

CSS Meeting
October 8, 2009

Attendance

- Ozge Yeloglu, WiTS
- Samantha Babin, WiTS
- John Doucette, VP External
- Mike Porter, Society Desk Manager
- Justin Joyce, Athletics Representative
- Andrew Tse, Co-op Representative
- Ben Knappenberger
- Billy Mailman, Sr. Undergraduate Representative
- Stewart Rand, Treasurer
- Justin Arbuckle, Jr. Undergraduate Representative
- Marcelo Velasquez, Multidisciplinary Grad Rep
- Tasha Bartlett, Secretary
- Marek Lipczak, Graduate Representative

Absent with Regrets

- Maria Mackwood, Social Representative
- Nicole Lewis, Member-at-Large
- Adam Schofield, Informatics Representative
- Brian Wolff, Undergraduate Computer Science Representative
- Matt d'Entremont, VP Internal

Agenda

1. Reports
2. New Business
 - a. Open House
 - b. Reimbursements
 - c. DAGS
 - d. Bartending
 - e. Seminars
3. Old Business
 - a. Snowball Updates
 - b. Events
 - c. Appointments

Call to Order. 16:05

Reports

President

- Outside of snowball planning, not much is going on.
- 10th anniversary of the building happened Tuesday, and it went well

Co-Op Representative

- Went to the Snowball committee meeting
- The issue with people not being on BLS although registered for co-op
 - They may not have signed up on DalOnline for the course
 - Sent an e-mail stating “how to get on co-op BLS” to the second year students

Sr. Undergraduate Representative

- Undergraduate committee meeting was postponed

Jr. Undergraduate Representative

- Red v. Blue marathon: Friday, October 9, 2009
 - 6pm in the Atrium
 - Would like funding for popcorn and pop

Move to approve up to 25\$ for the Red versus Blue marathon for tomorrow night.

Seconded. Motion Passes. 16:11

Member-at-Large

- Get e-mail

Informatics Representative

- Attended the snowball committee meeting

Secretary

- Hold off approving old minutes until everyone has had a chance to look through them.
- Issues with the notes from Sept. 17, I don't understand what the minutes sent to me where, would greatly appreciate people looking at them and deciphering them.

Society Desk Manager

- There is now three different types of Free Candy at the Society Desk
 - Requests Jolly Ranchers for next candy run

Athletics Representative

- Went to the athletics meeting Tuesday
- They mentioned some openings, one of the being 3-on-3 basketball
 - E-mailed csannounce for people
 - Need to submit the teams ASAP
- Desperately need girls to participate

Other guy.

- No report

Graduate Student Representative

- Talked about Graduate Student concerns with Dean Shepherd.
 - One issue brought up was that Graduate Students don't know what is going on

- Graduate Students are getting a “meeting space” in the CSB
- Graduate Student advisory meeting (Tuesday)
 - Space: It is an issue among all Dal Grad students
 - Grad House: delayed once again
 - Master Plan/Strategic plan: Trying to get all graduate students connected on all three campuses
- Met with Patrick Bonnick of DAGS. DAGS would like graduate CS students to be a part of them. This will be brought up in New Business

VP External

- No DSU meeting this week
- Town Hall: Who is controlling your Digital Future?
 - On the 26th of October, 7pm, in the McInnis room.
 - Big names in Canada will be a part of the panel. This includes experts in the industry and academia
 - Will talk about privacy concerns, etc.
 - There will be a two hour back and forth discussion between the audience and the panel.
- In terms of Snowball awards: no one has voted for anyone. It is kind of difficult to have student chosen awards when students do not vote.

VP Internal

- No meeting this week

New Business

Open House

- October 16th, Friday of next week.
- In need of volunteers for the four sessions, and the faculty would like two people from society at each session
 - 9:30-10:30
 - 10:30-11:30
 - 11:30-12:30
 - 12:30-1:30

Reimbursements

- Couple of reimbursements were asked for:
 - Game programming club:
 - 1st event was two weeks ago
 - Would like 72 dollars from society to help cover the cost they had spent on pop, food, and glasses
 - 25 people showed up to their event
 - Bartending
 - Nicole would like Blaine to take the bartending course
 - Issue brought up, will be discussed later on.

Move to approve 72 dollars for the game programming club for their event that passed.
Seconded. Motion Passes.

DAGS

- Why CS should join DAGS
 - Advocacy for Graduate Students
 - Allow graduate students to go to their events; unfortunately there are no events currently posted on their website
- Why CS shouldn't join DAGS
 - It would increase the money for graduate students to societies to 60\$/term
 - It is 19 \$/term for each graduate student to be a member of DAGS
 - 12 \$/term of each CS student will return to CSS
- Asked for a presentation for Graduate Students
 - Would like the graduate students to vote for their own interest. Council is okay with that.
- One note:
 - It may be a clause of DAGS that CS graduate students might never be able to start their own society

Bartending

- Would like to see the bartenders of our GeekBeer be CS people since it is CS student's money which pays them.

Move that it is society policy to reimburse society members up to 45\$ per person for the Safe Serve license contingent that they bartend two society events. The society bar manager will select using a round robin scheduling scheme of eligible and approved members to bartend. Eligible implies anyone who can tend bar in Nova Scotia. Seconded. Motion Passes.
17:23

Seminars

- The ACM used to put on seminars for students about interesting skills, etc., in the past. Since this hasn't been done in a long time, John was thinking that CSS could sort of take over that role.
- Tutorial Ideas:
 - Graduate students and their research
 - Ask David Langstroth, since he is hired to do things like that
 - E-commerce and carbon footprint
 - APICS to give presentation?
 - Ask Jeremy Gallant for YouTube and Wordpress presentations?

Old Business

Snowball update

- Don't have a DJ

- Stewart volunteers to look into hiring another one. Will bring back the costs, the music to be played, and whether or not the DJ takes requests.
- Rosemary is looking into getting corporate sponsors
- Adam, Chris, and other: will be taste testing meals
 - When Mike sells tickets, he shall ask what they like, as well as ask for allergies
- The Lord Nelson hotel donated a door prize
 - Hotel night stay for two
- Poster Confusion
 - Unaware Nicole's roommate was working on a poster
- Being Printed over the weekend
 - Posters and more tickets
- Early Bird Prize
 - Whoever buys a ticket by the end of October will be entered into the Early Bird Prize
 - Prize still to be decided.
 - Draw will be done at the awards
- Student Awards
 - Most talkative
 - 7/10/11
 - Worst Handwriting
 - GeekBeer award
 - Tardiest
 - Biggest Gamer
 - Spends the most time in the CSB
 - Best Hacker
 - Ignoble Grad Student Award (coolest/funniest research)
- There will be an e-mail sent out describing all the awards and ways to vote
 - Each vote must have the CSID so that there cannot be many votes by the same person
- Thursday/Friday of next week: Reps with ballots go to classes to encourage voting.
- Class representatives need to promote SnowBall
- You can make a list of who you would like to sit with

Events

- Ignite
 - Difficulty getting rooms to book
 - Will try for the beginning of the winter semester
- Pumpkin Carving Contest
 - Start at 4:30pm on October 30th, and will stay up for the remainder of GeekBeer that evening.
 - Use fake candles
 - Prizes for the best design
 - By donation to charity for Feed Nova Scotia
 - Bring your own pumpkin carving things
 - Teams of 1-4 people, must sign up at the society desk for this

- APICS
 - Programming Competition on October 23d
 - We need bartenders for the event
 - Will talk to Nicole
- Geek Beer: Next Friday
 - Rave Theme
 - Stewart will be the DJ
 - Might have a fog machine
 - Lots of strobe lights and black lights
- CS Games
 - No idea when they are, will look online

Appointments

- Nominations for Multidisciplinary Graduate Representative
 - Nominated Marcelo. Accepts
 - Speech.
 - Vote: Unanimous Yes.

Meeting Adjourned. 17:45