

Calgary Medical Students Association

Q3 Report

July-September 2022

For any questions regarding the progress updates presented in this report, or any other inquires regarding the CMSA, please contact us at CMSA.StudentGov@gmail.com. We thank you for your engagement and interest in the CMSA and look forward to hearing from you!

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President, Calgary Medical Students Association

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PRESIDENT

Jusnoor Aujla

- Worked on securing student representatives for the accreditation sub-committees
- Advocated for the Medical Students' lounge to remain exclusive to medical students and residents
- Attended CFMS Annual General Meeting
 - Focused on gathering ideas and sharing perspectives around learner mistreatment policies
- Working with Alex (VP SAW) to bring attention to the issues surrounding how **learner mistreatment** is currently handled
- Presented at CMSA Info Session and attended Clubs/Advocacy Fair
- Answered questions and helped welcome the Class of 2025 CMSA council
- Chaired and attended monthly CMSA meetings
- Attended monthly meetings with the pre-clerkship deans

VP ACADEMICS

Kathy Fu & Mohamed Bondok

- July 21: Attended the CMSA Info Session
- August 19: Attended the Clubs Fair
- Attended monthly **CMSA Executive Meetings**. Various committee meetings with the UME were stopped over the summer (as dictated by UME)
- Attended (by Mohamed) the **CFMS Annual General Meeting** in Vancouver as VP Academic Representative from University of Calgary
 - Attended the Round Table with other Academic Reps from across Canadian Medical Schools. Topics discussed include: AFMC Portal, mistreatment policies, remediation, curriculum changes, and Licensing exam/MCC
- Various emails were sent to Dr. Busche, Sibyl and Tania to communicate questions and concerns about clerkship schedules and to encourage more frequent clerkship updates from the UME team
- Attended RIME leadership hiring interviews as student representatives

VP EVENTS

Rudra Patel



- Menagerie Mixer: worked with Director of Socials (Jill Laurin) to host the Menagerie Mixer on July 8th at Ceili's on 4th. Attended by ~100 Lumpsuckers and a few Bilbies/Echidnas
- Jersey Distribution: helped the Jersey Rep (Jared Topham) distribute class jerseys to students
- CMSA Information Session: organized the CMSA Info Session on July 21st. Attended by ~40 Lumpsuckers
- **Med Olympics**: worked with the Director of Athletics (Sabrina Anne) to organize the Med Olympics that was attended by ~100 Lumpsuckers and Bilbies.
- **Post-Anatomy Block Party**: hosted a block party at Free House on August 5th. Attended by ~70 Lumpsuckers and Bilbies
- Welcome to the Profession Ceremony: worked with the Director of Socials (Jill Laurin) to plan and host the Welcome to the Profession Ceremony at Hyatt Regency on August 7th. It was attended by ~160 Lumpsuckers and ~700 guests. The speakers were Dr. Hanan Bassyouni, Dr. Carol Hutchison, Dr. Patrick Lee, Dr, Vithya Gnanakumar, Dr. Todd Anderson, Dr/Elder Doreen Spence and Dr. Tania Stogre.
- CMSA Clubs Fair: worked with VP External Provincial (Chaim Katz), VP External National (Bimbola Oyewunmi), Director of Clubs (Jared Topham) and GAAC (Andrea Zhuang) to coordinate the CMSA Clubs Fair/Advocacy Symposium in the HRIC Atrium on August 19th. There were ~20 student clubs and ~10 advocacy organizations present at the event. Attended by ~70 students
- **Summer Formal**: worked with the Director of Socials (Jill Laurin) to host the Summer Formal at BMO on August 20th. Attended by 369 students and plus-ones.
- August Treat Day: purchased and distributed ~300 frozen treats to Bilbies and Lumpsuckers
- Naming Ceremony: coordinated the class voting for the Class of 2025 animal name.
 Hosted the Naming Ceremony at Canadian Brewhouse University District on September 10th. Attended by ~100 students and their plus ones.
- Faculty Appreciation Night: met with UME staff to discuss logistics about the Faculty Appreciation Night scheduled on January 5th in the HRIC Atrium
- September Treat Day: worked with VP SAW (Alex Stephenson) to purchase and distribute ~300 baked goods to Bilbies and Lumpsuckers
- Sabrina Pearce (Director of Athletics): coordinated intramural recruitment for all classes. There are currently ~15 med intramural teams

VP EXTERNAL NATIONAL

Bimbola Oyewunmi

- Advocacy Day Symposium and Clubs Fair: Coordinated with VP External Provincial, VP Events and GAAC to host an event to showcase advocacy organisations and other clubs on campus.
- Adjudicated endowment fund applications alongside Karen Chadbolt and Omer Mansoor (VP Finance)
- **CMSA Executive Meetings**: Attended monthly executive meetings to share updates on from the CFMS and other initiatives from schools.
- Attended CFMS Annual General Meeting
 - Discussed ways to promote collaboration between schools.
 - Voted in new CFMS Exec and ensured Calgary's interests are met.
- Attended CFMS monthly meetings
 - o Welcomed new members and discussed plans moving forwards
 - Clarified Calgary's capacity to participate in CFMS international electives
 - Currently not possible since we do not have summers off
- VP External National Junior Introduced Lumpsuckers to CFMS and handed out Clipboards and RFID card holders.
- Supported VP External Provincial at AMA fall Meeting.

VP EXTERNAL PROVINCIAL

Chaim Katz



- Talked about the drive for committee meetings and student representation on committees
- Special RF on contract September 8
- RF focus on family medicine on September 23 and September 24
- Started meeting with PARA, U of C and U of A Representatives
- o Dinner with President Coordinated September 21st

CPSA

- Size reduction of board on Council July 19th
- Talked about google drive for access to committee/council elements and student representation (August 26), with subsequent submission of a potential proposal to the governance committee
- Council meeting September 8 and 9

CMA

- Attended AGM on August 21 and General Council
- Meeting on advocacy and how students can learn more and engage on September 21

CMSA

- Info Session July 19th, created organization charts with representatives
- Executive meeting August 9
- The backend of meeting reports was created with the Website Chair and currently piloting with the External Committee.
- Advocacy Symposium coordinated with VP External National, GAAC, Clubs Rep and VP Events. Over 30 clubs and 150 students. Sponsored by AMA and written up in Alberta Doctors Digest.
- o Conference grant review for second round sent out

VP FINANCE

Omer Mansoor

- **CMSA Information Session**: Presented to the Class of 2025 on my role as VP Finance to share what it is like and encourage individuals to run in the election.
- Financial Literacy: Hosted a session on August 24, 2022 with Karen Chadbolt (UME Finance Manager) on Hidden Costs of Clerkship and Preparing for Visiting Electives.
- **CMSA Executive Meetings**: Attended monthly executive meetings to share updates on my role, budget updates and review procedures.
- **Endowment Fund**: Created a new application form and shared a second round for funding opportunities. Adjudicated applications alongside Karen Chadbolt and Bimbola Oyewunmi (VP External National).
- **CMSA Budget**: Continued to process reimbursements and followed up on revenues and expenses.

VP SAW

Alex Stephenson

- Attended **CMSA clubs** fair with SAW
- Planned healthy eating event for October. Planned Forum on Failure for November
- Continued to organize weekly yoga sessions with Dr H
- Hosted monthly visits from the **therapy animals** and planned these up until December
- Ongoing Wellness Bingo
- Organized sessions and collected questions from the class for **elective and clerkship lottery Q&A with SAW**.
- Met monthly with **Wellness and Academic Roundtable** with VP Academics. Created **attendance policy proposal** in collaboration with the Roundtable
- Started Wellness Choir
- Met with Student Affairs Accreditation Sub-Committee
- Attended CFMS in-person and bi-weekly virtual meetings as Wellness Rep
- SAW Resource and Wellness Fair planning

Amira Kalifa

- Attended **CFMS annual general meeting** in Vancouver
 - Attended VP Academic and EDI round tables
 - o Networked with UManitoba, UAlberta, UToronto for possibility of joint EDI events
 - Presented information on the status of UofC in regards to mistreatment reporting, supports available for students (mental health and otherwise), and other challenges specific to UofC students
- Attended EDI roundtables with VP EDIs from across Canada (through CFMS)
- Sat on the hiring committee for the role of Senior Associate Dean of Education (Dr. Lisa Welikovitch was selected by the committee)
- Approved/contributed to new **UME Dress Code policy**
- Attended monthly Office of Professionalism Equity and Diversity (OPED) meetings
- Organised CMSA townhall with VP Global Health
- Devised a committee comprising of the BMSA and VP Global Health to appoint Spiny Lumpsucker CMSA VP EDI
- Working with VP Global Health to **plan Global Health Conference** (Topic on Resource Inequity and Barriers to Care)
- Worked with Professionalism Committee to manage student concerns surrounding elective bookings

VP COMMUNICATIONS

Rafa Abbas

- Scheduled monthly meetings in coordination with the president and organized Zoom calls for meetings. Recorded **minutes at monthly meetings**, which were uploaded to the CMSA website by the IT Officer.
- Sent out weekly newsletters for both classes
- Sent out the 2nd quarterly report and working on the 3rd
- Designed the Spiny Lumpsucker Newsletter header
- Attended the CMSA Info Session and Clubs/Advocacy Fair

VP GLOBAL HEALTH

Sarika Haque

- Attended CFMS annual general meeting
 - Discussed ways to enhance the Global Health Portfolio.
 - o Found other schools wanting to collaborate on the Global Health conference.
- Attended Global Health Roundtables with GHLs and the national team
- Worked with VP EDI to review **Spiny Lumpsucker VP EDI applications**.
- Planning Global Health Conference with VP EDI (postponed to Spring). Topic: Resource Inequity & Barriers to Care
- Planning Global Health Skills Day sent out registration forms
- Organized **CMSA townhall** with VP EDI
- Collaborated with SHINE to organize and host the Immigrant & Refugee Health panel

For more information on topics discussed during the town hall or any CMSA matters, email us at CMSA.StudentGov@gmail.com

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