



## MUNSS Meeting Minutes

6:30-8:30 pm, November 19th, 2015

McMaster University HSC 2J13

### Call of the Role

#### Present

Krista Sferrazza (President), Camille Peplinski (VP-McMaster), Matthew Veldman (VP-Mohawk), Leighanne Swance (VP-Conestoga), Anmolpreet Kaur (Executive Assistant), Laura Hidvary (Education-McMaster), Farida Mamoukhova (Education-Conestoga), Boey Chak (CNSA OD), Katie Pruden (Level 1-McMaster), Laura Chapman (Level 1- McMaster), Caroline Wysocki (Level 1- Conestoga), Mike Bostioca (Level 1-Conestoga), Danielle Veldman (Level 1-Mohawk), Lois Chui (Level 2- McMaster), Sophie St.Pierre (Level 2- McMaster), Tommee Sasinouan (Level 2- Mohawk), Selena Braund (Level 2-Conestoga), Zoe Waller (Level 3-Mohawk), Breanne Soeting (Level 3-Mohawk), Ashlyn Baer (Level 3- Conestoga), Kylie Teggart (Level 4- McMaster), Caroline Mueller (Level 4-McMaster), Rebecca Vinken (Level 4-Mohawk), Charlotte Blakely (Level 4- Mohawk), Erin Docking (RPN-BScN Conestoga), Hilary Sudar (RPN-BScN Conestoga), Terrance McBean (RPN-BScN Mohawk), Andrea Harvey (RPN-BScN Mohawk), Grant MacNeil (CNSA AD- Mohawk), Viorica Lefter (Awards/Scholarships), Marika Watson (Social Co-Chair), Katie Labron (Social Co-Chair), Bianca Colcer (Communications), Joyce Ng (Finance Chair), Sheldon McGinn (Accelerated), Eunice Leung (Accelerated)

#### Faculty

Cynthia Hammond (Mohawk)

#### Absent

Dianne DalBello (Conestoga), Ola Lunyk-Child (McMaster), Heather Buchanan (CNSA AD- Conestoga), Sophie Lapierre-Green (Level 2- Mohawk), Brianne Flowers (Level 2-Conestoga), Lainey Ogilvie (Level 4- Conestoga), Amber Oram (Level 3- McMaster), Nicole Mills (Level 3- McMaster), Betty Xamounty (Level 1-Mohawk), Dallas Miller (Level 3- Conestoga)

## Start of the Meeting

Motion	To start the meeting at 6:35 pm
Motioned By	Lois Chui (Level 2-McMaster)
Seconded By	Matthew Veldman (VP-Mohawk)
Motion Conclusion	Passed by general consensus

- Proposal of becoming 3 chapter schools as McMaster-Mohawk-Conestoga under the CNSA so that we have 3 votes when it comes to National Conference
  - We will still be recognized as McMaster-Mohawk, McMaster-Conestoga and McMaster
  - This will lead to better representation on a national level and get better outcomes for our students
  - This means that more dedication will be required from the CNSA team, each site will have their own Official Delegate, meaning the constitution will need to be changed before the next election period for the upcoming academic year
    - 2 year commitment required from CNSA positions
    - 1 training year, 1 official year (AD→ OD)
    - Grant will help with transitions
  - Currently, we are the only collaborative in Ontario that has only 1 vote, most have one per site
  - We represent the second largest population of nursing students across Canada but aren't representing that when it comes to votes
  - Boey (CNSA OD) has been having a difficult time to get a breakdown of the sites which will make it more difficult as three chapters for the future as well
  - Boey believes that this will segregate the CNSA team from MUNSS
    - this will actually give more of a representation on the MUNSS executive but also on a national level
  - If RPN students at the college sites want participation in CNSA, an additional cheque would be sent
  - At this point, anybody can pay the MUNSS fee (\$30) and run for a position, they do not have to be in the program anymore so RPN students can do the same
  - There is encouragement for RPNS to take a larger role and participation in CNSA

- There could be more interest perhaps with RPNs if there is a CNSA information session to tell them more about it because it is not really mentioned within their curriculum
- To continue collaboration as 3 sites, all CNSA positions will continue to be a part of MUNSS and they will still be working together, but just have more representation at their respective sites as well
- There could be discussion about possibly having different CNSA teams for the RPN and BScN students
- Experience of students will be improved because each site will have more a representation and they will still be working together
- These changes will have to apply to the 2016-2017 MUNSS year
- Grant will be sending out an email that includes what the pros and cons of this decision will be

Motion	To table the CNSA Chapter division discussion to the first meeting in January after everyone understands more about what this will mean for the future
Motioned By	Grant MacNeil (CNSA AD- Mohawk)
Seconded By	Zoe Waller (Level 3- Mohawk)
Motion Conclusion	15 for, 0 against, 0 opposed → PASSED

- Euthanasia/ assisted death webinar
  - Anmol (Executive assistant) emailed David Wright who spoke about this topic at regional conference about the possibility of doing a webinar instead of an in-person event
  - He is open to the idea of doing a webinar for us in either March or April but has requested us to send him suggestions for dates
    - Wednesday evening in March
  - Will need to get more information on costs
- Syrian Refugee Initiative by 3 Conestoga Level 1 students
  - They approached us at the NNSW booth this week and asked if MUNSS would like to collaborate with them on this initiative
  - Initiative to set up a donation drive in conjunction with the Mennonite Coalition for Refugee Support

- The Syrian Refugees are expected to arrive within the next month
- Looking to provide welcome package to the refugees comprising of toiletries, grocery cards, bus tickets, KW maps, 2 small towels, 1 blanket
  - We will need a little more information about what exactly they are doing and what they would like MUNSS to do
  - Possibility of giving them a monetary donation so they can use this money from MUNSS to purchase items for the welcome packages
  - Ask them to attend the MUNSS meeting at Conestoga on December 3rd
- BScN students honor roll
  - There is no longer a dean's honour roll recognition list
  - As BScN students, beyond level 1 we have too many pass or fail courses so we are not eligible for the dean's list
  - We will only get this recognition at convocation because throughout the program we have too many pass/fail courses
- National Conference in Sault Ste. Marie, January 26-30th, 2016
  - Regional conference discount ends on December 1st
  - Tilda Shalof will be one of the key speakers
  - Research abstracts are due by December 1st
  - 10% discount for plane flights
  - \$85/night for hotel suites
  - MUNSS is looking to fully fund 4 students to attend
- Mental health first aid
  - In-house course which will be tailored to nursing students, with case studies and other educational things to help our learning
  - It is typically split over 2 days but there are ways to work around this (Ex. over four days)
  - There will be a certificate given upon completion
  - Costs
    - 8-14 students= \$3500
    - 15-24 students= \$5000
    - We are not getting group rates because at the end, this is what individuals who have done it personally are paying
  - Linda Robart works in pre-placement at Mohawk and she ran the session for faculty, so we can look into if she could do it for at a decreased price for us
- Conestoga Initiative Budget

- There has been an increase in social events and the social budget, so more money needs to be allotted for Conestoga to be bussed to these events
- Originally the conestoga budget is \$2000
- It is \$500 for a roundtrip of bussing (Conestoga-Hamilton and back)

Motion	To increase the conestoga initiative budget from \$2000 to \$3000
Motioned By	Boey Chak (CNSA OD- McMasterR)
Seconded By	Joyce Ng (Finance)
Motion Conclusion	14 for, 0 abstained, 0 against→ PASSED

- Updates

- President: the cleaning lady for us in Hole in the Wall has been laid off and tomorrow is her last day, so perhaps we would like to give a donation to her

Motion	To bring in the cleaning lady at the end of the meeting, write her a MUNSS card thanking her instead of a monetary donation
Motioned By	Boey Chak (CNSA OD- McMaster)
Seconded By	Laura Hidvary (Education- McMaster)
Motion Conclusion	0 for, 1 abstained, 14 against→ DENIED

Motion	To provide the cleaning lady with a gift basket to thank her for her contributions with a value no higher than \$40, along with a MUNSS thank you card
Motioned By	Krista Sferrazza (President)
Seconded By	Marika Watson (Social Co-Chair)

Motion Conclusion	13 for, 0 abstained, 1 against→ PASSED
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- RPN-BScN (Conestoga): Anatomy review session on November 24th in 3E16 from 2:30-4:30 pm
- VP Conestoga: to kick off NNSW, on November 16th there was a session facilitated by a Conestoga faculty member who is also a mental health nurse, Jane Hamilton-Wilson focusing on nursing passion and her personal mental health initiative
  - Went well with around 15 students in attendance who enjoyed her talk
- Education: planning a tobacco cessation workshop with the RNAO on Monday January 19th 6-8:30 pm, WW planner interviews will occur next week for 3 individuals, there are 2 elections occurring which are for Education (Mohawk) and RNAO, Level 1 skills review for Conestoga on November 23rd, Iris (Global Health coordinator) has asked if we can add a GUNI section to the MUNSS website
  - Bianca will talk to her website coordinator about details on adding the GUNI section to the website
- Level 2 Conestoga: Conestoga will have their own GUNI section but there are some barriers as CSI requires all clubs to be open to all Conestoga students, exam de-stressor on December 4th
- Level 2 McMaster: hot chocolate and chill night went very well during NNSW
- CNSA: NNSW- rock climbing went well, in collaboration with yellow suits Mac site handed out pastries, candy, hot chocolate, Conestoga had a booth running all week which has had a good turnout along with their social media campaign about self care on instagram
- Level 4: grad sweater sales have started now, employers will now be contacted with a letter from faculty for the career fair
- Social: 1 spot left for ripley's at Mohawk site, Movie night is being moved to IAHS on December 8th, PAC would like to an across-faculty snow tubing event for all faculties
- RPN-BScN Mohawk: have found a facilitator for their anatomy review
- Level 1 Mohawk: have details on the final anatomy review but are having troubles booking rooms at both sites
- VP McMaster: Aboriginal health seminar went well with around 25 people in attendance

**End the Meeting**

Motion	To end the meeting at 8:43 pm
Motioned By	Leighanne Swance (VP Conestoga)
Seconded By	Laura Hidvary (Education)
Motion Conclusion	Passed by general consensus

Meeting Adjourned