back with funding asks. Comments on integrating something like this into curriculum?
3. AMA sponsorship funding results will be announced soon.

VP External (National)

[1] CMSA Conference Funding

- R1 of Conference Funding opened on April 15th and will close on June 7th (11:59pm)
- Application form was updated to clarify and streamline the process. All students presenting at a research conference were encouraged to apply to UME funding first (instructions on application form).
- Applications Received to Date: **6**
- **To-Dos:**
 - PPT slide re: the process and “how to apply for UME funding” [Sam and Daria]
 - Send application confirmation emails to applicants [Sam]

[2] CFMS SGM

Resolutions (Voting Decisions)

- 1) CFMS Board Term: amended to July 1st - June 31st (In Favour)
 - a) Resolution Passed
- 2) President/Past-president model: (**Against**)
 - a) Resolution Rejected (2/3) majority
 - b) Rationale: proposed resolution disadvantaged 3-year schools and made the position inaccessible for most students in 3-year programs.
- 3) Sunsetting/Restructuring RDs (*Pulled by BOD*)
- 4) CFMS Elections - amendment to host elections virtually (In Favour)
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- 5) Sunsetting Role of VP Communications (In Favour)
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 - b) Motion brought forward by Emily Macphail, current UofC student. Members felt the role was very tasking with administrative tasks that could be delegated to a paid employee; there was also a sense that the position lacked in its mandate to allow students to meaningfully engage and contribute to CFMS operations beside administrative tasks
 - c) We voted in favor of Emily’s motion but expressed concerns re: the need for a VP Comms to provide strategic direction and oversight for effective CFMS communications and engagement
- 6) Campus Member Vote Amendment (Voted __)
 - a) Resolution ____

[3] CFMS Elections 2023-24

- Information about CFMS Elections distributed to the class on April 19. UofC students were encouraged to apply.
 - Election Application Deadline: April 28
 - Election Day: May 7
- Sam will be running for the position(s) of CFMS President +/- Portfolio director or Regional Director and will be finalizing his platform over the coming days. Sam will consult BOD and MedSoc leadership about his campaign before May 7.

[4] CFMS “Digest” (in progress)

- Most CMSA VPs attend CFMS RTs 1x/month. There is currently no internal process to promote cross-talk about what goes on at RTs.
- VPX-N (Sam) proposed starting a “CFMS Digest” process to keep track of relevant discussions and avenues/areas for collaboration.

[5] Consolidated [External] Awards Document (in-progress)

VP SAW

- **Birthday Celebrations**
 - The March/April birthday celebration was held April 17th and was well attended by students. The We Care Committee hand painted cards for all students with a birthday in March and April. Free tea, coffee, and cake was provided to all students who attended. Decorations are being stored at SAW to be reused. Feedback from the event was positive and we look forward to a strong attendance at the coming event as well.
- **Mental Health Awareness Week/kinda month now lol**
 - Coming the first week of May. Events listed below:
 - May 1st: Lunchtime yoga and evening journaling event
 - May 2nd: Wellness walk and rock painting
 - May 3rd: Wellness buttons and free hot drinks
 - May 4th:
- **Wellness Bingo**
 - We had 44 students participate in Week 1 of Wellness bingo and the feedback was exceptionally positive. Two \$50 gift cards were donated by Dr. Hanan Bassyouni for the class as a prize
 - If we hit 50 students who participate in week 2, we will have 3 \$50 gift cards as the prize!
 - I plan to run 10 weeks of Wellness bingo, which is one for every week of Course 4
- **Wellness and Academic Roundtable**
 - Recruiting new WAR Reps - currently have 9 small groups who have elected their representative
- **Upper Year Buddy Matching**
 - Working with Bella to organize the upper year buddy matching! We will be finalizing the forms for the incoming class and our class by the end of the week.

VP EDI

- Worked together with the Professionalism Committee to discuss nicknames for the Nicknaming Ceremony and vetoed a few based on professionalism concerns and potentially being viewed as inappropriate by the general public
- Planned and coordinated a Black History Month Event with the BMSA - Zumba with food and prizes; it was very well attended and heard great feedback from students!
- Finalized interviews for the RIME Pediatric Consultant role with Dr. Theresa Wu & Dr. Patrick Lee and sent our final candidate selection to Dr. Weeks
- Participated in MMI Interviews for the upcoming class of 2026 and worked with Dr. Remo Panaccione and Shannon to address some EDI concerns
- UME Accreditation EDI Committee had a couple of meetings to discuss EDI priorities and concerns brought up by students in advance of the Accreditation process
- Working with Bella and the Professionalism Committee to book a the Hyatt Regency for the Class of 2026's Stethoscope Ceremony (this has historically been an event done by the Professionalism Committee)
- Working with CFMS and other VP EDI representatives from across Canada to finalize the upcoming National Annual Survey
- **Upcoming Projects:**
 - Coordinating an anti-racism training with an organization that we have used in the past "Future Ancestors"
 - UME EDI Committee Meeting (April)

President

- Attended CFMS SGM / ICAM 2023 conference
 - CFMS Updates: AMBOSS discount in July
 - Withdrawn Motions
 - VP comms board members voted to have the motion reinstated
 - Regional directors voted to be removed Thursday due to strong language that may dissuade individuals from applying to those positions
 - Nemo Contra Decisions
 - Passed board term dates
 - Passed virtual elections
 - Moncton add a satellite seat, question period passed vote, motion passes (UBC opposed)
 - Voting Decisions
 - President model: Calgary and Mac strongly opposes, current model is good in spirit but we feel it is not the best solution, results: 20 in favour, 24 oppose, 6 abstention -> motion fails
 - Moved to reinclude VP comms in agenda, results: motion passed
- Events in RIME survey: 101 students answered the survey
 - Collaborated with Bella Reis to create the RIME Event Survey report (10 pages summarizing the survey results with an executive summary)
- Organized first ISA meeting to be held Thursday, Apr. 27, 2023
 - Created a slide set with ISA survey results, ISA instructions, and deliverables to fill
 - Created a Python script to clean the data

- Coordinating with Dr. Marcy Mintz to hire a statistician to aid with analysis of qualitative data
- Official UME accreditation website now available on the UCalgary website: <https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/about/ume-accreditation>
- Patagonia orders are now in production, ETA 4-6 weeks until shipment to HSC
 - Reimbursements ETA 1-2 weeks, contingent on the timeline of the UME finance team
- Drafted a revised version of the constitution
- Spoke with Dr. Dapo Akinsipe about hosting a finance session in April - he agreed, need to organize; April update: haven't heard back from him, so event postponed

Agenda

Introductions and Housekeeping

5 minutes--Sowmya

- Say your name, your role and one thing you're doing for fun these days
- General Structure of the meeting
 - Priority to finalizing what we are going to talk about during town hall

Updates from CFMS SGM 2023 (QC)

10 minutes- Sam, Vak, Jason, (Eddie)

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President-president elect model proposed which would be difficult for 3 year programs because things would be inaccessible for the new president. The 3 year program already has barriers to being involved in CFMS- limited time for council to do things before clerkship compared to 4 year programs. With the new model, it would require students to come into med school knowing they were running for the CFMS positions for 3 year programs.

a) Resolution Rejected (2/3) majority

b) **Rationale:** proposed resolution disadvantaged 3-year schools and made the position inaccessible for most students in 3-year programs. UofC and MacMaster + several other delegates opposed the resolution.

3) Sunsetting/Restructuring RDs (*Pulled by BOD*)

- Votes were quite split, did not end up voting because language deemed not ready for general voting. No changes made to regional director positions.

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 - i) Every school has 3 votes except sherbrook moncton. Heavily opposed by UBC because of concerns by UBC that their voting power would decrease. Motion to give Mocton a vote passed.

Voting on Trivial Changes in the Constitution

10 minutes- Sowmya

- Switched to Nemo Contra Voting style
- Changes
 - The council needs to vote on the nature of every proposed change, i.e., determine whether the change is trivial or non-trivial by simple majority vote, then
 - Each trivial change needs to be voted on by the council (simple majority vote to pass changes)
- Non-trivial changes
 - Note: we need to distribute the revised constitution and the motions pptx to all UCalgary med students at least 7 days before the AGM

Structure of Town hall

- Clubs Funding: Lauren + Ella+ Fasika (15 min)
- Conference Funding: Sam + Lauren: (10 min)
- Events: Bella + Eddie (15 min)

Recent AMA meeting updates

10 minutes- Daria

- **Recent proposed changes in legislation relating to treatment of addiction.**
- **Possibility for students to observe**
- **Job dissatisfaction in the community- physicians initiating conflict resolution training and physican navigating human resource concerns, but people expressing concerns were people leaving**
 - **Opportunity to advocate for medical education to address these topics early in training.**
- **AMA sponsorship applications**
 - **26 application, less money to go around, results to be announced soon.**

Action Items

- Everyone: Make proposed changes to the constitution
- Send Sowmya Slides for Town Hall
- Keep up the good work!