

January Council Meeting

University of Windsor Science Society

Monday, January 24th, 8PM - 9 PM

Location: Zoom

Attendance: Nellie, Lithmi, Renil, Nikko, Chloe, Mihir, Caroline, Jaclyn, Nikola, Jeffrey, Cassidy, Jana, Seeret, Aaryan, Olivia, Monika, Alexa, Victoria, Anumita, Aiden, Aya, Annice, Filip, Ishita, Burhan,

Absences: Jana, Matteo

Item	Description	
1	Call to Order	8:03pm
2	Approval of Agenda	YES
3	Approval of Minutes	YES
4	Chair's Business	NO
5	Introductions	
6	Discussion Items 6.1 Frost Week Debrief <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Speed Friending• Trivia Night x CSS• T-shirt Pick-up• Free Treat Thursday• Meet the Prof• Cooking Competition• Lab Tinder• First year study squad 6.2 Representative Updates 6.3 Merch Update 6.4 Council Member of the Month 6.5 Can Drive 6.6 Open Letter to Science Faculty Update 6.7 Elections 6.8 Alumni Coordinator Update	

7	Question Period	
8	New Business - Reach out to any connections for lottery prize donations.	
	Meeting Outcomes -Merch launch scheduled for mid to late feb -Renee Council member of the month -Jaclyn, Cassidy, Renee to create TikTok can drive -Continue to discuss open letter (academic integrity, Tuition costs, etc) -Tour post/Destination Video Sci lounge -Exec elections coming up in February	
9	Adjournment	9:02pm

Notification post Tuesday Feb 1st

UPDATE: -Nomination period 12 AM Tuesday February 8th - 3:00 PM Thursday February 10th

-All Candidates Meeting Friday Feb 11th TBD

-Campaigning period 12:00 AM Monday February 14th - 11:59 PM Wednesday February 16th

-Voting period 8:00 AM Thursday February 17 - 11:59 PM Friday February 18th

Discussion Items:

6.1 Frost Week Debrief

- Speed Friending

Renee: Event went well, a bit less participation than previous time

- Trivia Night x CSS

Cassidy: Event went well

- T-shirt Pick-up

Outcome- Generally went well, some non-science students came, we will specify in future

- Free Treat Thursday

Maria: Overall went well, not as much participation went, had many extra treats

Jaclyn: We should look into running it until a later time to give a chance for students to come

- Meet the Prof

Mihir: Poor turnout, but event went well, despite being a mandatory event but not everyone went, next time please let us know

Nellie: Going forward we would love to see more participation from council, remember to email scisoc email if you can't attend, you will still get points

- Cooking Competition

Aya: Still going on, encourage more to post and participate

- Lab Tinder

Aya: Still going on, if you know anyone looking for lab partner let them know

- First year study squad

Seeret: We have 38 who joined discord so far, we will promote more

Nellie: We should moderate the discord, any volunteers let me know

6.2 Representative Updates

Monika: UGCC is planning Jeopardy night, doing a movie night for Women in STEM day, come support and spread the word

Renee: USci and Premed collaborated on mock interviews, event went well

6.3 Merch Update

Aaryan: We are thinking out dropping merch in Feb, we have water bottles, mask. We are in the works of setting up Vista Print site.

Nikko: Can you make program specific hoodie since the university already has their own merchandise?

Jaclyn: The design in the tote bag is a bit busy, we can choose the periodic table or the pi symbol

Nellie: I like the graduating class merch I think a lot of 4th years will buy that

Anumita: Colour scheme of tote bag is a bit busy

6.4 Council Member of the Month

Nellie: Council member of the month is Renee, thank you to the other 4 students who helped out

6.5 Can Drive

Cassidy: Occuring this Saturday, sign up is happening right now, if you can please sign up and share graphics, this will support UWSA pantry, top 4 donation will get \$50 of their choice

Outcome- Maybe we should send out an email and include the link, we can also repost the graphics or post it in stories, we can do a TikTok video to promote

Renne: We can give some students ideas of what to donate in the email

6.6 Open Letter to Science Faculty Update

Anumita: Letter was not able to be presented in Dec meeting, we are now scheduled to present February, we will keep advocating for in-person options and fully in-person fall semester

Nikko: Many upper year students do not want to go back in-person. Maybe you can try narrowing down letter to first- and second-year classes.

Renne: We are advocating options not fully in-person, the numbers we received showed students agreeing with us. We did have a meeting with professors, they were receptive to our feedback

Victoria: We can add a point on academic dishonesty

Nellie: We can create a post of various locations, we can give students a tour of campus, we should make it exciting to go back to campus

Anumita: We can try to speak on the quality of professors lectures, will quiet study space be open, we can do a video on how to get to science lounge, etc

Nellie: Yes, with limited capacity

Jaclyn: We should do highlight reel to make coming back into campus fun

Seeret: I think making the video on how to get to science lounge, certain labs, etc it will be helpful

Nellie: We are planning on getting content to make a promotional video for SciSoc by the end of the year.

Renee: Destination Science is spotlighting certain locations on their Instagram, we can add our own spin to it and call it Sci Spots

Anumita: We should add SciSoc office as one of the destinations

Lithmi: Can we use old videos for the video?

Maria: We have pictures but not much video to show

Aiden: We can repost the video we have made last year

Nikko: Might be better idea to do a new video

Anumita: Maybe we can get a hold of a video made from t-shirt pick up in fall

Jaclyn: We can add more faces to video to make it more lively, but the video filmed was also good

6.7 Elections

Nikko: Executive elections coming up in February, there will be an entire new team next year, we encourage you all to participate. We want to get results before reading week, check out the constitution about details of roles

Nellie: You need to be on council for at least 1 year to run for president

6.8 Alumni Coordinator Update

Aiden: Nellie and I are interviewing new coordinator so we will have a new member joining us soo.

Question period

Anumita: Someone asked about ratification under SciSoc, who can I direct this question to?

Nikko: We just make a connection with us and nothing to do with how they run their club

Anumita: Are we returning to in-person wellness wednesday?

Aya: Yes, we will set up in science lounge

Maria: Are we returning to in-person office hours?

Nellie: Only departmental clubs are ratified under us, we would to ask UWSA for associated clubs

Renee: If student is interested in starting a club but not getting any answers from UWSA should I direct them to science rep?

Nellie: Yes

Jaelyn: You can direct message Jasleen on Instagram if you want to try that

New business

Cassidy: Please reach out to any connections you have.

Anumita: When is our gala/lottery? In person?

Cassidy: April 1st, we will do gala in person and lottery can be online if needed