

Student InterCouncil Meeting

Monday, October 17, 2022
UCT 1726, 530pm – 7:30pm

- I. Quorum, Call to Order, Approval of Minutes Kate Wall, President
Kate polled the members for any objections or corrections to the minutes for September 19 2022. Upon motion made and seconded, the minutes were unanimously approved, as presented.
- II. Safety, Health, Environment & Risk Management Robert "Safety Bob" Emey, DrPH
Vice President for Safety, Health, Environment & Risk Management

Safety Bob gave the following updates:

- x 1. N95 Fit testing will accommodate ~~w/it~~ schools
- x 2. UTHealth Houston Alert – state law requires that all students be enrolled
 - o UTHealth Alerts send notifications about imminent weather and other emergencies
 - o The university never closes, but cargo to controlled access for students and faculty
 - f Classroom instruction will be up to faculty, whether it will be online or cancelled
 - o Inpatient care will happen at HCPC during emergencies
- x Safety Tests are mandated twice a year
- x Next upgrade of UTHealth Houston mobile app will come out soon
- x Nov 9-10 Safety and UTPD, will conduct a lighting walking
 - o They will walk migratory path of students and will improve student lighting
 - o Lighting issues should be reported to Safety Management
- x Questions/Comments to reach out to her.
- o Elnora- Can you clarify the difference of safety and security
 - f The difference is Intent
 - x Safety is a part of being secure against unintended threats
 - x Security is looking at aspects of malicious intent
 - o i.e. Someone coming into campus to do harm

- II. Fall Events and Dates Kate Wall, President

Kate gave the following updates:

- A. It was brought up in Slack that some SIC members would like to change the meeting start time to 6:00pm from 5:30pm
- B. A motion was made to vote for moving the Nov. 14 meeting time to 5:30-7:00pm or 6:00-7:30pm
- a) Majority vote : the meeting will continue at 5:30 -7:00pm
- C. Kate proposed if anyone is willing to be the point of contact with Alumni Engagement to be involved with possible partnership and sponsor the crawfish boil
- D. Jayanta advised that Melissa had him attended the last meeting and Alumni Engagement wants to work closely with SIC and any upcoming events

- a) Jayanta and Divanshi will work with Alumni Engagement
- E. Salutation Review
 - a) Kate announced that the event went smoothly
 - b) She thanked Yuliana and Nedra for helping put on the event
- F. Wellness Week (Close Out w/-person Sports Day)
 - a) Will take place the week of November-7-12

IV. Budget/Project Funding Updates

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- ii. Redo budget
- c) A motion was made to vote on combining the Community Outreach budget with the Wellness Week budget
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F. Diversity Committee (DC)

- a) DC plans to launch a Humans of New York Campaign
 - i. Collaborating with PR by highlighting students from each school
 - a. DC will be accepting nomination for students
- b) DC is working on closing the gap on diversity
 - i. Lunch and Learn Events
 - a. Will highlight changes at UTHealth Houston in terms of diversity
 - b. Speakers do not have to be outside guests but can be someone from UTHealth Houston
 - ii. UTHealth Houston DEI Consortia
 - a. Information and networking opportunities regarding DEI across all UTHealth Houston schools and their SGO with the goal of unionizing efforts between all professional schools
 - iii. Diversity Fair with SPH
 - a. Will reach out at the end of November for collaborating and updates
 - b. Budget will come out of project funding
 - c. Will have a budget breakdown for next meeting

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VI. Advisor Announcements and SIC Business

Nedra Booker, SIC Advisor
Yuliana Nunez, SIC Advisor

VII. Adjournment