

## AGSIP AGM May 2018

**Present:** Tina, Kat, Alexandra, Robyn, Laura, Lindsey, Meghan, Geoff, Kayla, Pelin, Kalee, Chloe, Thomas, Andrew, Dan, Caitlin, Melissa

**Regrets:** Steve, Maddy

### **Updates:**

#### **Clinical**

- Chloe – clinical rep - wants to stay on
  - This was the first year they got rid of lunchtime brown bags
  - Now have full day or two-day workshops to get in-depth clinical skills
  - Chloe planned these
  - Have had one so far – very well attended (clinical psych, psychiatry etc.)
  - One per semester moving forward – suicide assessment and ACT coming up
  - Faculty provided funding for this – they are on board
  - 125\$ for a one-day workshop
  - May be able to subsidize costs moving forward
- Mellissa – clinical rep – won't be moving forward so she can focus on self-care squad
  - Assisted with planning workshops
  - PD Friday feedback –not positive feedback but got many good suggestions on what people want moving forward
  - There will be a meeting to discuss ideas moving forward – combine research and clinical topics (have one per session)
  - Attended department meetings
- Tanya is done with her two-year term this year

#### **Social**

- Participant pool committee – going okay – Thomas will continue on with this
- Andrew will take on social rep role, but Thomas will continue with participant pool aspect of this
- After hours policy – maybe getting revised? – got student feedback on this
- Second year subject pool went well – credits are up and more participation in studies
- Alternative assignments will be implemented across the board – for both first and second year pools – only two people in total did the alternative assignment option
- Maybe just have one assignment per lab instead of one per study
- Maybe extract data from SONA about how many people came in vs how many spots were open to run people in the lab
- Up to the prof whether or not they want to have the subject pool – some have grade ceiling issues, so they opt to not do this

#### **Developmental**

- Kalee will stay on as rep

- Increasing applications – we did well on this – 4-6 new MSc1s starting in the Fall
- What helped with this? - Talked more to colleagues in the area, had a poster that was sent out, had an info night a few years ago
- Will have a follow-up question that asks students why they chose Queen's to get a better idea of what is helping with enrolment
- Hoping to do a Fall info session (whole day or just a night) to help increase people applying to the program – Caitlin interested in helping with this

### **BBCS**

- Steve is not here but gave Laura some updates
- Niko Troje is leaving the department for a new job
- Monica is taking over as area chair in September
- Maddy is interested in being BBCS rep

### **Social**

- Dan will stay on
- Year before this last one the committee tried to have more events, but in the past year they cut down on them because they weren't well attended
- Don't promote events as drinking events but ones that do have alcohol tend to be better attended
- Put more into the events that are already good – make them less about drinking and add things to them to attract more people – have things like board games and other events so it's more game-based or add in competitions – structured fun! (organize based on area, or color - make teams etc. and have points and win prize at the end of the year?)

### **Other Updates**

- Webmaster is good for someone on social committee - Alexandra can do it if need be – very easy if you're good with Facebook – more work earlier in the school year – maybe do photos of AGSIP members with names and bios – do every two years
  - Dan interested in taking on role of webmaster
- TA committee position – Alexandra will make up a summary in a newsletter which will give updates – won't be drastic changes in the upcoming year – one big change is that contracts will be based on number of hours – maybe have a survey that collects information on how many hours TAs were, what kind of contact they had with students etc. (Kailee interested in this – maybe start working on that this summer – will meet with Tara to discuss)
- Research ethics – Alison will not continue as her two years are done now and Lindsey will take the role – Alison made a guide to help person in this role
- Grad rep – not many grad committee meetings – Kalee will stay on
- Student mentor – not many people using it this year – may send some more emails to remind students about it as an option for someone to talk to – Kalee will do this again

- Make first day (during orientation in September) presentation a bit smaller – maybe one big graphic and present that so it's a bit less intimidating
- Secretary – Kat liked it and will do it again
- Treasurer – keep a spreadsheet and don't lose money
  - Most events lost money and house crawl maybe broke even
  - Halloween party made a lot of money because there is no overhead to book at Grad Club
  - Other account with a lot of money – having issues getting money transferred out of it – Geoff and Lindsey continuing to help work on this – if we get it sorted out we can maybe put a faculty on it
- VP - Meghan wants to continue – did USAT evaluations – now all grad courses get evaluated and evaluations get stored until there are 10 or more – TA evaluations also sent out once a semester – now have a Qualtrics survey that will evaluate how students thought courses met the learning objectives – no professors used this
- Co-pres – update from Geoff
  - lots of hiring this past year, communication with head of department and chair of grad studies, hiring stuff was excessive – same person has to go to all talks of one area, so you give everyone a fair chance – was rewarding but a lot of work
  - more hiring is going to take place
  - departmental meetings – a lot cancelled and feeling like student voices aren't being heard, good to have both presidents there for all meetings
- Neuroscience rep – Josh - discuss who might take over this role when he graduates

### SGPS

- Dan will do this again
- Dan had lots of fun
- We don't have more dental
- Got bus passes again

### **New People**

- Tina – interested in social
- Kayla – interested in clinical rep
- Steph W – interested in clinical rep
- Pelin – interested in anything admin – probably treasurer – interested in hiring process
- Andrew – interested in social area rep

### **Election**

- Co-pres – Alison and Steve
- VP – Meghan
- Treasurer – Pelin
- Secretary – Kat
- Social – Dan, Tina, Kat, Larah (expressed interest in being a part of it after the meeting), Alexandra (only attend meetings at beginning and can help intermittently)

- BBCS area rep – Maddy
- Clinical reps – Chloe, Kayla, Steph W, Alexandra (one has to be QHIP rep)
- Developmental rep – Kalee
- Social rep – Andrew
- Neuroscience rep – Josh
- Webmaster – Dan
- SGPS – Dan
- Ethics – Lindsey
- Grad reps – Scott, Caitlin, Kalee
- Animal care – Laura will contact Chloe S and see if she is willing and able to continue on in this role