



Science Undergraduate Society

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January 11, 2017 FINCOM Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 1:05 PM

Present

VP Finance	Sheila Wang
AVP Finance	Ryan Lou
Integrated Sciences Representative	Caroline Sutton
Physics Representative	Arnold Choa
Member-at-Large	Alyssa Yong
Member-at-Large	Talia Ada Ang

Regrets

Astronomy Representative	Hikari Rachmat
MBIM Representative	Paul McDade
Mathematics Representative	Tommi Muller
Statistics Representative	Oscar Tu
Member-at-Large	Thomas Hoang

Club Operations Grant(s):

UBC Women in Science

Membership

1/5 for Membership

- 65/96 Members are in Science = 68%
- 2 Exchange Students excluded from count
- Formula: $\frac{(68\% - 60\%)}{40} \times 5 = 1.0$

Events

10/10 for Variety of Events

- Approximately a 50/50 split between social and academic events
- Some events are actually both social and academic

5/5 for Collaborations

- Collaborations with MISA, URO and UBC Computer Science (Women in Computing Science)
- Good variety of collaborations

4.5/5 Appeal to members and non-members

- Events appeal to the audience of the club (women in Science)
- A little more appeal to the Physical Sciences would be appreciated

Rationale

4/5 for effort/mechanics

- Some grammatical mistakes that are glaring
- Was effort put into writing the application

5/5 for Following Directions

- Formatting directions were followed

9.5/10 for Goals and Purpose of the Club

- Although there are other mentorships in other clubs, this one is more women specific and might provide a backup in case other mentors
- Collaborations with other clubs
- Career development is key for women interested in STEM fields

18/20 for How is this club beneficial to Science students

- Beneficial to the female science student population
- Helps young women discover their career paths through mentorships and events
- Although it is focussed on women in science, male science students can also participate

Budget

2.5/5 for Aiming for a zero budget

- With the grant it will be a sizeable surplus (~\$700.00)
- Although there is a need for a buffer for unexpected costs, we are looking for a close to zero budget.

7.5/10 for Detailed budget

- Not much of a breakdown for events
- Operating surplus is not explained

13/20 for Reasonable Expenses/Revenues

- They should budget some more for events because the meet a mentor event went over by over a \$100.00 this year over the budgeted amount
- Should be less conservative because food costs and supply costs can be quite costly

Total: 1 + 19.5 + 36.5 + 23/100 = 0.80 x \$1,200.00 = \$960.00

Professional Development Grant(s)

Sarah Park

- The course aligns with her future goals (sustainability and resource management)
- Research component also aligns with her plans for grad school

- Although we have previously reviewed a grant application on the same course, that application did not align with the applicant's career goals on that application
- Nothing against applying for a grant for a course, but has to be for **professional development** (aligns with career goals or an experience that will help in their field of interest)
- **Full Grant (\$300.00) approved**

Meeting Adjourned at 1:54 PM