February 8, 2017 Grants Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 1:06 PM

Present

VP Finance: Sheila Wang
AVP Finance: Ryan Lou
Astronomy Representative: Hikari Rachmat
Mathematics Representative: Tommi Muller
Physics Representative: Arnold Choa

Regrets

Integrated Sciences Representative: Caroline Sutton
Statistics Representative: Oscar Tu
Member-at-Large: Thomas Hoang
Member-at-Large: Alyssa Yong
Member-at-Large: Talia Ada Ang

Club Operations Grants:

BIOSOC (Deferred)
- Defer them until after Reading Break – tell them to obtain the student numbers from their members, give them until after Reading Break to submit it.

Cognitive Systems Society ($0.00)
- 28/75 \( \rightarrow \) 37\% of the members are Science students (counting Science students alone)
  - Even if execs are included, it is still 35/87, which is 40\%
- Even if we included members with missing information as Science students it is 47/75 it is 63\%, but we cannot assume that they are Science students so we cannot review based on that information
- It is not our responsibility to fund a clubs with mostly students from other faculties, even though Cognitive Systems is within Science
GSA ($0.00)
- 8/83 $\rightarrow$ 10% Science students, so they are not eligible for the Grant

PSA ($0.00)
- 18/108 $\rightarrow$ 17% Science students, so they are not eligible for the Grant

UBC Physics Society

**Membership (4.5/5)**
- $132/138 = 96\%$ of students are in Science
- Formula: $\left(\frac{96\% - 60\%}{40}\right) \times 5 = 4.5\%$

**Events (14/20)**
9/10 for a Great Variety of Events
- Good mix of social and academic events
- Missing future events, only has the recurring events

1/5 for Collaborations with Other Clubs
- Only with Astronomy and Biophysics Clubs

4/5 for How well the Events Appeal to Members and Non-Members
- There's food for the barbecue, wine and cheese, and beef and Pizza which may attracts a lot of people
- Python/Latex caters to Math/Physics/Engineering/Geology
- Caters to a lot of students for the review sessions (interdisciplinary of many different science students)

**Rationale (33/40)**
3.5/5 for Following Directions
- Under 2 pages, but no 1.5-line spacing and no spaces between paragraphs

4/5 for Grammars/Mechanics
- Short, but concise writing with no mistakes and effort was put into writing it

9.5/10 for Goals of the Club
- Goals to improve tutoring students in Physics are great, along with the ability to better connect with professors over food
- Proactive in improving the club through getting feedback from students over food

16/20 for How the club is beneficial to Science Students
- Benefits first years (not just students who want to specialize in Physics) with the review sessions and tutoring opportunities
- Also benefits students outside Physics with the Latex and Python workshops
• Provides grants to Physics students seeking professional development activities (conferences)

Budget (28.5/35)
5/5 for Aiming for a Zero budget
• The $32.47 is relatively low compared to their overall budget of $5400.00
6/10 for Detailed Expenses/Revenues
• Has the events, but does not have a brief breakdown of costs and revenues of the events, although it can be inferred from the events what the costs will be
17.5/20 for Reasonable Expenses and Revenues
• Expenses (food, printing, building rentals, grants) are all justified for the types of events they put up; actual amounts are close to what was budgeted
• Revenues also seem par for the course in terms of review sessions and exam packs are concerned

Total: \((4.5 + 14 + 33 + 28.5)/100 = 0.80 \times 1,200.00 = 960.00\)

Club Careers Night Grants
ISSA – Meet your Alumni ($200.00)
• Well planned out event in which the goals are achievable due to the inclusion of CMS students in addition to the ISCI students already invited
  o Students from other programs also welcome
  o Plan is easy to follow and the issues are understandable (like finding ISCI students that are not partially life sciences-based)
• Networking is key for a program where students choose their own specialization as they do not belong to a department, which can be satisfied by alumni speaking to current ISCI students
• Amount requested ($200.00) approved

Professional Development Grants

Alyssa Mari Thurston
• The purpose of the conference is related to her future goals as applying for Masters of Public Health
• The conference allows her the opportunity to prevent her research, something she will have to do a Masters student
• Although the project is affiliated with SPPH, she is eligible as she is a Biology Student
• Full Grant ($300.00) approved

Meeting adjourned at 2:02 PM