

Student InterCouncil

Monday, April 19, 2021

WebEx Meeting

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Ankita Podichetty, Kate W, Niharika Neela, Rachel Pham, Rohail Momin, Sharmily Roy, Sonia Patel, Jayanta Mondal, Sonia Patel, Cem Dede, Zaid Soomro, Alison, Anna Robb, Mariaelena Boyle, M Colic, Nour Alia, Omid Hadj, Swati Mohapatra

I. Call to Order/ Welcome/ Approval of MinutesRachel Pham, SIC President

- Call to order at 6:00 pm
- March minutes approved

II. Advisor Announcement.....Eric Solberg, VP of Academic and Research Affairs, Charlie Figari, Vice President and Chief Auxiliary Enterprises Officer, Yuliana Nunez and Tanedra Booker, SIC Advisors

- Dr. Love would like to be invited to all future meetings, and participate as much as she can, including during the Summer transition period.
 - Gives us the opportunity to have more direct contact with executive leadership
- It's been a challenging year for all of us.
- Please inform Nedra who is graduating, she will bring the stoles to Dean's dinner
- Please inform Nedra who the upcoming SIC representatives are.
- Met with the UT student regent and gave a tour of the school. He will provide feedback soon.

III. Final Committee Business

- A. Project funding and budget.....Niharika Neela, *SIC Treasurer*
 - a. \$5000 left in budget. Were able to use most of it for scholarships and wellness week.
- B. Outreach.....Sonia Patel and Brittany Trinh, *SIC Community Outreach Chairs*
 - a. The Houston food bank opportunity went great. This was the last event for outreach
- C. Operations.....Rachel Pham and Rachel Buckley, *SIC Operations Committee Chair*
 - a. Discussion and Approval of SIC Bylaws Edits
 - i. Posted on the SIC Website
 - ii. The only thing we added was that the Diversity Committee chair would also be a representative to the Diversity, Equity Committee that the school has.
 - 1. Motion to approve: Approved**
 - b. Operations
 - i. Have to put together everything the SIC has done this year. All chairs need to send a report to Rachel ASAP.
- D. Disaster Relief and Positive Impact Scholarships.....Rachel Pham, *SIC President*
 - a. Originally divided up by school. Charlie and Dr. Colasurdo matched and helped out as well.
 - b. But received enough funding to provide scholarships to everyone that applied that are currently enrolled and in good standing.
 - i. Unfortunately excludes people that were not enrolled this semester
- E. Other Committee Updates
 - a. Dr. Colasurdo and Dr. Love will be an excellent resource for the next SIC group.

- b. HOOP Committee
 - i. Title IX has been expanded
 - ii. Sexual misconduct, freedom of speech policies have been expanded
 - iii. Discipline has been expanded and made more flexible.

IV. SIC Business and Important Dates

- a. Reports due ASAP
- b. Dean's Dinner, April 27th, 5:30pm
 - i. Park at UCT, and can walk over
 - ii. Dinner portion will happen indoors, so you can choose if you want to eat there or not (social distance please!)
 - 1. RSVP ASAP (due Wednesday)
 - iii. Dress code: Business formal
 - iv. Presentation portion will happen in the atrium
 - v. Dinner will end at 7:30/8:00pm
- c. SIC T.F. Burks Service Award Winner
 - i. Winners will not physically be there, but they will be acknowledged on a slide
- d. Officer meetings will be held **in person** next year

V. Officer Elections

- a. President nominations: Kate Wall and **Niharika Neela**
- b. Vice President nominations: Jayanta Mondal and **Sonia Patel**
- c. Secretary nominations: TBD on April 22nd
- d. Historian nominations: Cem Dede, **Nour Alia**, Sonia Patel
- e. Treasurer: **Kate Wall**

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn approved at 7:32pm

Additional Links:

- **Link to COVID vaccination project volunteering:**
<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/4b7dd15731484e5aa8d4cfc9e91b51fd>
- COVID Vaccine Site FAQ: <https://inside.uth.edu/covid-19/faq>
- SBMI COVID Dashboard (will eventually include vaccine data or have a link for it posted): <https://sbmi.uth.edu/covid-19/data-dashboard>
- SPH's COVID 19 Dashboard: <https://sph.uth.edu/dept/bads/covid19-dashboard>
- DSHS TX COVID info:
<https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/immunize/vaccine.aspx>
- DSHS TX Hub Providers page:
<https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/immunize/vaccine-hubs.aspx>
- Enrolling to become a Vaccine Provider:
<https://enrolltexasiz.dshs.texas.gov/emrlogin.asp>

Respectfully submitted by Ankita Podichetty, on 4/19/2021
Approved by Student InterCouncil on _____.