

Pre-S.C.R.I.P.T
UNM's Pre-Pharmacy Society
Meeting Minutes

Date: April 8, 2009

Location: SUB, Mirage/Thunderbird

Presiding: Ali Ahmed

Recorder: Marissa Salazar

6:44 p.m.

Ali Ahmed, Pre-SCRIPT president, started the meeting tonight. He began by announcing that Riley had some upcoming events.

6:45 p.m.

Riley Vu, Pre-SCRIPT Vice president, gave us information on upcoming events. There are two new events for the month of April. The first event is a Relay for life. It will be April 17 starting at 6 p.m. to 8 a.m. at Johnson Center. Please sign up for this fun event. We will be taking turns waking around Johnson center. The next event is Spring Storm which will be on Saturday April 25 starting at 9:45 a.m. There will be breakfast and they will be handing out t-shirts, so get there early. We will be assigned an area to clean in the community. We will be meeting at the football stadium.

6:48 p.m.

Marissa Salazar, Pre-SCRIPT secretary, has an update on the upcoming ASUNM elections. Pre-SCRIPT was asked to help out with the polls. We have one more spot to fill from 2-3 p.m. We will be at North Campus starting at 1-5. There will be an e-mail sent out about the rules of poll working. Pre-SCRIPT does not support any candidate or slate that is running. We also must remain unbiased at all times. ASUNM greatly appreciates or help and involvement in this event.

6:50 p.m.

Anywn Pritchard, APhA-ASP member at large, had some information about the next upcoming APhA meeting. The next meeting will be April 16 from 12-1 in room 135 in the college of Pharmacy building. At the next meeting they will be having elections. She also mentioned that APhA-ASP chapter of UNM were in San Antonio, Texas this past weekend. UNM's chapter won an award for most improved chapter of the year.

6:54 p.m.

Seth, of Kaplan test prep, talked about upcoming PCAT classes. The next PCAT exam will be in August. Classes start in July and will be held in the College of Pharmacy building on Tuesdays and Thursdays. It is a great time to sign up as they will be having major discounts. There is a \$100 discount for being a pre-pharmacy student. They are also allowing you to combine discounts.

6:56 p.m.

Krystal Weaver, coordinator for admissions at the college of Pharmacy, gave reminders of things that should be started for students who plan applying for the next cycle. She said to think about the PCAT and when will be the best time for you to take it and get it in. You also should check in with an advisor to make sure that you are on tract with the pre-requisites. Also, think about letters of reccomindations since now.If you start now, there will be less to worry about. The next PharmCas window should be opening on June 15.

7:00 p.m.

Christian Sanchez, College of Pharmacy student and President of APhA-ASP, gave us more information on APhA and its accomplishments. Each school has its own chapter. Any one can be apart of it. There are two meetings a year. One in fall and one is in the spring. The fall meeting only meets with the southwest region .They meet with those regions and talk about pharmacy and the profession. In spring all chapters from all over the nation meet in one place. He got into this type of organization because he wanted to give back to the community. The schools administration supports students that want to go above and beyond pharmacy school. As pharmacists you counsel patients on their medication, so there are national patient competitions that test this. As mentioned, UNM won the most improved chapter award.

7:10 p.m.

Ali Ahmed, wanted to update us on the t-shirts Pre-SCRIPT will be receiving. We are still working on them, but we are hoping that we can get them by Spring Storm. Also, UNM awarded Pre-SCRIPT a room. We now have our own room in the sub. It is locates in the lobo lair room 1040.

7:15 p.m.

Dr. Thompson, Director of student services, wanted to go over the able positions for next year's board. She let everyone know that the College of Pharmacy will help you have a voice and give you opportunities. They are there to give you the tools to make what you want to do happen. With such help, they are trying to help you become a better leader, which is always a good thing. To run for a position, you must be a member of the Pre-Pharmacy Society. It is a one year term. You can make your position as challenging as you would like. This is a great way to step out of your comfort zone.

President

Send out e-mails, maintains order, schedules meetings, and goes over constitution and by laws. Act as general representative and liaison.

Vice President

He or she does the same thing as the president, except for running the meetings. Must understand the by laws. Helps the president, but is more like a co president.

Secretary

Capture all information and help get them up on the web. Make sure that everything is captured for students that cant make it to the meetings.

Historian

Publicizes Pre-SCRIPT activities. Trung has done an outstanding job at every event. You must be reliable and must be able to attend most events. If could not make you can assign someone that will be responsible and reliable. Must maintain close contact with faculty advisors and maintain the website.

APhA-ASP member at large

Is the liaison between APhA and pre-SCRIPT. Will notify members of APhA about events that we will attend. Time consuming but you can make it what you want. This is not an elected position, must be appointed by president of APhA. You also must be a member of APhA, which is a fee of \$60

If you do decide to run please e-mail Ali. Prepare a 2 to 3 minute speech of why you want to run and what position you're running for. Take little steps at a time. Don't make big promises. Make a goal that is best for the society. This is where we can develop into better leaders. North campus helps out so much. We can give you their e-mails if you have questions for board members.

7:30 p.m.

Soha, Pre-SCRIPT member, has an update about AIDS awareness day. We were able to get \$600 from the finance committee of UNM. There is also a flyer that has been created for the event. The event will be May 5 in the SUB ballroom C from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. If you are interested in helping please contact Soha.

7:35 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.