

6SCISOC JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

Date: January 9th, 2025

Time: 6pm

Location: Essex Hall Rm 109

▶ **Attendance and Call to Order at ___6:05___.**

Lauren, andrew, nick, kaley, bronte, kevin, renil, maggie, Alexia, sofia, laura, adam, giulia, tejas, lindsey, sabrina, frank, michael, aiden, kate, samantha, kaitlin, olivia, olivia, erika, reem, reanna, nishanth, tia, alejandra, mia, seeret, lisa, Fawaz, Tyler, Rawan, Areeb, jana, angelina, Silvia, connor, jacob, daniella, hayley, nick

▶ **Approval of Current Meeting Agenda? y/n**

▶ **Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes? y/n**

▶ **Introduction**

▶ **Discussion Items**

a. Gala Updates + Discussion (Lauren)

a. Lauren: have sold 220 tickets, if you haven't bought your ticket yet buy them and encourage your friends to buy tickets! Ticket sales are open until Saturday at 11:59pm. If you are available Friday January 17th to meet at Ciocario club to set up please come! Going to try to assemble a balloon arch. Want everything done the day before so nothing needs to be done the day of. Please come by 5, doors open at 6. Will have a registration and raffle sign up. Will also ask Scisquad to help. Excel sheet will be sent in slack – please sign up for one of the 3 activities – night before set up, raffle ticket sales, registration. After party will be at Disco Inferno and Bull and Barrel (connected) - will have QR code sent – will be on phone, will get free entry and one free drink. Will send out link around 10/10:30pm because the gala goes until 11. Will have drinks of the night – thinking of doing 2 (Hollywood Spritz – Aperol Spritz, Hollywood Martini) 1-2\$ of every sale goes to our charity.

Putting together slideshow to be projected on the screen the night of the gala – will have awards – want to show case fun events we have done so far, if anyone has any photos please send them! If any questions, reach out!

- b. Lauren: there is nothing booked the day before the gala, so we will be able to go and set up the venue. Will be around 6, even if you cant come the whole time
 - c. Jana: will we be selling tickets at the door
 - d. Lauren: good idea, but its not possible because Ciocario club needs numbers ahead of time, maybe we can get rounded number of tickets to sell at the door, but prob wont.
- b. Sponsorship Updates (Adam)
- a. Adam: has been going pretty well, reached out to a lot of people over the break. In a position where we havwe a good number of raffle prizes, but definitely less than last year. Last year had 9 baskets, doing final push this weekend so we can start organizing. Adam has a list of various businesses which have not been reached out to, would be great if people could reach out. Issue is time, if anyone hasn't reach out and people do have time, come to Adam to get the list. We only have 20 packages left, so we are emailing many businesses, but some we have to go in person. Right now, we will be making the baskets the night before while we are setting up. Also, normally we advertise 1-2 weeks before gala, this year we will start online ticket sales on day of gala, we are going to find a day the week after the gala where instead of office hours you will be in the science lounge to sell tickets.
 - b. Alejandra: I have collected raffle prizes, where should i bring them?
 - c. Adam: text me on slack, can find a day on campus to give them to me, or bring them the day before gala during set up.
 - d. Connor: princeton review sponsored last year and gave text books, they rlly want to partner with scisoc, this year they want to give 4 text books, 2 50% off course give away codes. Can be seperate or together. They want to make the raffle that when someone puts in a ticket, get name/number/email. Just the people that want to get that prize.

- e. Jana: last year talked about scisoc/princeton review collab, problem was wrong was that scisoc members got special priveleges. It is a good idea to give people ability to consent to give info to princeton, so they can pick. Should be able to opt in to having their info shared. Do we wan people to opt in or opt out
- f. Nishanth – why dont we just have a specific person working that basket to tell them, and we can have a questiun online
- g. Adam – easy to do the basket seperately, everyone fills out the ticket with their info anyway, even if its just someone mentioning they might ne reached out to. If we just had 1 person making sure to always let people know their info wil be shared
- h. Maggie: could we have a sign informing people their info will be shared if they enter this raffle basket “if you enter this raffle basket you are consenting to ur info being shared”
- i. Connor – people can be opt out, maybe just mark ticket saying they dont want this
- j. Lauren – when you enter the raffle is everyones name on ticket, we could always look throuhg the names saying hey you entered princeton review do you consent to info being shared?
- k. Sofia – what are they consenting to
- l. Connor – usually do check boxes of what they are interested in. Could make custon thing and send an inital email asking if they are interetsed in getting emails, if yes, can have them chedck which info they would like to reciev (MCAT, LSAT)
- m. Adam – when we were tryig to do partnership last year, it was that if someone is interested they can join as a volunteer and access the discount
- n. Jana: as long as ppl kow this opportunity exists, its fine, people can reach out to execs.
- o. Adam – reach out!
- c. Awards Updates (Lindsey)
 - a. Lindsey: the award nominations closed a few days ago, all anonymoius, took all submissions, removed pronouns, departments, names etc – completely anonomous – got sent to judges panel which consits of one indiviudal from each

science department not on scisoc. They have been judging the nominations. Half of them are in and they are due tmrw so the other half will come soon (for external awards), execs had a meeting a couple of days ago to do internal awards for scisoc members, have been chosen and trophy boys is making the plaques made. Any questions?

d. Wellness stuff (Lindsey)

a. Zumba night

- i. Lindsey – did this last year, had a lady come in and do it in caw gym, partermed with sciof relief – reanna is a zumba instructor
- ii. Reanna – throguh membership throguh tuition, you have access to whoel facility including classes, there are a lot of different classes that are completely free, some classes require a fee (lifting classes etc), but most are free. On lancer ig account.
- iii. Lindsey – we are thinking we will set up a time for reanna to teach zumba – if you ahve any ideas for wellness events this semester – ask lindsey. I know some people want dog therapy, but the lady that runs it was no very happy witj the accessiblity of the uilding, maybe we do core atrium again
- iv. Nishanth – didnt they make a rule change this year saying they cant have pets in essex, we might not be allowed pets in by laws
- v. Jana – will look into the by laws, also think that if the dogs are thetapy dogs or trained as service animal dogs the rules wouldnt apply for them. UWSA bought cotton candy machine that everyone can use, maybe can use this at a wellness wednesday.
- vi. Jacob: bcn gala had 3 cotton candy machines last year, maybe we bring one this year, everyone could amke it themselves, can ask where they got it
- vii. Maggie – some of them were from people on the tea,m, made a bunch the morning of anf some people the night of – pre packaged. Maggies dad knows someone who can rent, but if interested we can look into it

- viii. Jacob: i think i know someone who has one, maybe can bring it
- ix. Lauren – when is coton candy machine coming in
- x. Jana – can see if we can use it at gala, or can ask hamza, ordered it a monyth ago so it should be here
- xi. Lindsey – maybe for gala or for wllness wednesday
- xii. Sofia – has griddle
- xiii. Alejandra – has a popcorn machine, will bring it to the gala
- xiv. Lauren – will have late night snack around 9:30/10pm - one pizza to each table
- xv. Jana – doing free champahne before?
- xvi. Lauren – yes, doors open at 6, pls come between 5 and 6, champagne served between 6 and 7, dinner at 7, awards after, dance floor afer, then after party
- xvii. Seeret – for pancake, i know we did mcdonalds one year.
- xviii. Jana – mcdonalds is boycot, prefer if we didnt get mcdonaslds
- xix. Jacob – is this because of food safety concerns that we cant make it?
- xx. Renil – more for convenience
- xxi. Lindsey – any other wllness concerns/questions
- xxii. Kaitlin – if u want to do therapy dogs, last sem werent avaiable, maybe colab with sci of releif bc they do it every year?

b. Wellness corner

- i. Lindsey – restocked, more healthy food, made snacks more filling. If you ever have suggestions message lindsey!

c. BCNSA collab – Stacks for STEM

- i. Lindsey: joining bcnsa for defrazzling brain week, we will do a free breakfast event with them (core atrium or sci lounge) - thinking to do pancakes – reached out to engsoc to see if we could use their grill. If we cant to that we can get donuts, muffins etc

e. Office Hours/Promoting Gala (Renil)

- f. Renil: schdeule in slack – only for reps, start next monday (13th)

- g. Renil – ticket sales end saturday, will send out another mass email and have everyone promote the gala, if you have office hours tmrw tell them to buy their ticket**
- h. Maggie – after this meeting we will film tiktok to promote gala, anyone interested in helping see maggie/renil after meeting**
- i. Renil – relay for life sign up link has been put in slack, all execs will prob be there.**

▶ Question Period

Nishanth – first year game night?

Arreeb: got togethyer and talked, using sci lounge, wanted to know what people did in past years. Will be end of march,

Are there specific guidleines?

Renil: no, have games set up and then have othert things, have a cash prize, let renil knwo

Lindsey: can also have food there, maybe pizza, send someone and get reimbursed

Jana – march will be ram, figure out a good time for people fasting and not fasting.

Renil – what time can break fast

Jana – will be night in march

Renil – maybe have some left over to take home

Nishanth – have uno decks from past years

Jana – library can also rent games

Seeret – have many games from the last, also like using game night as a social, will hav a good turnout so have fun planning it, no pressure

Lindsey – if you guys havent gone to gala, generally people change after the gala for the after party, if you havea very night outfit, might not want tyo wear it downtown, but its your choice. Guys typically just taker jacket and tie off

Fawaz – does attire have to match them

Renil – no

Lauren – formal attire, just to clairfy, scientists in the spotlight, hollywood theme, have red carpet, red, black and gold, can dress to theme but dont have to, also ciocaro club has a coat check, going to ask if they can coat check clothing changes – then anyone who wants to go right there can do that. Also for transporttion make sure everyone is safe, will have print outs of drinks of the night with uber and taxi info

Gulia – do disco inferno tickets allow us to cut line

Lauren – we have out own line, sign up ansd give name online then scan qr code when u get there

Jana – if not going to after part can u give free drink to someone else

Rneil – give your own qr code to someone else

Jana – agm – should we start to scheuel it now so its before the period ends – I

Renil - last week of april bc period starts in may

Jana – maybe last day of exams or day after ladt day

Lindsey – also have to think of thesis presentations – week after exams

Renil – Monday of last week of April is probably best

Jacob what is an agm,

Jana – agm is annual general meeting, each corporation/society will have an agm – we are the council, but we need more people to make larger changes, we have agm to include all science students making decisions. Agm is for people to make motions, bring in ideas, make big policy changes, under by laws we need to have one. Very important. Usually just small constitutional changes for Scisoc. People get gift cards to show up to agm! Last year \$5 whamburg gift cards

- No questions.

► Departmental and Committee Reports

- The following are the departments that make up UWin Science (and that you all represent 😊). In future meetings, we'll ask for a quick report of any updates from your dept.
 - Arts and Sciences
 - Integrative Bio
 - Nishanth – BSU have trivia night on Monday at whamburg, students vs faculty, prizes plus giving away free gala ticket
 - Bcnsa – defrazzling brain week first week of February – many events being put on throughout the week – don't have to be in bcn
 - Seerey – collab paint night, replicating vision impairment to mimic, there are limited spots, spots will go out tonight or tomorrow morning
 - Biomed
 - Lindsey – Jan 25th premed soc is doing mock interview event, day long thing with different stations set up, med, dent students, physicians come to help, set up real interview setting, great opportunity to practice interview skills with people who have recently been successful, can help with prep for interviews, lunch will be served, keep it on our radar, all info will come out soon, entire core booked for the day, go room to room.
 - Connor – FMSF – want to do faculty + student bowling – gauging interest
 - Reem – ugcc would join
 - Nishanth – bsu can join
 - Maggie – prob bcnsa
 - Forensics
 - Economics
 - Earth and Environmental Sci
 - Chem and Biochem
 - Reem – ugcc doing a prof talk tmrw, going to have someone talking about grad school at uoft, will do workshop, will have pizza. Will be in fishbowl (essex 254)
 - Math and Stats
 - Physics
 - Michael – physics will be doing interdisciplinary lecture series – first one is Jan 31s with computer science, will be cool, will try to do every other week. Will be 4 total. Will also just be regular physics ones! First week of Feb – it is year of quantum – doing opening ceremony first week of Feb. Also planning interstellar movie night in Feb.
 - General Science

▶ **New Business**

- Renil – got lanyards and stickers to give away this year, let renil know if you want one

▶ **Meeting Adjournment at ___6:53pm___.**



Action Items

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