

## 03/30/21

- 1. Call to order at 4:03
- 2. Approval of Previous Minutes Found on Public Facebook
  - approved
- 3. Approval of Agenda Found on Public Facebook
  - Approved
- 4. Attendance
  - 26 participants
  - 4.1. <u>Health Department</u>
    - Dr. Byers is here to help answer questions about the COVID-19 vaccine
    - All vaccines teach the body to respond to covid without actually getting it
    - Mederna and Pfizer use messenger RNA with lipid particles (95% effective)
    - J&J had an adno virus (??) to makes it replication incompetent and makes enough DNA to get encoded into RNA and that starts the covid immune response (66-72% effective, but people who did receive the vaccine and later got covid, no one died)
    - No serious safety signals identified
    - Allergic reactions have been overblown 1 or 2 per million doses get them
    - Vaccines are to prevent symptoms, death, and stop the transmission
    - Benefits: for any age group you are far better off with the vaccine than you are with covid. The way we can significantly stop the transmission is by getting enough people vaccinated.



- The only people that shouldn't receive the vaccine are allergic to one of the components of the vaccine or actively infected with the virus.
- Student Questions:
  - Should I wear a mask after getting vaccinated? Yes, because there will still be people who get covid and they won't be sick so they could still transmit it to others.
  - When is the Drive Thru Vaccination clinic? Thursday
    4/1/2021 from 12-about 3 p.m
  - Are you only doing SSU students at this time? No it is for anyone 16 + that is from SSU or the community. If you are 16 or 17, there must be a parent/guardian that can give consent.
  - Concerns about fertility? Have to look at the source, there is no reason to believe it. This was brought to light by an anti-vaccer and said the vaccine contains 4 amino acids that are recognizable to the proteins that are needed to create the inability to form a placenta.
    - Gentleman and fertility, some people noticed on an autopsy that found there was evidence of testicular involvement from getting covid. There is no reason to believe the vaccine would lead people to being infertile.
  - Will there be a point where we no longer need to wear masks? If there is a point where we don't have a susceptible population then yes, but until then no because masks help stop the transmission of the disease.



- What percent would be enough for this realistic expectation? 80% threshold is the assumption
- o For how long is the vaccine shot good for? During the trials, there was lots of illness circulating and they could see that the vaccine was helping to slow the disease and death. We can tell that the vaccine works, but we can't see how long the immunity lasts yet, but it is being actively followed. We can tell our immunity is not indefinite. The value of everyone's vaccine goes up as more people get the vaccine.
- Is there an idea about how often we should get vaccinated? We don't know yet. We have to wait until the summer to see the vaccine durability at the 1 year mark.
- After getting vaccinated, should you still stay home as much as possible? This is tough, this is much more opinion. You can see other people who are vaccinated in small groups and even people who aren't vaccinated in small groups. After you get vaccinated, that is probably as good as you are going to get for a while, so just way the risks before going out. If you are going to be gathering in small groups, there will be lower risks than in large groups.
- o Is the immune response from the vaccine greater than that of previously having COVID? Sort of have an answer. Antibody levels is only the easy part of immunity to measure. There are other parts called t-cells, antibodies that can't be measured and it's really complex. But from the research that we have been able to do, there is a study from the Pfizer vaccine that was done last week that talked about after having one



dose of vaccine had antibody levels similar to those who have previously been infected, but after the second dose, the numbers were higher than those previously infected.

- O I've heard that you have to wait 90 days to get vaccinated after being infected with the virus, is that true? The vaccine was scarce at the beginning so this was told to allow for people who had immunity to wait to let others get it first. This isn't a requirement at all. Whenever you are feeling better after you are released from quarantine, you should go get vaccinated
- Do you need to get tested before getting vaccinated?
  No you do not need to get tested as long as you are not infected currently.
- The CDC has a great website that has lots of facts and questions with answers. Go to cdc.covidvaccinefaq

## 5. Executive Reports

- 5.1. President
- 5.2. Vice President
- 5.3. <u>Club Coordinator</u>
- 5.4. <u>Treasurer</u>
- 5.5. Secretary
- 5.6. <u>Advisor</u>

## 6. Public Views

- We miss the ice cream that used to be served in the Den and we hope it comes back soon!
- 7. Committee Reports
  - 7.1. <u>Academic Affairs</u>
  - 7.2. Organizational Affairs
  - 7.3. Student Affairs
- 8. Old Business



## 8.1. <u>Club Approval</u>

- No clubs were approved
- 8.2. <u>Club Funding</u>
- No clubs were funded
- 8.3. Elections
- Were announced last week
- 9. New Business
  - 9.1. Club Approval
  - No clubs to approve
  - 9.2. <u>Club Funding</u>
  - No clubs to fund
- 10. Announcements
  - Code word: vaccine
  - Finals breakfast will be offered
  - Outdoor cookout will be offered for housing student the weekend before finals
  - Next fall you will be able to use your SSU email to sign into Presence to stop the confusion!
- 11. Adjournment at 4:44