# **Executive Council Meeting**

June 4th, 2021



## SEPHGSA Executive Council 2021-2022

President	Shannon Thompson	sthom193@uottawa.ca	Present
Vice President	Charles Thickstun	rthic032@uottawa.ca	Present
Vice President, Academic Affairs	Shan Dhaliwal	sdhal018@uottawa.ca	Present
Vice President, Wellness	Zobaida Al-Baldawi	zalb014@uottawa.ca	Regrets
Vice President, Financial Affairs	Chau Huγn	chuγn097@uottawa.ca	Regrets
Vice President, Administrative Affairs	Ammar Saad	asaad007@uottawa.ca	Regrets
Vice President, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion	Rola Hashem	rhash064@uottawa.ca	Present
MSc Epidemiology Representative(s)			
PhD Representative(s)			
MPH Representative(s)	Amγ Li	γli847@uottawa.ca	Regrets
	Nicholas Brisbois	nbris080@uottawa.ca	Regrets
PHRAM Representative(s)			

## **Updates**

#### President/Vice

- GSAED Updates?
  - Funding approved for a mental health case coordinator at uOttawa (goal is to have them hired for early August)
- SEPH Assembly updates
  - o Accreditation report: 92% employment rate from SEPH alumni
- Pan Canadian Public Health Student Network
  - All students can join Facebook page if interested.
  - Next meeting is on June 9th at 5:00pm.

## Vice President, Academic Affairs

- Updates?
- To book handover with Bias and Irina
- Meeting with Melissa & Claire Kendall re: Epi Outreach (similar to let's talk science, but Epi focused).
- "Sit with SEPH" research paper vs thesis including milestones, including personal accounts by students. At the end, include a small discussion about "fast-tracking".
- Attend Graduate Studies Council meeting (next week)

#### Vice President, Wellness

- Absent
- Consider welcome week?
- First year departmental BINGO (note: ~65 students incoming; make this a welcome week initiative).
- Think of ways students can connect
- Trivia night!
- Movie night

#### Vice President, Financial Affairs

No updates

#### Vice President, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion

- Updates?
- Adopt BDS
  - Will discuss next meeting;
  - Adopting entails boycotting certain organizations
  - This is an important issue, and if we issue a statement on something we need to be consistent (and consider this an ongoing thing).
  - How do we do this? (Rola met with Melissa regarding this issue. SEPH GSA can take a stance on this, but the school will not be).
    - Could put on our social media, could send in an email, could put on our website.
  - Canadian Federation of Students (CFS our governing local bodγ) supports/approves GSA's to take a stance

## **Round Table**

## **Council Meeting**

- First Friday of every month at 4:00pm (virtual) with the exception of next month (due to Canada Day. "Summer of Kindness" students get July 2nd off).
- Send around our Zoom invites in an email so that student body can attend

#### **GSA Slack Channel**

- Support!
- Charles to look into this

#### Biweekly/Monthly Email Updates

- Support!
- Will do monthly emails ST to start in end of June/beginning of July.
- "if you have any ideas" at end of each email (general feedback)

#### Start Thinking of Ideas for Welcome Week

#### Website/Council Profile

- Blogs → sort of used?
- Would be the most useful if VP Admin were to drop any important document/updates that are sent from departmental/University email onto the website to keep it active/updated.
- Charles to get in touch with Sebastian for website hand-off
- Put website/social media links in our email signature.

## Suggestions/comments?

# **Next Meeting**

Friday July 9th @ 4:00pm (Happy Canada Day!)

## **Administrative Note**

#### **SEPHGSA Archives Project**

These minutes were compiled as part of an archival project to collate the minutes of past SEPHGSA Executive Council Meetings into a complete archive on the SEPHGSA website. The goal of this project is to provide a complete record of SEPHGSA activities in so far as we are able

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