MSA Meeting March 10, 2014

Attendees - Ashley Tse, Viktor Sekowski, Jade Lau, Samantha Lam, Ashlee Yang, Charissa Ho, Jocelyn Andruko, Mitchell Farmer, Andrea Johnson, Charlene Belozer, Tracy Zhong, Taylor Wong, Adam Steed, Jenny Hong, Risa Namsechi, Karl Ayton, Sean Goos, Keshav Sharma, Daniel Skubleny, Jolene Johnston, Sheila Wang, Claire Allen, Dean Hanson, Rohan Mittal, Cian Hackett, Riley Davidson, Cam Shillington, Adam Humble, Nicole Veltri, Tania Pannu, Madura Sundareswaran, Paul Fritsch, Josh Kutcher, Todd Radostits, Parisa Shahrabadi, Madalena Dearden, Shelaina Anderson, Connie Le, Simon Hasan, Pearl Tan, Lindsay Bowthorpe, Kirsten Sjonnesen, Bretton Hari, Greg Sawisky, Chris Novak.

Non-Attendees - Paras Satija, Edwin Cheng, Monique Raubenheimer, Alex Cojocaru, Veronica Lepp, Jennifer Chen, Brent Turner, Aven Crawshay, Peter Zhang, Zia Saleh, Alex Preston, Bretton Hari, Brittany Kula, Shivani Upadhyaya, Uyen Tran, Emily Ewen, Sachin Rathee, Matthew Moore, Peter Hong, TaeEun Ahn.

Update on MSA Sport Budget Proposal

This fund will be covering intramural fees for all four years, with the exception of hockey because of its expenses. It would cost 3,028 dollars.

Why include this fee? Encourages sports participation and protect sports reps from money loss.

They would like the MSA to incorporate the inclusion of a Sport and Intramural fund into its upcoming budget? Using funds from either Legacy Fund or via rebalancing the budget.

MSA voting results - 22 in favour. 9 against. 4 abstain.

Honorarium Policy Review

The motion - “That, in the opinion of this Council, as of May 1, 2014, no member of the Medical Students’ Association shall be remunerated for time spent representing the Medical Students’ Association, except for remuneration for travel, expenses and related or similar costs. Any honoraria should be directed to the MSA, or should be declined outright.”

Several External Reps positions currently receive honoraria: CPSA Rep (discussed at earlier meeting) and AMA rep

When comparing to other medical organizations, the Calgary MSA decline honoraria - any funds offered as honoraria will be declines altogether or transferred by the recipient to the CMSA.

Dr. Stobart is considering removing MSPR recognition for paid positions. Dr. Lewis does not personally accept honoraria as well.

Benefits of the proposal - fairness, wrong motivation for taking on positions, consistency with CMSA and CFMS, and reps are elected by students and funds should benefit students
Amendment - adding to proposal that as of May 1, 2014, no member of the MSA shall be remunerated for time spent representing the MSA.

MSA voting results - 11 in favour. 13 opposed.

Vote for original motion

MSA voting results - 20 in favour. 2 opposed. 1 abstain.