

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

Meeting Minutes      March 1<sup>st</sup> 2019

### ***In attendance***

Joe Egan (President), Nas Yousefi (Vice-president, TSSU representative), Victoria Rose (DGSC Alt., Social Coordinator), Kelsey Duncan (Social Coordinator / GSS alternate), Cat McCaughey (DGSC Rep). Albert Adserias (Sports Coordinator), Jefferson Pells (Social Coordinator, TSSU rep.), Nicole LeGrow (GSS Alt. Rep, TSSU rep), Matthew Brown (Graduate Information Coordinator), Diego Martellino (Social Coordinator), Alexi Pauls (GSS representative),

### ***Regrets***

Garrett Muir (Social Coordinator), Gregoy MacNeil (Social Coordinator), Ben Tiet (Secretary), David Ester (Second Alternate GSS Rep), Priya Balaraman (TSSU rep.), Parisa Shiri (TSSU rep.), David Guan (TSSU Rep.),

### **Call to Order**

- Meeting was called to order at 10:30 am in Chemistry Meeting Room

### **Appointment of the Chair**

- MOVED to appoint Joe Egan (President) as Chair for this meeting.

Moved by: Nas Yousefi

Seconded by: Alexi Pauls

MOTION CARRIED.

Joe Egan was appointed Chair for this meeting.

### **Appointment of the Secretary**

- MOVED to appoint Joe Egan as Secretary for this meeting.

Moved by: Alexi Pauls

Seconded by: Jefferson Pells

MOTION CARRIED.

Joe Egan was appointed Secretary for this meeting.

### **News**

- Electrochemist symposium: Mike Adamski presenting a proposal to facilitate a conference between SFU and UBC
  - Funds are needed to help support the event
  - MOVED to contribute 300 from the Core account to the ECS event from the CGC
    - Moved by: Joseph Egan
    - Seconded by Victoria Rose
    - MOTION CARRIED

- Women in Chem – Yoga session trying to allocate:
  - Incoming \$100 from department, deducted from the debt outstanding. The remainder to be sponsored by the Caucus – Final amounts TBD.
  - Event is proposed to be held on March 8<sup>th</sup>
- Announcement: Science World Women in Science event Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup> (Independent Event, No Caucus Affiliation)
  - \$15
- **Social**
  - Rock climbing social is this afternoon. 33 tickets sold at \$5 each.
  - Refreshments purchase request
  - Motion to approve up to \$200 for snacks for social
    - Moved by: Albert
    - Seconded by: Nas
    - MOTION CARRIED
  - Motion to reimburse Albert \$345 from the Core account.
    - Moved by: Joe
    - Seconded by: Nas
    - MOTION CARRIED
- **TSSU**
  - Steward meetings need not be the university wide TSSU Steward meetings to count towards attendance towards claiming a stipend.
    - Meetings may be formed by local stewards, but must be related to TSSU activities. Reporting falls on the stewards in their end of semester report.
  - The Caucus has 5 empty appointments for TSSU Stewards. Joe has asked that any interested parties contact him directly for nomination and appointment to be ratified at a CGC meeting.
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- **Workplace Conduct Sub-Committee:**
  - Cat and Yumeela have met with the SVPO to discuss facilitation of a training/seminar. However, due to the nature of the SVPO office, this doesn't cover enough of the issues that the Caucus has raised for the workshop to be sufficient.
  - Cat has met with the University ombudsperson and HR, who are willing to help with material, preparation, and delivery.
  - Cat has a considerable amount of information from these offices as resources for students. The GSS advocate is another resource that is willing to interact with the parties involved in discrepancies.
  - Meeting proposed for the sub-committee to determine what the trajectory of the

*Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.*