

**MSU Meeting #6 Minutes  
January 7th, 2020**

**I. MSU Board**

**A. President: Ryan Mack**

**1. Recently Addressed Issues**

- a. **CAL Lab Noise Concerns:** Dean Mendez spoke with CAL Lab staff about noise and closing doors to minimize them, so hopefully this is resolved. If not, please continue to submit on the feedback form.
- b. **AQA Project:** Thank you to everyone who applied to the Grant Writing team. We completed interviews and have decided on the team. Emails will be sent out to interviewees soon.

**2. Current Issues**

- a. **Student Organization Transitions:** Will discuss in detail at next MSU meeting. Current proposed timeline is to have elections in March, with new boards transitioning between mid-March to mid-April. MSU board will transition in March, so the new MSU board will run the April meeting. Goal is to have all new student org boards finalized by then so the April MSU meeting will include new student org leaders.
- b. **Step 1 Registration and Planning:** Received a concern about these details. Email was sent out recently by ACE surrounding Step 1 study plan. We have asked to have the presentation regarding registration details to be forwarded to the class again.
- c. **SAC Fridge Shelves:** Some broken shelves. Will bring this up to see who is responsible for fixing it.
- d. **CAL Lab Chairs:** Old chairs. Will speak with Student Life regarding potential budget to replace them.

**B. Vice President: Gabriela Fuentes**

**1. Spring Formal: Saturday, March 21st at the Art Institute of Chicago**

- a. Venue has been reserved, will have Stock Exchange room and some side rooms (depending on number of attendees) with food and bars.
- b. Open bar at the beginning with beer and wine (like last year). After much discussion, we determined that a beer and wine bar is the best option, but other drinks will be available for a charge.
- c. Still trying to finalize details - what galleries we will have access to, how long bars will stay open, etc.
- d. If you have any questions, feel free to email Gaby or submit in the feedback form.

**II. MSU Additional Funding Requests**

- A. **APPROVED:** Society of Women's Health: \$162.50 for OB GYN speaker event
- B. **APPROVED:** Emergency Medicine Interest Group: \$100 for intubation workshop (in collab with Anesthesiology IG) and ultrasound workshop
- C. **APPROVED:** National Arab American Medical Association: \$200 for Arab Culture Event
- D. **APPROVED:** American Medical Women's Association: \$75 for National Women's Physician Day

**III. Class Boards**

**A. M1: Kaitlyn Rewis**

1. Started FHB, PCM, BD
2. Back to School Social this Friday
3. Working with M2 board on M1/M2 basketball game

**B. M2: Hye-Jin Yun**

1. UWorld codes have all gone out. Make sure you claim your code in the next 30 days.
  - a. **Do NOT activate self-assessments, as they CANNOT be deactivated** (policy was changed per Tina). Don't activate until you are ready to use them.
2. Faculty Awards: Think about who you'd like to nominate for Educator of the Year, Facilitator of the Year, and Excellence in Student Support.
3. M1/M2 Basketball Game: Working with Catherine, Curtis, and M1 board. Will have pizza and sign-making prior to game. More info to come.

**C. M4: Sahand Ghodrati**

1. Some matches have come out, others will soon. Match Day in March w/ "Match of the Penguins" theme.
2. Graduation speaker: Dr. Oluwaferanmi Okanlami
3. **Ongoing search for new SSOM Dean:** Sahand will be representing the student body as part of the Search Committee. Please reach out to him if there is anything you want to make sure is heard.

4. **Support Systems at Stritch:** Last year, President Rooney was made aware of student concerns and how support systems at Stritch are not well-designed for our changing student demographics/needs. She appointed Jim Flavin to be a consultant, talk with students, and sit in on admin leadership meetings, with the goal of formulating an assessment and writing a report to the Loyola Board of Trustees. Our Stritch Deans are calling for a lot of the same things that we are asking for, but real change will have to come from the Board of Trustees who control the money that comes to Stritch.
  - a. **This is our window of opportunity to be involved.** MSU is working to put together another student forum and have Jim there, and potentially try to invite some of the Board of Trustees and President Rooney herself. Stritch admin are not working against us, it's just that everything is on a budget and takes time. **For further details, please see the minutes from the December MSU Public Forum [here](#).**

#### IV. OSRs: Saad Siddiqui

- A. Faculty Awards: Will be sending out form for nominations for Humanism in Medicine award. Think about nominating physician mentors who represent Loyola's humanistic tradition.
- B. Dr. Gruener and admin previously wanted student involvement in looking at Y2Q/GSQ survey data to understand how students may be interpreting questions. OSR is helping to lead the organization of these groups. Dave is working on it and will send out info shortly.

#### V. Stritch University Committee: Student Life: Catherine Jardien

##### A. Master's in Medical Physiology (MSMP) students in student org service opportunities

1. Question from LUC Mentors about having interested MSMP students becoming involved in student org service opportunities. These students are mostly interested in attending med school, with a large amount of them coming from LUC undergrad. They are trying to get involved in activities that could help them get admitted, so any help extended to them would be beneficial to their med school pursuit.
  2. Dean Mendez and Catherine are on the fence, as this could allow MSMP students to be more involved in community, but **Student Activity Fees** paid by medical students are what funds our student orgs. MSMP fees go to the grad school only, not Stritch.
    - a. Our Student Activity Fee breakdown: majority (75-80%) goes to MSU to be disbursed to student orgs, the remainder (20-25%) goes to Student Life for student events.
      - (1) If MSMP students are going somewhere and doing service, it doesn't cost us anything.
  3. **Perhaps on a case-by-case basis** depending on student org and service event, as some orgs are more open to having additional students involved, while others fill up all the time and don't have any additional space.
    - a. Some orgs already have MSMP students involved.
    - b. At next MSU meeting, will form a list of orgs who are willing to have MSMP students involved and give them a list of MSMP students to be included on org email list.
    - c. Please submit your thoughts in our feedback form.
- B. **Events using Simulation/Lab area** (basement), such as suture workshops, etc.: **All requests need to go through Donna Quinones at least a week in advance**, as she reserves the space and is in charge of preparing all of the materials.
  - C. **M1/M2 Buddy Program:** Curtis made mentor-mentee pairs and will set up a kickoff meeting in the next few weeks (w/ coffee and light refreshments during lunchtime).

#### VI. Student Wellness Advisory Group (SWAG)

- A. Winter Warm-Up this Friday (1/10) at 12:15pm in Atrium
- B. **NIC Rounds in honor of Nicole:** Monthly gatherings where students write things down that are bothering them and discuss these pertinent topics together.
  1. SWAG is sponsoring the first one. Will likely be on 1/30 in the evening, still finalizing time.

#### VII. Adjournment

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, February 4th at 6pm in SSOM 360 (NOTE: room change)