Committee Meeting Agenda

Postgraduate Physics Students' Society 14.00, Tuesday 15th March, 2016

1. Attendance

- 1.1. Opening
- 1.2. Attendance to be taken
- 1.3. Apologies
- 1.4. Committee Membership

2. Advertising for Physical Systems

Melbourne will have Physical Systems

Wave optics

Classical mechanics

Solving differential systems as physical systems

(A little bit of) Overlap with some math subjects (DEs, Mathematica Mehods od Physics) (but not so much that there' anti-requisites)

2nd year subject; 3rd years can take it (good for them, they have context)

Put up posters?

Advertising cannot be on LMS

We should get it on the PSS

Braden will correspond with PSS re: everything

Innes says: "They're like five"

3. Mentoring

4. Funds and Assets

Most cost = post-Completion talk food, Easter, Pool, Trivia

Do we need a TV? Probably not

Level 7: platters, IKEA stuff, cutting board, knife, cheese knife

GOSS funds for knives and forks

Assets: board games, PPSS banner, pull-down screen (School of Physics could do)

Semester event plan

5.1. Other events

Snooker - semester opposite the pool competition?

One more "bigger" event this semester?

Talent show? Logisitically difficult

Karaoke night?

New events poll?

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea?

PPSS think the mentoring (graduates come in to tutes and talk for 10 minutes) thing is bad

5.2. Pool Competition

Running the week of Monday 4th April

Final on Friday 8th April

Signups close Monday 4th April

Posters

Prizes: alcohol (two different bottles), name engraved of trophy

5.3. Diversity Fair/Event

Daniel says:

Lots of people don't know other groups exists

Not nearly enough collaboration between STEM groups (Chemistry, Physics, optical students association, WISE, Geology(??), Biology(??), WIP)

We'll have a lot of money by pooling resources

6. **Reports**

6.1. Academic Staff Committee

Cate got kicked out because the topic of discussion was EPP leadership position

6.2. Academic Progress Committee

Innes went to a meeting

Physics Advanced had a lot of people enrolled

By LMS is shit; some people are taking it that haven't done physics

2nd year Comp labs - lots of people enrolled this semester, as well as last semester (We hope Engineers will join)

Comp is going well

Legacy subjects are difficult to deal with

Sean and Harry have done good work with LMS

Calc2, Lin Alg - no longer prerequisites

Problem with UMEP students, something about amount of points

Change to Physics major

Senior demonstrators/tutor (teaching fellows) - should be doing more things

Bureaucratic bullshit re: Grad centre computers

6.3. Knowledge Engagement

Work experience - 24 students for the faculty (out of 100s applied)

Could be asking students to help out with this (guiding them around, etc.)

WIP: 29th April - 1st May

July lectures: 100 Years of GR, grav waves

Nothing yet for Open Day

Colloquiums booked up until May

6.4. Research and Research Training

No-one was there

6.5. Occupational Health and Safety

7. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

8. General Business

- 8.1. Further business
- 8.2. Next meeting

Fortnightly meetings

Next meeting: 5th April, 2pm (unless times clear up)

9. Meeting close

3:05pm

- 1. Daniel Posters for Physical Systems
- 2. Braden PSS Physical Systems posting on their page
- 3. Tristan to Melatos about Mentoring
- 4. Shanette + other PPSS GOSS stuff from IKEA
- 5. Innes/George buy knives and forks for GOSS
- 6. Innes tell peoplev about banner comp (email + Facebook) (note: silly prize)
- 7. Braden to buy board games
- 8. Daniel to Ray/someone re: pull-down screen
- 9. Cate poll for voting on new events
- 10. Cate to take care of Pool Competition
- 11. Daniel continue conversing with people about groups
- 12. Others let Daniel know about other graduate groups