UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
Date: July 12

ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:
● Jordan
● Kali

Territory Acknowledgment

We acknowledge and respect the lək̓ʷəŋən 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 7:33, with Jessica as the chair and Shayla as the secretary.

2. Adoption of the agenda and approval of previous minutes
BIRT the agenda be approved for the July 12 meeting, as shown.
BIFRT the minutes be approved for the July 5 meeting, as circulated.
Mover: Jessica Seconder: Alex Result: passed

3. Updates from the Council Members

President
● Thank you guys! Bug push success! Donations still open
● Orientation meetings
● Yearbook push - requests and posts for photos, help with this
● Email about getting office access
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● Discussion Points
  ○ How long to keep the donations open???
    ■ Until July 18
  - Contact old grads directly for yearbook photos

Equity Officer
●
● Discussion Points
  ○

VP Communication
● Added bug push post to the website
● Advertised bug push on Discord, Facebook, and Insta (Thanks Jessica for taking care of the Instagram posts!)
● Made some minor changes to the website (removed old news)
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- Going to rework the sidebar to display things we add so that it’s not just irrelevant things
- *Guess who said they were going to rework the meetings page and didn’t?*

**VP Events**

- Huge thanks to everyone that volunteered and participated at the bug push

**Discussion Points**

- Who can deposit cash and cheques from bug push and help donate money to united way once donations close?
  - Jordan for number then go to bank

**VP Internal**

- I am dead from bug push
- Faculty meeting last week
  - Dr. Hoorfar led her first faculty meeting!
  - New acting MECH chair Brad Buckham (while we search for new one)
  - Dr. Rishi Gupta is the new acting associate Dean
  - Looking for new ECE, Mech, and CSC chairs and new SENG director
  - New BME director Chris Dennison (for 3 years)
  - Ilamparithi and Thomas Freese won faculty teaching award
  - Strategic planning
  - EDI target motion passed! “Faculty commits to reaching or exceeding 30% regular faculty who are from traditional underrepresented genders, including women, non-binary, and other gender-diverse people”
  - Looking at admission gap for underrepresented people
  - Holding new EDI workshops for faculty and TAs

**Discussion Points**

- Summer exam prep reviews?

**VP External**

- WESST meeting next week
- UVEC will be postponed

**Discussion Points**

**VP Corporate**

- Company of the month -> first with Abe Books
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VP Finance
• No updates
• Discussion Points
  ○

VP Student-Life
• Helped with bug push
• No goals for the week, it’s gonna be busy for me
• Discussion Points

First-Year Representative
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  • Discussion Points
    ○

4. New Business

5. Other Business

BIRT _____
Mover: Seconder: Result:

6. Adjournment
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55.

Next Meeting
The next ESS Council Meeting will take place on July 19th, 2021.