

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

*Meeting Minutes*

July 9, 2012

### **MBB Lounge 6000-Level**

#### *In Attendance:*

Shira Halperin (VP/GSS Councillor), Brandy Kinkead (Treasurer), Michael Jones (DGSC Rep/GSS Councillor Alternate), Ryan Roberts (TSSU Steward), Graeme Suppes (TSSU Steward), Danielle Wilson (Social Coordinator), Hope Fan (Sports Rep).

#### *Regrets:*

Reagan Belan (President), Stanley Chang (Secretary), Kyle Greenway (TSSU Steward), Venugopal Rao Challa (TSSU Steward), Alisa Paterson (Social Coordinator), Jarod Moore (Grad Info Coordinator/Sports Rep).

#### **1. Call to Order**

- Meeting was called to order at 11:08 AM.

#### **2. Appointment of the Speaker**

- **MOVED** to appoint Shira Halperin as Speaker for this meeting.  
(Kinkead/Jones)  
**CARRIED.**
- Shira Halperin (VP) was appointed Speaker for this meeting.

#### **3. Appointment of the Secretary**

- **MOVED** to appoint Shira Halperin as Secretary for this meeting.  
(Kinkead/Jones)  
**CARRIED.**
- Shira Halperin (VP) was appointed Secretary for this meeting.

#### **4. TSSU Updates**

- The TSSU Steward (Suppes) reported that the TSSU meeting on July 3, 2012 occurred to ratify the Strike Committee. The TSSU is currently awaiting response from the mediator, and no job action will proceed until the first meeting between the TSSU and mediator. The earliest timeframe for job action is at the end of July.
- There was a discussion of an open letter to SFU President Andrew Petter.
- It was suggested that the TSSU Rep(s) should send an email to all chemistry graduate students to see if there are any questions regarding the strike and/or job action.

**5. Reimbursements**

- The reimbursements for the Bruker-sponsored Chemistry Department Opening celebration on June 27, 2012 will be paid through the Department of Chemistry.

**6. Caucus Member Resignation**

- The Caucus learned of the recent resignation of the Grad Info Coordinator/Sports Rep (Moore). The Sports Rep (Fan) will now assume responsibilities of the vacant positions left behind by Jarod Moore.

**7. Departmental Summer Sports**

- The soccer social will take place on July 27, 2012. The Treasurer (Kinhead) will speak to the Department Chair (Dr. Ye) regarding funding for a new barbeque grill, as the Caucus' current grill is broken.
- The Caucus plans to have 3 servers on hand, in addition to 3 people cooking on the grill. There will be a discussion about the quantity of coolers, keg(s), and wine in due time.

**8. Upcoming Meeting**

- The Caucus' next meeting will take place on July 16, 2012.

**9. Conclusion**

- **MOVED** to conclude the meeting.  
(Halperin/Fan)  
**CARRIED.**

*Meeting concluded at 11:32 AM.*