

CSS Meeting
January 29th, 2009

Attendance

Roll Call:

- Liz Legere (Treasurer)
- Stewart Rand (VP External)
- Tasha Bartlett (Secretary)
- Liam Spencer (VP Internal)
- Jeremy Gallant (President)
- Calvin Jien (Informatics Representative)
- Bill Yongke (Social Chair)
- Justin Joyce (Athletics Representative)
- John Doucette (Sr. Undergrad Representative)
- Daniel Oulton (Jr. Undergrad Representative)
- Mike Porter (Co-Op Representative)

Absent with Regrets:

- Nicole Lewis (Member-At-Large)

CS Students without a vote in attendance:

- Kat McGee
- Adam Douglas

Agenda

1. Minutes
2. Appointments
3. RMS event
4. Reports
5. 1st year reports programming competition
6. website
7. SC tournament (Door & Image)
8. E-mail
9. LB proposal
10. EOTR
11. NACLO
12. New Business
13. White bored

Approval of the meeting minutes

Conditions to be met:

- Liz acts as chair in place as Jeremy Gallant
- Treasurers report to be added

Appointments

- Bar Manager
 - paid position

- everyone on CS should be able to apply
- e-mail for hiring. Due date is Thursday at noon.
- VP. Internal:
 - Nominated: Liam Spencer
 - Not going to make the meetings.
 - Not able to attend faculty.
 - Motion to go in camera:
 - [In camera]
 - Liam is the new VP Internal
- Graduates Representative still not filled
 - Attach to Bar Manager e-mail

Stallman's Money

- John took on the Stallman event.
- 30-300\$ shortfall, will know Monday
- Motion will be done next meeting in terms of paying back John his losses

Reports

President:

- few things from Scott, but they're coming later
- going to be helping with GeekBeer tomorrow
 - need to pick up mix for event
- advanced notice to meeting time and there will be an agenda next meeting from him

VP. External

- No DSU meeting this week
- There is one next week
- Next week: imagine campaign
 - improve student union
 - any types of services, or anything!
 - Be manning a booth Tuesday/Thursday accepting suggestions
- E-mail about DSU
 - ref. Gift cards
 - Dal E-mails, no way to un-subscribe
 - Tell him where the massive amount of e-mails from CS to Courtney Larkin.

Discussion for VP External:

- Spam filter is getting fixed

VP Internal

- involved in RS affair (fiasco)
- wouldn't encourage future societies to take on this event due to the man being very difficult
- looking for reps for the undergrad committee
 - new business
- some people's end of term reports.
 - There have been some received that haven't been reimbursed.

Discussion for VP Internal:

- Reimbursement is done case by case.
- Talk about this later in the meeting

Treasurer:

- paying off outstanding reimbursement checks
- outstanding snowball trophies for the past two years.
 - Checks were never sent from last year's
- couple e-mails:
 - DU of Grad students
 - asking for communication from CS society. It would go to our graduate rep
 - eager to get in contact with us.
- Books are now up to date
- Everything is payed off, except End of Term Reports
- Ordered supplies for desk; ran out of stuff
- Candy will be bought with Costco memberships
- Decent weeks for society desk, been selling a fair amount of stuff
- KIPS: coming to Dal
- Meeting before new election; conversation with DSL. In John's report
- Promoting grad rings? In John's report
- Budget will be brought forward next meeting
- Stewart working on the website
 - people want access? Go to Liz

Discussion during treasurers report:

- No grad student on council
- Bus? Can we use again
- Little O'Henry Bars for candy at the society desk

Secretary

- Donating a Binder to CSS
 - includes Constitution
 - Minutes
 - Duties of secretary
 - End Of Term Report

Elections Officer:

- spent a bunch of money on elections
- has receipts for them
- ballots should be burned, whichever ones are left over. It's secret ballot. Destroy them
- next time ballots shouldn't have your name.
 - Envelopes
 - Discussion closer to election

Informatics Rep:

- No report

Social Chair:

- GeekBeer is going to be held tomorrow
- everything has been planned
- advertised using the Dal website, Facebook, posters, word of mouth, faculty e-mail.
- GeekBeer every second week
 - when no GeekBeer: something else
- Superbowl? This Sunday
 - should be able to do
 - Sunday's you need two weeks notice to have a liquor license
- bartenders for tomorrow night:
 - two bartenders
- Xbox will be there tomorrow
- Close at midnight (good to have someone on the cleanup crew until midnight)

Discussion for Social rep:

- messages on Facebook
 - Must not happen; saying "come get plastered at GeekBeer"
 - Campus policy on the Grawood's website. Worth reading
- Shouldn't advertise that the point of the event is to get drunk, even though it is.
- Private societies have odd rules.
- Lydia wants to do a multicultural Geekbeer.
- Check ID's for 19+
 - closer to exams high school students come, badness!!
- beer passed over the bar must to be open
 - had issues with it being sold closed afterwards

Athletics Rep:

- rock climbing event?
- Dalplex website has contact information

Discussion for Athletics Rep:

- Look at transition report
 - has information needed in terms of the Dalplex

Co-Op rep

- Not much to report
- back to DSU conversation
 - Stewart
- Opt out vs. Mandatory Co-Op, to be discussed later
- Fewer jobs are available

Discussion for Co-Op Rep:

- Question: Employers withdrawing their jobs from economic crisis e-mail.
 - Yeah... we're in the middle of a global economic crisis

- Now that there's only 18 students going on in May, not worth employers time and effort to put out the jobs

Sr. Undergrad Rep.

- Richard Stallman's event
 - with the philosophy department
- was relative smooth (minus Stallman, the "difficult" fellow)
- 500\$ from faculty
 - covers honorarium, flight tickets
- printing books is cost neutral
- short between 30-40\$, to realistically 200-300\$
 - hope society will cover it
 - Liam and John's personal debt
- 3 emails to class-ique rings. Last heard 6 weeks ago, in the process of creating initial templates
 - no word back though
- Bus tour in the summer
 - collection people contacted John
 - end result is that we can rent buses again
 - we seemed to have never received
- ESL program
 - ties into the e-mail issue
- feels great to no longer be president
- 1st year students; largely kept in the loop
 - get people involved in society.
 - Target events for them, since they take up the largest block of CS students
- Stallfest
 - Bring your computer, GNU+ linux distributions, install stuff on people
 - trying to organize another event like htis
- CS games coming eventually

Junior Computer Science Representative

- support behind video game tournament every 6 weeks
- get the 1st years involved.
- They don't get involved.
- Heard something about CS tournament

Discussion Jr. CS Rep:

- willing to organize a Counter Strike event
 - Yes? LAN game is an option
 - don't know if anyone wants to get into something where all levels compete with each other.
- Washington Computer needs to be replaced
- Unique key?
 - Yes, Counter Strike requires a unique key
 - Play offline somehow
 - use the same key 5 times, etc.

Kat's Business:

- 100\$ for NACLO? buy it and give the receipt?
- To be discussed further in the meeting

1st Year Programing Competition

- gaging interests in having a 1st years only programming competition
 - people are scared as they are new to programming
- get people involved in programming competitions early on
- have for each year?
 - Stay with your skill level?
- Talk to Vlado?
- Need student volunteers
 - want 1-2 people in the room where there competitions are being held. Then a judge
 - Jeremy will tentatively volunteer

Website

- been to the website recently?
- We should trash it and build a new one?
 - Doing Drupal site or something?
- Is council in favor?
 - Move the stuff from the two websites

Motion to create an Ad-hoc committee to help update the website. Seconded by Liam

Discussion:

- we could do it
- could create a higher profile
- something that always thought should be implemented are the EOTR, should really be updating some form of Wiki on the society website. Same regurgitated non-sense

Vote on Motion:

- 1 obtain
- rest are yes
- motion passes

Motion the committee should update the website. Motion does not get seconded

SC Tournament

- software image changes must go through Scott Walsh.
- Teaching Lab 2 door was left open afterwards.
 - Security issue. Bill was the last one to leave.
- Events in the future shouldn't go longer than the help desk is open. His suggestion.
- When help desk leaves, lock all the doors to the labs.

E-mails

- CSALL incident earlier this week

- Bill sent a message to CSALL,
 - tech support decided to enforce the rules
 - shouldn't send anything to CSALL without prior approval
- We should never send anything to CSALL. Our lessons learned.
- New students are auto enrolled to CSANNOUNCE
- CSANNOUNCE is controlled by CS society.
 - It was created for society
 - Created specifically for society
 - Problem? Transfer students are not automatically added
 - Maintained by Jeff Allan
 - We can write up a proposal to do the tech support so we can add people to the list
 - Only Adam Douglas can send e-mails through CSANNOUNCE

Little Board Proposal

- Put new LCD screens in the atrium
 - agree to put the Dal emergency
- Why do we even have TVs?
 - Proposal will be sent out to everyone
- Small white board for announcements and advertise?
 - chalk boards is what we had

End of term reports:

- previous council term reports are due
 - there are some outstanding summer End of Term Reports.

Motion that the end of term reports are due by next Thursday by 12:00 for the fall semester 2008.

- John seconded motion.

Amendment retroactive to all terms before. Meaning that any previous council will not be allowed to submit end of term reports after this deadline. Submitting a report is not a guarantee of reimbursement.

- Seconded by Stewart.

Discussion on Amendment:

- Reimbursement is done case by case.
- This affects the summer End of Term Reports

Vote on Amendment:

- 1 obtain
- The rest are yes.
- Amendment passes

Motion becomes:

Motion that any reports from the fall 2008 semester and before are due at 1200 sharp.

- all yes
- motion passes.

Next Thursday:

- go over end of term reports

NACLO

Motion to reimburse Kat up to 100 \$ for debts due to NACLO.

Discussion:

- NACLO is an event for high schoolers.

Vote on Motion:

- All yes.
- Motion carries

White board

- for getting a white board for the CSB to announce and advertise for CSS
- We'll talk about it more next meeting in terms of prices. Bill is to research prices.

New Business

- Nickolas Rajendrum? Google rep for Dalhousie
 - Actually willing to fund our Pi Day.
 - March 14th
 - 100\$ worth of pie would possibly be payed for

Motion to close: Seconded by Stewart. 20:40