[ COUNCIL MINUTES ]

Date: Monday, August 24, 2020
Time: 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Location: Zoom (https://zoom.us/j/95885072555)

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 17:09.

II. Adoption of the Agenda

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

...MOTION PASSES.

III. Amendments to the Agenda

IV. Adoption of the Agenda

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

V. Speaker’s Business and Land Acknowledgement

The Speaker acknowledged that UBC’s Vancouver Point Grey campus is situated on the traditional, ancestral, unceded territory of the Musqueam people and that we are joined today by people from many places, near and far, and acknowledge the traditional owners and caretakers of those lands.

VI. Introductions

VII. Presentations

Academic Experience, COVID-19 Survey Results - VP Academic, Dayle Balmes and AVPs Academic Davey Li and Andrew Feng

- Total of 355 respondents out of 9000 (August 1st -13th)
- Academic diversity project → Dayle will be working on another project to get more voice from non life-science majors
- Questions:
  - Jimmy: One of the slides mentioned loss of motivation, how would we resolve the issue?
A (Dayle): will bring up to working group
  ○ Isaac: Realistic and Reasonable way to implement student support
  ● 1. Student health and advisory committee
  ● 2. Through vp ams academic caucus to amplify student voice

Moved by Dayle, Seconded by Jennifer.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council recognizes the results of the SUS Academic Experience COVID-19 Survey Results”

...MOTION PASSES.

Fall Elections - Guidelines and Campaign Violations & Penalties - VP Internal, Keanna Yu
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council acknowledges and recognizes the Fall Elections - Guidelines and Campaign Violations & Penalties”
Elections Administration Officer - Arian
● Dates and names of elections administrators changed
● Paperless election
● Penalty document link
● Decided on Qualtrics survey to provide 2 paths
  ○ 1. Nominee
  ○ 2. Nominator
● Infractions split into tiers

Moved by Dayle, Seconded by ____________.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council recognizes the presentation of Fall Elections - Guidelines and Campaign Violations & Penalties be extended for 7 minutes.”

...MOTION PASSES.

Moved by Jennifer, Seconded by Ryan.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council recognizes the Fall Elections - Guidelines and Campaign Violations & Penalties.”

...MOTION PASSES.

VIII. Appointments

IX. Executive, Science Student Senator and AMS Reports

1. President
   a. Zoom is coming to Canvas, in conversation about collaborate ultra
   b. Hiring more TAs to compensate for lack of resources available for students
   c. Caris & Shovon working on UBC Science Instagram page to showcase more of science and advocate for diversity of programs
d. Working on RXN with Benny

e. Weekly BIPOC meetings
   i. Team of 8 broken up into pairs

f. Creating more centralized system with the exec team
   i. Training
   ii. Term 1 & 2 calendar

2. **Vice President, External**
   a. Student benefits working group → card online
   b. CommE → humanitarian initiative: senior home initiative, online cooking event, online volunteer portal
   c. Careers → first event called life sciences alumni
   d. Ignite series → professional workshop launching in October

3. **Vice President, Internal**
   a. Isaac proxying for Keanna
   b. EA: completed nominations and election formats presented, new initiatives, replacing councillor retreat w/ councillor orientation and councillor socials (small retreat-like event), events improve voter turnout, FAQ document for potential candidates to explain their platform, looking to implement new councillor seats in “first year transfer student” and “forensic science”
   c. HR
      i. finishing up w/ first week and RXN hiring
      ii. Took on new projects
   d. Onboarding documents: professional documents to outline appropriate work behaviour and culture: spanning from discrimination and microaggressions, to harrassment, to mental health resources, to prioritizing academics/ managing academic expectations
   e. SUS Fam coordinators will continue SUS FAM events but also find ways to keep the FB group positive and active
   f. FYC
      i. Introduced new initiative: workshops created by VP, presented to educate first years on other SUS opps and help first years integrate into other parts of SUS
      ii. Getting for hiring
   g. VP/AVP
      i. SSRA Chair hiring (piloting recommendation of previous VP Internal)
      ii. Waiting for faculty approval of transfer students survey

4. **Vice President, Academic**
   a. COVID-19 survey results
   b. Back to school survey sept 14-aug 2
   c. Academic integrity campaign → emails and social media campaign
   d. Mentorship livestream event Sept 4th ft. Shovon & Gurwinder
   e. MHA and HEWE: collabing on event in oct → importance of mental and physical health
   f. Sports and HEWE collab: “shape up” event
5. **Vice President, Administration**
   a. Year plans have been created for each committee
   b. Hiring taskings have been confirmed for each upcoming available position
   c. AA training and Sustainability coordinator orientation content confirmed
   d. Clubs Commission
      i. Met with Arian (Admin Officer) to talk about code & improving representation within Council
         1. Will be sending out surveys to clubs about Club engagement in SUS and rep engagement in Clubs after Imagine Day
         2. More follow-up meetings coming soon, stay tuned!
      ii. SUS Imagine Day booth is set up
      iii. 2 new clubs: Forensic Science Student Association & Vision Health Volunteers

6. **Vice President, Communications**
   a. First week: landed on making 2 videos for all science students but geared towards 1st year
      i. Games night held on discord
      ii. Potential Baking session
      iii. Yoga - Collab with UBC Yoga & AUS
      iv. Merch is not to be given away & no alcohol events
   b. Working on Website
   c. Events to be published

7. **Vice President, Finance**
   a. Contracts made for events → RXN, first week
   b. SUS URO research awards being planned

8. **Vice President, Student Life**
   a. RXN: in process of finalizing everything
      i. Cameos → _____ from Star Wars, Justin Russo from Wizards of Waverly Place, & Mr Moseby
      ii. Consent form for tiktok & scenery challenge
      iii. Jackbox account for activity section
   b. Sci week - currently in contact with clubs
      i. Yoga club
   c. Social working group
      i. Reddit
      ii. Structure for prof AMA
         1. Picking questions for livestream Q & A
   d. Sports
i. Stay at home workout video series
   ii. In collab with HEWE → Shape-up: draw a shape and get participants to run or bike the shape
       1. Judged on size & quality of shape
       2. Live sign-up sheet

9. Science Student Senator
   a. Jimmy proxying for Danny
   b. No meeting since last council (no updates)

10. AMS Report
    a. AMS equity plan
    b. AMS operations

X. Club Reports
1. Astronomy Club
2. Biophysics Student Society (BPSS)
3. Biology Sciences Society (BIOSOC)
4. Biochemistry Physiology Pharmacology Club (BPP)
5. Cognitive Systems Society (CSS)
6. Coordinated Science Mentorship Club
7. Computer Science Students Society (CSSS)
8. Combined Major in Science Student Association (CMSA)
9. Integrated Sciences Student Association (ISSA)
10. Environmental Science Student Association (ESSA)
11. UBC Geography Students’ Association (GSA)
12. Microbiology and Immunology Students Association (MISA)
13. Physics Society (Physsoc)
14. Psychology Students’ Association (PSA)
15. Science One Survivors (SOS)
16. Storm Club
17. Undergraduate Chemistry Society (UCS)
18. UBC BCIT Biotechnology Club (BIOT)

XI. Approval of Minutes of Council/Committees

Moved by Jennifer, Seconded by Ryan.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following meeting minutes be adopted as presented:

CM 2020 07 27  CC 2020 07 22  CC 2020 07 29
CC 2020 08 05  CC 2020 08 19  HR 2020 08 13
HR 2020 07 23  EA 2020 08 09  ACAX 2020 07 01
ACAX 2020 07 10  ACAX 2020 07 17  ACAX 2020 07 24
ACAX 2020 08 02  ACAX 2020 08 09  MENT 2020 06 30
MENT 2020 07 10  MENT 2020 07 18  MENT 2020 07 25
MENT 2020 08 01  MENT 2020 08 08  HEWE 2020 07 02
HEWE 2020 07 16  FW 2020 07 07  FW 2020 07 10
...MOTION PASSES.

XII. Executive Committee Motions

XIII. Committee Reports and Motions

XIV. Academic Discussion Period

XV. General Discussion Period

XVI. Adjournment

Being that there is no further business the meeting be adjourned at 18:06.

...MOTION PASSES BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

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