

**Computer Science Society**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**5:30pm- Teaching Lab 3 – Thursday October 9th 2008**  
**Compiled By: Liz Legere**

Roll Call:

Liz Legere  
Stewart Rand  
Karen Thorsen  
Daniel Oulton  
Liam Spencer  
Kat Magee (left due to illness)  
John Doucette  
Sandy Chatman  
Srividhya Barath  
Jignasa Shah

Absent With Regrets:

Andrew Aikens  
Scott Perry

Meeting called to order at 5:40 by President John Doucette

- 1) Appointments to council
- 2) Minutes
  - a. Adopted
- 3) Open House
  - a. Next Friday volunteers are needed
- 4) Bar Services (convocation, scholarship reception)
  - a. Convocation: John or Andrew Bartend, Liz can help set up/tear down
  - b. Scholarship reception: Don't know if we are doing it (2 weeks away)
- 5) CS Blog
  - a. Talk about what goes on in CS at dal
- 6) CSS Tournament
  - a. Counterstrike tournament suggested, a 1st year student has expressed interest in running one
- 7) SNOBOL
  - a. We have a web form now
  - b. Tickets are on pre-order sale
    - i. Get tickets at the desk
    - ii. They give either \$20 for students, \$30 for Staff/Alumni, or \$40 for non-students
    - iii. We give them a receipt
  1. We take their name and who/where they want to sit and if they want vegetarian or not
  - 2.

## 8) Reports

- a. John Doucette – President
  - i. John and Andrew met with the head of marketing for the faculty and gave info about society which will go into campaign
  - ii. Working on replacing the tv's and tying our stuff into the dal network
  - iii. Is going to try to get the software engineering class to interface between dal broadcast and our broadcast
  - iv. Still haven't heard back about grad rings
  - v. Got fridges put in grad spaces and put on in the learning center
- b. Liam Spencer – VP Internal
  - i. Can't make it to athletics meeting, helping out with elections
- c. Stewart Rand – Acting VP External
  - i. Went to DSU meeting
    - 1. Talk about NSPRIG
      - a. They want to have the DSU approve a referendum
      - b. Sent referendum question to a DSU committee
- d. Srividhya Barath – Society Desk Manager
  - i. Sold 25 items, made \$55
- e. Sandy Chatman – Co-op Rep
  - i. Had Co-op meeting
  - ii. Got flyers about clothes not to wear
- f. Jignasa Shah – Member at Large
  - i. Nothing to report
- g. Daniel Oulton
  - i. Nothing to report
- h. Karen Thorsen – Junior Undergraduate Rep
  - i. Will tell the CS3 class about Snowball, Keycards, and Geeky Tiki
- i. Liz Legere
  - i. Tried to print newsletter in colour and failed
  - ii. Had a suggestion to have a contest for students to design a CS Faculty mascot, give t-shirts away as prizes for winner at SNOBOL
- j. Kat Magee
  - i. Sent out an email to see if anyone was interested in fall activities such as:
    - 1. Paint Ball, Bowling/supper, and a walk/hike.
    - 2. It turns out Owen's Park is closed for the winter on Oct 1st. So we can't have the hike there. Will look into other places.
    - 3. Gotten a fair number of emails back about what people prefer but there is no clear preference yet. Will give it a few more days
  - ii. Also, a grad student named Connie said she would be interested in training a bunch of

high school students to participate in the North America Computational Linguistics Olympiad.

a. Looks really fun, and is specifically for high school students.

b. The competition is on February 4th.

c. More info at <http://www.naclo.cs.cmu.edu/>

d. Since my area of research is natural language processing, I told her I would be very interested in becoming directly involved with her in this.

e. We now need to start figuring how to contact schools and get their permission/ see if any of them are interested

f. Also have to look into stuff like police clearance to work with school students etc. so we should look into this as soon as possible.

g. Does anyone know any details about this, where we should start?

iii. Still needs information on Paint Ball from John Doucette

iv. Volunteered for the Open House next week

Meeting Adjourned at 6:20pm