Week 9 Meeting Notes

* Quick team review with everyone’s opinions on how the team has been in terms of productivity. Everyone seems pleased with the progress of group members, no complaints.
* Job transactions:
  + When the job status is moved from status 4 to status 5, the transaction occurs
  + What if the user doesn’t have the balance to pay off the job?
    - The value goes into the negative
  + Give each user 100 credits every month?
* The current system: owner asks someone to do a favour for them
* Kate needs github access to our repository
* Currency isn’t transferred until the end of a job, so how to prevent a user from having a negative balance?
  + Made it impossible for a user to complete a job unless the job’s price is less than or equal to their balance (in frontend>jobPage.js)

[I was AFK for this part]

* Implemented skill selection on ‘change personal information’ page via swapstreetusers.controller.js
  + Users can select 3 skills that they can display on their profile.

Kate’s mini-lecture: Giving effective technical presentations

* Planning your talk:
  + Know your subject matter
  + Consult the experts if you are not one.
  + Have your camera set up above you
  + Tell a story
* As a presenter:
  + Voice matters, make sure you are heard clearly
  + Have a quiet environment
  + Use body language appropriately; gestures, hand movements, eye contact, focus
  + Practice your presentation material
* You and the audience:
  + Talk to the camera, not the peoples’ faces on your screen. Better for eye contact
  + Be passionate
* You and the powerpoint:
  + Be the main focus, not your slides
  + Keep as little as possible on the slides
    - Diagrams, pictures, video clips
* Live demos:
  + Murphy’s law; it’ll go wrong
  + Keep a plan B
  + Practice with friends and/or family
* Keep it simple:
  + What is the take-away, what is the message?
    - Try to centre the presentation around 3 things
    - Remind the audience at the end what the 3 things were
* Breathe, relax and enjoy

The presentation

* Reporting on sprint 2
* We’re not expected to say anything about sprint 1 unless it has been changed
* We may want to say “this is where we stopped with sprint 1, this is where we are with sprint 2”
* Recap sprint 2
* What are our expectations for sprint 3
  + Show how we’re planning
  + What we are expecting to achieve

Weekly update:

* Fixed the logic behind transactions between users: can’t spend swapstreet coins that a user does not have
* Fixed up how skills are stored and displayed on a user’s profile; each user will have their top 3 skills, chosen from a drop-down menu of skills
* Working on a ratings system that a user can use to rate a user they have given/received a job to.
* Made plans to have a meeting on Saturday to plan our presentation.

Action items:

* Another 360 review for a different team member of our team