

WiCS General Meeting Agenda

November 29th, 2022

Attendees: Harpreet, Clare, Mehreen, Rachel, Angela, Kaitlynn, sumo, Bianca, Denise

Meeting started at 6:05pm

- **Updates**

- WiCS execs:

- i. Secretary - Rachel*

- Meeting minutes uploaded

- ii. Treasurer - Manya*

- Reimbursed Denise for the Surrey mentor lunch
 - Reimbursed Mehreen for the chatbot workshop
 - Need to reimburse Clare

- iii. Communications Coordinator - Katie*

- Not present

- iv. Event Coordinator - Kaitlynn & Clare*

- Karaoke event
 - a. Will cancel due to snow
 - i. Clare will send out a Discord announcement + email about it
 - b. Will announce rescheduled date
 - c. All items bought for the event
 - i. Currently in the common room
 - ii. are nonperishable; can save for January
 - d. Motion for \$89.95 for karaoke event supplies
 - i. Motion passed
 - Ice skating event with DSU
 - a. Date: January 2nd
 - b. Location: Surrey
 - c. Involves 6 groups
 - d. Cost: \$160 + rental for each group
 - e. Motion for \$200
 - i. Motion passed
 - Event ideas for Spring 2023
 - a. Collab with YWiB, IAT
 - i. Product design competition?
 - ii. Reach out to WiSE program manager
 - b. Collab with CSSS
 - i. Use the firepits?
 - c. Collab with all women clubs in SFU

- v. Technical Coordinator - Mehreen & Anagha*

- Will be planning next technical workshop during winter break
 - Will plan a collab workshop with Valerie next term

vi. *Grad Coordinator - Vishakha*

- Grad coffee chat
 - a. Had one person show up towards the end of the event

vii. *Social Media Coordinators - Angela*

- Posted grad coffee chat, karaoke social promos
- Posted a follow up about karaoke event cancellation on Instagram
- Alumni event updates
 - a. Jennifer Lai, former WiCS executive, is willing take part in the event if virtual
 - b. Most likely a virtual coffee & chat type event in Spring 2023

● **Fall 2022 Events**

- Grad Coffee Chat (November 29th)
 - i. See exec updates - Grad Coordinator
- Karaoke Social (November 30th)
 - i. See exec updates - Event Coordinator

● **Surrey Mentor Lunch Recap**

- With Prof Anne Lavergne
- 2 cancellations last minute; Harpreet + 1 other person joined instead
- Pattern of ~½ of confirmed attendees not showing up at mentor lunches
 - i. Any suggestions to resolve this issue?
 - Lyn Bartram from SIAT

● **Mentorship Program**

- Didn't get any more mentee responses from the form "Would you like to continue with the mentorship program"
 - i. Most people are still unresponsive
- Will reach out again next semester

● **Networking Night 2023**

- Planning is on schedule

● **Orbis Investments Collaboration**

- Will happen in last week of January
- Have notified her that we are interested; haven't received any further information yet
- Will follow up with her

● **National Workshop Proposal**

- University of Manitoba wants to host an event in February for all WiCS groups
- Not sure what our position in the event will be
- Wants to meet up sometime in December to discuss the event

- **End of Semester Recap**
 - Angela will make this post towards the holiday season
- **SAP Lunch Recap**
 - UBC WICS wants to have a collab social
 - i. Brentwood in Rec Room was suggested
 - ii. Around Spring reading break
 - iii. Will keep in touch through Discord
 - Northeastern student suggested a BC wide hackathon for universities that were present at the lunch
 - i. Will keep in touch through the WiCS email
 - UBC WiCS wants to host a event similar to Try/Catch in the upcoming year
 - i. Wanted insight from SFU WiCS
 - ii. Will continue to communicate with them through UBC WiCS Discord channel
 - UBC WiCS seems to have a better turnouts in their mentorship program compared to ours
 - i. They had a laptop for mentorship program sign-ups at their welcome day booth; many people signed up
 - ii. They launch their program at the beginning of the semester when students are less busy
 - UBC WiCS also have a “poor involvement in events” issue
 - i. Collab events with other clubs improved attendee numbers
- **Open floor**
 - BMO appointment
 - i. Will decide the date soon
 - Please fill out the End of semester feedback form
<https://forms.gle/RSL4iCHgk4ZXBLaw6>
 - when2meet will be sent out to decide the general meeting time for Spring 2023
 - Should take more initiative to increase students’ awareness of WiCS
 - i. Non-technical students are also interested in the technical workshops
 - Have more beginner friendly workshops?
 - ii. Have a poster to direct students to the WiCS common room
 - iii. Social media giveaways that involves tagging other users
 - Sign up for Clubs Day Booth
 - i. <https://www.when2meet.com/?17821332-MBuvi>

Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm