

COMPUTING SCIENCE STUDENT SOCIETY

MINUTES

C9201 @ 12:30-1:20 on 19 NOV 86

- 1) Reading of Previous Minutes & Counting of Quorum (12 present) (Curt Sampson chair)
- 2) Motion to table amendments to the CSSS Constitution until we meet in Cecil (CSIL) - passed 3 in favour ~~none~~, none opposed
- 3) (Rob Holstein arrives, now chair)
Motion to detable amendments to the CSSS Constitution for discussion & vote at this time (still in C9201) - passed 3 in favour, none against
- 4) Motion to amend the CSSS Constitution as noted on attached pages. (William Appleck-Asch-Lowe, Curt)
Point of Information on lack of quorum as only four members present at time of vote (Mike Dyck)
Chair ignores after much discussion on legality and procedure. Mike calls for overruling of Chair.
Chair upheld (3 in favour, Mike Dyck against)
after points made that it's been up for review for a month, at least 40 Cmp. Sci. students have seen, no controversy about amendments, CDSU approval, and fact prior constitution has been effectively void for past two years at least. Also point that Constitution requires two-thirds majority of those present (does not state requirement for quorum at time of vote).
Question Called: motion passes, (3 in favour, Mike Dyck against) with more than 2/3 of those

4 (cont.)) present at time of vote.

- 5) Motion to set up an ad-hoc Propaganda Committee (as per 28 Oct 86 Minutes - passed on for ratification) with current members William (Minister of Propaganda) and Rob (Official Censor) and open to all subject to appointment. Will expire unless renewed in January. Passes - 13 in Favour, 1 abstain.
- 6) Motion to set up an ad-hoc Silly Committee (as per 28 Oct 86 Minutes - passed on for ratification) with current members William, Curt, and Tim Tessier and open to all subject to appointment. Also notification of current Slogan Contest: All Cmpt. Sci. students (taking a course or a Major, Minor, or Honours in Cmpt. Sci.) eligible. Slogans to be submitted at or before the next General Meeting. Submit to any member of the CSSS Executive (Rob, Curt, Tim, or William) or thru MTS, CSIL, Cmpt. Office mailbox, and/or SFSS Cmpt. Sci. Forum Rep mailbox. Prizes:
1st prize - \$50 MTS account + a book from Elma's library (winner's choice);
2nd prize - \$50 MTS account
3rd prize - a book from Elma's library
- 7) Reports: A) Forum Rep - ^(Curt) SFSS has no money from fall tuition due to admin. program bugs. SFSS opinion on SFU Village plan - students can make comments thru Curt (use SFSS mailbox). Mectosin (?) student request for \$300 for ~~empt~~ payment of a computer approved (voted yes). CJTV complaining re lack of funding: they get

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7 (cont.) circa \$5000 while Peak gets circa \$100,000; CJIV wants between \$15,000 and \$25,000 (extra funds to come from increased student levy; not Peak budget). (Discussion on topic - no decisions made). Motion to send a letter to COPE supporting them due to their educational support rejected (voted no). (Discussion on topic - no decision but supported Curt).

B) Social/Common Room Committee (Rob)- 39 people attended, not as good as before, noted advertising too late and date (Friday) was wrong. (Discussion - decision that Wednesday and at an earlier time would be better or at least Thursday). Lost circa \$65 (to be made up by sale of unused liquor to another Social). Opened pop to be left in Uncommon Room fridge (CC6119) for general consumption.

New Business:

- 8) Peak Publications request for Spring Handbook ad. Motion not to buy an ad (2 in favour, 1 against - passes).
- 9) SFSS request to free up Thursdays. Motion that we support and Secretary to send Memo (passes unanimously) (Secretary may take a while)
- 10) Next Meeting Times: (free refreshments after Gen Mtg)
 Executive Meeting - Tuesday Nov 25 @ 12³⁰-1²⁰ CC6119
 General Meeting - Thursday Dec 4 @ 12³⁰-1²⁰ CC6118 & 6119



Amendments to the Constitution of the
Simon Fraser Computing Science Student Society

The following amendments to the constitution of the Simon Fraser Computing Science Student Society have been proposed and will be voted on for approval (pending approval by the SFSS Committee for Departmental Student Unions (CDSU)) at the **October 28, 1986** general meeting of the Computing Science Student Society, which will be held in the Computing Science Common Room (CC 6119) at 12:30 p.m. These amendments must be approved by a 2/3 majority of those attending the meeting. A copy of the constitution and these amendments are available for viewing in the Computing Science common room (CC 6119).

Section II. Objective: Replace "Computing Science department" with "School of Computing Science" in "...within the Computing Science department of Simon..."

Section III. Membership: Replace "Computing Science department" with "School of Computing Science" in both of "...offered by the Computing Science department," and "...program of the Computing Science department."

Section IV. Organization; Change to read:

IV. Organization

A. Officers

1. Executive

i. President

The President shall chair Society meetings unless it is decided to have a rotating chair (see below). The President shall also make sure that the decisions of the CSSS are carried out. This shall include the delegation of duties to other members of the Society as necessary in order to ensure smooth operation of the Society. The President shall report to CDSU as requested, and act as official spokesperson for the Society - e.g. in meetings with the Computing Science chairperson or university administrators.

ii. Vice President

The Vice President shall assist the President in the carrying out of decisions made by the Society. The Vice President shall take on the duties of the President in the event that the President is unable to carry them out due to illness, etc.

iii. Secretary

The Secretary shall keep minutes of Society meetings and ensure that important decisions are recorded. The Secretary shall also maintain proper records of correspondence between the Society and outside bodies.

iv. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall maintain all financial records of the Society and make regular reports to the membership concerning all funds received

and spent in the name of the Society. The Treasurer shall also prepare a budget to be presented to the membership for ratification at the first general meeting of the semester. As per Article IV.A.2, the Treasurer shall be a signing officer of the Society.

In the event that one of positions iii or iv is not filled at the first general meeting of the semester, the Society shall have the option of combining the two positions into one.

The executive shall, at the first general meeting of the semester, decide if the chair is to rotate between two or more members of the executive. If a rotating chair is decided upon, the President and those other members of the executive that volunteer to participate in the rotation shall take turns chairing successive general meetings. If a rotating chair is decided against, the President shall chair all general meetings during the semester.

2. Signing Officers

There shall be four signing officers:

- i. The Treasurer
- ii. Any member of the Activities / Resources Committee or, in the event that the Activities / Resources Committee does not have any members elected or appointed to it at the first general meeting, any other member of the executive until such time as this committee has at least one member.
- iii & iv.

As decided by the Simon Fraser Student Society

Offices i and ii are mutually exclusive of each other and of iii and iv, and all cheques drawn on the account of the Computing Science Student Society must be signed by any two signing officers.

3. Departmental Student Representatives

The departmental student representatives are those students that sit on the Undergraduate Programs and Hardware / Software committees (see Articles IV.B.1 and IV.B.2). The departmental student representatives shall regularly attend all meetings of the departmental committee to which they have been elected, and shall keep the membership well informed concerning the activities of such committees. With direction from the membership, each representative shall promote the best interests of the members of the society.

B. Standing Committees

1. Undergraduate Programs Committee

This committee shall consist of two (2) members (preferably third or fourth year students) elected from the Society and the representatives to the Undergraduate Programs committee as chosen by the School of Computing Science and the Computing Science graduate student body.

2. Hardware / Software Committee

This committee shall consist of one (1) member elected from the Society, with provision for an alternate member (also elected from the Society), and the representatives to the Hardware / Software committee as chosen by the School of Computing Science and the Computing Science graduate student body.

3. Activities / Resources Committee

This committee shall consist of members elected or appointed from the Society, and shall be responsible for organizing social and educational activities and for ensuring the smooth operation of the Society's common room and exam file. All projects funded through the Society shall be monitored by this committee, and a member of the committee shall be required to regularly attend the general meetings and report to the membership on committee activities. One member of this committee shall be a signing officer of the Society (see IV.A.2).

The executive may, at any time, subject to the approval of a majority of members at a general meeting, strike ad hoc committees to deal with special and/or pressing business of the Society.

Section V.A.2: Strike "committee" from "The executive committee shall meet..."

Section V.B.4: Strike "committee" from "The executive committee shall be..."

Section V.C: Strike "committee" from both of "...of the executive committee," and "...if the executive committee is petitioned..."

Section V.D. Quorum: Move V.D.2 to V.D.3, and add:

2. A quorum for all executive meetings shall be a simple majority of the executive officers.

Section E: Change to read:

- E. All members of the Society shall be permitted to attend all Society meetings, whether they be general, executive or committee.

Section VLD. Vacancies: Strike "committee" from "...the executive committee may appoint..."

Section VIII. Dissolution: In clause A., replace "Computing Science department" with "School of Computing Science" in "...students in the Computing Science department or if this..."

Rationale for the proposed changes:

The above changes to the CSSS constitution reflect changes that have evolved in the CSSS, the SFSS and the School of Computing Science since the CSSS constitution was first drafted. These changes are intended to bring the CSSS constitution into line with the current state of affairs in these three organizations.

Section V.B.2.: Change to read:

2. Such notice shall be:
 - an announcement in/on at least one of:
 - i. the student newspaper (The Peak)
 - ii. the university newspaper (Simon Fraser Week)
 - iii. the video monitors located around the campus

- a minimum of ten signs evenly distributed amongst the environs of the Society common room, the Computing Services terminal and output areas, the CSIL facility, the Computing Science general office and classrooms used by the department.
- a memo circulated to all departmental T.A.'s and lecturers requesting the meeting be announced in classes.

Rationale for the proposed changes:

The changes proposed above (in boldface type) reflect the addition of new advertising media available on campus and changes in computing facilities and other areas where Computing Science students are likely to be since the CSSS constitution was first drafted.