



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
May 10, 2021
ENGR/CSC Discord

Council Members not in attendance:

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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 7:33pm, with Jessica Hubbs as the chair and Kali Erickson as the secretary.

2. Adoption of the agenda and approval of previous minutes

BIRT the agenda be approved for the May 10th, 2021 meeting, as shown.
BIFRT the minutes be approved for the April 29th, 2021 meeting, as circulated.

Mover: Alexandra

Secunder: Russel

Result: Passed Unanimously

3. Updates from the Council Members

President

- Icebreaker - 2 truths, 1 lie
- Email Setup
- SGM Thursday evening - 7:30pm
- Training Day
 - Preferably earlier in the day
- Getting into office for photos/remodel planning!
- Team charter - possibly
- Discussion Points
 - Meeting with the new dean! Mina Hoorfar
 - Orientation
 - Strategic Plan?
 - Office redeco
 - Other?
- Student of the week: going to rotate who does the interviews. Might do some company interviews
 - Could choose a recent graduate this week

Equity Officer

- Will be reaching out to UVic SSD just in general but also about

FINGER RULES



New Topic



Direct Response



Point of Clarification



Hangloose



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- plans for return to in-person , accessibility issues
- Orientation
- Drafting message to EDI committee student rep about:
 - Director of outreach position
 - Plans to ensure inclusion of online students - whatsapp, anything else?
 - Concerns with plans for return to in-person
- EM was really fun, some event ideas suggested there:
 - Social media contests and giveaways (that require students to follow the ESS account)
 - “Punch cards” for attending events (get some merch or something)
 - Sending skip gc’s to students in attendance at virtual events (equivalent of free food/pizza)
 - Exercise competitions (like stepathons) that people can do from anywhere
 - Community bike ride through the campus (or galloping goose or something)
- Discussion Points
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VP Communication

- SGM Poster is up on Discord, Instagram, Facebook, anywhere else?
 - Thoughts on the current way the posters are designed, thoughts on changes? Improvements?
- Fire off an email for Grad Committee ASAP
- TODO: Update the website with our new ESS crew
 - Need new photos of everyone (unless we want to just use the ones from the election)
 - Ideally do it after the SGM so that we can add the council and execs at the same time
- Discussion Points
 - Nada

VP Events

- Happy to get started
 - Would like to meet with VP students life and VP corporate and anyone else who might have events in the works/ideas
 - Discussed with Jess about creating a document with step by step instructions for advertising events, would like to collaborate with VP communications
- Discussion Points
 - Thoughts on preparing for in-person events in the fall?
 - In terms of sponsors, we should start now
 - Outdoor events (carwash?) might be possible/more safe to plan
 - Russel has some event ideas, will send them



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- General plans for events, what they are and how to organize them would be good to start

VP Internal

- Found BME and civil student reps, still trying to find a MECH rep if anyone knows anyone!
 - Could put a message out on discord
- Jessica went to first faculty meeting, mostly talked about back to school plans and the new building
- Meeting with Mina on thursday!
- Still out here helping jessica out, feel free to reach out to me with questions!
- Discussion Points
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VP External

- WESST EM happened
 - New (very very lax) election candidacy requirements; You have to be an engineering student in Western Canada
 - Beginning talks of Advocacy and possible collaboration with UVic SSD and WESST to address issues that relate to students with disabilities and transition plans to in-person classes
 - New teams in VPX stream
 - Will sit down with our delegates to figure out what was talked about in the exec stream and have Viktor (or whomever) add it to the next issue of the Iron Post
 - After a 2 year long campaign, we have finally timpeached (seriously :))
- Beginning planning for Summer UVEC
- Discussion Points
 - Date ideas for UVEC??
 - Late june or early July?
 - Whenever reading break is, sometime around then
 - Volunteers??
 - Need 9 volunteers, hopefully can find some at SGM
 - We need DALs

VP Corporate

- Excited for a new year
- Currently looking at companies to talk to
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 - Re: Exams, I have access to a scanner at work. I could do a bulk job on thursday.



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- SafeStart plan - getting back into the office
 - Should consider plexi-glass in our budget

VP Finance

- Budget ready for presentation at SGM
 - Big money going to office improvements
 - Running slight deficit (~5k) but it's okay due to our huge carryover (~50k)
- Discussion Points
 - Things to prioritize for office improvements? Couches, table, etc
 - New couches would be nice

VP Student-Life

- As VP-comms
 - Had an outgoing meeting with Viktor
 - Transferred all the social media and website and stuff to him
 - Worked on the Order of pi video
- As Student-life
 - Had meeting with Dryden
- Goals for the week:
 - Introduce myself to the clubs
 - Read policy and transition doc
 - Read Clubs coordinator transition doc
 - Drop off exams to ess volunteers
 - Brainstorm orientation events
- Discussion Points
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First-Year Representative

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- Discussion Points
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4. New Business

5. Other Business



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BIRT _____

Mover:

Seconded:

Result:

6. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24pm.

Next Meeting

The next ESS Council Meeting will take place on May 17th.