UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
November 26th 2020
ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:
● Kautak Singh

Territory Acknowledgment

We acknowledge with respect the Lekwungen-speaking peoples on whose traditional territory the university stands and the Songhees, Esquimalt and WSÁNEĆ peoples whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.

1. Call to order
This meeting was called to order at 7:01pm, with Alexandra Boucher-Carter as the chair and Elizabeth Giesbrecht as the secretary.

2. Adoption of the agenda and approval of previous minutes
BIRT the agenda be approved for the November 26th meeting, as shown.
BIFRT the minutes be approved for the November 19th meeting, as circulated.
Mover: Jeremy  Seconder: Abdul  Result: Passes

3. Updates from the Council Members

President
● AGMR this weekend -> Bidding for AGMR 2022
● Cinkant funding survey
● Review sessions for first years
● Ideas for ‘You survived’ gift?
● Meetings in December
● Im crYING
● Discussion Points
  o Mailing out patches/sponsored material for first years

Equity Officer
● Met with alumni last week talked about the edi grant
● Possibly meeting with Dr. Jackson next week!
● CDE was great!
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Discussion Points
○ Aleah meeting with Lilanne soon for EDI

VP Communication
● Video is up!
● Exam bank is up!
● Resources page is up!
● Discussion Points
  ○ Good job Russell

VP Events
●
● Discussion Points
  ○

VP Internal
● No updates this week :)
● Discussion Points
  ○ MATH 100 cheating software sucks, we have pre limited influence

VP External
● CDE
  ○ Happened
  ○ Aleah prolly talked about it
● WESST AGMR
  ○ 2020
    ■ Starting Saturday!!
    ■ Ready for a lot of fun and GA
    ■ I wrote a motion
  ○ 2022

Commented [1]: I like it
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- We have a bid and will ask the ESS for money if we get it :)
  ● Discussion Points

VP Corporate
- I’m here for once. Missed a lot of these meetings in the past few weeks. No updates because I haven’t done anything.
- I was offered a job, so I am going to hopefully exploit my new employer for the sake of getting the ESS some sponsorship or recognition
  ● Discussion Points

VP Finance

  ● Discussion Points
    ○ New platform for handling finances

VP Student-Life
- Minor website updates
- Dryden bragging about not being in courses
  ● Discussion Points
    ○

First-Year Representative
- Alex already covered everything
  ● Discussion Points
    ○

4. New Business
You do not have to pay to volunteer with the ESS... anymore

Mover: Abdul Abuelazm
Seconder: Jeremy

Goal: To allow volunteers to complete their job without financial barriers

Whereas: The Equity Officer is expected to go to the Conference on Diversity in Engineering yet still has to pay the delegate fee.

Also Whereas: The head delegate at WESST is expected to volunteer their time between competing to support the other delegates and still has to pay the delegate fee.

BIRT: Section 12.2 of the Policy Manual be amended as follows:

Section 12.2: Responsibilities of Delegates
Each delegate sent to a conference shall be required to:

a) Pay a $100 delegate contribution to the ESS unless this causes the delegate any financial stress, in which case the ESS shall waive this fee unless the delegate has the fee exempted or waived in accordance with sub-section 12.2.1.

b) Attend, and fully participate in the conference to the best of their ability.

c) Responsibly represent the ESS at the conference, and;

d) Record and report information about the conference as requested by the VP External.

When conference travel costs exceed the $100 delegate fee contribution, the contribution may be subtracted from travel cost reimbursement instead of being paid on the POS system.
Sub-Section 12.2.1: Delegate Fee Exemptions
A delegate can be exempt from the $100 delegate contribution if:
   a) The delegate will be the ESS’s voting representative at a conference with a plenary session,
   b) The delegate will be a head delegate to WEC,
   c) The delegate is the ESS Equity Officer and the conference they are being sent to is CDE, or;
   d) The fee causes the delegate any financial stress.

Sub-Section 12.2.2: Responsibilities of the VP External
In addition to the responsibilities laid out in Section 12.2, the VP External shall:
   a) Ensure, to the best of their ability, that all delegates are fully participating in the conference or competition,
   b) Book flights with fares that allow for cancellations and/or changes at no additional fee, and;
   c) Ensure the transfer of information from delegates to the student body.

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Result
Passed unanimously

Discussion

5. Other Business

BIRT The council goes into an in-camera session.

Mover: Abdul  Seconder: Russell  Result: pass
6. Adjournment
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.

Next Meeting
The next ESS Council Meeting will take place on TBA.