

SIMSA Meeting Minutes – March 10 2017

Present: Alice Albarda, Jacob Ericson, Kim Mortimer, Rebekah Prette, Lindsay Warner, Keri McCaffrey, Alison Eagles, Nick Manuel

Absent: Katie Gallant

Elections/AGM Update:

- Nominations will open on Monday (need to be open for 2 weeks). Alison will send out notice over the weekend with positions that are available
- AGM will be on March 27th - We will introduce nominees during AGM; elections will be open until March 30th, results will be announced March 31st.
- Lindsay will make announcement during Research Methods class for first years about nominations.

Constitution Changes:

- Kim will make records management updates.
- Changes to positions - Should have an up to date list of all students involved in SIM and their positions
- Consider having joint meetings for all association - Each association could be boiled down to a rep at SIMSA, and could then form working groups to plan events. (To do this, we need to research the parent organizations and their rules for membership)
- JoAnn has suggested creating a new position for international rep since there will be more international students next year
- Jacob: SIMSA meetings are already open and non-members do not attend meetings. SIMSA should try to be more flexible so part time students can join, instead of creating a position specifically for part-time rep.
- Alice will contact DSU re: how to get evidence of extracurricular involvement, for SIMSA and IWB.

Financial Update:

- Alice has books for financial accounts, still waiting for PIN from bank account
- In the future we should probably merge financial control of all associations, since all these groups get funding from SIMSA anyway. Already there are not enough people to fill existing positions. Alice will be meeting with Sandra and can mention this. (IWB should still be separate).

Year End party:

- Lindsay have been in contact with Halifax Distilling company, which is currently booked for April 14th; with a private room and bar. Tickets would be \$20 Start selling tickets as soon as possible.
- Possibly conflict because practicums have started by then, if some students are out of town – Jacob will send out a poll for feedback

BBLs:

- Rebekah will work on revamping the structure, or finding some kind of alternative for academic reps to do in this position. For example, maybe transition to planning public lecture series by SIM (with Ryan faculty advisor).

Motion to end