

**The regular meeting of the MSC was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Sybil Zachariah.**

**Members present: Sybil Zachariah, Abraar Karan, Justin Koh, Alfred Yoon, Max Goldstein, Claire Eliasberg, Chris Redgate, Sarah Young, Ivana Jankovic, Maita Kuvhenguhwa, Michael Ayoub, Meredith Szumski, Mitsue Yokota, Dr. Parker, Jason Scapa, Allie Roe, Will Toppen**

1. **Welcome and Quorum**
2. **Approval of the Minutes**
   1. *motion approved unanimously*
3. **Officer Reports** 
   1. MS1 President (Abraar)
      1. in block 5 now
      2. had Grad Games and BBQ
      3. holding class lecture series
      4. sent out class newsletter
      5. Ceremony of Thanks this week
   2. MS2 President (Max)
      1. studying for boards right now
      2. holding an event next week in Wilson Lounge for MS2s
      3. had Banquet, which was a success
   3. MS3 President (Chris)
      1. people are already on or just started their last rotations
      2. will then start 4th year and Sub I’s
   4. MS4 President (Sybil)
      1. graduating in 2 weeks
      2. just about everyone is done with rotations
   5. Drew Rep (Maita)
      1. 4th years are finishing thesis projects
      2. Garden project 🡪 service learning project for MS1s and MS3s
         1. will be sometime this month
         2. all Drew students
   6. MSTP Rep (Ivana)
      1. second years are taking boards and getting ready to start in labs
      2. people currently in labs are just working
4. **Committee Reports**
   1. Budget Committee (Sarah)
      1. had last meeting
      2. approved three different proposals
      3. want to address some issues that have been unclear in the past; will be working on this in the July meeting
5. **New Business**
   1. ITEM A: Pathology Interest Group Application (Jason Scapa)
      1. Pathology is one of the few specialties that is not represented by an interest group
      2. Dr. Stark would be the faculty advisor
      3. would like to have pathology review sessions before block exams
      4. ***motion to approve group passed unanimously***
   2. ITEM B: Operation Salvation Student Organization Application (Allie Roe, Will Toppen)
      1. proposal:
         1. hoping to be a student-run organization that goes to Salvation Army housing facility; two-thirds of the residents are children; goal would be to educate children about healthy living
         2. the facility has its own programs for adults, but none are really geared toward children
         3. would select and train students to go to do this and then students would visit monthly on a weekday afternoon
      2. other groups with similar goals/interests: Lifestyle Medicine Interest Group, Anatomy Academy Selective
      3. concerns: would like to see an agreement in place with the Salvation Army (forms, background checks, finger-printing, etc.)
      4. but, in general, MSC feels like this is a good idea
      5. ***motion to table passed unanimously***
   3. ITEM C: Town Hall discussion for new 3rd year grading (Chris Redgate)
      1. current grading system
         1. students currently get a numerical score clinical score and a shelf score; they may or may not get a letter of distinction based on these factors
         2. 22% of students agree with current system and 50% don’t think it’s fair
      2. MEC has been meeting to discuss this
         1. MEC proposed moving to a 4 point grading scale
         2. goal is to have a decision in place by next February (2014)
         3. would also like to hold town halls to get more student opinions
            1. would like to include the opinions of current 4th years
            2. will try to set something up for Tuesday of next week
            3. put together a presentation that can them be disseminated to the rest of the medical students and then decide how to proceed from there
   4. ITEM D: Google Groups Discussion (Chris Redgate)
      1. typically the first year class makes a google group for the incoming class to use for student issues/social events, but current MS2s and MS1s use it mostly for school-related things
      2. up to MS1s how they want to set up the group for next year
   5. ITEM E: 2013-2014 Goals (Chris Redgate)
      1. bring any ideas or concerns you may have to Chris – talk to him directly or email him
      2. want to start forming more subcommittees
      3. expect email around the beginning of June for a retreat date at the beginning of July
   6. ITEM F: Geffy Guide (Sarah Young)
      1. want to pass off the editing and distribution responsibilities to the MS1s
      2. could do a last review of it at the retreat and have a final version at that time
      3. post it online and have a printed version for the incoming MS1s
   7. ITEM G: MSC Webmaster (Abraar Karan)
      1. a first or second year student (just one student for all four classes) who would be responsible for posting pictures online, interesting articles, op-ed pieces, etc.
      2. some MS1s would be very interested in doing it
      3. concerns: would have to have a specific job description for this position, need to talk to IT to develop a mechanism to get this set up, would need to have someone with legitimate experience
      4. plan: bring some IT representatives to the next meeting to talk about our concerns
6. **Adjournment**
   1. *motion to adjourn passed unanimously*
7. **Reflections**

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:42PM by Sybil.**