



Report of Arts Representative Andrew Chase to SSMU Legislative Council

March 26th, 2020

AUS in General

- The new executive has been elected! Congratulations to our executive for next year.
- AUS Legislative Council has been suspended until the next Academic year due to the coronavirus. Our last Council meeting was on Thursday March 12th. Until Council reconvenes, the Executive Committee is mandated with running the society and having their decision ratified at the next Council meeting.
- The AUS General Election was held, along with our Referendia period. We were able to renew many financial matters of the AUS. In addition, the Elections AUS hit a few potholes this year. If any of your faculties use ssmu.simplyvoting.com as a platform, please tell your election officers to be cautious with different electors lists, particularly when sending emails reminding people to vote, as it can accidentally give people the opportunity to vote twice as was the case of AUS.
- Because of the coronavirus pandemic, the AUS has had to cancel all events hosted by any group. However, before the crisis hit campus, Rep. Adin Chan was able to put together Speak2Lead “Elevator Pitch Workshop”, which was very successful.
- Despite the coronavirus, Arts departmental associations are still holding elections, with all voting and campaigning occurring electronically. The smaller departments received opt-outs from the general election formats and will be holding their own elections. Larger departments will be holding nominations through google forms, campaigning online, and voting through ssmu.simplyvoting.com.

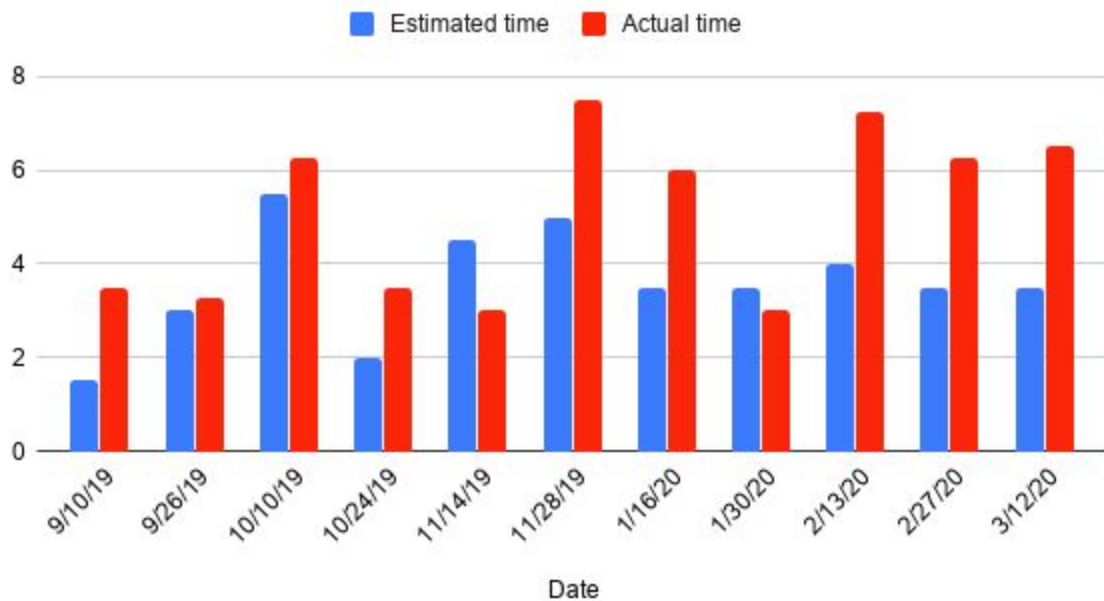
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- After many attempts, I have passed my first motion in this council, the Motion Regarding Financial Matters of Council.
- Due to the closure of the University and my return to my home in Maryland, my Office Hours are canceled for the remainder of the semester. However, I can still be contacted either by email or by phone.
- I have continued my work for the two SSMU Committees I sit on, the Comprehensive Governance Review Committee and the Finance Committee. However, it seems as

though the Comprehensive Governance Review Committee will have seen most of its work done with the updated Constitution going to referendum.

- The AUS Committee I sit on, the AUS Library Partnership Committee, has mostly wrapped up its work. Many excited projects are being funded that should help better the library spaces once the University opens back up.
- I have also taken the initiative of documenting the time spent in our SSMU meetings. After analyzing all meetings to date, I have some important revelations. In particular, the Steering Committee has projected us to be in session for a total of 39 hours and 30 minutes, while this Council has in fact been in session for a total of 56 hours, a difference of 16 hours and 30 minutes. The Bar Chart can be found here:

Time Spent in SSMU Meetings



Respectfully submitted,

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