



*MUNSS Meeting Minutes
6-8pm, January 19th
McMaster University HSC 2J13*

Call of the Role

Present

Joshua Carvalho (President), Tyler Schlosser (VP- Conestoga), Matthew Veldman (VP-Mohawk), Anmolpreet Kaur (Secretary), Laura Hidvary (Education-McMaster), Farida Mamoukhova (Education- Conestoga), Matthieu Payette (CNSA OD), Lois Chui (Level1- McMaster), Sophie St.Pierre (Level 1- McMaster), Tommee Sasinouan (Level 1- Mohawk), Sophie Lapierre-Green (Level 1- Mohawk), Brittany Stevens (Level 2- Mohawk), Tsewang Dhargyal (Level 2- Mohawk), Kristin Chambers (Level 2-McMaster), Krista Sferrazza (Level 3-Mohawk), Rebecca Vinken (Level 3-Mohawk), Marika Watson (Level 3- McMaster), Camille Peplinski (Level 3- McMaster), Lainey Ogilvie (Level 3- Conestoga), Kelsey Clary (Level 3- Conestoga), Shea Vanderspank (Level 4- Mohawk), Nadine Bennet (Level 4- McMaster), Jess Voortman (Level 4- McMaster), Bethany Gladding (RPN-BScN Conestoga), Boey Chak (CNSA AD- McMaster), Grant Macneil (CNSA AD- Mohawk), Kylie Teggart (Awards/Scholarships), Leighanne Swance (RNAO), Lisa Chalklin (Social Co-Chair), Conrad Schoenfeld (Social Co-Chair), Taryn Theaker (Treasurer), Sarah Walji (Uniforms)

**Faculty
Absent**

Ola Lunyk-Child (McMaster)
Dianne DalBello (Conestoga), Cynthia Hammond (Mohawk), Brianne Flowers (Level 1-Conestoga), Kevin Kim (VP-McMaster), Chris Wituik (Education-Mohawk), Catherine Black (Level 1- Conestoga), Tea Pere (Level 2- McMaster), Lori Lopez (Level 2- Conestoga), Heather Buchanan (Level 2- Conestoga), Beth Fitzgerald (Level 4- Conestoga), Natalie Frixione (Level 4-Mohawk), Kristen Barnum (RPN-BScN Mohawk), Chris Kilbourne (Communications)

Start of the Meeting

Motion	To start the meeting at 6:10
Motioned By	Kristin Chambers (Level 2 McMaster)
Seconded By	Leighanne Swance (RNAO)
Motion Conclusion	Passed by general consensus

- **Olive Wahoush:** large group PBL prep for Fall 2015- great response to the online blog and clinical
 - Good feedback posted, and this is taken into consideration
 - Hoping to have a final plan by march hopefully for the PBL 40 groups
 - The program is advertising groups of 8-40 for the upcoming first years now (breakout groups included for activities)
 - How the evaluations with these larger groups will run will need to be changed
 - Looking at various resources to see how the evaluations (self, peer and tutor) will work with larger groups
 - Research practicum required for all students and option for elective in leadership management- faculty wondering in changing electives to make some mandatory
 - There have been cases where students unable to graduate on time due to clinical placements
 - Conestoga will have a meeting next week, looking at simulation and clinical placements (for NCLEX preparation where students don't get the pediatrics or OB placements, but those are testable on the NCLEX)
 - Ministry, RNAO, CNO will be in attendance at this meeting
 - Research says that placement time can be replaced by simulation time to facilitate better learning
 - Let faculty know of what can be adjusted, changed in curriculum to help success in the NCLEX exam in the end
- **New initiative-** try to revamp the school of nursing website within the next 4-6 weeks
 - MUNSS videos
 - PBL videos
 - Student testimonials
- Faculty of health sciences wanted graduate nursing students to make *where they are now* videos
 - Some of their success influenced by specifically the program
 - 4 students identified and they are doing various successful paths currently
 - All chose different paths and different locations
- Need more transparency between feedback- how can students know that the feedback they provide is getting taken into consideration
 - Best thing is to Cc Carolyn Byrne or Olive Wahoush into follow-up emails
- **Mental health initiative-** having a whole week dedicated to mental health awareness and support to other students
 - Partner with St.Joe's (mountain site) and have 2 key note speakers to close off the week
 - Promote mental health awareness
 - Something around the stigma around mental health
 - Possibly hold a ThinkTank, inviting other faculties and partners at St.Joe's regarding this topic
 - Should also partner with Student Wellness because they run initiatives around this topic to respond to student mental health and wellness along with various

faculties

- CNSA will try to get time on the agenda at either regional or national conference to see what other universities are doing around this topic
- Maybe try and do around the same time as Bell Let's Talk
- Next steps: contact partners, set up a ThinkTank, start contacting various people
- Someone from schizophrenia association of Ontario willing to run a mental health first aid workshop- she is willing to work around the time
- Cassy anti-stigma initiative being run at Conestoga with nursing faculty (Jane Hamilton)
 - Accessible through myConestoga
- RPN clinical-simulation lab shifts was helpful as you were able to practice more skills in the simulation lab, it was a safe environment
 - Able to interact with 2 different groups
 - Everyone will be on the same place regardless of clinical placements because not everyone can do all the skills in the hospital placements
- \$10,000 surplus application 2 people have currently sent in the application
 - How to benefit students with this extra money
 - We must spend this money as it is coming from students in school this year
 - WW swag, mental health first aid workshop are the 2 applications that have come forth
 - Nursing games, capstone are other areas where this money could go towards
- **Presidential VOC:** Krista Sferrazza → PASSED
- **Level 4 Conestoga VOC:** Jennifer Schilbe → PASSED
- Director of administration in nursing (Wendy) is willing to help for things that aren't per site for the pinning ceremony in June.
 - EX. Cake for all sites at pinning
- **MUNSS day:** want to sell formal tickets, Feb.12th, leftover items from welcome week (dime for an item to help for the upcoming shinerama), RNAO promotion, sell grad formal tickets and grad sweaters, raffle
 - VP Mohawk will need to coordinate at IAHS for a table in the lobby
 - Kristin (L2 McMaster) will order cupcakes from westdale – 500 cupcakes per site
 - Conestoga will order their own cupcakes from Kitchener
 - Will be discussed further Feb.2nd
- Kylie attended awards committee, and they would like to have more of MUNSS and students at the awards ceremony
 - Not recognizing deans honour roll students
 - Want to profile award recipients and donors more
 - Want to present MUNSS award at this ceremony- this will give these individuals more recognition
 - Awards ceremony is TBA but in March
 - Awards applications will be sent out ASAP
 - You are able to self-nominate for awards as well versus only peer nomination in previous years

- \$300 awards unsung hero- peer nomination
- Awards applications will be due Feb.15th

Motion	New MUNSS award \$300 “Unsung Hero” Award at award ceremony in March 2015
Motioned By	Social Conrad
Seconded By	Conestoga VP
Motion Conclusion	12 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstained: Passed

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UNI:
 Camille
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 Kylie
 will

be running it

- To fundraise for global level 4 placements
- Not a club this year, building it from scratch
- Want to integrate it with MUNSS- stream off of MUNSS
 - GUNI would then be considered a global health committee member on MUNSS
 - This requires a constitution revision and is pending for the next year’s executive.
 - Events: bottle drive, global health picture sales, pasta night at a church
 - Ola recommends to have previous global placement students send in articles for the newspaper to have more exposure, mentor and link with students in lower levels to let them about requirements, etc.
- Spirit wear designs: should have less designs, integrated so new and old
 - 1) I heart nursing: **approved**
 - 2) MAC: how big will it be so that we can see the words inside the word MAC?- **approved**
 - 3) Placements: logo on the back, change ICCU to ICU- (shirt with placements)- **don’t use** because not all students have these placements, and there are also other placements not included in the shirt design
 - 4) Male nurse: don’t want that differentiation between male/female products- **don’t use**
 - 5) PQRST wave: **approved**
 - 6) Keep calm: **don’t use**
 - 7) R/T nursing school descriptors shirt: can’t read very well, not the best font- **don’t use**
 - 8) Stethoscope: don’t have stethoscope quote at the back but include mac nursing there- **approved**
 - 9) Stress loading: can’t change the color of the logo most likely, promoting mental health so don’t know about if we want the stress level bar – **don’t use**
 - Will use 3 new designs
 - Will have sweatpants this year too
 - Jess (L4 Mac) has an idea that she used in agendas for a T-shirt design
 - Possible idea for L1 welcome week shirts
- Review policies and procedures for next meeting

End the Meeting

Motion	To end the meeting at 8:03pm
Motioned By	Grant MacNeil (CNSA AD- Mohawk)
Seconded By	Kylie Teggart (Awards)
Motion Conclusion	Passed by general consensus

Meeting Adjourned