

MUSSA Council Meeting
April 8, 2014 5-6 PM
Faculty of Information, Room 306

In attendance: Robyn Bosnyak, Lauren Williams, Nora Venezky, Lily Jackson, Desiree Fuller, Kristen Atkins, Nicole Ritchie, Jordan-na Belle-Isle, Sanja Ljaskevic, Cady Moyer, Marianne Williams

Regrets: Robin Nelson, Melissa Smith, Meaghan Dalby, Abigail Baker-Bigauskas

Guests (MUSSA 2014-2015): Alexander Somerville, Jaime Clifton-Ross, Allison Morey, Katrina Cohen-Palacios

1. Call to order at 5:00PM

2. Executive Reports

President (Robyn)

- Election Results
 - Executive
 - President – Nicole Ritchie
 - Vice-President – Lily Jackson
 - Social Chair – Alexander Somerville
 - Second Year – Alexandra Jeffery
 - Musings Co-Editor – Jaime Clifton-Ross
 - Committee Representatives
 - MISC-MUSSA Liaison – Marianna Willaims
 - Admissions Committee – Allison Morey
 - Alumni Association – Katrina Cohen-Palacios
 - Information Services – Cady Moyer
 - Life and Times Committee – Cady Moyer
 - Programs – Kristen Atkins
 - Committee on Standing – Sanja Ljaskevic
 - Tech Fund (2nd Year) – Jordan-na Belle-Isle
- Student Survey Meeting with Faculty
 - Robyn and Lauren met with faculty to discuss results
 - All were very receptive
 - Major issues were balance between theory and practice and large class sizes
- CMA Conference
 - Costis and Irina asked for MUSSA to consider ways to help with the high cost for students next year
- Final Budget
 - Spent approximately 90% of total budget

Vice-President (Lauren)

- working on transition handbook for incoming president and vice-president

Social Chair (Melissa)

- End-of-Year Party & Exhibition Projects Celebration on Friday April 11th

Second Year Representative (Nora)

- Merchandise Sales
 - Not enough t-shirts were ordered to make it affordable
 - Looking at making iron-on designs
- Class Rep Pizza Party
 - Good turnout
- Gardiner museum visit
 - 18 people expressed interest only 5 showed up

First Year Representative (Nicole)

- Nothing to report

Treasurer (Lily)

- Nothing to report

Secretary (Abigail)

- Absent – Nothing to Report

Musings Co-Editor (Meaghan [Jaime])

- Going to go over results of student survey in meeting Friday
 - Concern over length of posts
 - Too many every week
 - Changing interface
 - Lightening up the load the summer
 - Different media
 - Not as much professor buy in

MISC-MUSSA Liaison (Sanja)

- Is it possible to expand the liaison position?
- Can it be a CRO representative?
 - Someone who can represent cro interests
 - Registering for classes

3. Committee Reports

Graduate Students Union (Lauren)

- CFS petition unsuccessful

Admissions (Marianne)

- Informal survey to give to committee

Alumni Association (Robin)

- Meeting April 16th

Information Services (Nora)

- Inforum collections development policy (has been 15+years)
- Want student input
- If you want to see a draft of the policy ask Nora
- Free access to Inforum for alumni
- Professional development section

Life and Times (Cady)

- Last iTea last week
- More connection between museum studies students and the rest of the iSchool using the committee to create more connections

Programs (Kristen)

- Nothing to report

Committee on Standing (Kristen)

- Nothing to report

Tech Fund (Desiree and Jordan-na)

- Cara asked about mount making workshop in the summer

4. Adjournment at 6:00PM