All-Hill Student Council Annual Report 2021-2022

Introduction:

The All-Hill Student Council exists to enhance the overall student experience at OHSU by promoting the general welfare and concerns of the student body across all four schools (dentistry, medicine, nursing, and public health) and one college (pharmacy), creating new programs and initiatives to provide opportunities for growth and interaction, and communicating with OHSU administration and faculty on behalf of the students. These goals are accomplished through a structure of elected student representatives and executive officers. The All-Hill Student Council is supported by two Office of Student Life staff members.

Mission Statement:

1. To maintain and develop an intellectually stimulating atmosphere conducive to the acquisition and application of health and science knowledge.
2. To act in the best interest of the student body and the OHSU community.
3. To provide an official unified voice through which student opinion may be expressed.
4. To provide an official and representative student on school designated committees which receive complaints, investigate student problems and participate in decisions impacting OHSU students.
5. To establish and maintain formal communication between the student body and the faculty/administration.
6. To promote the exchange of information and ideas among the various schools at OHSU. The council will host social and educational events and fund students and student groups/organizations who wish to provide services to the entire student body.

Executive Officers:

President – Michael Snow, DMD Candidate 2022

Vice Presidents:
- Taylor Vega, MD/MCR Candidate 2022
- Katherine Dolan, DMD Candidate 2022
- Tracey Danielson, DMD Candidate 2022

Student Advocacy Liaison (SAL) – n/a

Communications Coordinator – Colin Coleman, GSO 2022
School Representation:

School of Dentistry
1. Michael Nelsen
2. Anabela Cagen
3. Grace Blair
4. Andrea Bornstein
5. Michael Snow
6. Katherine Dolan

School of Medicine
1. Anthony Gutierrez
2. Caroline "Callie" Porter
3. Megha Arora
4. Mani Woodward
5. Ashley Victor
6. Erika Johnson
7. Wesley Plinke
8. Francie Goodstein

SOM Graduate Students:
1. Michelle Ozaki
2. Timothy Bates
3. M. Kathrina Onate
4. Morgan Logan
5. Jennifer Dunaj
6. Marin Miner
7. James Carroll
8. Ariana Sattler

Physician Assistant – n/a

School of Nursing (8 total, 2 from each class) – n/a

OHSU-PSU School of Public Health (2 total)
1. Florissa Tom
2. Alexandria Ashraf

OSU-OHSU College of Pharmacy (2 total)
1. Amanda Yates
2. Faith Gaviola
3. Jisu Choi
4. Anna Le

Radiation Therapy:
1. Julia Schmidt
List of staff participants:

1. Karen Seresun, Assistant Vice Provost for Student Life/Advisor to AHSC
2. Heather Doherty, Associate Director of Student Center and Student Activities
3. Lindsey Watts Kinsella, Program Manager, JBT Health & Wellness Center
4. Jen Chai – JBT Health and Wellness Center
5. Andrew Hamilton, Librarian, BICC Library
6. LaDonna Gandzadi, Membership Manager, March Wellness & Fitness Center
8. Andrew Justicia, Assistant Chief Diversity Officer, Center for Diversity and Inclusion
9. Wes Studer - Center for Diversity and Inclusion
10. Laura Stadum – AAEO
11. Janna McKay – Financial Management and Debt Counseling
12. Emily Hillhouse - Student Academic Support Services
13. Annae Nicholson - Student Academic Support Services
14. Nicky Ulrich - Food Resource Center

Funding requests and rebate information:

The AHSC accepts funding requests from student groups to support interdisciplinary student activities. This year, the council supported the following programs:

- August 2021: The Queer Health Alliance (QHA) - Stella Harris (Sexual Health Ed), $375
- September 2021: Raumene Rahatzada, a licensed Muslim counselor (managing stress and anxiety), $900
- October 2021: none
- November 2021: none
- December 2021: none
- January 2022: none
- February 2022: none
- March 2022: None
- April 2022: Diverse nursing student event by LANSA and BNSU, $400
- May-June 2022: small reimbursements to programs based on population and remaining funding
  - President Elect James Carroll Funded All Hill Ski trip for $62,776

Student Issue: Covington Report

In March 2021, OHSU retained Covington and Burling LLP (Covington) to lead an independent and thorough investigation regarding “inequitable treatment, discrimination, harassment, bullying, or intimidation [at OHSU] based on race, color, religion, national origin, disability, age, marital status, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or gender expression”, principally by assessing whether OHSU’s current policies, procedures, and practices were optimally-designed to ensure that individuals are treated equitably, to prevent misconduct, and to ensure best practices. OHSU also asked Covington to address “how OHSU has handled, and how it should handle in the future, reports of inequitable treatment, discrimination, or harassment based on these protected characteristics, or based
on other differences due to power dynamics, or retaliation for reporting these types of improper conduct,” including whether community members feel comfortable reporting these issues and whether they are appropriately investigated and addressed; whether existing data suggests disparities in reporting or outcomes; and whether OHSU acts in accord with best practices regarding communication of reports, investigations, and outcomes.

In December 2021, Covington completed its comprehensive investigation and issued its investigative findings and recommendations to address institutional cultural challenges. Shortly after sharing Covington’s findings with its members, OHSU also pledged to: (1) convene an implementation committee for Covington’s recommendations focused on planning and adoption with metrics and milestones for measuring progress that will be regularly shared with our members; and (2) ensure accountability by creating an oversight committee that will report to the OHSU President and OHSU Board of Directors.

Representation includes student membership from the All Hill Student Council

Collaborative Efforts:

The All-Hill Student Council was involved in some collaborative efforts throughout the 2021-2022 academic year, which included:

- GSO
- Office of the Provost
- Office of Student Life
- Students for Structural Change
- Center for Diversity and Inclusion

Completed Action Items:

1. Quarterly meetings with Interim Provost — look to coordinate with Dr. Chisholm-Burns
2. Active role in selecting new Provost and Vice Provost of Student Affairs
3. Student Representative on Covington Oversight Committee
4. Internal: struggled to maintain engagement and find new student representatives for executive council
5. External: focused on student community and returning to “normal”
6. Social Events:
   1. Halloween Pumpkin Giveaway
   2. Tabletopia Fundraising
   3. Ski-Trip — postponed due to COVID-19 (Rescheduled for 2023)
   4. Flame Awards
   5. Spring Gala - postponed due to COVID-19

Conclusion:

Overall, the All Hill Council survived a troubling year of low student engagement and participation in monthly meetings with limited social events. With the future of the incoming student executive
council secured and fully staffed and with return to in-person events All Hill should see a resurgence in participation/student engagement. Notably, the School of Nursing, School of Public Health and Physician Assistant Program did not have sufficient recorded membership for 2021-22, and the goal of finding new council members should be a priority for 2022-23 year. The new executive leadership seems ready to help reinvigorate the council and its importance on campus as an interdisciplinary group. Additionally, the new Vice Provost of Student Affairs, Dr. Mike Walsh, seems to want to engage with All Hill and support students across all campuses.