

PHEKSA Meeting – January 16th, 2023

Present: Natalie Pryor, Ryan Chen, Kenna Winget, Mara Majer, Sarah Godfrey, Zoli Mayer, Amy Posel, Katie Wakileh, Elizabeth Squire-Fisher, Ava Khansari, Yas Alamashi, Anna Roper, Riley Sofer, Payton Rix, Alexandra Partridge, Daniel Lesiuk, Johnny Marrongelli, Sophia Pourmatin, Cynthia Charette, Cari Brown, Kiersten Landreville, Yasmin Asadi, Varun Shah, Delaney Tone, Rachel Kailis

Absent: Hannah Kyolayk

Start Time: 7:00

Reading of Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda for the meeting

Seconded by: Payton

Vote:

For - 25

Against - 0

Abstentions - 0

Motion carried

Assembly Updates

Sarah Godfrey- Internal Affairs Commissioner:

Executive applications are now open if all year reps, aside from 4th year, could please include that in their emails, information can be found in the link tree. As well, if you have any specific questions feel free to reach out to me. People applying need signatures from kinesiology students, a filled-out application form with details of what they are planning to run for, as well as their own letter of intent. VP operations, VP university affairs, Finance, President and CIA are all going to be elected together. The only role you need to have anything special for is if you are going to run for pPresident then you need a minimum of one year on PHEKSA.

If you missed last meeting, then please look at the minutes and notice the new AGM format. A reminder that transition manual edits and revises are due at the end of week 8, again this is a flexible deadline but please work on those before the semester picks up. Once you have finished then send it to me and I will upload it.

Cynthia Charette - Executive Intern:

No updates

Mara Majer - Finance Commissioner:

My only update is that I will doing the budget presentation later this meeting.

Varun Shah - Social Commissioner:

No updates

Riley Sofer - Merchandise Commissioner:

The clothes are ready to give away so if you haven't signed up for one of the two days then please do that on Facebook. How it's going to work is that people will come with their order number, we will find it and hand it out to them. As well, I've gotten a few emails regarding people not having their order confirmation and if they don't have the email or order number then they can bring their student card to give us proof that it is them. Lastly, I will release the store for a week after we give away the merch so people can see what they like.

Delaney Tone & Zoli Mayer - Formal Commissioners:

We are now planning for 5 events for frost week, but it isn't going to be typical frost week. As well, last week we said that it would be from the 23rd to the 28th however now we are going to sell tickets for 4 separate events. The first event will be the 28th of January and it is line skip for ale.

Sophia Pourmatin - Equity and Wellness Officer:

I am in the process of getting Anti Oppression and Intro to EDII training for everybody, and I will post more information of that on the Facebook.

Amy Posel - Coaches Corner:

I've figured out the giveaway prize for coaches' corner, and it is going to be a line skip for Ale and I will probably get it for free from them, and the date will likely be February, 4th.

Rachel Kailis - Sr. Athletics:

Karaoke is tomorrow so please come, we've sold a lot of tickets and the more the better so please buy your tickets and tell you friends!

Johnny Marrongelli & Katie Wakileh - Jr. Athletics:

Ski trip is happening this Friday!

Hannah Kowalyk - Sr. Academics:

The results from the student survey were presented at the academic council meeting by Anna and I, and everyone is happy over the positive shift students have shown.

Anna Roper - Jr. Academics:

I am still getting peer tutoring started up, and for the 3rd and 4th year reps, I will send you something to include in your emails and then in a few weeks I will send a link out to the 1st and 2nd year reps for signing up to have a peer tutor.

Ava Khansari - Sr. Outreach:

I've reached out to a couple organizations for donating to, and the prize is going to be given to Sarah's house because they are the only ones that donated which was really nice.

As well, I am thinking of expanding pen pals to second years because I got a lot of interest from alumni and we will have a meeting with Michelle about that.

Elizabeth Squire-Fisher - Jr. Outreach:

I have another update for pen pals because it is in the process of having the name being changed, and we are thinking of "kinnections" or "connecting to alumni" more from that to come.

Yas Alamashi - Sr. Communication:

No updates

Cari Brown - Jr. Communication:

No updates

Kiersten Landreville & Yasmin Asadi - 1st-year reps:

No updates

Payton Rix - 2nd-year rep:

No updates

Alexandra Partridge - 3rd-year rep:

My only update is that Danny and I are making teams for sports fest so I will send that in an email if you guys want to sign up then you can.

Daniel Lesiuk - 4th-year rep:

Yes, we are going to send those teams out, there will be a 1st and 2nd year team.

As well, I've been planning the 4th year event for 1st years about moving into houses and I was wondering what 4th years would be interested in volunteering so please let me know if you are.

Exec Updates

Natalie Pryor - VP Operations:

We had a meeting with the administration, and I have a few updates from that. First off, if you are in 4th year then remember to apply to graduate if you are going to graduate this year as well could that be added to the year email. 4th years can submit a "what if" report on solus to make sure they haven't missed anything if they plan on graduating.

Next, independent study courses and more information is going to be coming out soon, as well there will be a mini stream presentation, a bit about DIPA, as well as about the research internship, the presentation will be February 6th from 4:30 to 5:30. There will also be much more information on that in the future, and the deadline to apply is March 6th. There is also the alumni career plan presentation coming in March which I personally found helpful.

About ASUS, I have a meeting this week as well if you are interested in running for ASUS council, the nomination period as this week and if you are interested in running for a position then you can apply, the deadline is Friday.

Lastly, please sign up for snack there are lots of times left.

Kenna Winget - VP University Affairs:

Please keep promoting student of the month as some new nominations would be great.

Ryan Chen – President:

Student awards and a lot of great opportunities are coming up so if year reps could include in their emails for people to follow the SKHS Instagram, it is a great place to get updates on information and have information. As well, Vanessa sends out monthly newsletters and so it is a smart idea to at least scroll through them to keep up with everything.

As well, some of you may know that I am trying to put together a team to run for AMS election and it is likely looking that as of the 26th, I will have to step down as PHEKSA president for a few weeks, and with that said if you have any questions or things you need to ask then please do so before the 26th.

Old Business

Nope

New Business

Budget presentation – Mara

The budget we will be receiving will be in 2 installments, the first will be \$9,901.61, and the second will be about 10% of the first so likely around \$990.00. This means that the total will be approximately \$10,800. I'm now going to break it down into categories.

So for donations the total amount allocated is \$3,200, \$693 was used last year and this is intended to be used for the better equipment fund, motion ball, o-week, WAG, tree of hope, careers committee, and kin games.

Next we have student funds which have already been distributed, the total amount is \$4,000, last year \$3000 was used and this goes to the development fund, random request fund, career fund, and PHEKSA bursary.

Next, for outreach, the total amount allocated is \$650, last year \$570 was used and this is intended for peer pals, volunteer appreciation, PHE/Kin & Health Events, exam snack, hoco alumni breakfast, and discretionary.

Next, communications is allocated \$700 this can be used for the website, year photos, yearbook and discretionary, and last year \$645 was used.

For social, the total amount allocated is \$950 and this is for semi-formal which already happened but me and Varun talked about that. \$1500 was used last year however tickets paid for all expenses this year.

Next, academics is allocated \$250, last year \$200 was used and this is intended for coffee with the profs as well as pizza with the profs.

Equity and wellness is allocated \$300, \$50 was used last year.

Formal is allocated \$4,000 and \$4,000 was used last year.

Coaches corner is allocated \$100 and they used \$100 last year for printing and giveaway.

Year reps are allocated \$200 for BEWICS/sportsfest, and we can discuss splitting this up later, and they used \$200 last year.

Merch is allocated \$50, and none was used last year.

Internal funds is allocated \$1,275, \$1000 was used last year and this is intended to be used for PHEKSA socials, election fees, e-transfer fees, printing, community outreach, AGM, and exec & innovation.

If everyone could follow up with me next meeting at to how much you plan on using, and we can discuss relocating funds as some committees will use more and some will use less. As well, for pre-event forms then please let me know how much money you are using and what it is going to be used for, you can do this by emailing me at finance@pheksa.queensu.ca. As well for post-event forms, let me know how the event went and how much money was actually used, once again please submit it to my PHEKSA email, thank you.

Discussion

Kenna – Better Equipment Fund

Opening statement: The better equipment fund is allocated \$1500 to use to improve student experience in SKHS, examples of using this in the past include technology for the UG lab, furniture for the UG lounge, and recently we have been thinking about getting a camera for PHEKSA, and I was wondering if anyone had any other ideas.

Delaney: I don't have an idea, but the camera would be really good and helpful.

Ryan: Don't get a camera because last years money is going to go to a camera.

Rachel: When you walk into the building where the SKHS sign is, you could put like a chairs and desk area would be nice by the windows.

Mara: What has it been used for in the past?

Kenna: It has been used for things in the UG lounge the past years.

Ryan: Yes, there was the standing desk in the UG lounge, TVs outside the UG lab, the big sign that says SKHS, and just keep in mind that furniture can get expensive and difficult so just keep that in mind.

Sarah: Maybe you could add things that would allow for students to maximize the space in the SKHS layout, maybe the lounge or outside of the lounge.

Danny: Something that would be really helpful would be having wireless chargers however it would be difficult to not have anyone steal them so maybe something could be set up where they are rented out or you could zip tie them.

Ryan: This is just a heads up that it is hard to add things to the first floor so think second floor and up. You could even consider a microwave in the UG lounge or maybe a mini fridge even if it might be difficult. Something that could be utilized is one of those big desks with the computers because all you have to do is go and plug it and maybe figure out someway to include working in the SKHS, the standing desk is really good but it is only open from 8am to 4pm.

Riley: Some specific classes use equipment for practices like a stethoscope or clamp, so it would be nice if there was a way for students to practice with them.

Closing statement: Thank you for those ideas and if you signed up to be a part of the better funds committee then expect me to reach out sometime this week or next week.

Liza – Sticker Sale

Opening statement: So I've been told that the sticker sale doesn't make a lot of money so I am thinking that we can combine it with the water bottles, and today I want to present the stickers that I have come up with and then I will send out a google form and everyone can rank their top 10 stickers that they like and 10 stickers that they don't think will sell.

Ryan – Ethics and Structure

Something that I am going to start including in the presidential role is that within the first 3 week of the school year that the president start the year off with information about how members of PHEKSA should operate, where PHEKSA fits in with the school, AMS and everything. As it is later into the school year I will be briefly presenting this now. Firstly, which is also clearly stated in our constitution, is that we operate by making all decisions without any prejudice to someone's financial status, race, age, gender, anything. As a member of PHEKSA we represent the students in Kinesiology and we owe it to our students to operate ethically in our positions. Some other faculties experience nepotism, it happens within the school, and it is something we want to constantly work to stay away from. We aren't just in PHEKSA, we are in positions of power and in these positions it is important to stay impartial and objective, not discriminating but also not favouring your friends. This mindset is for all places in campus but we want to hold up our Kinesiology image. We chat about these things and recognize these things elsewhere and so we need to show it through our actions and decisions at all times.

Next for the structure part of this conversation, where I will be laying out where PHEKSA fits in with Queen's. So Queen's has control of SKHS but SKHS doesn't have a lot to do with PHEKSA, it is the AMS which is the Queen's student government. We fall under the AMS as a faculty society there is also one for computer science, concurrent education, engineering and arts & science, we all fall under faculty societies. There is also a lot of other branches of the AMS. Often times you can hold a lot of positions in PHEKSA as well as in the AMS, and for some student advocacy roles you can actually get paid for them as well you get access to a lot of different resources. For example, if you are interested in orientation organization things then you can do the work at the highest level which is the ORT and they look over ECKO. As well, to jump back a bit as PHEKSA we have a collaborative relationship with the SKHS, we work with them but we also we are able to make decisions without them. As well, arts and

science is a faculty society and we are technically the same level as them as in we both fall under the same umbrella but we are separate at the same time. This is also applicable to concurrent education, computer science, and other faculties, we are all on the same level and all fall under the same umbrella of the AMS. We can collaborate and work with one another, regarding PHEKSA and ASUS, we are on the same level, but PHEKSA has more power as its own faculty, so we are generally separated. An important note if you are going to run for PHEKSA exec then you will be working with the AMS a lot, our policy falls under the AMS policy so any rules we make have to follow their rules.

Danny: How does the AMS and Queen's connect, does Queen's have power over them or are they equal?

Ryan: So the AMS and Queen's are on the same level, similar to SKHS and PHEKSA. The AMS is able to hold the school accountable for their actions.

Overall, I hope this information was helpful, and hopefully it is going to improve for future presidents when the present.

Other questions/remarks from Assembly

Motion: To adjourn

Seconded by: Zoli

Vote:

For – 25

Against – 0

Abstentions - 0

Motion carried

Resolved: Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm