



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
 2021-10-21
 ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:
 ● VP Comms, VP Corporate

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.

FINGER RULES



New Topic



Direct Response



Point of Clarification



Hangloose

1. Call to order

This meeting was called to order at 6:06pm, 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 Oct. 21st meeting, as shown.

BIFRT the minutes be approved for the Oct. 14th meeting, as circulated.

Mover: Jessica Hubbs

Secunder: Abdul

Result: Passed

3. Updates from the Council Members

President

- Thank you letter from Mina
- Adding someone to endowment update list
 - Lauren staimus is asking to add an alumni who is curious about how the endowment is going. He was wondering if we were comfy adding Colton as a primary contact on the endowment
 - Abdul feels like putting an old exec be a primary contact for the endowment fund sounds like a “no way”
 - Jessica doesnt know what the endowment report entails
 - Jessica will ask for more info
- Send another Cinkant email: should I change the date?
 - We have gotten no proposals yet
 - We will get them all at 10pm tomorrow
 - As someone who has been on committee before, Abdul says you dont get any until the day of
 - Gotta encourage Rocketry to apply
 - Context: rocketry wanted funding but missed the application, but they only have one day to apply
 - They probably already are applying
 - “The giving” will be a thing that people can apply for in tentatively 2 weeks, to help get funding directly from people



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
2021-10-21
ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:
● VP Comms, VP Corporate

- They also have a \$1.3k check from last semester
- Send email to get UVEC volunteers
 - Tell jessica if you want to be a lead (respond to the email) (we need 8)
- Bridge building competition Concordia
 - See abdul's section
- Social Media Coordinator!
 - Alex's friend wasn't actually sure what it entailed but didn't want to do it, BUT WE DID find someone else! A first year whose name Jessica cannot remember.
 - Do we need to do a motion about this?
 - Yes, so we will do it today
- Discussion Points
 - EEE?
 - Abdul thinks we should attempt it
 - [redacted]
 - If anybody wants to input ideas for a charity event, it'll happen after the meeting

Equity Officer

- First EDI Committee meeting rescheduled to next monday
 - Started google form for applications for remaining two members - hoping to email out tonight??
 - What email do I send it to?
 - It will be sent
- Sent out NEW doodle poll for EDI training
 - Pls respond to it
 - Sending LTD the dates by the end of the weekend
- Discussion Points
 - I've been running around with my head cut off and I don't even have a good reason

VP Communication

-
- Discussion Points
 -

VP Events

- Getting bob ross paint night together
- Charity meeting tonight
- Discussion Points
 -



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
2021-10-21
ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:

- VP Comms, VP Corporate

VP Internal

- Met with First Year Council yesterday!
 - Some concerns regarding exam schedules - minimal we can do :(ul> - Especially for civil students, 3b cohort had 3 super hard exams in a row
- AGMR last weekend - train be rolling again
 - Meeting with Dean on Monday
- Discussion Points
 -

VP External

- WESST
 - We vibing
 - Thanks Russell
 - Elections happened
 - Very chill conference
 - Fantastic conference on mental health and burnout (albeit very heavy, if presented the presenter needs to be prepared)
 - Abdul did not get VP :(
 - Everyone agreed that csc students should be able to go to conferences
 - Found some holes in the CFES policy on csc students
- Conferences coming up
 - CELC
 - Going to be a 6-day conference in St. John's, NL
 - The big thing is how many people are we gonna send and how are we getting there? The number of people we are sending there decreases rapidly if we are flying there. It would be around 2k per student
 - The other option is to reach out to UWaterloo, and we can apparently road trip with them if we fly from victoria -> waterloo then roadtrip. More people can go, but it is more of a hassle if so many people roadtrip from waterloo to NL
 - Any ideas for how to get to Newfoundland?
 - Jessica says the conference is 6 days already, plus a flight and a 3 day road trip. This is a 10 day trip, not many people can make that kind of trip.
 - We have 12k budgeted for CELC but that doesnt mean we should spend it ("DO IT" -Avni)



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
2021-10-21
ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:
● VP Comms, VP Corporate


- Buuuut we can do much more BORING stuff like “benefit the student body”
 - Bigger than entire services budget for the semester
- Maybe only send like 2 people
 - Good idea, but this is also a big deal
- How many people do we normally send?
 - Last time we sent 6 and it was in ‘berta
- Russell doesnt think he can spend more on one conference than on all of services
- Abdul proposes we cap it at 4 delegates
 - Every student that went to CELC 2 years ago continued to be in student leadership (or graduated)
 - 3 are here, one continued with WESST, one graded, one continued with civil engineers council
 - It did give us actual tangible benefits, so abdul says only sending 2 people might not be great, and he wants at least 3 people,
 - Cap of 4 people instead of 6 so we can get as much out of it as possible
 - Jessica says we dont want to spend all that money, so it’d be sending 6-8 peeps that would be crazy,
 - At least 3-4 would be a good number. And everyone would want to go. Maybe spending a little bit more than we normally would would be okay.
 - If we send 4 people we spend about half the budget
 - Selection committee includes: Ayla(sp?)
- Last question: who here doesnt want to go to CELC?
 - It is january 2nd to 8th
- CDE
 - Conference on diversity in engineering
 - Cool
 - Online
 - Ask avni about it if you want to know
 - An email will be sent
- WEC
 - Going to be in person in Kelowna



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
2021-10-21
ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:

- VP Comms, VP Corporate

- Pre-registration is open
- How many people should we send?
 - Previously we had to pay for people we didnt send, dont overestimate it
 - Expect 20 people or so
- Troitsky
 - No, not Trotsky
 - A black and white portrait of a man with a mustache and glasses, wearing a military-style jacket.
 - - Look out for ice picks
 - Very funny joke, i approve
 - Do we want to do something with it?
 - We got an email from the concordia engineering society, they sent us smth about a bridge building comp called troitsky
 - Bridge building clubs from across canada come to compete at this event
 - It isnt something we normally do (directly send people rather than leave it up to the clubs to go)
 - Avni will send an email about this to the building clubs tonight
 - Thoughts on doing this despite not normally?
 - Avni says theres a good chance that nobody will go
 - Jessica asks if we want to tell our students that this is a thing, and then form a club with interested peeps
 - We can talk to the CSCE
 - We could send an email out to the student body, and people who really want to do bridge building can do this
 - Russell says ^
 - General consensus on sending it to CSCE
 - Abdul is very apprehensive about advertising to going to montreal, since it is a big ask and since it is expensive, hence why he wants to ask clubs.



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
2021-10-21
ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:
● VP Comms, VP Corporate

- If 90% of students cant attend, then he proposes we shouldnt advertise it
 - Jessica responds by saying that most people probably cant go, but that it isnt a bad thing to just let people know
 - Agreement, maybe put a disclaimer that this isnt funded by the ESS, maybe put “forwarded on behalf of concordia”
 - Abdul will talk to the CSCE if they can do anything about it
- Discussion Points

VP Corporate

-
- Discussion Points

VP Finance

- EM 2020
 - ~~Thinking of emailing sponsors and asking them if we can still deposit old cheques, need to present a use case though~~
 - Leaving them for AGMR People to deal with
 - Tim is returning \$3000 seed funding given to the EM 2020 organizing committee tonight :)
- Club Funding
 - Re-wrote summer club funding cheques, delivered them to Dean’s Office
 - Club funding cheques for this semester are all available for pickup
 - Why dont we just deliver them to the dean’s office ourselves?
 - Leftover from COVID
- Still need to pay old invoices :(
 - First trotsky, now paying Marx??
 - Stalin comes next
- Discussion Points
 - We should probably write the policy to merge Engineering and CS
 - We need a referendum for this
 - Russell asks if this is just CSC students?
 - CSC students vote on joining, Eng students vote on making the change to the constitution. 2 way thing
 - Is the comp sci faculty gonna do this?



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
2021-10-21
ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:
● VP Comms, VP Corporate

- Were working with Mina and everyone

VP Student-Life

- Updates:
 - Scanned & uploaded more exams
- Goals
 - Put in the Sweater order
 - I choose to get light blue and flip a coin between also getting pink or also getting burgundy. This is a discussion point only if you are willing to fight me for it.
 - Abdul talks over his fellow members
 - Can't we just get fewer of each colour and get more colours?
 - If we only get like 2 of each size then problems will arise
 - We already only have 4 or 5 of each size
 - Jessica says get 2 colours so we have enough sizes
 - Abdul mentions we have sold out of medium and XL
 - We are down to our last 5 sweaters
 - HE FLIPS THE COIN and.....
 - TAILS!!!!!! GO BURGUNDY YEEEEHH
 - Sucks to suck, pink
 - Viktor will be emailed to commence advertising
 - Unfortunately no fights broke out over this in the meeting
 - Scan more exams
- Discussion Points
 -

First-Year Representative

- First Year Council
 - Big thank you to Alex for attending on zoom and helping to get everything set up
 - Wondering if FYC can send out a confidential survey to first year students to see how people are doing where students can put their concerns/complaints
 -
 - One issue brought up was lack of consistency of marking of physics labs
 - Primarily people handing in the same work and getting graded differently (photo quality, dates on tables, sig figs...)
 - Also along physics labs - TAs are unreachable and different TAs explain different things
 - When then contacting profs to ask questions regarding the labs, students are told that they should have paid attention to the TA



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
2021-10-21
ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:
● VP Comms, VP Corporate

- Jessica says we unfortunately cannot tell people to change stuff, since they aren't our department
- Maybe alex and sarah can collaborate to write an email (especially about the TAs being unreachable)
 - Abdul says if this is sent out and nothing changes, then we can talk to the faculty, maybe Rishi. As much as this sucks, it is another faculty, so it is very hard to do something
 - [redacted]
- Preliminary event planning
 - People really liked the idea of skating (would skates and helmets be provided?)
 - They can be rented for a very small fee (enough to be covered by FYP budget)
 - Abdul invents a whole new form of ice skating not involving ice
 - We can always ask people to bring their own bike helmets, and helmets are not required to skate. Safety first!
 - To gain more interest, ideas are having hot chocolate, cookie decorating, and maybe a raffle for engineering jacket or crewneck (similar to orientation)
 - Shoutouts to everyone getting so excited over the draw at orientation
 - Other event ideas (less major) were movie in lecture hall with snacks, gingerbread house building competition (in first week of exam break maybe), pet cafe for engineering students exclusively (at a better time - not middle of day during class), and study review sessions
 - Can we request a pet cafe at a specific time??
 - It is a private company we can reach out to, they wanted an evening time
 - Jessica asks how many people were there
 - Sarah and 6 other people plus one other person who wants to come, and one person that was interested that didn't respond to an email. 7+ people!
- Discussion Points
 -

4. New Business



UVic ESS Council Weekly Meeting
2021-10-21
ESS Office and Google Hangouts

Council Members not in attendance:
● VP Comms, VP Corporate

5. Other Business

BIRT Tim Al Saudi be appointed the social media coordinator for the fall 2021 semester.

Mover: Russell Waterhouse

Secunder: Abdul^2

Result: Passed unanimously

6. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59pm.

Next Meeting

The next ESS Council Meeting will take place on 28 October 2021 (without jessica).