



**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING 4 MINUTES 2015**  
**– November 12 ; 5:30 P.M.**  
**PMH Main Boardroom**  
**M-805**

- 1) Introductions**
- 2) Communications/Webmaster**
  - a. Website transition – will have access to website next week  
-idea for heading: Students of IMS  
-can also have featured announcements on IMS main page
- 3) Academic Affairs**
  - a. Mentorship Panel – Monday @ 1 pm, multimedia room of PGCRL, please put up posters & email site list serves  
-Includes free lunch!
  - b. Please fill out survey on academic seminars, on IMSSA Facebook group
- 4) Sporting Events**
  - a. Update on teams and next games – ball hockey tournament Nov. 22, 2-5 pm  
-everyone is welcome, email Swapna ([swapna.mylabathula@mail.utoronto.ca](mailto:swapna.mylabathula@mail.utoronto.ca))  
-Volleyball: IMSSA won quarter-finals! Everyone is welcome, next game Mon. 9 pm  
-Soccer: scrimmage next Fri. 6:30-8, email Adam ([adam.hsieh@mail.utoronto.ca](mailto:adam.hsieh@mail.utoronto.ca))
- 5) Social Events**
  - a. Apartment crawl update – Nov. 27 @ 7:30 pm, all within 30 minute walk of each other, \$5 fee, only for executive committee  
-people will be organized into groups and rotate apartments at set times  
-please RSVP, watch for Facebook event
  - b. Skating update
- 6) Community and Outreach**
  - a. Update – thanks for filling out the survey!  
-email Sam ([sr.fernandes@mail.utoronto.ca](mailto:sr.fernandes@mail.utoronto.ca)) to volunteer at nursing home holiday party, 1 spot left
- 7) Site Directors:**
  - a. Confirmation of Fall semester event: Mt. Sinai – held event with free pizza, good turnout  
SickKids – Nov. 20, sushi and board games over lunch  
CAMH – Nov. 19, pizza lunch  
TGH – combined event with MARS, Nov. 27, holiday coffee party  
Toronto Western – board game night, last week of Nov.  
Sunnybrook – Nov. 20, pizza lunch

- St. Mike's – ping pong and foosball tournament
- MSB – Dec. 3, pizza lunch
- b. Reimbursement – need picture of receipt, reimbursement form (**see attached**)

## 8) International

- a. Update – succeeding in grad school event moved to January

## 9) Annual IMS Holiday Party

- a. Update – Dec. 11, 7:30 at SickKids
  - invitation out early next week. Site reps will be emailed to pick up posters
  - Facebook group with RSVP link. Please RSVP
  - includes food, 2 drink tickets
  - \$10 for non-IMS guests (at the door, cash only), free for IMS members

## 10) Student Wellbeing

- a. Budget Seminar Update – Nov. 26, 12-1, TGH
  - 3 presenters: will go through Excel file (you'll have access to it) to create a budget, info about investments and loans
- b. Book club – 4-5x a year, send out a Doodle to choose a book

## 11) Hart House

- a. Update – deadline for deposit is today, 3 spots left
  - will send out poll for food choices – please email Shanna (**shanna.stanley.hasnain@mail.utoronto.ca**) dietary restrictions
  - drivers – Brent, Katie, Victoria, Dunja, Rich

## 12) IMSSA Apparel

- a. Update – UofT bookstore or Gildan
  - may use IMS logo
  - new logo – if you have ideas please send to **commims@gmail.com**

## 13) Other Business

- a. Stipend – Harmonized stipend agreement: stipend will increase by 3.5% next year (MSc: \$18,000, PhD: \$20,000)
  - tuition will decrease next year
  - students will be consulted in future stipend decisions
  - OSOTF: top-up taken away, still fighting this decision
  - ceiling on funding: starting in 2016/2017, MSc students won't be provided funding beyond year 2, PhD beyond year 6 – won't affect us
  - monthly lunches with Dr. Kaplan to discuss student concerns
- b. Progress form - Jonathon Chio
  - PAC reports aren't very specific, Individual Development Program form to complement and fill gaps
  - tailored to what year the student is in
  - filled out by student and PI
  - aims to help student develop professionally and academically
  - <http://biosciences.stanford.edu/current/idp/forms.html>
  - Is anybody interested in testing this form?

- c. Please sign the attendance sheet every meeting, otherwise you will be marked as absent
- d. Meetings next semester – will send out Doodle for times