

**DSS Executive Meeting**  
January 18, 2022 Room Teams

“The Dalhousie Science Society acknowledges that Dalhousie University and the Dalhousie Student Union Building are located on traditional, unceded and unsundered Mi'kma'ki territory. The Dalhousie Science Society seeks to honour the relational treaty process in its programming, events, and meetings.”

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. Business of the Executive**

**Carmen**

- reviewed podcasts for STEM outreach
- meeting with Anna for STEM outreach
  - check in about STEM outreach committee
- Faculty Council
- Business as usual

**Emma**

- Advocacy meeting
  - Symposium
- Lynn helping with organization for the Mixer
  - 24th March
  - more student speakers - well-received at research mixer
- assembled resources into different categories - Advocacy

**Marissa**

- no grants currently
- submitted winter audit
- set a due date for D Level winter audit
- set up a time to meet with D Level treasurers

**Brooke**

- Pen Pal initiative - well-received
  - deadline of the 28th
  - send out emails with each others contacts
- self care bingo
- social committee meeting tomorrow
  - Candy grams
  - Garbage clean up

**Joyce**

- Pen Pal promotion
- bingo promotion - a lot of engagement
- working to get list for Emma
- volleyball team in the league

- emailed student advocacy services
- emailed Dean's Office about uploading video with Lynn to Youtube

**Carmen**

- possible conflicts with exec meeting - figure it out

**Linh**

- office hours
- prep for council meetings
- working on App of the Week
- helping with research mixer
- care packages
- cup design and sticker printing
- planning give aways

**Kendra**

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**3. New Business**

a. DSU Rep Election

- elected through DSU winter election or AGM
- previously decided DSU election so it could be decided by

more students

- dont know how well people will fit on council
- last year - DSU did not put together any info
- winter election before AGM - can have 2 rounds to find a rep
- society fair info not updated by DSU
- difficulties to communicate with DSU
  - message Kathleen and see if she is interested again
- handle it ourselves at the AGM

b. Society Expo

- On the 1st - Tuesday
- Noon to 2
- Joyce will do 1-2, Linh can help

c. End of Year Appreciation Event

- Alternative to Gala - appreciation event
- Food trucks - could be tricky and expensive
  - Covid complications with food
- Care packages - separate or combined with Linh
- People sending in people they appreciate on our instagrams
- Time line - end of year, end of online learning, we made it
  - End of March
  - Hard to plan things involving food, restrictions
- Giving out coffee - mask crowd problems

1. Coupons for coffee or second cup- could include in care packages
- vii. Students like food - a lot of societies have capacity and cant meet that
- viii. Making masks - DSS masks could go in care packages
- ix. Smaller care packages now or later as appreciation event or both or combined
  1. Welcome back one now
    - a. Next week - give away with gift cards
  2. End of year
    - a. Work on care packages
  3. 2 care packages is a lot of work - could do one really cool care package at the end
- x. Mugs? Linh and Brooke are designing - decide design next week in exec meeting
  1. Mugs in a giveaway? 2-3 weeks to design
  2. End of year draw - could include a gift card and a DSS mug
  3. Giving anything away to Symposium or Research Mixer speakers
    - a. Online
    - b. Too hard to figure out
    - c. Could offer to do donations in their name
  4. Could they be given out to Councillors?
    - a. 300 dollars for the mugs
    - b. 30-40 mugs - not a lot
    - c. If people want to buy their own mug - could add that to the order
      - i. Charge them what it costs for us to make it
    - d. Around 9 dollars for mugs =
- xi. Give away soon, and cute appreciation care packages at the end of the year
  1. Nominations and appreciations - Carmen will take the lead
- xii. 16th - Dean's Office
  1. Asked us to help with social medias
  2. Get D Level speakers - easier for us to communicate with them
  3. Sharing their promotion - not much else we need to do

- d. Alumni Events
  - i. Website - interesting
    - 1. Network where Alumni could sign up and undergrads could sign up
  - ii. Could bring this up to Alumni Coordinator
  - iii. Alumni magazine website
  - iv. Stories - could do this semester

#### 4. Symposium

- a. Date clash
- b. What planning has been done
- c. Going to be online
- d. Means to record it? - how to do that, with Q and A period
- e. Meeting coming up on Saturday - going to discuss speakers, organizers, educational background we want
  - i. Econ side of things
  - ii. Job opportunities in the fieldwork
  - iii. A lot of industry opportunities - marine bio, biology
- f. Could change date - no one has heard the date
  - i. Didn't want to do it on Friday before the break
- g. Date - getting professionals on a workday - at least 3 weeks notice needed after they agree
  - i. Gives time to replace cancellations
- h. Previously - sent Symposium info to high schools in the area
  - i. Good to be able to send out a week and a half before - but we need a speakers list
- i. Could consider a later date
  - i. Very beginning of March? - more midterms after the break
- j. Pulling people from off campus who are not involved with the University - on their own time, no benefit, usually need more of a buffer
  - i. Previously have had a lot of cancellations

#### 5. Old Business

##### Sweaters

-exec sweaters - trying to sell them - uniting students for science exists at the book store

-not this year

-a lot of D Levels use clothing sales as fundraising - don't want to step on toes

**-next call - classes in person again**

