

WiCS General Meeting Agenda

October 11th, 2022

Attendees: Harpreet, Denise, Vishakha, Isabelle, Risa, Rachel, Mehreen, Katie, Kaitlynn, Angela, Manya

Meeting started at 6:05pm

- **Updates**

- WiCS execs:

- i. *Secretary - Rachel*
 - Meeting minutes uploaded
 - ii. *Treasurer - Manya*
 - Will receive funding from Mitch from CSSS
 - Reimbursed Harpreet for the room decor
 - iii. *Communications Coordinator - Katie*
 - Newsletter is ready
 - iv. *Event Coordinator - Kaitlynn & Clare*
 - Halloween movie night
 - a. Image theater was too expensive to rent (~\$250)
 - b. May book TASC instead
 - Pumpkin painting event
 - a. Date: Oct. 27th
 - b. Clare is looking for a place to get the pumpkins
 - Spooky stories event
 - a. Date: Oct. 28th
 - b. Looking into renting fire pits
 - Trick-o-treating event
 - a. will be mainly led by CSSS
 - v. *Technical Coordinator - Mehreen & Anagha*
 - Intermediate python workshop
 - a. Date: TBD; Early November
 - vi. *Grad Coordinator - Vishakha*
 - Know your industry event
 - a. Guest speaker to be decided
 - Grad coffee chat
 - a. Will have date decided by next meeting
 - vii. *Social Media Coordinators - Angela & Neha*
 - Story about Mentor lunch shared on Instagram
 - Truman (from CSSS) asked if WiCS would be interested in PNE
 - a. Would be an event associated with CSSS
 - b. Would receive a lot of discount (down to ~\$30)
 - c. Need ~50 more ticker buyers for discount to apply

- **Fall 2022 Events**

- See exec updates

- **NNECT Update**
 - One of the NNECT founders said WiCS could get a cost-efficient catering for our events (both small and large scale)
 - We can contact the cater ourselves, compare rates, and decide whether to use NNECT's service
- **GHC Instagram QnA**
 - Purpose: to gather questions that people have about GHC
 - CONs of Instagram story
 - i. is only available for 24hrs
 - ii. Not anonymous
 - Use a forum instead for a long-term survey? Or pin QnA story on highlights?
- **Mentorship Program**
 - Mentorship Kickoff event
 - i. Date: Oct. 17th
 - ii. Will have apple cider & donuts
 - Some mentees have not been responsive
 - i. Maybe reach out individually to check their willingness to continue with the program?
- **Mentor Lunch**
 - Date: Oct. 13th
 - 10 applicants total; 4 selected, 4 waitlisted
 - i. Sent confirmation email to 4 selected students
 - 2 have confirmed attendance; waiting for other 2 to respond
 - Motion for \$130 for lunch
 - i. Angela seconds; motion passed
- **Try/Catch 2022**
 - 122 registrations
 - i. limit is 90; currently have a waitlist
 - CS manager forwarded email to entire CS faculty, inviting them to TryCatch
- **CS Whistler Retreat Update**
 - Clare wrote up a response to Dr. Fraser about the incident + shared it on discord
 - E-mail was very respectful but still clearly addressed our standpoint on sexism
- **WiCS common room**
 - Will get tissues, feminine products for the room
 - Harpreet will bring in the room decor this week
- **WiCS Board**

- Mehreen will find something to put on board by the end of this week
- **Google x WiCS Q&A**
 - Not WiCS affiliated, but for women in computing science
 - Date: Oct. 20th 1-3pm
- **Open floor**

Meeting adjourned at 6:47pm