

LMPSU Meeting Minutes – June 26, 2018

Attendance: Ashley, Wenda, Harvard

Booth Registration/Club Fair

5:00 – meeting begins

LMP email password changed

Got an external sponsor email → turns out to be spam (pretty shady, for study services)

Club Carnival

- During Frosh Week, under UTSU
- Wed, Sept 5
- Street Festival week after
- We don't need to pay since we're under ASSU (reimbursed)
- Last year, got department things (e.g. tablecloths) and that's it (i.e. not much effort on LMPSU part)
- Maybe this year, put a little more effort
 - o Pamphlets (bits and pieces of newsletter)
 - o Candy, pins?
 - o Talk with Mike and Jerry (summer campaign crew)
- Ashley will sign us up for a spot after the meeting
- Scavenger Hunt type event possibly? (all events online and finding stuff, then final event is in person/in real life)

General Meeting

- Last year was Oct 2, emails and such sent out a week and a half before, so maybe more time for candidate statements
- Still elections (2 more positions – Non-LMP rep, Graphic Designer)
- Concern with last year: coincides with Med School Apps due date (the Pub Night)
- Update the Constitution → we need more control on growth (e.g. elections for Pres was a little iffy recently → 3 candidates, 2 elected, but 1 dropped, then other candidate was made pres by default)
 - o With fewer people, we SHOULD have the option to have 1 pres if necessary (since in the Constitution, we are obligated to have 2 presidents)
 - o Also probably need fewer positions in general
 - o CAN be an issue, since it could be seen as unfair for the younger years (since it's not their fault for having a lower population of students)
- Just have one department person there? Don't want to get too repetitive with the speeches. Also they speak slowly? (set time limits?)
- Don't feel stuck into tradition with annual events → we can think outside the box

Conference

- Inter-disciplinary topics (drugs and legality → but done so much, don't want to be a copycat)
 - o Biomedicine? How forensic data interpreted?
 - o Or just have a general conference, with smaller topics within it (bioengineering, bio-law, biotech, etc.); can be even more inter-disciplinary (bio + art? Diagrams, depictions, etc)

- Could be a problem with getting speakers (e.g. may not want a pure Math speaker to talk about science)
- Could be like TED talks, but have to have less laymen-speaking professionals, but that narrows the number of speakers, etc.
- Maybe generalize as just Forensics and Crime (more appealing to general audience?)
- But have to make sure talks don't boil down to just actual methods (e.g. steps for PCR)
- Have to make sure we don't overlap with the Forensics syllabus
- Ask around for profs that are involved in Forensics (e.g. LMP415)
- How deep do we go into Crime? (since we don't know much about Law)
 - Keep biological approach
- Should also check how deep forensics gets in molecular aspects (so conference is not too generic)
- Cover some bioengineering (e.g. engraving on a glass plate, fill it with blood, machine does analysis, etc.)
- Structure of the day itself
 - Poster presentations during the lunch was last year (one feedback brought up was that lunch was too long)
 - Poster fairs in general are nice to have though, but how to incorporate?
 - Have like morning/afternoon recesses? One for lunch, one for a poster fair
 - Or shortening the lunch in general and still have posters then
 - Last year, targeted undergrads for posters, but let in some graduates
 - Maybe try let PIs present ideas, then let graduates go into detail about the projects

Career Seminar

- Used to have, but was sort of pushed into just academic panels last year
- Should we bring it back or do the same as last year?

Next meeting

- Definitely have summer campaign and BBQ groups discuss plans
- Scheduling for next meeting → setting date with summer campaign/BBQ groups for priority
- Conference group → look more into Forensics and crime aspects, getting speakers
- General meeting group → updating Constitution; talk to Shawn (previous VP Finance) as he seems to know a lot about Constitutions
- BBQ group – advertising plans, coordinate with summer campaign
- Summer Campaign group – first draft for email for course selection, getting a finalized list of 2nd years, and getting them into the FB groups, “break into the young social media” market

5:57 – Meeting adjourned