I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 17:39.

II. Amendments to the Agenda

Moved by Helen (proxy for Kim), Seconded by Emma.

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Moved by Julia C, Seconded by Deep.

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Moved by Julia C, Seconded by Emma.

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Moved by Julia C, Seconded by Dayle (Parsa proxy).

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Moved by Deep, Seconded by Sean.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT an Extraordinary Creative Working Group is formed under the Student Life Portfolio”

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Moved by Sean, Seconded by Ronan.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Budget Committee recommendation for Creative Extraordinary Working Group and Visual Media staff be added to the executive motions.”
Moved by Julia C., Seconded by Katie.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT a presentation for Conference Extraordinary Working Group be added.”

Moved by Jacob, Seconded by Keanna.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, that Council approves and allocates $914.90 to the Visual Media Staff Pay.”

Moved by Sean, Seconded by Akhil.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT in the recommendation of the Budget Committee, that Council approves and allocates a flexible budget with a maximum deficit of $4000.00 to the Extraordinary Conference Working Group.”

III. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Danny, Seconded by Keanna.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.”

...MOTION PASSES.

IV. Speaker’s Business and Land Acknowledgement

The Speaker of Council acknowledged that we are on the ancestral, traditional, and unceded territory of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓ speaking, Musqueam people.

V. Introductions
All those present in Council engaged in a round of introductions.

VI. Presentations
Conference Working Group - Julia C, VP Academic
- Hopefully to be an extraordinary group.
- Ignite: annual professional development conference starting last year aiming to develop professional skills, extending beyond life sciences field.
  - Both industry and academia in science.
- Nothing like Ignite that aims for developing these skills.
- How is different:
  - External portfolio: SUS careers month, speakers series etc.
    - Provide science students the opportunity of showing what the industry has to offer and what opportunities are out there for science students.
  - Ignite: provide development of these skills, mostly through workshops and networking.
  - Necessary to fill the gap needed for students to develop professional skills beyond what UBC typically offers as a standard.
    - Broad spectrum - relevant to ALL majors and all departments in science.
Catering towards the development and growth of professional skills and opportunities through workshops and panels catered to the specific interests.

First pilot year last year → Around 80 attendees, pretty successful.

Expect to maintain a similar budget as last year: a negative deficit of $4000.

Hoping by codifying Conference working group and expand the scope of the conference, including the amount of networking and workshops as well as gaining more leverage to invite industry and academia professionals to come.

Maintain similar budget with expected increase of more participants.

Katie: What is the cost of the conference and how are you planning on marketing?

Julia C: based on last year’s expenditure, the bulk of the budget comes from catering and food cost. Decided to go with the Nest this year since it is free. On-campus catering are often very expensive, provide one meal for the attendees. Such as bringing them to Ladha for pizza or sandwich, cheaper options to food. Budget also go to honorariums, gifts to our guests, prizes and raffle gifts to the student attendees.

Katie: Are you not charging the attendees?

Julia C: We are charging the early bird for $10 and later for $15.

VII. Appointments

Moved by ___________, Seconded by ___________.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT ____________ be appointed as Cellular, Anatomical and Physiological Science Representative.”

Moved by ___________, Seconded by ___________.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT ____________ be appointed as Statistics Representative.”

Moved by ___________, Seconded by ___________.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT ____________ be appointed as Geography Representative.”

Moved by Emma, Seconded by Jacob.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Jake Strecker be appointed as Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences Representative.”

Jake Strecker: In high school was heavily involved in student council. Since coming to UBC wants to be more involved in the school community. Heard the EOAS rep position is available, thought this will be a good opportunity for becoming more involved on campus and hopefully make a bit of a difference.

...MOTION PASSES.

VIII. Executive, Science Student Senator and AMS Reports

1. President

For those who attended the Artona photos, the fun photos will come out soon.
● Will be part of the learning analytic student consultation of the CTLT thinking about making some changes for the upcoming year.
● There is going to be an AMS President’s meeting on December 5th, will be attending that.
● Will be having some council social right after the council meeting at The Gallery.

2. Vice President, External
● CommE: Hosting a sandwich making event at Ladha on Thursday, will leave at 5 PM to DTES to hand out the sandwiches.
  ○ For next semester: will be collaborating with SciWeek for fundraiser dinner, as well as collaborating with the international charity foundation.
● Careers: will be hosting another speaker’s series on January 9th that will include business, law and other fields not in life sciences and computer science.
● SCI fair: started planning last week. Goal is to contact a very diverse group of companies, trying to make an even ratio of computer science, life sciences, environmental sciences, physical sciences, and business.
● Katie: How is SCI fair differ from Ignite?
● Haiger: For SCI fair, we invite companies to booth at the LSC. Students can talk to the people boothing about how their undergraduate degree can be transferred to apply to industry. SCI fair is more like career professional development.
● Julia C: Ignite is more workshop based, invite industry on-campus professionals or alumni to come to lead workshops to students.

3. Vice President, Internal
● FYC: has an event tomorrow some movies etc.
● Still working for SSRAN (Science Student Recognition Awards Night) continue to develop more fair and elaborate ways for judging criteria and ways to promote the awards even more so more students will know to apply, so students can get the recognition they deserved.
● ISSE: Hiring is a bit slow, but will start in the first week of January. Will have the presentation at the AGM.
● Riley: For the Ad-Hoc committee, how many people have been hired?
● Emma: They have not been hired, but we are looking for 5-6 student-at-large to fill the seats.
● Riley: What is the hiring process like for the Ad Hoc committee?
● Emma: Have come up with questions with Erika and Daniel about the hiring rubric trying to have people in diverse background, to try to get as much different opinions as possible. Interview will be conducted by HR and questions will be based on the rubric and criteria that we are looking for.

4. Vice President, Academic
● HEWE hosted their Seeds the Day event (collaboration with UBC Cancer Associations and Canadian Liver Foundation).
● Exam packages: Tuesday and Thursday at 11AM. They run out really quickly.
● Giveaway for these exam packages: premium and ultra-premium packages
tag your friends and write good study tips.

- MHA: Invited speakers to talk about mental health and wellbeing at wellness cafe on Wednesday from 4-6 PM.
- Conference: still in progress.
- AMS tutoring review session happened last week on Tuesday and Wednesday for second year Biochemistry and physics courses → good turnout. Hopefully continue next term.
- Mentorship: Had their kickoff last week. If still interested in having a mentor or know someone who might be interested in being a mentor, please let Julia C. know. Will be posting more promotion for looking for more mentors and mentees for this school year.
- Met up with Teaching and Learning Enhancement Fund Committee: went over 11 grant proposals from professors or faculty members.
- MATH 180: still in the progress of working on the email.

5. Vice President, Administration

- BMC bought shelving and storage containers, hopefully going to have the councillors office renovated by next term.
- Clubs commission looking at code documentation for updates, changing some codes for departmental and non-departmental clubs.
- CAPC will be looking over this code as well for this week. Recommends codification of mentorship but conference will have to wait until February to be revisited.

6. Vice President, Communications

- Sales: last Friday Black Friday sales → successful, 210 people came to buy clothes. Made $5000 for total revenue. Still have some stocks left, will probably sell it together with the new items. The Sales Commission Chair expects to have the sales go at $9000 at the end of the year.
- Marketing is finishing off their 12 exam season memes.
- Coffee video: will be filming during the first week back from school. If selected, will be contacted through email by me.
- The graphics for Ignite are coming along slowly. Had established a theme. Working on different graphics for upload.
- Working on the websites for Ignite Conference and SCI fair.

7. Vice President, Finance

- Recommended Conference, Visual media and Creative Working Group budgets to council.
- Went through 5 grants. Some were approved and some were not.
- If you have any reimbursements, please put the receipt in my mailbox by Thursday 3 PM.

8. Vice President, Student Life

- Creative: just had their first event this Thursday → Great turnout. Went to Budget Committee today and got their budget approved.
- Social: had their first event on Friday called Holidays and Not-so-silent night → Great turnout: a couple of time over-capacity.
• Sports: Had their first event today called Ping pong and beyond. All the donations will go to BC Children Hospital.
• Science week: is trying to get sponsorship at the moment. Have most of the logistics worked out. All the volunteers will be contacted this week regarding your availabilities.

9. Science Student Senator
• Awards committee met today → goal for next month: trying to include summer credits in awards adjudication. Currently, only winter credits are included for evaluation of whether you can get an award. Working towards including summer credits for student equity purposes. Will put on this on April 29th.
• Fall reading break consultation was last week with the AMS: There are couple of ways to approach this problem, but there are some barriers to this:
  ○ Engineering is the main barrier for this. If we decrease the amount of teaching days, they will not be able to graduate. Looking into having exams on Saturdays, or having longer weekend breaks or winter breaks. If you have any ideas or concerns, please let me know.
• Course evaluations are out, please do them.
• Drama at senate last week: Peter Walls Institute for Advanced studies Director resigned in protest of the new strategic plan. Lots of protests from many different faculty members. Because of that, the new changes were retracted.

10. AMS Report
• Have been no meeting since last council meeting.
• The last meeting will be happening on Wednesday → If interested, can come. Always open to the public.

IX. Club Reports

1. Astronomy Club
• Got lecture series talk tomorrow by professor at 4-5 PM tomorrow.
• Wrapping up right now.

2. Biophysics Student Society (BPSS)
• Have an event after the break about different things you can do beyond the Biophysics degree.

3. Biology Sciences Society (BIOSOC)
• BIOL 234 final exam review session this Wednesday.
• Having the blowout sale all throughout the week.
• Went to LSRN.

4. Biochemistry Physiology Pharmacology Club (BPP)
• Kick off for Mentorship program for students in the three majors. The application has closed for that.
• Working on designing hoodies for students in the three majors.

5. Cognitive Systems Society (CSS)
• LSRN went pretty well.
• This Friday: Wine and Cheese and paint event → Come out for destress.
6. **Coordinated Science Mentorship Club**
   - Winter formal in motion.
   - Currently selling CSP hoodies.

7. **Computer Science Students Society (CSSS)**
   - Free breakfast event today.
   - Semi-annual general meeting on Thursday at 5 PM.

8. **Combined Major in Science Student Association (CMSA)**
   - Was involved in LSRN.
   - Winding down for the end of the year.
   - Will be having several exam-review type sessions for specific courses in the major.

9. **Integrated Sciences Student Association (ISSA)**
   - ISCI 101 workshops → run by ISCI Peer Mentorship coordinators, including Katie and Cameron. Good turnout. For new ISCI students to ask questions about finding a mentor, their vision statement and writing a proposal.

10. **Environmental Science Student Association (ESSA)**
    - Landing party in USM → huge success.

11. **UBC Geography Students’ Association (GSA)**

12. **Microbiology and Immunology Students Association (MISA)**

13. **Physics Society (Physsoc)**
    - Wine and Cheese event on Thursday, will be physics professor.
    - Final Exam review sessions happening next week → details on Physics website.

14. **Psychology Students' Association (PSA)**
    - Currently having student faculty social.

15. **Science One Survivors (SOS)**
    - Working on Winter formal with CSP right now.

16. **Storm Club**

17. **Undergraduate Chemistry Society (UCS)**
    - Continue to sell exam packages from 10 AM - 4 PM every weekday → Come by if you are taking first year chemistry.

X. **Approval of Minutes of Council/Committees**

Moved by Dayle ( Parsa proxy), Seconded by Sean.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following meeting minutes be adopted as presented:
CM 2018 11 19
HEWE 2018 11 22
CAREER 2018 10 31
CAREER 2018 11 07
CAREER 2018 11 14
CAREER 2018 11 21
COMME 2018 10 29
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COMME 2018 11 19
XI. Executive Committee Motions

Moved by Katie, Seconded by Sean.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Society endorses the creation of a Fall Reading Break by the Vancouver Senate.”
Motivation: Katie → It is the general consensus that people will like to have a Fall Reading Break. Senate has been talking about it but have never done something about it. It is time for us to let senate know that we want it implemented.

...MOTION PASSES.

XII. Committee Reports and Motions

Moved by Helen (proxy for Kim), Seconded by Emma.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mentorship Working Group be approved for codification by recommendation of the Code and Policy Committee.”
Motivation: Helen (proxy for Kim) → Everyone in the Code and Policy Committee were pretty on board with codifying the Mentorship Working Group, so hopefully this can get approved in council.

Moved by Julia C, Seconded by Deep.
“BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Harman Kaur Grewal be appointed as Chair and Billster Managoil, ChuQi Yu, Rachel Brownrigg, and Reet Toor be appointed as the Mentorship Working Group Members.
Motivation: Julia C: they are wonderful people and they are great at their job.

...MOTION PASSES.

Moved by Julia C, Seconded by Emma.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT an Extraordinary Conference Working Group is formed under the Academic Portfolio.”
Motivation: Julia C → The Ignite Conference provides great opportunities to personalize and develop their professional skills, so hopefully they can continue in the future years.

...MOTION PASSES.
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“BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Michelle Lisonek and Nishita Dahisaria be appointed as Co-Chairs and Ariel Qi, Daniel Hyun, Emily Chan, Lauren Gill, and William Chen be appointed as the Extraordinary Conference Working Group Members.”
Motivation: Julia C: It will be awesome to have members in my working group to get it started in January.
Abstentions: Julia C.

...MOTION PASSES.

Moved by Deep, Seconded by Sean.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT an Extraordinary Creative Working Group is formed under the Student Life Portfolio”
Motivation: Deep → To better cater a science student body with diverse non-science interests, I'm proposing the formation of the Creative Working Group to serve as an outlet. Creative's events offer an in depth exploration into the arts and other non-science areas by providing events specifically catering to these interests. Focuses for this year's WG will include visual arts, musical arts, dance, painting, photography, textiles, sculpting. We would like to allow students to learn or express their creative interests without being restricted to cliché art events. For example, we plan on organizing events such as a Science Talent Show, which has the ability to highlight hobbies of all sorts. Difference between Social and Creative:
● First of all, any event can be a SOCIAL EVENT. For example, all sports events can be considered social.
● With that said, Creative's events are also SOCIAL events, which is a great thing to have.
● Planning events where no one socializes and enjoys themselves can defeat the purpose of the event.
● What sets Creative specifically apart from Social, is FOCUS.
   ○ Creative is only focused on the non-science hobbies, including but not limited to visual arts, musical arts.
   ○ Whereas Social doesn't have a specialized focus and interest in these aspects when planning their events.
Social wouldn't emphasize on the “creative” aspect to the degree that most well accomplished science students appreciate.

...MOTION PASSES.

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Motivation: Deep → It will be awesome to have people there to help move the goal forward.

...MOTION PASSES.
Moved by Deep, Seconded by Ronan.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, that Council approves and allocates $1300.00 to the Extraordinary Creative Working Group.”
Motivation: Deep → Need the money to plan throughout the year.
Abstentions: Deep

...MOTION PASSES.

Moved by Jacob, Seconded by Keanna.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the recommendation of the Budget Committee, that Council approves and allocates $914.90 to the Visual Media Staff Pay.
Motivation: Jacob → Pretty sure everyone likes to be paid more, currently they are being paid at a un-competitive wage compared to other constituencies.
Abstentions: Jacob

...MOTION PASSES.

Moved by Sean, Seconded by Akhil.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT in the recommendation of the Budget Committee, that Council approves and allocates a flexible budget with a maximum deficit of $4000.00 to the Extraordinary Conference Working Group.”
Motivation: Sean → Conference provides a niche of professional development for science undergraduate students, so having a budget will be useful in creating a conference.
Abstentions: Julia C

...MOTION PASSES.

XIII. Academic Discussion Period

XIV. General Discussion Period
● Keanna: FYC is having an event Frost and Flick → Gingerbread making, Home-Alone theme, hot chocolate.
   ○ Planning to have a Thunderclap at 7 PM → everyone help with the thunderclap.

XV. Adjournment

Being that there is no further business the meeting be adjourned at 18:37.