



Science Undergraduate Society

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March 29, 2017 Grants Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order 1:09 PM

Present

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

Regrets

Mathematics Representative	Tommi Muller
Statistics Representative	Oscar Tu
Member-at-Large	Alyssa Yong
Member-at-Large	Thomas Hoang

Professional Development Grants

Tamar Av-Shalom

- Conference is a big deal and she is representing UBC
- Conference registration fee is expensive (\$625.00 USD)
- Related to her Combined Major in Microbiology and Computer Science and the project she is participating in (iGEM 2016)
- Also relates to the research she does with the Hallam lab
- **Full grant (\$300.00) approved**

Charmaine Lee

- Hackathons are great experience to develop and showcase her skills
- She is involved in the hackathon community and want to go to New York for Major League Hacking to further develop her skills
- Related to her Computer Science degree

- The Grant will cover one leg of her flight and she has received funding from Major League Hacking
- **Full Grant (\$300.00) approved**

Jessica Li

- Is related to her volunteer research in the lab
- Will help her develop her skills to continue her research in the future and possibly discover other interesting fields of research as she is still in first year
 - Allows her to gain invaluable feedback on her research and her methods
- Grant will cover flights, registration fees and poster printing
- **As the total amount comes up to \$394.00, we can only grant 50% of that (\$197.00)**

Special Project Grants

SCOOPs

- \$50.00 is a small amount to grant for an attendance of 40
- Allows attendees (Co-op students and mentors) to network in a fun environment
 - Painting is rarely done for events and allows people to show their creativity
- Can also be used to advertise the co-op program
- Will charge ticket prices as there is food being provided
- **Full Grant Requested (\$50.00) approved**

Kiki Ho – Student Initiative Grant/Special Project

- Is an already running initiative, not one started by a UBC Science student
 - Started in 2002 in the US, so Vancouver is probably a branch
 - **Is a recurring event, so that disqualifies this for the Special Projects Grant**
- Does not provide an unmet need for Science students
- Is an important cause, but is not going to benefit Science students, more to finding and registering adult stem cell donors
 - Science students are volunteers and they receive training and that is the only item that will benefit is the stem cell swabbing training, for which there are no expense items for
 - **Therefore, we cannot grant any money for this Student Initiative Grant**
 - AMS would be a better source for Grants as this is for an AMS club

CMSSA

- Going to High Schools in the Lower Mainland to support PROSPECTIVE UBC students, not the CURRENT Science students, who are paying the student fees
- Does not benefit current Science Students in any way
- **The Grant is not approved (\$0.00)**

Research Incentive Grant

Shawna Narayan – Research Incentive Grant

- She has already done research with Digital Emergency Medicine in the UBC Faculty of Medicine, based off of previous Professional Development Grant Application
- Eligibility is that this must be a Science student's **first research experience**
 - **Therefore, we cannot provide this Grant (\$0.00)**

Careers Night Grant

MISA – Careers Night

- No budget included, so we cannot fully review it
 - Budget is a requirement right before the "Mission" section
- As all other clubs applying for this Grant have included a budget, we have to be consistent in reviewing the Grant Applications
- A large portion (barriers and parts of the action plan) of the Grant Application was not filled out
 - Did not include a short explanation of why it wasn't necessary
- **The Grant is not approved (\$0.00)**

Moved by Arnold, Seconded by Caroline,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Grants Committee approve the following meeting minutes:

March 22, 2017 Grants Committee Minutes

...MOTION PASSES

Meeting Adjourned at 1:54 PM