



Social Science Students' Council Meeting  
UCC 37  
November 1st, 2016  
5:30pm

1. Call to Order
  - 5:32
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of the Agenda
  - motion to have presentation – ally training
  - motion to move dep rep election sooner - passed
4. Ally @ Ivey Presentation by David DiBrina
  - Acknowledgment of Indigenous Land
  - Increase inclusivity on campus, empower those who wish to be an ally, create a visible network of support, promote diversity, advocate for equitable change
  - What is a safe space?
    - Carolyn: safe space is positive, welcoming
    - Anastasia: does promote discussion, given opportunity to speak, may censor people's opinion
    - definition from David: space where you do not feel scared or oppressed to speak your mind and room for clarification
  - Allyship:
    - What is Allyship
      - Carolyn: support resource
      - Nico: promoting inclusive behaviour
      - Trevor: extends to everyone
    - Culture Redefine: Western Culture, SSSC role
  - Intersectionality
    - Mitchell: intermixing of different race, genders and what we classify society as
    - Zach: different parts of our identity that make up how we interact
    - David: language, culture, class, age, race, gender, ethnicity, education, sexuality, ability

- 3 examples:
  - Female, single mother, African American, University education, Catholic
    - Chris: university education as a privilege
    - Sexism and racism possible oppressions
  - Male, HIV positive, Upper-Middle Class, Employed Full Time, Married
    - Austin: full time job, upper-middle class
    - Oppression: HIV positive
  - Female, only-child, lower-middle class, learning disability, Immigrant
- Oppression (not discussed)
- Questions:
  - Owen: Events on campus? Ally Western and Ally Ivey both do presentations, creating presentation on topics, problem is lack of knowledge
  - Robert: Comparison of people, topic of discussion, not necessary to identify gender (used as example)
    - David: identifies himself as Gay to avoid discussion during presentation and sharing his story
    - David: female/male, understanding that our society is built on a structure of oppression, lets not generalize but remember that institutionalized oppression exists
  - oppression based more on class or gender? David: individual thought welcomed, his perspective: depends on the individual, David requests filling out the Ally survey

## 5. Council Business

- By election of Department Representatives
  - Coco, 4<sup>th</sup> year, double major political science and BMOS
  - Question: as DAN management rep, what does it mean to you and how would you manage it? Introduce and get people involved, easy to get distracted and forget to get involved in department, scheduled base commitment and will continue to do so
  - Anastasia: scenario, fall preview day and future 1<sup>st</sup> year student asks the difference between MOS and Ivey? Depends on personal goals, DAN often underestimated (internship opportunity), Ivey does not have an option like that. Specialization available within DAN.
  - Shawn: DAN Management and Ivey.. cannibalize off of each other, how can you mitigate these events? Overall big picture is that there are two different goals and mentality, the idea isn't that we shouldn't work together but DAN's goal is to highlight differences to promote

- Rebecca: there are several streams in MOS, how would you bring smaller streams into the fold? Good question, the way that classes are structured, operation for interaction is minimal, look for opportunities for everyone can attend events.
  - Chantal: being a department representative could be on the academics conference as the Keynote speaker, who would you bring (sub-theme is connectivity)? Would advocate for a graduate of DAN if possible; she would advocate for her mentor through DAN who works globally
  - Everyone in favour: no abstentions, passed
6. Members' Announcements
- Sommer: Psychology brown bag series, give a talk for student: Emily Nicholas talking on Nov 4, 3:30 8438
  - Natalie: Ivan Coyote speaking Nov 5 7pm UCC 37, author of 11 books, topic is neither or nor circumventing gender binary, Nov 10 5:30-7:30 UCC community room coffee house
  - Owen: looking for a 3<sup>rd</sup> year junior editor
  - Carolyn: American election panel this Thursday, Mustang Lounge @ 6 and PSA Essay Clinic Nov 9, Talbot college 204 5-9 enrolled in 1020, rough copy of essay and mentors will edit it
  - Kate Holmes: DMSA selling merch, SSSC kiosks ask Chris for merch q's (Baseball T's, Quarter Zips, Shot Glasses)
  - Robyn: anthro society is holding an applying to grad school Nov 10 1:30-2:30
    - POI: helpful to all students? run by anthro professors, when to start what to write
  - GIS day: Nov 16 presentation in map and data library (atrium), map button maker, free food
  - Teagan: thanking everyone for helping with Wellness Marathon
  - Kaitlyn: ISA partnering with department, Nov 11 open to public International affairs atrium
  - Sierra DRO: Transitional justice club is having a panel on what happened in Uganda Nov 10 5:30 SSC 3018
  - Suganya: Nov 16 Wine and Cheese event with professors, you don't have to be in sociology
7. Executive Report
- President's Report
    - Reading Room Update: regret to inform you that the Dean's office is behind, looking to have a grand reveal for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester (food, MTV cribs video, promoting it, open house deal), going to be getting 1 table, seating, couch and boardrooms and table.
      - POI: red tape cutting with scissors? Dean will probably be involved

- Student Donation Fund Survey: 215 responses
- Member Recognition:
  - nominations in the box: unanimous agreement for Teigan
- Updates: council clothing different style and colour (1/4 zip in salt and pepper, SSSC)
  - office access: social science technology services closer to GEO will test your card and ensure it is working
  - POI: what is happening to the old office? Most likely turned into a storage room
  - POI: wellness art? in the room or in the office to promote engagement
- Academics report:
  - Dep rep meet and greet: Nov. 8 between 11-2 (drop in) 2<sup>nd</sup> floor SSC alcove
  - Header photo released tonight
  - Dep rep meeting Nov.8 5:30, meeting with academic portfolio from the soph team to work together
  - Fall preview day: Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> 9am-3pm (SUNDAY), volunteer spreadsheet coming out tonight sign up for at least an hour
  - Conference: budget approved by SDF, offer being made on the speaker
    - POI: signed up for a spot at any time
- Student Events
  - Charity
    - Bottle Drive: October 23<sup>rd</sup>, \$71
    - Volunteering: Boys and Girls Club 5-7pm, Friday Nov 11, Contact Jackie about participating
      - Sommer: background screening? Will update.
      - Jacqueline: kids between 6-13, arts and crafts
  - Formal
    - Friday November 25<sup>th</sup>
    - Doors open at 9pm
      - Which door? Information when contract is finalized
      - event is 17+,
      - students outside of faculties? yes
      - students outside of Western? yes, no H.S.
    - Lookbook: Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup>
    - Tickets:
      - \$10, Monday November 14<sup>th</sup>
      - 14-18<sup>th</sup> tickets will be sold in the office
      - 21-25<sup>th</sup> tickets will be sold in the UCC atrium
    - Council members who sell 10 tickets or more will receive a free ticket

- POI: tilt? Possible to use square for debit and credit, not going to be available online, possible to do through the USC
    - POI: bracelets for those who come to events? Will look into it but won't be in place before formal
  - Events meeting Tuesday Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 7pm
- Communications:
  - Formal lookbook
    - open to any and all social science students
    - google doc on Facebook page
    - shoot date: Nov 6<sup>th</sup> 3:30-5:30 (golden hour)
    - BYOC: bring your own clothing
      - black white navy grey champagne and SS Blue
      - partnered with Elizabeth Noel; fitting on Friday from 12-3 for the shoot on Sunday
    - can't make fitting? send dress size?
    - Carolyn: super cute, super nice super fun employee
  - Braden: what is a lookbook? Anastasia: inspire people to come, marketing cover photos, creating promotional material
- Finance report:
  - SOGS & DOGS
    - share graphics, released today, apply!
    - cool initiative?
  - Operating Budget
    - Summary: Revenue 22,400, Expenses 21,750, Excess Revenue 650, Operating account budget 9,818
    - Alex: what is the @ besides executives? \$800
    - Mitchell: promotions breakdown? Anastasia: advertising budget if she so chooses to use it

## 8. Senate Report

- Mitchell:
  - MTP cut (debated for 1hr, all student senators voted against it)
  - Senators posed a question about why the exam schedule couldn't be released earlier due to costs of flights, international students; purpose for higher level of education is *for* students
- Chelsea: Senate meeting, Friday Nov 18<sup>th</sup> 1:30 Arts and Humanities 1R40

## 9. USC Report

- Corrinne, SSSC councilor:
  - council received a mental health presentation, strategists met with council and offered presentation
  - available room in basement of UCC to rent across from WEC
    - Alex: essentially does not require an event proposal

- Rebecca: speak to AVP Clubs for questions
- POI: purpose? to hold meetings for clubs essentially
  - spoke 3-5 office hours with executive
  - website is live
  - election nominations happening December 5<sup>th</sup>
- Questions about executive positions on Senate/USC? Inquire with Mitchell, Rebecca, Chelsea, Corinne, Courtney

#### 10. Roll Call

#### 11. Adjournment

- 7:05