

MINUTES FOR THE 1ST CSSS COUNCIL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2013

Call to order at 6:21 pm

John Mesman – Performs introductions (President and Chair of council)

- Follow Robert's Rules of Order
- Overview of what is on the agenda
- Expected to meet once a month unless more are needed
- Meeting in 2 weeks to get winter formal planning kicked off
- As an academic society - our job to oversee the events and participate in academic dialogue within the faculty

Approval of Agenda

Moved: Martin Gingras

Second: Madison Adams

Agenda approved

No past minutes

Chairs Business

- Robert's rules of order adopted within the constitution
- If you have questions pertaining to info being discussed – point of info, interrupt speaker
- Every time motion on table, populate speakers list, speak on motion in the order you raise your hand, questions asked and then answered, after question move to debate then move to vote, etc, questions?

Executive Reports

President: (refer to biweekly CSSS email updates) The CSSS picked up on a lot of new responsibility this year. In meetings with the Dean's office, we've taken over some events from faculty and we are helping with the SSSC. We are now included in most of the major events which are run through the Dean's Office such as the Student-Alumni Mixer and Med Night. Biweekly science café's are now in Old Ottawa South, and we are now cohosting them. We now have a great deal of opportunity for input within the faculty and we're in the loop on a lot of great initiatives and events. If you have questions or want to get involved ask us and we'll hook you up. You are now responsible to represent the students that elected you, and we've provided you with a great avenue to get involved!

Internal: It is nice to meet all of you. Few quick words about me, I am a Biology Student with a concentration in molecular and cellular biology. I have been involved with Carleton Academic Student Government, Science Student Success Centre, CUSERT, Tour Guiding and special projects in the Dean's office. If you have any questions about the society, Carleton or just want to chat find me anytime. I will be dealing with mostly the setting up for council and committee meetings, ensure that they go smoothly. I will also be setting up a timesheet in the next few days so that you can see the hours that you've dedicated to the society.

Operations: My name is Nour and I will be your vice president operator for the year 2013-2014. I'm a third year biology student with a concentration in health science and a minor in mental health. This is my first year running as a VPO, and I'm honoured to be part of the reason to bring all the science students at Carleton together. I will be working hand in hand with Annu, our event director, to plan out laid-back events. These events will run through the year, and one of the biggest events will be our Formal night. If you guys are ever interested in being a part of it, or have any questions, concerns or suggestions don't hesitate to contact me. We will always accept volunteers to ensure everything goes smoothly and as planned. Thank you for coming out tonight, hopefully the pizza wasn't the reason you guys came! Nonetheless, I am glad to meet you all, and I'm looking forward to working with you guys this year; let's make the best out of it!

Academic: My name is Anna Marrello and I am a third year Neuroscience and Mental Health major with minors in Political Science and Psychology. I started getting involved when I was in first year which is when I became the CASG Neuroscience rep. I held the seat for 2 years and now I am the Science Coordinator. I have contacted all of the departments within the Faculty of Science to find out departmental meeting dates. I do ask all of you to please send me your class schedules before I release the meetings dates to you as I do not want any of you missing classes to go to these meetings. Your education does come first. I will be your proxy but there will also be 2 of you who can sit at departmental meetings once the CASG reps are elected. You are expected to attend all CASG council meetings with me once they start up and I will inform you, as soon as I know when the first meeting is. It should be sometime in October. As a member of CASG you are also able to attend Faculty of Science Board meetings so I will also let you know the dates for those. In terms of Science Cafes if you would like to help out in any way, be it baking or otherwise please let me know and I will coordinate something with you. If you would like the list of speakers you can also contact me as we do know who they are. If you guys have any other questions related to Science Cafes or your responsibilities when it comes to CASG feel free to shoot me an email. It does come to my phone so I will answer probably within 12 hours if not less depending on whether I have class or if I'm at work. I am looking forward to working with all of you this year.

Other Reports: Financial Report

John Mesman: Purpose of FACCS is to get funding from CUSA. A number of things need to be there in order to get funding. Must run a deficit and the most amount of funding we can get is 2200. Inflated expense report but you will have access to the final budget once they are created by myself and Nour. Next meeting I will present our actual operating budget.

Nour Dabbour: Hoping we would get the max. Still have to wait and see once money gets put in bank. May talk to CUSA again. Put a lot of effort in, but it was mostly John. Making sure everything counted.

John Mesman : expected revenue \$13,000, is an inflated number, we will be asking the Dean's office for money as well as CAB and student affairs office, so there's room to collect some more revenue. There is a motion to accept the operating budget but it may be tabled as the final operating budget has not been created. Change of venues for science café this year. Dean's office decided to change to Sunnyside library for the Science Cafés. Meeting next week for a briefing on the café. Promote event and bake goods.

Nour Dabbour: If you want to help bake goods then we are more than happy to have the help, we need your help!

John Mesman: Send everyone PDF of what was submitted to FACCS board earlier today. Will have a higher deficit. This is to make everyone aware of the submission. Sometime next week the operating budget will be sent out.

Question Period

Martin Gingras: Do we have a ballpark figure of what they may be giving us? How does that compare to what other clubs are getting?

John Mesman: Around \$1600. In comparison we did have one of the best budgets but because we do not receive a levy from the Dean's Office like other academic societies. If we don't get 2200 we will be appealing to clubs and societies committee. If not done in a month there will be a motion put to CUSA council in order to appeal all funding so that we will receive maximum FACCS funding.

Items for Information

Striking Winter Formal Committee

John Mesman: Outlining seats that we wish to include on the committee. Want attention to detail and what we want to know what your thoughts on how to order, how to sell tickets, etc. Want to know what you think and how you want to run the event. In 2 weeks committee will be elected.

Nour Dabbour: Anu is a very big help. I've been talking to her a lot about formal and we will be leading the committee.

Motions

a. Motion to Fill Vacant Council Seats

Nominations

Melanie St. Cyr – Environmental Science

Physics – none

TSES – none

First Year Rep – Urvi Bhojoo

Question: James Podrebarac – Have you gone to the physics department to see if they know of anyone who would want the seat?

John Mesman: I did talk to the department as well as reached out to the physics society and there has been no response.

Debate: None

Motion Carried

b. Motion to Accept the 2013-2014 Operating Budget

- a. John Mesman: Move to table motion to next meeting, seconded: Martin Gingras
Motion carries

c. Motion to Adopt the Constitution and Bylaws of the CSSS

- a. Owen Hovey: Motivates the motion
- b. Debate - Martin Gingras: move to table to next meeting, seconded: Henry Hammond
- c. Motion passes, Owen Hovey abstained

d. Motion to Accept the Councillors Agreement

Moved: Owen Hovey Seconded: John Mesman

- a. Point of info - John Mesman: Is this the motion I wrote?
- b. Owen Hovey motivate the motion: all have agreement in package in front of you.
- c. Moved: Owen Hovey, Seconded: Madison Adams
- d. Question: Martin Gingras: How many events do we run each year?
- e. Answer - John Mesman: Should be one a month. Can also commit to formal help. Anything that we have run in the past.
- f. Questions: What is the extent of science cafes? Will there be an executive there?
- g. Answer - John Mesman: There will be at least one executive there every time
- h. Point of info - Martin Gingras
- i. Question – Kamil Chadirji: Where can we sign up for cafes?

- j. Answer - John Mesman: Can sign up with Anna
- k. Question - Kamil Chadirji: Is baking a contribution?
- l. Answer - John Mesman: Yes. We just need to ensure that everyone is committing to bare minimum of events so that representatives who don't participate don't get credit for their positions.
- m. Question - Kamil Chadirji: Will we be able to introduce speakers?
- n. Answer - John Mesman: Yes it is possible. For the cafes they want it to be students who help to intro the speakers, so we can talk about that later!
- o. Debate Period
- p. Martin Gingras: Move to strike section 1.1.2 and modify 48 hours to 24 in sections 1.1.1 and 1.2.1 and strike 2.6.1
 - i. Seconded: Madison Adams
 - ii. John Mesman: Make exemptions for extenuating circumstances, speaking against the motion to make 48 to 24
 - iii. Owen Hovey: It is at the discretion of the executive committee in order for the seat to be vacated
 - iv. John Mesman: Document outlines the bare minimum needed from each councillor
 - v. Vote 12 to 2 (Martin, Kamil) abstain one (Henry)
 - vi. John Mesman: Move to add exemption can be given by the President or Vice President Internal to 1.1.2. Seconded: James Podrebarac
 - vii. Motion carries, unanimous
 - viii. 2 abstentions to main vote, motion carries with John's edit

Other Business

John Mesman: Each executive will be sending out a personal email to everyone. Will be received over the weekend. Please try to respond next week.

Owen Hovey: Tentative dates for next meetings - Oct. 6 and Oct 20, Nov 17 all 6 pm

Adjournment

Moved: Ali Acar

Seconded: Henry Hammond