## **Chemistry Graduate Caucus at Simon Fraser University**

Meeting Minutes January 23, 2013

MBB Lounge 6000-Level

#### *In Attendance:*

Alisa Paterson (Secretary), Reagan Belan (Vice-President/TSSU Steward), Kenny Lin (Treasurer), Graeme Suppes (TSSU Steward), Danielle Wilson (GSS Councillor/Grad Info Coordinator), Nevena Cekic (Social Coordinator)

## Regrets:

Brandy Kinkead (DGSC Representative), Michael Jones (President), Venugopal Challa (TSSU Steward), Kyle Greenway (TSSU Steward), Hope Fan (Sports Representative)

## 1. Call to Order

• Meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM.

## 2. Appointment of the Chair

 MOVED to appoint Reagan Belan as Chair for this meeting. (Wilson/Paterson)

CARRIED.

• Reagan Belan (VP/TSSU Rep) was appointed Chair for this meeting.

## 3. Appointment of the Secretary

 MOVED to appoint Alisa Paterson (Secretary) as Secretary for this meeting. (Lin/Cekic)

CARRIED.

Alisa Paterson (Secretary) was appointed Secretary for this meeting.

## 4. Approval of Minutes

 MOVED to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2013 Chemistry Graduate Caucus meeting.

(Belan/Suppes)

CARRIED.

#### 5. Fundraising

• Belan (VP/TSSU Rep) and Lin (Treasurer) will sell safety glasses and notebooks in front of the first-year chemistry labs on Friday from 1:00 – 1:30 PM.

## 6. Christopher Murray – Graduate Guest Seminar Speaker (January 30, 2013)

- The Caucus received a grant from the GSS for this event.
- In addition to lunch, the Caucus will speak to Club Ilia about booking the back room for a gathering after the seminar.

• Belan (VP/TSSU Rep) will email faculty to see who is interested in meeting with Dr. Murray.

# 7. Oral Competition (February 1, 2013)

- Cekic (Social Coordinator) has met with Peg Johnsen, and will now go to liquor stores and the RCMP to obtain the special occasion license. She has applied for insurance, but the Caucus is still waiting for a response.
- Wilson (GSS Councillor/Grad Info Coordinator) will order the keg, Paterson (Secretary) will purchase ciders/coolers, Belan (VP/TSSU Rep) will order pizza, and Kinkead (DGSC Rep) will purchase fruit trays and chips
- Set-Up will be done at 4:00 pm by Reagan, Brandy, Danielle, and Graeme.
- Take-Down after the event will be done by Alisa, Kenny and Nevena.

## 8. Interviewing for new Faculty

• Dr. Ye wants graduate student involvement with the process. The Caucus is awaiting further information

## 9. TSSU Update

 A TSSU Steward meeting took place. Belan (TSSU Rep) informed the caucus that anyone who was a TA in the summer or fall semesters will get retro-pay in February.

#### 10. Conclusion

 MOVED to conclude the meeting. (Paterson/Belan)
CARRIED.

Meeting concluded at 10:17 AM.