

University of Waterloo Science Society (1-1.5 hrs)

Chair's Agenda for 16 May 2019

Members: | V. Chan(President), | A. Huang (VPFA), | Z. Hasan (VPI), | Y. Ebadi (VPA), | Biochemistry Student Association (BSA), | Biomedical Student Association (BMSA), | Biology Undergraduate Society (BUGS), | Chemistry Club (ChemClub), | Physics Club (PhysClub), | Materials & Nanoscience Society (MNS), | Science and Business Students' Association (SBSA) | Waterloo Undergraduate Student Geological Society (WatRox) | , | FEDS Councillors

Absent Members: FEDS Councillors, Materials & Nanoscience Society (MNS)

Announcements

1. Welcome to the Spring 2019 term and congratulations on being elected as your clubs' representatives!
2. Ensure everyone has had the opportunity to read the news posts on the Science Board of Directors Spring 2019 Facebook page and that everyone has been added to that page.
3. Introductions
 - Executive introductions
 - Departmental clubs introductions

Call to Order

Move to begin the orders of the day. **Called to order at 7:05PM**

Move to enter Moderated Caucus to establish Board approval for the following positions:

- Moved by the Speaker

Preliminaries

1. Approval of Speaker of the Board Coordinator of Science Society - Kam Sharma (effective next BOD)
2. Approval of Financial Associate of Science Society - Osanda Lee
3. Approval of Administration Coordinator of Science Society - Tarun Sharma

Candidates are asked to leave the room until their confirmation.

Candidates were approved by the BOD and asked to return back to the room

Public Session

Move to open question period from members-at-large. Note: Any Society members can speak during this time, including the Board members.

Committee, Clubs, & Societies Reports

University-wide Committees

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

- The councils have not had their meeting yet
- They will be having their meetings next Wednesday and Thursday

Other, as needed — Speaker's Prerogative: the Speaker moves to a Moderated Caucus for 10 minutes. Any additional items can be brought up during this time.

- Transitions are taking places with particular emphasis on working to help with the transitions of the coordinators and getting them familiarized with their roles
- We will also be looking at our budgets and other logistics

Executive Updates

President —

- Veronica will be working remotely. She is currently working in Toronto will try to shift her work load.
- If you need to get in contact, please do so through social media and/or through text/phone calls

Vice President Finance & Administration —

- We will have 750 students this term
- 70% of the departmental clubs' budget must be used and this will be enforced unlike the past
- 48 hours before the second board meeting is when the budgets are due for the clubs
- 10% can be used for the swag of your club merchandise
- You can find out your carry over from past terms from past execs
- Starting next fall, you can opt out of the student fees. We are expecting a loss of revenue for this reason
- CnD is opening next Wednesday
 - Please tell everyone in the respective departmental clubs to sign up for volunteer shifts.

Vice President Internal —

- One-on-one meetings for each of the presidents to ask any questions or bring up any concerns they might have
- Door codes may be change, please discuss with VPI
- OSSA has a leadership conference. All of the Ontario universities Science societies will be there. This will be an opportunity to improve on your leadership skills
 - This conference will be happening from July 12th – 14th 2019
- If you have delegates that you would like to send to the conference, please let VPI know on your one-on-one meeting

Vice President Academic —

- Science undergrad council. There are some changes and particularly for Earth Sciences. Minutes have not been posted yet
 - Adding a physics course to the honours earth and geophysics specialization
 - Math differential equations course options were discussed
 - More information will be provided from the minutes of this particular meeting

Departmental Clubs/Societies Updates

BSA

- No updates
- Had their first meetings, nothing has been planned out for sure

BUGS

- Their first meeting is coming up
- They have made a list of events, not yet confirmed

ChemClub

- Mapped events out a plan using last year's budget
- Beach day is in the works along with some activities that took place last term

PhysClub

- Will be having their first event in the next two weeks

MNS

- Absent

SBSA

- First meeting last week
- They are discussing their events and open to collaborations

WatRox

- Official meeting next week
- Have discussed potential events

New Business

1. Move to moderated caucus to recall the motion to approve the 2019 Spring Term Coordinators appointed by the Executive.
 - Moved by the President and seconded by VPFA
 - Approved by the BOD.
 - All in favour
 - 0 opposed
 - 0 abstained
2. Move to discuss the current Board of Directors meeting arrangements and potential alternatives. Call to nominate new meeting arrangements. Move to agree on a new meeting arrangement for all future Board of Directors' meetings this term.
 - A link will be posted by the president to see when the meetings should be held. Should be posted tonight
3. BOT Event Planning.
 - Collaboration within the interdepartmental clubs last year
 - Booked out the earth sciences museum
 - Many people came to the event and the cost was split between the clubs
 - \$50 each club
 - Does not have to be the exact same as last term, please contribute ideas
 - Questions that were asked
 - How much will of the budget will it cost?
 - Spring budget is not as big as the Fall and Winter terms. We will look at how much each club wanted to spend
 - Approximating \$50 per club
 - Event will probably take place in the end of May
 - **Speaker moved to call recess. Recess called at 7:25PM for 5 minutes to discuss the event planning. Recess extended until 7:35PM**
 - **Speaker moved to discuss the ideas about BOT from the members. Seconded by the President**
 - All in favour
 - 0 opposed
 - 0 abstained
 - Floor is open for discussion
 - Reasonable cost minimum \$60 budget and BUGS is open for collaboration
 - ChemClub is on the fence and leaning to their own event
 - Pizza night with board games and movies
 - Watrox is also leaning towards a no
 - Even 50 dollars is a lot coming from the budget and think it would not be beneficial for their club members

- o BUGS suggestions
 - lemonade stands
 - Something like a beach day
 - Advertising to more people to come to their events
 - It is an easy way to introduce them to the clubs
 - Suggesting giving out free stuff
 - Treating Science students differently vs non-science students
 - Thinking of having an open space for the event, something like last year where we use the museum
 - Speaker moved to talk about this matter at a later date
 - All in favour
 - 0 opposed
 - 0 abstained
4. Approval of permanent Aviation Society student funding
- Over the last year for the fall and winter terms. They gave them 4 dollars per students to fund their events and society. As long as they used their funds appropriately, they would be given funding.
 - o Aviation society was created last year for the Aviation program within the faculty of science
 - o Their memorandums of understanding are posted under their website which also have their events and other information
 - Represent 200 students, 80 students came to events and they also had a lecture by Chris Hadfield
 - They had multiple panels with pilots from major airlines and pilots from the
 - 160 people attended the aviation gala
 - The VPFA attended the event and she talked to first years. Most of them said that they would go to the event again
 - Many major aviation companies were present
 - The President of UW was also present along with the mayor of Waterloo
 - Industry companies sponsored the event (6 sponsors). 50/50 geo and science students
 - They currently get 4 dollars per student. They would also like SciSoc to fund their club.
 - They would like to see if the funding could be made permanent as their events have been successful
 - Move to fund 4 dollars person student. Moved by the speaker and seconded by BUGS
 - Approved by the BOD
 - All in favour
 - 0 opposed
 - 0 abstained

Open floor

- Still navigating through this time of the term as there was a lot of turnover within SciSoc.
 - Helping coordinators become more informed about their roles etc.
- Needs to be a comfortable environment for everyone to discuss and raise their concerns

Move to adjourn.

- Moved by the speaker and seconded by BUGS
 - All in favour
 - 0 opposed
 - 0 abstained

Next meeting: TBA