Student InterCouncil
Monday, April 19, 2021
WebEx Meeting
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Ankita Podichetty, Kate W, Niharika Neela, Rachel Pham, Rohail Momin, Sharmily Roy, Sonia Patel, Jayanta Mondal, Sonia Patel, Cem Dede, Zaid Soomro, Alison, Anna Robb, Mariaelena Boyle, M Colic, Nour Alia, Omid Hadj, Swati Mohapatra

I. Call to Order/ Welcome/ Approval of Minutes ......................Rachel Pham, SIC President
   ○ Call to order at 6:00 pm
   ○ March minutes approved

II. Advisor Announcement.....................Eric Solberg, VP of Academic and Research Affairs, Charlie Figari, Vice President and Chief Auxiliary Enterprises Officer, Yuliana Nunez and Tanedra Booker, SIC Advisors
   ○ Dr. Love would like to be invited to all future meetings, and participate as much as she can, including during the Summer transition period.
   ■ Gives us the opportunity to have more direct contact with executive leadership
   ○ It’s been a challenging year for all of us.
   ○ Please inform Nedra who is graduating, she will bring the stoles to Dean’s dinner
   ○ Please inform Nedra who the upcoming SIC representatives are.
   ○ Met with the UT student regent and gave a tour of the school. He will provide feedback soon.

III. Final Committee Business
   A. Project funding and budget........................................Niharika Neela, SIC Treasurer
      a. $5000 left in budget. Were able to use most of it for scholarships and wellness week.
   B. Outreach......................Sonia Patel and Brittany Trinh, SIC Community Outreach Chairs
      a. The Houston food bank opportunity went great. This was the last event for outreach
   C. Operations..................Rachel Pham and Rachel Buckley, SIC Operations Committee Chair
      a. Discussion and Approval of SIC Bylaws Edits
         i. Posted on the SIC Website
         ii. The only thing we added was that the Diversity Committee chair would also be a representative to the Diversity, Equity Committee that the school has.
            I. Motion to approve: Approved
      b. Operations
         i. Have to put together everything the SIC has done this year. All chairs need to send a report to Rachel ASAP.
   D. Disaster Relief and Positive Impact Scholarships.....................Rachel Pham, SIC President
      a. Originally divided up by school. Charlie and Dr. Colasurdo matched and helped out as well.
      b. But received enough funding to provide scholarships to everyone that applied that are currently enrolled and in good standing.
         i. Unfortunately excludes people that were not enrolled this semester
   E. Other Committee Updates
      a. Dr. Colasurdo and Dr. Love will be an excellent resource for the next SIC group.
b. HOOP Committee
   i. Title IX has been expanded
   ii. Sexual misconduct, freedom of speech policies have been expanded
   iii. Discipline has been expanded and made more flexible.

IV. SIC Business and Important Dates
a. Reports due ASAP
b. Dean’s Dinner, April 27th, 5:30pm
   i. Park at UCT, and can walk over
   ii. Dinner portion will happen indoors, so you can choose if you want to eat there or not (social distance please!)
      1. RSVP ASAP (due Wednesday)
   iii. Dress code: Business formal
   iv. Presentation portion will happen in the atrium
   v. Dinner will end at 7:30/8:00pm
c. SIC T.F. Burks Service Award Winner
   i. Winners will not physically be there, but they will be acknowledged on a slide
d. Officer meetings will be held in person next year

V. Officer Elections
a. President nominations: Kate Wall and Niharika Neela
b. Vice President nominations: Jayanta Mondal and Sonia Patel
c. Secretary nominations: TBD on April 22nd
d. Historian nominations: Cem Dede, Nour Alia, Sonia Patel
e. Treasurer: Kate Wall

Adjournment
   ○ Motion to adjourn approved at 7:32pm

Additional Links:
   ○ Link to COVID vaccination project volunteering: https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/4b7dd15731484e5aa8d4cfc9e91b51fd
   ○ COVID Vaccine Site FAQ: https://inside.uth.edu/covid-19/faq
   ○ SBMI COVID Dashboard (will eventually include vaccine data or have a link for it posted): https://sbmi.uth.edu/covid-19/data-dashboard
   ○ SPH’s COVID 19 Dashboard: https://sph.uth.edu/dept/bads/covid19-dashboard
   ○ DSHS TX COVID info: https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/immunize/vaccine.aspx
   ○ DSHS TX Hub Providers page: https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/immunize/vaccine-hubs.aspx
   ○ Enrolling to become a Vaccine Provider: https://enrolltexasiz.dshs.texas.gov/emrlogin.asp

Respectfully submitted by Ankita Podichetty, on 4/19/2021
Approved by Student InterCouncil on ________________.