

University of Waterloo Science Society
Meeting Minutes for 20 March, 2018

Meeting Start: 5:36pm

Meeting Finish: 6:48pm

Members: 1 K. Bottenhoff (Chair), 1 R. Beena Kumary (President), 1 K. Walden (VPFA), 1 A. Richard (VPI), 1 C. Mangahas (VPA) Biochemistry Student Association (BSA), 1 Biomedical Student Association (BMSA), 1 Biology Undergraduate Society (BUGS), 1 Chemistry Club (ChemClub), 1 Physics Club (PhysClub), 1 Materials & Nanoscience Society (MNS), 1 Science and Business Students' Association (SBSA) Waterloo Undergraduate Student Geological Society (WatRox), 1 FEEDS Councillors

Absent: President, BMSA, FEEDS Councillors; VP Finance & Administration arrived late

Announcements

1. BUGS will be requesting approval for alcohol at their End of Term event in Old Business.
2. ChemClub will be requesting ratification of their finalized constitution in Old Business.

Call to Order

Move to begin the orders of the day.

Seconded by BSA

Move to approve the Board of Directors minutes and agenda of March 6th, 2018

Seconded by BSA

All yay, motion passes

Old Business

1. *Move* to yield the floor to BUGS regarding Alcohol at their End-of-Term event

BUGS:

- EOT is on April 5th and we're going to East Sides for pool, games; we're thinking of getting alcohol service
- 2 drink ticket system
- 2 drinks per person
- Have the budget for this as well

Speaker: What are you going to do with underaged students? How will you handle the tickets?

BUGS:

- Will approve tickets when people come for tickets
- Will have specialized tickets for people underaged, and will also have soda for people underaged

WATROX: When we were checking with Molly's, it was Molly's responsibility so they will probably be checking anyway

MNS: Might be good to check at the door

BUGS: We will have barriers at the door

Move to approve alcohol at BUGS EOT
Seconded by BSA

All yay, motion passes

2. ***Move*** to yield to ChemClub for final ratification of their constitution

ChemClub: Main thing → lots of editing and formatting to be consistent with SciSoc's constitution

BSA: About the advance notice for lockers, how much in advance will you let them know, or is it just a vague term?

ChemClub: For the particulars, I'm not too sure but at least one or two weeks in advance

Speaker: Make sure you have the information available that lockers will be cut at the end of term just so when they sign up they know

ChemClub: Yeah we will do that

ChemClub ***motions*** to approve their constitution
Seconded by BSA

All yay, ChemClub abstains
Motion passes

3. ***Move*** to conclude old business

Public Session

Note: Any Society members can speak during this time, including the Board members.

Move to open question period from members-at-large.

Seconded by BSA

WATROX: Do we have carry over numbers?

VPFA: We don't have them this week because people are taking out cheques constantly, so its always changing; will ask the accountant for them

Committee, Clubs, & Societies Reports

Move to close Public Session and proceed to in camera session.

Seconded by Watrox

Co-op Education Council and Co-op Student Council — Briefing by the VP Academic and FEDS Councillors.

VPA:

- CSC update: Overall employment numbers for the spring 2018 work term have arrived
- New arrange your own job form is now in WaterlooWorks. It is easier to access and you can track its progress. Four separate forms for different locations/situations. This will be available in main and continuous round. Expected to be launched spring 2018 for first use
- Student advisors use the 'skills' rating to help them aide students who are having trouble finding a job later in the term
- Coop employability skills tool: case studies for students to access and train/test themselves. Not mandatory.
- No official structure for students reporting safety issues or sexual harassment issues in the workplace but CECA will be looking into it
- Employers disclosing salaries: CECA encourages employers to disclose this information in job postings. Some employers perhaps a bit reluctant.
- Employers changing job details: as of now it is not made public knowledge about if changes occur, but CECA says if an employer is doing this more than once than an account manager will notify them of this infringement
- CEC: it's tomorrow

FSF Committee & WatSEF — Briefing by the President or VP Internal.

No updates

Committee of President's — Briefing by the President or VP Internal.
No updates

FEDS Council Reports — Briefing by the FEDS Councillors

FEDS/MNS: No other updates, Seneca is bringing up goose mascot motion; please come to general meeting on weds

Executive Updates

President - EOT coming up on April 3 at the bomber, doing karaoke

VP Internal - We have skating coming up on saturday at CIF; final WW → succulent fundraiser on the 28th

WatRox: Are we providing skates?

VPI: You have to bring your own skates, we looked into it but we didn't have the funds

VP Finance & Administration -

- Each club \$1707.30 make sure you get 70% of that spent
- Account balances I will get that to you this week
- They aren't exact bc people are getting cheques out etc.

Motion to do Fall Actuals
Seconded by PhysClub

All yay, motion carries

VPFA:

Presentation of Science CnD Actuals

- Coke we had to make an order because they need one order per year to keep the fridges
- Net profit of \$765.46
- We expect it to be higher this term
- Sales were usually \$150 but now it is \$250

Presentation of SciSoc Fall Budget

- \$525 from external we brought over to this term to use
- We might have a couple more people coming in for external
- Bomber hasn't invoiced us for BOT, but it was definitely under budget though

- All numbers that aren't highlighted are finalized
- We should have \$6000-8000 from last term

VP Academic - Speed networking event next thursday, coop survey will be released end of April

Executive Coordinators (Administrative Coordinator & Financial Associate) - Absent, no updates

Departmental Clubs/Societies Updates

BSA:

- Movie night with Watrox and Physclub
- Turnout was eh but the people who came enjoyed it
- Eot on march 27 ticket are sold out, will be sushi
- We finally got a microwave
- We are finalizing our grad plaque which will be \$10

BMSA - absent

BUGS:

- Last week we had collab with PhysClub for our murder mystery, turnout was good, people enjoyed
- Micro golfing coming up
- Bugs constitution will be reviewed in new business
- EOT is happening on April 5th which we discussed earlier

ChemClub:

- Last weds we had decent turnout → 15-20 people and some new people came out
- EOT is next wed,s for that we are watching movies and ordering food
- Trying to capture new people/first year attention

VPI: Has anyone noticed a lack of attendance?

BSA:

- We had better turnout, for out EOT we sold same amount of tickets but sold out faster
- Smaller events no people, big events had more people
- Hit or miss for us

WatRox:

- We had new events this term so it's hard to compare but they did really well

- Rock climbing there was less interest than previous times we did it
- Hit or miss for us too

SBSA:

- Last term 2nd years were very active but because we don't have 2nd years we don't have a lot of things
- 3As also not here because of co-op
- First years also not as involved this year
- Disconnect with our advertising platforms
- Overall we still get a good turnout

PhysClub: Two groups of students on coop, 3B not active

PhysClub:

- Had a few events recently, PHYS 110s review session → 20ish people
- General meeting nice turnout, gave out stickers
- We have new notes for constitution but no edit but will bring to BOD to be approved
- Dark matter → lots of nice submissions and we are printing them and they look really nice
- One event right now → WISTEM open mic night in MC comfy

MNS:

- Mirror lab should have been tomorrow. Not a good sign up so we are pushing it a week later
- Also doing board game EOT with free food

SBSA:

- After last BOD we had midterm breakfast, over 80 people came out
- Dodgeball last friday was really good, around 40 people, some Scibus but also general science people
- EOT on 27th at chainsaw with karaoke and free food
- We have laptop stickers too

WatRox:

- We had pints with profs and grad students, we had 40 people come out and it went really well
- First time we've done it so now we've decided to up the budget for it
- We had another grad event last weds and that was a grad talk, grads came in to talk about experience, grad school, Q&A → 15-20 people had first to fourth years

- We have rock-climbing tomorrow at 4pm at grand river rocks, we have a decent sign-up
- EOTt on Friday → lip sync battle at Molly Blooms
- We are basically sold out of tickets → 2 left
- After easter, BBQ with PhysClub and GeoPhys club

New Business

Speaker's Prerogative: the Speaker moves to a Moderated Caucus for 5 minutes. Any additional items can be brought up during this time.

Seconded by WatRox

Move to go through BUGS' constitution

Seconded by BSA

All yay, motion passes

BUGS: Presentation of constitution, was reviewed during general meeting awhile back

VPI: How are proxies being processed?

BUGS: You need to inform execs beforehand that you will hand in your vote as proxy

Speaker: Have you considered online voting?

BUGS: Not sure but we will look into it

VPI: Having no quorum necessary for a binding vote is kind of scary, I want to point it out that it leaves a lot of loopholes, generally a bad thing to do

Speaker: Do you know why there's no quorum necessary?

BUGS: No I do not

BSA: The no quorum idea seems scary because you can have a meeting with just execs and push something through; it gives it the potential to do that

BSA: For the elimination of co-positions, do you have the logic behind that decision? A lot of other clubs have co-pres, and clubs that have co-pres have a good idea. Why not for BUGS, is there a reason for that?

BUGS: We are just giving specific roles for each position

BSA: It's one thing to not want a lot of people to do one role, but it's another thing to say it's frowned upon and another to not do it

VPI: For both systems there are pros and cons, it lends itself for people to being accountable. Your constitution is how you make it, if that's what you want I hope you weighed out the pros and cons

BUGS *motion* to approve their constitution
Seconded by PhysClub

***BSA opposed, SciSoc & Speaker abstain, all else in favour
Motion carries***

Adjournment

Move to adjourn
Seconded by BSA

Next meeting: April 3rd, 2018 at 5:30pm