



*MUNSS Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2012
Conestoga College F Wing 2F28*

Call of the Role

Present

Rebecca Cosby (President), Marisa Kucha (Mohawk Vice President), Mariah Roeck (Conestoga Vice President), Jessica Amey (Treasurer), Lindsay Roorda (Secretary), Shona Zanyk McCormack (Social Chairperson), Chantel Barry (Social Chairperson), Genevieve (McMaster Education Chairperson), Madelaine Deitner (Conestoga Education Chairperson), Claire Wolfe (Welcome Week Co-Planner), Sarah Douville (Welcome Week Co-Planner), Jin Lee (RNAO Rep), Jennifer Troop (Uniform Chairperson), Thomas Beattie (CNSA Mohawk AD), Yuna Jang (CNSA McMaster AD), Mathieu Payette (Conestoga CNSA AD), Grant MacNeil (Mohawk Level I Rep), Taylar Divenanzo (Conestoga Level I Rep), Sindu Al-izzi (Conestoga Level I Rep), Samantha Gibson (McMaster Level II Rep), Matt Nusselder (Conestoga Level II Rep), Beth Fitzgerald (Conestoga Level II Rep), Maja Bugarski (Conestoga Level III Rep), Sarah Douville (McMaster Level III Rep), Erin Niewegloski (McMaster Level III Rep), Mackenzie Peirson (Mohawk Level III Rep), Claire Wolfe (McMaster Level IV Rep), Shane Inconencio (McMaster Level IV Rep) Brayden Bursey (Mohawk Level IV Rep), Martina Zvalena (Conestoga Level IV Rep), Rebecca Lisk (Mohawk Level IV Rep), Brayden Bursey (Mohawk Level IV Rep), Mallory Detzler (Conestoga Level IV Rep), Sabrina Sacchitiello (Accelerated Stream), Tharshika Sugumaran (Accelerated Stream Rep), Amanda Osmond (RPN-BScN Rep), Chris Wituik (RPN-BScN Rep), Dianne Dal Bello (Conestoga Faculty Rep)

Excused Absence

Ayaan Mohamed (McMaster Vice President), Dustin Gibson (Mohawk Education Chairperson), Jonathon Valeri (Communication Chairperson), Laura Vanhie (Awards/Scholarships Chairperson), Lisa Platinga (Mohawk Level III Rep), Shannon Laing (Conestoga Level I Rep), Macy Gundran (McMaster Level II Rep), Josh Carvelho (CNSA Mohawk AD), Tharshika Sugumaran (Accelerated Stream Rep)

Absent

Brayden Bursey (Mohawk Level IV Rep), Sabrina Sacchitiello (Accelerated Stream Rep), Kevin Kim (McMaster Level I Rep)

Motion	To begin the meeting
Motioned by	Beth Fitzgerald (Level II Conestoga Rep)
Seconded by	Grant MacNeil (Level I Mohawk Rep)
Motion conclusion	Passed by general consensus

Updates and Housekeeping

Make or Break campaign

- need twice as many (1800 so far)
- please speak to classes and advocate to fill out surveys
- Purpose it to see what students want re. break, one week early or late
- What do the students want?
- Siobhan Stewart asked that yellow suites wear the suites to classes on campus from November 14-16 to advertise the campaign in Conestoga
- Buttons are in the student center at McMaster
- Ends November 18th

Treasure

- We have the money for student fees that we were expecting for MUNSS and we are no long in debt

Level IV

- Sold a lot of chocolate for \$3 each
- Perhaps purchasing more because they are a good success

Uniforms

- A box of spirit wear was located from last year that was not distributed
- Please e-mail uniforms@munss.ca names and emails of those who have not received their spirit wear from last year

McMaster VP / SRA

- Thursday at 3:30 there is a fall break chat via the MSU website for everyone interested in getting opinions in
- Tuesday at 2:20 there will be a fall break focus group held
- There is a municipal landlord licensing poll coming out this week, one question on the poll is “what is most important to you when you are leasing a student house in Hamilton”

Votes of Confidence

Conestoga Level I – Sindus Al-izzi

- hard working
- want to get involved

- want to make experience at Conestoga as good as McMaster
- Met a graduate nurse from McMaster, he said best thing was to be on MUNSS
- enthusiastic, approachable
- Experience working with relay for life

Questions

- Sarah: aside from relay for life, any other credentials?
- A: No, just volunteering. I want to get more involved in my college/university experience. I have work experience in a kitchen
- Claire: any creative ideas for nurses for relay for life?
- A: I am not sure how the team works, is it just nurses?
 - o Becca: up to the level I, it is just a nursing team but can involve level I's or all years
- Mathieu: what will you do to bring events into awareness re. CNSA and other nursing information
- A: Facebook group, approaching large groups, keeping people in my level updated, making them aware that I am available to talk to
- Taylor: how do you plan to make Conestoga feel that they are a part of McMaster, but also keep our own Conestoga spirit?
- A: depends on the event, helping to be involved with McMaster, letting people know that we are very joined with McMaster, but keeping them separate in our own sector

For: 11

Against: 0

Abstained: 1

Level III Conestoga – Emma Kruis

- enthusiastic, outgoing and involved
- like to challenge myself
- never have been involved in a student counsel , only sports
- dedicated
- good at managing time
- involved in welcome week this year for the first time and enjoyed it a lot
- I have ideas as a rep
 - o Improve communication between class representatives, students do not understand the role of representatives by making announcements, Facebook and emails
 - o Help plan events at Conestoga in order to have Conestoga students more involved

Questions

- Maddie: level III can be stressful, how will you manage time?
- A: last year I was on several sports teams and actually do a better job with time management with more activities than less
- Claire: how has your experience as WWR helped you as a leader?
- A: speaking to students was amazing, being passionate about a topic enabled me to take on a leadership role

- Becca: have you had a chance to speak to other Level III reps about what they have done so far?
- A: I have spoke to Maja and Melaney, she informed me as to what the position entails. Every level rep has a job, and level III is the nursing games. I am very excited to plan this. I also explored the website.

For: 11

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Conestoga VP – Mariah Roeck

- on MUNSS in first and second year as level rep
- level I was great, coordinated a study party
- I did intramural sports
- I think that this position is very important and I decided to apply
- Its important to advocate for the students

Questions:

- Thomas: what could you do to help out CNSA promotion at Conestoga?
- A: one thing we could find people who went previously to advertise, perhaps sales for sponsoring. Really getting the word out would be important by using level reps
- Thomas: are you willing and able to work with Conestoga AD?
- A: yes.
- Becca: level IV is very busy, as is the VP position. Will time management be an issue?
- A: initially, that is why I did not sign up. But this year, I find that I am really enjoying my year and I am not working. I feel that I have enough free time in order to participate.

For: 12

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

Education Updates

Skills review coming up

- 10 volunteers come out and nine students
- We need to be able to plan others levels, but first went very well
- Now we are working on other sites
- Up and coming skills lab on November 22 in IAHS from 5 – 8pm
- We are looking for a could more volunteers to work at stations

Becca: please send a message to the Facebook page so John can post this

- we have a couple of town hall meetings
- there is approval to have each level for a town hall meeting

- the level IV meeting will be happening near the end of November, for Mohawk and McMaster
- Conestoga Level IV already happened with great turnout

Capstone Conference – Level IV's

- looking for volunteers for registration, time keepers, set-ups
- Monday November 26, from 8am – 4pm
- Will be a great day, we will have about 70 student participating in this presentation
- Next semester will be about 600
- A great opportunity

Maddie: will volunteers have to pay for parking?

A: that will be looked into

Shane: is there a date quite yet for Level IV town hall?

A: not yet, I will contact you as soon as possible

Social Update

- Boston Pizza event, appetizers and karaoke was a great success
- We are looking for a Conestoga student to join social committee

Becca: if you know someone who is interested in social committee who is not involved in MUNSS please direct them towards Shona

CNSA Update

- Nursing student week ; I am asking for us to spread the word about student week
- We need to spread the word about CNSA and MUNSS in order for them to know what people do
- We have buttons to advertise
- We are currently working on fundraising ideas
- Last week we had a fundraising meeting, it will cost about 800\$, ideas included selling food a few nights at Hess
- We can suggest that people need to wear yellow suites to raise awareness

Funding for CNSA

- we would like to revisit the issue that the newly voted AD's will be fully funded for the CNSA trip
- There is an issue with funding for hotel room costs from the regional meeting as proposed budgets and actual spending for hotel rooms were different from the budget on Jessica's (Treasure's) hand, as it was not taken into consideration the new AD's cost for hotel rooms

Sarah: I think our goal was to fill the role as much as possible, and we expected someone to fill the role to its fullest. I do not think they should be funded.

Thomas: I would like to revisit the issue because it is in the constitution that they should be funded. I feel that if they are fulfilling the role, and deserve the funding

Maddie: the funding was not included into the budget, how will funding them affect the budget?

Thomas: the funding is not a lot of coverage.

Maddie: where will the money come from?

Yuna: the money was allocated to the CNSA committee and will be able to be once again extracted.

Becca: constitution is changed in a vote.

Genevieve: I think that it is inappropriate for us to revisit the issue, as it has already been voted on and agreed upon. It would be irresponsible to judge on person to decide on funding.

Jessica: Please present a new budget if this happens, and keep the treasurer informed.

Motion	Vote to table this discussion until a new budget is presented
Motioned by	Level IV
Seconded by	Level II
Motion conclusion	For: 10 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 1

Communication Update – the website

- Here is the interface of the webpage
- What are the thoughts?

Mathieu: I do not like the font or design

Sarah: Can we clarify what MUNSS stands for?

A: McMaster University Nursing Student Society

Shona: I do not like the picture in the background

Thomas: I do not like all the empty space in the outside

Genevieve: I like the font and yellow, but I would like pictures of our nursing students. I like the background, but it is not a building we use

Maddie: instead of doubling the picture it would be less distracting

Jessica: a sign that said nursing loves everybody I would love to see the picture in the background

Grant: No watermark

Mathieu: Remove the picture, it is juvenile. It needs to be simple and easy

Becca: What about the side tool bar?

Grant: Maybe if the tool box stood out more?

Sarah: I feel like it looks like the page is being edited, maybe it could be moved to the top tool bar

Lindsay: I do not like the yellow..

Becca: the yellow is important because it represents a colour and association for representation during welcome week. John and I will be working on the president's page, presidential updates will be posted there, as well as the letter to the first years

Photographs

- John would like to know if we should have a photographer to come in and take pictures for us as groups and individual pictures.
- Do we want someone to come in and do it?

Yuna: what will be the cost?

Becca: I had a winning that is a photo package, and will use that to cover the cost

Jess: please warn us before our photo will be taken

Shona: DIY is fine

Yuna: I have a photography background

Shane: I can speak to our photographer for level IV

Becca: we can set a tentative date for pictures as the meeting before Christmas break. I will go through all the options to find a photographer.

- John would like us to email him a blurb for our position, what it is, how the population can use you and contact you. This will be a more personal message.

Residence Life Academic Event

- they would like all faculties to have an event
- a vote was put out for the best date, which would be November 19th

- the theme will be “what I wished I knew in level I”
- Level I’s, what would you like to know about how to succeed in level I?
 - o Psych exam
- are there any other ideas?
 - o International placements – you can graduate early with a summer placement
 - o Atypical placements
 - o Qualifications for jobs (ex. PSW)
 - o What services can McMaster, Mohawk and Conestoga use re. their student cards and services
 - o Don’t be afraid of your patients! And to wake them up
 - o Get to know your faculty !
 - o Get involved, ie. professional organizations
- I am looking for volunteers, this will be occurring in 2J13 from 5:30 – 7:30pm
- The presentations will be more conversation based and very informal

Claire: how will this be advertised?

A: John and Becca will be creating a Facebook event, as well Residents workers will be advertising it. We would like to have SOCS involved in advertising as well. Level I can also announce the dates and event.

Taylor: is there anyway we can have a similar event for Conestoga?

A: this was a very McMaster event, because it focused on residence. But it would be great if we could duplicate the event at Conestoga.

- Please email president@munss.ca if you are available to volunteer, I would like to have 10 volunteers. Also, please spread the word to other people who are not MUNSS members if they are interested in being involved in this date

Shona: should be also email interested in what we would like to speak about?

A: Yes.

Genevieve: Will it be presentation style?

A: for the first half, then meet and greet.

GUNI

- budget and bank account is approved

Anatomy Cookies! A Budget is Needed

- looking for extra money from budgets to give cookies to level I’s after anatomy exams at both McMaster and Conestoga
- we are looking for volunteers for baking sugar cookies, money will be reimbursed

Mariah: what about I survived anatomy pins?

A: perhaps after the final next semester

- I can speak to education based on how much money and time will be required
- Thank you for throwing out feelers for time and money

Sarah: when will we be thinking about applications for welcome week representatives

A: a committee will be put together soon

Sarah: it would be appropriate to have that begin sooner rather than later in order to avoid working through applications during exam time.

A: that will be assessed and looked into

Motion	To end the meeting
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Seconded by	Grant MacNeil (Level I Mohawk)
Motion conclusion	Passed by general consensus