

# January Council Meeting Minutes

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## 1. Announcements

- Science Winter Formal (Feb 10th) is sold out!

## 2. President's Report

### A. December Recap

- Collected feedback forms from peripheral executives and councilors
  - 1 point was planning council farther in advance - hopefully this was better notice
- Met with SSSC to plan Undergraduate Research Mixer event
- Met with core executives individually to discuss successes and challenges in their portfolio after the Fall semester
  - Helped create a game plan for the Winter semester

### B. January Recap

- Supported Science Winter Formal promotion
- Continued planning Undergraduate Research Mixer
- Reviewed feedback from peripheral executives and councilors
- Began planning mural painting

### C. Upcoming Events

- Undergrad Research Mixer: Wed. Feb.7, 5:00-7:00 pm, SSSC
- Coffee with the Deans: Thurs. Feb.29, 11:00am - 12:00pm, TBD

## 3. Vice-Presidents Reports

### I. External

#### A. December and January Recap

- SciSoc Merch will be able to order mid February
  - Working on finishing excel sheet to go up on website
- Searched out Carleton groups for sponsorship opportunities to go towards SWF
  - Also looked at small business around Carleton
  - Not much feedback so far
- January blog might be a little slow coming out (keep an eye out on our website!)

## B. Upcoming Events

- Career night planning is in the works
  - Date is set for March 7th 5-8pm!
- Currently looking for professionals in all areas related STEM (government, private sectors both welcome)
  - (if you know anyone that might want to come out and be a speaker, please message Aishwarya)
- Will be holding a tabling event for merch items in mid/late February (keep an eye out - you can buy and rep SciSoc merch)

## II. **Internal**

### A. December and January Recap

- Hiring two peripheral executives - ongoing process, will be transitioned into February
- Planning EDI for February - training applies to everyone in SciSoc
- Planning Executive Election timeline with Election Officer
  - Election will take place in March - more information coming soon

## III. **Academic**

### A. December and January Recap

- Held Study Snacks event
  - Set up galleria when other societies weren't there
  - Snacks went too quickly - people took too many
  - For this term we will change snacks, or pre bag snacks

### B. Upcoming

- Scholarships - will open in February
- Will be recruiting graders soon
  - About 6hrs time commitment
  - Will be payed \$50
- 2 new scholarships
  - Environmental Stewardship
  - Innovation

#### **IV. Communications**

##### **A. December and January Recap**

- Giveaways
  - Created second semester giveaways for every Monday
  - Have already given, Ottawa Senators tickets, Capital hoops, backpack and stationary
- Blood drive
  - Working with Canadian Blood Services to organize a blood drive in collaboration with SciSoc
  - Hopefully in the end of March
- Advertisement
  - Promoting the Science Winter Formal

#### **V. Operations**

##### **A. January Recap**

- Created new office hour schedule
- Implemented Office Hours Awards
  - Those with the best office hours attendance will be entered into a raffle at the end of each month
  - Winner receives \$15 gift card to place of their choice.
- Science Community Fund to start early February
  - Applications will be open for 2-3 weeks
  - Funds will be distributed to smaller societies
  - Excess funds if not fully utilized will be given to societies on a case by case basis.
- ODS (Office of the Dean of Science) is under budget cuts this year therefore SCF is running under a smaller fund
- Sponsorships are lower this year and SWF will most likely be going over budget. Have to plan for this for future years if Carleton is to be under budget cuts for the foreseeable future
- ODS budget cut will not effect how much funding we receive - but we will not

## **VI. Programming**

### **A. Hiring**

- Hiring new peripheral executives
- Will be transitioning them

### **B. December and January Recap**

- Past Events:
  - Frost Week Winter Fun Fair
  - SWF Ticket selling
  - Books Under Cover
- Upcoming Events:
  - Once Upon a Time in Hollywood - Feb. 10th
  - Stem Cell Swab - Feb. 14th
  - Photograph Your Love - Feb. 14th
  - End of Feb. SciSoc Team Bonding
  - Trivia Night w/ Dep Societies - Ollie's, March 20th
    - Society reps: contact Raven if your society wants to join
  - Study Snacks - April
- SciSoc Bonding Event - date TBD
  - Going the level 1 game pub
  - Finding out if everyone has to be 19 to enter the pub
  - Contact Raven if your under 19 and want to go to level 1

## **VII. Wellness**

### **A. December and January Recap**

- Hosted biweekly events for book club, running club, meditation, and art therapy
- Positivity event in December - writing one positive thing on a sticky note and giving out candy canes
- Collabed with Academic Team for study snacks + origami in Library
- Yoga and Zumba dropped for Winter Term
- Books under Cover event

### **B. Upcoming Events**

- Health science and neuroscience department event feb 5th
- Skating
- Rock-climbing
- More department events

C. Advertising Recap

- New communications director was hired to improve advertisement of Wellness events
- Promotion was done via Instagram posts, tiktoks, posters

D. Participation Initiative

- QR Code used to track event participation for giveaway
- Top 3 Science Students will be awarded for participation at end of year

## 4. Other Reports

A. Science Winter Formal Committee

- Formal is February 10th 6-11:55pm @ National Art Center
  - Ticket price: \$107 (\$50 for students)
  - Theme: Old Hollywood Glam
- Notes: 360 booth, photographers, decor, 250 tickets sold, Maria DeRosa speaking, DJ Paq,
- \$300 worth of prizes

## 5. Motions:

- a. Motion to Approve the Appointment of the 2023/2024 Society Representatives of the Carleton Science Student Society
  - Approved (No objection, no abstentions)

Other business:

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