# CSSS General Meeting Minutes

### Joshua Wu

Friday, July 21st 2017

Meeting called to order at 11:36am by Jonathan

	Name	Email (@sfu.ca)	Affiliation
Attendance	Joshua Wu		Director of Archives
	David Miiller		President
	Jace Manshadi		System Administrator
	Dawn Chandler		WiCS Co-president/Member
	Jeffrey Leung		SFSS Applied Science Rep/Member
	Kia Mirsalehi		Director of Resources
	Daphne Chong		Member
	Brendan Chan		Director of Events
	Ching Wang		Member
	Henry Zhao		Director of Communications
	Robert Tan		Executive at Large
	Jonathan Loewen		Vice President
	Edward Ning		Non-Member

# 1 Report of Officers

## 1.1 Director of Archives (Josh)

- Will be stepping down in the fall
- Providing formal notice so we can begin the process of electing an elections officer

### 1.2 Director of Resources (Kia)

- Recently went on a Nester run
- $\bullet$  Will discuss Frosh updates in the Frosh section
- Had a large pop order that went smoothly but Coke (supplier) is out of Nestea
- Made connections in Iran on recent trip

### 1.3 President (David)

- Hoodie sales own bullet point
- Finising up the budget for silicon valley, figuring out how much we have
- Is excited to get back and starts being here again

### 1.4 Director of Events (Brendan)

- Boardgames night tonight
  - Can't be there, Henry and Jon will be there
  - Pizza is ordered
    - \* Mostly mac and cheese
  - \$125.26 total without tip
- Planning the Semesterly End of Semester Social Celebrating the End of the Semester (End of Semester Social)

### 1.5 System Administrator (Jason)

• Nothing to report so far

### 1.6 WiCS President (Dawn)

- UBC and SFU WiCS social on last Wednesday
- Working on financials for the upcoming year

## 1.7 Applied Sciences Representative (Jeffrey)

- Governance committee meeting coming up
  - Bylaw changes may remove Applied Sciences Representative
    - \* Two council representatives as a replacement
    - \* Interesting changes
    - \* May have less engagement and also less accountability
    - \* Could be better since they're able to be more representative of their respective faculty
  - Working on transition plan to new system
    - \* Organization of FAS events
    - \* Hoping the APSCI meetings can be a trial for FAS SU
- Student societies often have fees for their student unions
  - Usually done by referendum
    - $\ast\,$  The university administrates the fee
    - \* The student union gets to spend the money

### 1.8 Vice President (Jonathan)

- Meeting with respect to trip yesterday
- David:
  - Thanks to Jon, Dawn, and Kia for going to the meeting
  - First time hearing the organizers and the people on the trip having a discussion

### 1.9 Director of Communications (Henry)

- Frosh emails proofread and one to two sentence blurb to Jan
  - Working with Christopher to sort out stuff
  - We're told not to email contacts since they're busy right now
- We're sending a reminder email about Mobify funding
  - Mobify wants to let students know funding is still available as of this meeting

### 1.10 Executive At Large (Rob)

- James spoke about how we used to approve postings on the bulletin board
  - Started approving them
  - Approve by having an exec sign the back
  - Remove postings without exec signature

### 2 Frosh

- David:
  - Funding request can go in since we have the budget from Oscar
  - \$2000 of our own money will likely be spent
- Kia:
  - Email to Froshies will likely be sent today by FAS
  - Laser tag has been booked
    - \* ESSS (Engineering Science Student Society) and CSSS portion of booking cost is each \$434
    - $\ast\,$  SSSS (Software Systems Student Society) and Mechatronics Student Society portion of booking cost is each \$125
  - Planning midnight madness

- Working on metastories to fit with the theme
- All but ordered the T-Shirts, just need to send in the request

### • Brendan:

- Room bookings need to be in person for Harbour Center
  - \* He will be doing it today
- Big data hub room booking requires sponsorship
  - \* Looking to contact Greg Baker to sponsor us

#### • Kia:

- Greg Baker is unavailable during the Frosh talks

#### • Brendan:

- Booking TASC will be happening later
- David: Suggests booking soon because it is in high demand for Frosh week
- David: Schedule and transit plan is done

# 3 Semesterly End of Semester Social Celebrating the End of the Semester (SEoSSCtEotS)

#### • Brendan

- Planning is still underway
- Room is booked at 18:30, planning to have a BBQ outside
- Kia will help us BBQ since he has food safe
- Basically board games plus and maybe with pizza
- Considering bringing TVs
  - \* We need to book TVs today if we want them
- Happening August 4th
- $-\,$  David motions up to \$200 toward the end of semester social for equipment rentals and stuff
  - \* Kia seconds
  - \* Majority favour; motion passes

#### 3.1 David: Gameathon

- Oscar would like \$150 for the Gameathon
  - Play video games for 24h for charity
  - Will be from twitch donations
- Would like the CSSS to help with the room booking and \$150 to cover their operating cost
  - Room booking has been completed
  - Need to ask whether they have permission to have alcohol
    - \* Jon: Very difficult to get permission to have alcohol, likely not allowed
    - \* As we understand it their success is contingent on having alcohol
- Henry: It's possible that this might not succeed as a charity
- We could motion on the day of instead of motioning now
- Jon: Suggests we motion to make funding conditional/scale based on success of the event
  - eg. Supposing you make this amount of charity, we will match this amount up to X and provide money for food
- Daphne: Asks whether the money is for alcohol
- Edward: Suggests that we wait to discuss the event until after we ask about the alcohol if the event requires alcohol to occur
- Kia: Suggests that we need to speak with the organizer of the event
  - Event is after the next meeting, gives us time to discuss again
- Daphne: Questions whether why we should support this event given that the co-workers are not SFU students
- Jon: Happy to support given that the money is not used on alcohol but it is strange that we're supporting them with the room rather than them using their own accommodations
- Daphne: The organizer has been able to raise money in the past in successful gameathons
- Jon: Discussion and motion postponed to next meeting after we can discuss with the organizer

### 4 Hoodie Sale

- David:
  - We have the numbers and can order
  - Happening in the second or third week of September
  - Double checking with Corbett to sell off both existing stock and new order
  - Can start doing pre-ordering now that we will record people's emails first
    - \* Crucial that we record emails to ensure that we can get in touch with people who pre-order

## 5 Silicon Valley 2017 Report

- Jon:
  - Still cleaning up some of the stuff
  - Cheque requisitions are coming in and Edward now has his money
  - We discussed with Lisa the organizational matters and how we can preprare for following years
    - \* Viewed it as a significant success
    - \* Co-op office also viewed it as a great success
    - \* Alumni enjoyed having students there at their companies
    - \* Lisa indicated that next time we're planning something like this that we should talk to them and that we should coordinate company visits with them
      - $\cdot$  They start organizing during January
      - $\cdot$  We had started in March, would be good to start earlier next year
    - $\ast$  Cost saving measures aren't as big of a deal for SFU as they are for the execs/CSSS
      - · Some measures might make it difficult for us to have it be a student run event
      - · Considering making it a permanent fixture in their budget
    - \* Edward: Students are providing the funding, while the students are providing PR and connections to companies
      - · May be possible remain loosely coupled
    - \* David: By getting more funding it's possible that the image of the event will start to change
      - · Wants to avoid having this becoming GPA barriered

- \* Edward: Suggests having a designated photographer during each trip, another bargaining point as it provides publicity for SFU
- \* David: Funding from FAS for about \$1000
- \* SFSS travel and conference funding will not work in the future as we pushed up the value to \$2300 which was a significant assistance for us in the trip

#### • Kia:

- Talk of giving the survey results to Lisa
- Suggests making the results public
- We may need to sanitize the company reports in particular
- Jon: Lisa wanted them to have it to present at the Alumni committee

### • Jon:

- Formally thanking Edward for his assistance

#### • David:

- \$407 under budget
- Includes Ubering, lunch
- Need to re-motion things because we have a lost receipt
- Jon and David will have to provide advice for future Silicon Valley trip, feelings and thoughts
  - \* Invites Dawn to also provide her take on the trip
- David raise the funding from trust for contingency by \$400
- David motions that the \$400.00 previously motioned for the apple alumni lunch be closed whereas that was generously paid by dean of applied sciences
  - \* Jason seconds
  - \* Majority favour; motion passes
- David motions to increased the contingency funding from trust from the previous existing value by \$400.00
  - \* Josh seconds
  - \* Majority favour; motion passes

### 6 Constitution

#### • David:

- Jeffrey helped with editing
- Will be sending out a new package in the next general meeting notice
- Next approval will be the 29th of September

## 7 Open Floor

### 7.1 Robert: Movie Ticket Proposal

- Buying and selling tickets for \$9.50 each in packs of 50, \$2.50 cheaper than movie theater price
- Dawn: Suggest selling it for \$10.00
  - Easier to bring \$10 in cash than \$9.50
  - Robert: We would make a profit off the tickets
- Cineplex has a program to sell discounted movie tickets
  - Saves about three dollars per ticket
  - Pay the difference on more expensive tickets (3D movies, IMAX, etc)
  - Suggest that we use ETF
  - Selling at \$9.50 which means we'd lose \$0.13 over 50 tickets.
  - Cineplex has an issue with marketing so we have to sell them by word of mouth
  - Two month self imposed limit to sell them
  - Expires in three years
- David: Would be a service that we're offering, not an initiative
- We can setup a booth in the common room, just no mass promotion
- Jon: Issue is that the it's difficult to sell based on the small discount especially since they need to be bought and used in person
- Kia:
  - We're providing tickets at the cost of convenience
  - The time period is short and so we have to sell them quickly
  - Lack of student outreach and connection unlike the board games night which does bring students to the  ${\it CSSS}$
  - Very low margins even with profit
  - Substantial risk in the ability to market
- Jason:
  - Asks whether we can sell fewer than fifty
  - Robert: We have to buy them in packs of fifty
- Henry: Suggests that for a \$500 investment the work to market the tickets is worth it

- Jon:
  - Good to have a short term event and timeframe
  - Better to couple it with other events
- Selling tickets is relatively easy
- Could encourage students to go and watch movies with other students
- Edward: Suggests that we consider the purpose of the society and inspect how this impacts our students
- Henry: Selling at \$10 would be better because of convenience
  - Jon: Profit is a minor aspect of this even how small the volumes are and how low the margins can be
- Edward: Suggest that we have big movie group viewings where the society members can all go out together
- Dawn:
  - Actually does include students because it draws people into the common room which promotes the society
  - It's a good service to provide
- David: We can sell this at the clubs day table
  - Tabling it for the upcoming meeting
  - Need to renegotiate the number
  - May work if we have advertising
  - Buy in bulk and sell at movie nights
- Daphne: Suggest that we have this as a frosh event

### 7.2 David: Free Geek

- David: Equipment drives and donation/selling which also focuses on education
  - Focuses on mobile tech and supports WiCS but there are other focuses
  - Possibility of having the event in September and maybe in Vancouver campus
- Jon: Hackernest has networking nights which is at Freegeek at the end of the month
  - Free beer and donation

### 7.3 Kia: ESSS Game of Thrones Premier and Other Events

- Suggest that we have similar events booked at night to show events
- Jon: We've done it in the common room but we needed to rent the projector
  - Execs have to book the room if it's on the weekend

# 8 Approval of the Minutes

- $\bullet$  Josh motions to approve the meeting minutes from July 7th 2017
  - Jason seconds
  - Majority favour; motion passes

# 9 Motion to Adjourn

- Jonathan motions to adjourn the meeting at 12:51pm
  - Henry seconds
- None opposed; meeting adjourned

Meeting is adjourned at 12:51 PM