



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
 2021-10-14
 ESS Office and Discord

Council Members not in attendance:
 ● Russell

Territory Acknowledgment

We acknowledge and respect the ləkʷəŋən 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 6:08pm, with Jessica Hubbs as the chair and Sam Morrow as the secretary.

2. Adoption of the agenda and approval of previous minutes

BIRT the agenda be approved for the October 14th meeting, as shown.
 BIFRT the minutes be approved for the October 7th meeting, as circulated.
 Mover: Jessica Hubbs Seconder: Jeremy Result: Passed

3. Updates from the Council Members

President

- UVEC (quick meet before this)
 - Decided it will be planned for the wknd of nov. 20th, we gotta get planning ASAP. It'll be okay!
 - Plus we have sponsors lined up. We need competition leads though. If anybody is interested in leading one of the segments of the competition, speak up. If not, people will be voluntold to tkee said positions.
- Charity event
 - We did bask around the idea of a pumpkin smash
 - We would need to start now if we want to do this and get a few people together (step up yall)
- Sent Cinkant Email (Due next friday)
 - It did indeed go through
 - We need 2 people to be on this committee to look at proposals and pick w/ faculty, Jessica will ask people later if nobody volunteers
 - Abdul points out it is very easy and it is 2 hours tops (just read proposals and decide how much money)
- Talk to faculty about next year's orientation!
 - Meeting was planned but got cancelled. (was gonna be with catherine and rishi)
- Discussion Points
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FINGER RULES



New Topic



Direct Response



Point of Clarification



Hangloose



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Equity Officer

- First EDI committee meeting is planned for monday (oct 18th)
 - How to advertise for / choose the remaining 2 members?
 - Going to come up with application questions
 - Need to send email/put up posters?
 - Told LTD member - waiting for confirmation
 - Told WECS chair - waiting for appointed member contact info / confirmation
 - Jeremy brings up that 70% of recent immigrants in Victoria have faced overt racism according to Camosun, and that it should be addressed the EDI committee
- EDI training
 - Made doodle poll so I can give them some dates in the next couple weeks that work for us - please fill it out asap
- SENG Rep PCC meeting notes: we got time for this? Meeting was kinda interesting
 - Discussed how “with distinction” is given. The way the degree programs are pooled has meant that a small # of students get distinction in small programs - even if they have a relatively high GPA
 - Many coop postings on LIM close before anyone applies
 - Apparently some not-pleased employers
 - Kali: Maybe people are less and less looking on lim? (just conjecture)
 - General consensus that it (lim) is oversaturated with seng
 - Jeremy brings up a possible contradiction in the coop office’s logic (100% placement in 5 coops despite only being supposed to take 4 coops to graduate)
 - Kali brings up a few possible coop policies may be affecting this, and offers to bring it up
 - Jessica brings up that there is a lot of potential for seng to grow considering the high demand for seng jobs in Victoria
 - Jeremy thinks we should not give them the excuse that these are closing because students aren’t applying early on
 - This was only one of their speculations
 - Not concerned with them wanting to grow the program, just that they are completely ignoring that people might not like using lim (conjecture)
 - Jeremy agrees that there are some issues, such as not being able to negotiate your wage
 - Kali brings up an anecdote in which someone turned down a job posting because of the wage, which pissed off the coop office and employer
 - Kali supposes the biggest issue is that they (coop) are afraid employers will stop posting to lim



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- Jessica brings up that this should be brought up at the meeting
 - It will indeed be brought up
- Discussion Points
 - Fill out the doodle poll!
 - Cord says it would be interesting to see which jobs are actually being applied to

VP Communication

- Jessica was going to send me info about Iron Ring and I think we both forgot about that.
 - They forgot 🤖
- Discussion Points
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VP Events

- Meeting with Jess to discuss charity event
- Plan to meet with alex for bob ross paint/chill night
- She can indeed do UVEC
- Discussion Points
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VP Internal

- Council Retreat
 - Set up during reading break, which may cause problems. Another possible date was Halloween weekend.
- Getting Sarah all set up! - FYC meeting!
- Newz
 - For some reason she wants to finish her degree, and thus will be unable to do ESS next semester.
 - Shayla is interested in covering this position for the spring.
 - The idea is that someone can be appointed before an election, so she can be appointed for next semester, but that is council's decision
 - Finish off with agmer(sp?)
 - Abdul thanks her for her hard work and help over the past three years, which is followed by a clap
 - A very solemn ceremony proceeds.
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 - Candy 4 halloween?



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- Avni *could* run to Costco tomorrow if needed, but she needs a list which isn't messy
- An unapproved purchase was made of very expensive coffee, and a reimbursement request has been submitted
- Jessica asks if a date has been chosen for the first FYC meeting
 - Not yet, but an email will be sent out
- Jessica brings up how awesome Alex is and gives a thanks

VP External

- WESST AGMeR
 - This weekend
 - Discussion about CSC students
 - Good thing; we have momentum from the previous meeting (knock on wood)
 - defending champs for Olympics
 - woop woop
- UVEC more to come soon
 - We have sponsors (polar Engineering and redbull)
 - Abdul was talking with someone who has the ESS main box
 - Where is a good place to have the "multi arcade machine emulator?"
 - The size of the tetris machine
 - We have carsa storage which is hard to get to, jam factory which has no power, and the only other options won't fit it
 - It is still not complete at all and Abdul doesn't want people messing around with CRTs in public
 - General agreement when someone suggests storing it with FSAE
 - Just don't tell them it doesn't work
- Discussion Points
 - Jeremy brings up discussions about how god awful CFES was doing with advocacy
 - Abdul is still gonna write the letter, CFES will feel his wrath, will be done by the end of October
 - WESST is a separate federally incorporated entity, similar to CFES, but different. In Abdul's opinion, it is better with those kinds of things.
 - Note: WESST doesn't actually do advocacy, mainly just conferences. They do some advocacy, i.e. getting us the letter about lockdown browser, they did an advo package with edi resources, they have done a couple of things and have been very very good, despite not doing as much advo stuff as the CFES says they do



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VP Corporate

- I does not haz words
- Discussion Points

VP Finance

- Full access to bank account & chequing (yay)
 - You can deposit any cheques that were written to you now
 - Come to the VP finance if it bounced
 - Need to send cheques to pay our fees to WESST & CFES (will do tomorrow) as well as other unpaid invoices
 - Todo
 - Get student fees for this semester
- Club funding

| Club | Amount Allocated |
|------------------|------------------|
| AUVIC | \$1,000.00 |
| IEEE | \$600.00 |
| BMED | \$1,150.00 |
| Robotics | \$1,080.00 |
| Aero | \$1,060.00 |
| Formula Hybrid | \$1,150.00 |
| Formula Gas | \$1,050.00 |
| Formula Electric | \$1,050.00 |
| UVEEC | \$950.00 |
| UREC | \$350.00 |
| GEB | \$500.00 |
| Satelite | \$1,060.00 |
| Seismic | \$1,000.00 |

- - Total: \$12,000
- Discussion Points
 - Expense Review
 - None this week
 - Abdul asks if the VP finance has reached out to Isaac yet
 - Not yet. It is not necessary to talk with the UVSS lawyer yet.
 - Jeremy asks if this was a separate issue from when we were not getting enough money from the UVSS
 - Abdul responds that that was indeed separate. We get 4 cheques from them, and we are actually getting them.



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VP Student-Life

- Sorry I couldn't be here I'm just passing the finish line on a VERY big 2 weeks of school
- Updates
 - Avni, Jordan and I did clubs funding
 - See Jordan's updates for what clubs got what funding
 - I scanned and uploaded ~60 exams
 - BIG Thanks to Aomi, Max, and Kali for the help with that!
- Goals for the week
 - Scan more exams
 - Look into the science venture lockers (why do they have so many?)
 - Call the faculty about asking for some chair upgrades for the office
 - Jessica wants us to look into getting more table space in the lounge as well
 - Jeremy suggests putting tables where the freezer currently is
 - Abdul says we usually try to keep the lounge a lounge, and suggests rotating the table to how it used to be
 - Or we could just wait until.. (doesn't finish sentence)
 - Someone suggests beanbag chairs
 - Get a quote for a new sweater order
 - Jessica wants to ask him what the status is on jackets
- Discussion Points
 - Looking to poll the room, does anyone have any problems with me doing the jacket order next semester (there has been very little interest)
 - Initial silence
 - One person says it sounds fine
 - Jessica wants to say that doing it now would be nice, but we also haven't done any advertising, and barely anybody knows it is happening
 - Alex asks if we are doing an order right now
 - Yes we are (example of how few people know about it: even she didn't know)
 - It probably doesn't hurt to have a couple on hand that didn't get taken so people can take it right away
 - We also don't have a small
 - Also looking to poll the room: bluen (same as last time, sold out fast) and pink (often requested) for sweater colours? Any complaints?
 - Abdul says yes to both, and wants to clarify to people who haven't seen what pink looks like: Blue is the baby blue we've had before, and the pink is the same as what we have for blue. We didn't have pink last year.
 - He really thinks we should do both.



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- We will also not be getting rid of gray (but we wont order more)
- People have asked about burgundy ones, and Jessica thinks people want burgundy
 - Lots of agreement for burgundy
- Abdul suggests something controversial: no blue, but burgundy
 - Alex suggests just getting 20 of each colour and that we will sell them all eventually
- We definitely will not oversaturate with sweaters, and they take a year to get rid of (during covid)
- Maybe when russell reads our comments he will comment in council about it (hi russell)

First-Year Representative

- Currently getting an email ready for people that expressed interest in FYC
 - It will probably be ready for next week
- Discussion Points
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4. New Business

- Jessica will send a message in the general slack channel because we did get a complaint in the channel. Everyone was distracted, and nobody was ready to give him a welcome. Reminder to pay attention if you're on office hours for people coming in! You are the main resource of the room

5. Other Business

BIRT _____

Mover:

Seconder:

Result:

6. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:54pm.

Next Meeting

The next ESS Council Meeting will take place on October 21st, 2021.