

UO SACNAS (Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native American in Science)

General Meeting

11 members in attendance

10 October 2017

Start: 7 PM

End: 8:30 PM

As a quick(-ish) recap of the key points from Tuesday's meeting:

1) SACNAS is an organization dedicated to the professional advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in STEM higher education and research careers. Students of all backgrounds are welcome to attend our events and become members. Members who are majoring in any STEM discipline are welcome to run in Executive Board elections.

2) Two of the main goals for SACNAS this year are to obtain official status with the ASUO and to become recognized by the national organization. This will require regular documented meetings, election of an executive board, and paying dues to the national organization. We plan to meet once a month for a professional development, outreach, science recreation, or other type of meeting relevant to our mission.

3) Membership in UO SACNAS requires first attending three meetings.

4) We aim to hold an Executive Board election in December. All those running for Executive Board positions must be UO SACNAS members, must be formally nominated (by themselves or another SACNAS member), and must commit to attending all Executive Board meetings and as many regular SACNAS events as possible. The anticipated positions will be President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Those elected to these positions must agree to uphold the by-laws of the SACNAS national organization. Once we obtain recognition by the national organization, UO SACNAS will elect two of our Executive Board members to be the designated voting Student Members in the national organization.

5) Though it was not mentioned, we will hold election for next year's Executive Board toward the end of the academic year (probably late April) so that this year's Board can have time to train next year's board to carry out their duties.

6) We would LOVE to see as many of you (and your friends and fellow STEM undergraduates) as possible become involved in research and present your research at regional and/or national STEM research conferences. Oregon State University will be hosting the Oregon Alliance for Minority Participation (OR-AMP) STEM Research Conference in late January this coming year. How cool would it be for a bunch of us to go?!

7) It looks like TUESDAYS are by far the best day for us to meet. If Tuesdays are difficult for

you, or there is a particular time in the evening that would be best, please respond to this message.