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

Meeting Minutes Shrum Science Centre, C7080

February 12, 2016

## **In Attendance**

Kate Prosser (President); Jessica Miller (Vice President); Declan McKearney (Sports Rep); Rhea Bains (Treasurer); David Ester (Social Coordinator); Matt Deen (DGSC Rep); Marco Farren-Dai (Sports Rep); Yumeela Ganga-sah (TSSU Steward); Ania Sergenko (TSSU Steward); Matt Alteen (DGSC Rep); Fatima Garcia (GSS Councillor)

## Regrets

Iris Guo (GSS Alternate); Adam Barlev (TSSU Steward); Tasleem Muzaffar (Grad Info Coordinator/TSSU Steward); Bryton Varju (Social Coordinator); Kailey Wright (Secretary/TSSU Steward); Heather Baroody (TSSU Steward)

#### 1. Call to Order

• Meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM in SSC-C7080.

## 2. Appointment of the Chair

• **MOVED** to appoint Kate Prosser as Chair for this meeting.

Moved by: Jessica Miller

Seconded by: Declan McKearney

MOTION CARRIED.

• Kate Prosser (President) was appointed Chair for this meeting.

## 3. Appointment of the Secretary

• **MOVED** to appoint Jessica Miller as Secretary for this meeting.

Moved by: Matt Alteen Seconded by: Kate Prosser

MOTION CARRIED.

• Jessica Miller (Vice President) was appointed Secretary for this meeting.

## 4. Approval of Minutes

• **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2015 Chemistry Graduate Caucus meeting.

Moved by: Matt Deen Seconded by: Kate Prosser

MOTION CARRIED.

#### 5. Reimbursements

Departmental Poster Competition (December 4, 2015)

• **MOVED** that the Chemistry Graduate Association reimburse Declan McKearney \$262.25 from the cash box, for Pizza from Costco for the social.

Moved by: Kate Prosser Seconded by: Rhea Bains

Abstentions: Declan McKearney

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

 MOVED that the Chemistry Graduate Association reimburse Steph Chang \$108 from the cash box, for chips/plates/cups from Costco for the social.

> Moved by: Matt Alteen Seconded by: Rhea Bains Abstentions: Steph Chang

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

• **MOVED** that the Chemistry Graduate Association reimburse Kate Prosser \$218 from the cash box, for liquor for the social.

Moved by: Fatima Garcia

Seconded by: Marco Farren-Dai Abstentions: Kate Prosser

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

• **MOVED** that the Chemistry Graduate Association reimburse Bryton Varju \$190 from the cash box, for the keg for the social.

Moved by: Rhea Bains Seconded by: Fatima Garcia Abstentions: Bryton Varju

#### **MOTION CARRIED**

• **MOVED** that the Chemistry Graduate Association reimburse Matt Alteen \$73 from the cash box, for assorted items from Costco for the social.

Moved by: Fatima Garcia

Seconded by: Marco Farren-Dai Abstentions: Kate Prosser

**MOTION CARRIED** 

- Need to talk to Steve (Department Chair) about reimbursements for the social. Traditionally the department has donated \$1000 to the Caucus for the socials after the poster competition and the oral competition.
- **Total From Sales: \$220** (Enough to pay for the second keg, as hoped!)
- Current Cashbox Total: \$4015
- MOVED that the Rhea Bains, on behalf of the Chemistry Graduate Association, deposit \$3000 from the cash box into the trust account.

Moved by: Kate Prosser

Seconded by: Yumeela Ganga-sah

MOTION CARRIED

## 6. GSS Update

- No quorum at the AGM. Proposing referendum for September.
- Would be better if GSS consulted with the membership for a better AGM time
  - o Resolution on the floor that the GSS must ask the membership.

## 7. Speakers

• Elizabeth Nolan has said yes to coming to SFU as the graduate student hosted speaker.

## 8. Feb 5 Oral Competition

- Two kegs were purchased for the social.
- The second keg was tapped against the recommendation of the President. Kate points out that in doing so the social was no longer a caucus event and that they should have taken the keg back to their office.
- As a result of this, only one keg was reimbursed.

#### 9. Model Kits

- Matt lateen wants to look into getting new model kits for the Caucus to sell to undergraduates.
- Contacted Darling at Molecular Visions, \$USD 16.50 each.
- Matt will be getting more info for the caucus.

## 10.Adjournment

• **MOVED** to conclude the meeting.

Moved by: Kate Prosser Seconded by: Rhea Bains MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting concluded at 9:57 AM.