

FISSC MEETING
Friday, June 8, 2007
Faculty Lounge, 7th Floor, Claude Bissell Building
6-8pm

MINUTES

Present: A quorum of Officers and Members were present

1. Call to Order

Rachel called the meeting to order at 6:18 pm

2. Review, Corrections & Acceptance of last meeting's Minutes

Lisa asked that the minutes be changed to more clearly reflect that she had presented a plan for the student tech fund. Rachel will edit the minutes to reflect this.

3. Business arising from the Minutes

None. Minutes accepted (motion: Lisa)

4. Reports by Executive Members

a. President:

Christina introduced our guest, Museum Studies Graduate Student Association Vice President Jen Bawden, and invited her, as a representative of Museum Studies students to participate in the meeting, and in FISSC student events.

Jen introduced herself to the council.

Christina introduced council to a new student representative position- the Project Planning Committee- This committee, mandated by the central administration, is looking at options for future building development for the faculty. A call for the position to be filled was made, and Sarah accepted the position.

Christina reminded council that she, Rachel and Minakshi can sign reimbursement cheques.

5. Reports by Committees

a. Academic Affairs Committee:

Steven was not present. His report for the agenda follows.

- i. All student rep forms are out, although not all are back
- ii. The dean's secretary, Bisa Salehis is currently tallying up course evaluation numbers. When I receive the numbers I'll know what have to work with, what timeline I can give FISSC, and whether I need help.

b. PD Committee:

Nancy was not present. Her report for the agenda follows.

- i. Fall/Winter timeline for PD workshops/events

c. Alumni Association:

Anita reported that they have not heard confirmation on Alumni wine and cheese on the Thursday night of Orientation week.

She has also not heard back from the AA on Mentorship programs.

d. Merchandise: No report.

e. IT Committee:

Hesham reported that the Display Screen meeting had been cancelled this morning, and so there were no updates. Joe Cox asked him for Christina's A/V Room proposal and Lisa's Tech Fund Plan, and Rachel agreed to email the Tech Fund Plan to Hesham.

Willow raised the issue of student input into the A/V room- does the student body want one, if so what do they want in it? Lisa responded that she intended to go to the student body with a proposal, but at this time we are at the stage when council needs to create a document to present to both students and administration. Hesham raised the idea of a poll on the FIS website, and Willow suggested a Student Survey in emails. Christina and Lisa stressed the need for student response and input.

Hesham encouraged council members to e-mail him content for the Display Screen. Council members mentioned the presence of CTV on the Screens and voiced concern over the commercial content being exposed to students. Christina reminded council this is an issue to take to the Display Screen Committee meetings, and reminded that students had paid for the screens and thus have a voice in the content displayed.

f. Student Tech Fund:

Lisa reported that she will meet with Susan and Ab about the tech fund disbursement- most importantly getting a Photo Printer for Orientation. Christina asked about Adobe for the A/V Room computers, and said that it was a Tech Fund Committee decision.

Stacey asked about the resolution of the Poster Printer purchase, and was informed that Council had decided not to purchase one, favouring instead an account at Kinko's.

g. Social Committee:

Kate and June reported that they were going to continue monthly FIS dinners at restaurants around the city, on different nights of the week, to accommodate the most members. They reminded council of the Pub Night that night, and said they were also going to continue into the summer.

June reported that Intramural Soccer would not proceed officially because FIS students do not pay AC fees in the summer. There may be pick up games. Rollerblading/Biking is still in the works for July. Christina encouraged the inclusion of ice cream to the blading trip.

Council debated the timing for the Coffee House and the Hart House Farm weekend, deciding by consensus to have the Coffee House in January, and by vote to have the Hart House weekend on Thanksgiving Weekend. The

weekend will run from Friday to Sunday, with check in from noon to noon. FISSC will attempt to arrange transportation for registrants. There is space on the trip for 70 people.

h. Life & Times:

Sarah reported that the battery recycling bins are here, and that she is working towards having a pop machine. Council asked for it to be in the basement if possible. Sarah reported from the Space Task Force that FIS has been looking at space on 90 Wellesley Street, and stressed the need to inform students about the spaces. Evidence suggests students have strong feelings about the insufficient spaces at FIS, and Sarah asked if FISSC would fund some aesthetic changes to student space. These could include plants, moving furniture, and making the Student Lounge more appealing. Council agreed this was a good idea, and Stacy and Lisa volunteered to help Sarah. Sarah agreed to email FIS community to call for more volunteers.

i. Orientation Committee:

Orientation committee met once, and will meet again next Tuesday, from 7-9 in room 728. All of council is invited to attend. Christina emphasized the need of council members to volunteer or be slotted into spaces to help for Orientation.

Christina called for volunteers for the Meet and Greet June 21st, from 7-8:30. Rachel, Lisa, Stacy, Willow Kate and Christina volunteered. Rachel will send an email to remind volunteers of this.

Orientation will involve tours of the city. The following council members volunteered to lead tours in the following locations: Michelle (Gay Village), Steven (Annex), June (Chinatown), Kate (Eaton Centre), Sarah (Queen St. W). If anyone wished to lead a tour to Yorkville, they may volunteer to do so.

Christina invited Jen (on behalf of Museum Studies Students) to participate in Orientation. Jen will get back to FISSC on this matter.

i. Mail out and E-newsletter:

June will send an email to FISSC to remind them to submit their content for the Orientation mail out. This information must be in by June 18th.

Lisa volunteered to edit the mail out and Christina will design it.

6. Old Business

a. FISSC Blog + Wiki (Hesham + Steven)

Hesham reported that the Blog and Wiki are up, and content may be emailed to him. Christina asked Steven and Hesham to confirm which of them was to be the contact person for the Blog and Wiki, and email this information to FIS students.

7. New Business

FISSC announcements: currently we have the Display Screens, Websites, and regular notification Emails. Christina sent a "digest" of information to

students about FIS events. This innovation met with approval, and council asked that it be sent every two weeks. Rachel will send this email.

Christina and Hesham will work on an RSVP form for Orientation BBQ

No one responded to a call for a Video Maker (You-Tube style) for FISSC, Christina will email the student body.

8. Other

Rachel asked for a volunteer to provide food at the next meeting, and Lisa volunteered.

9. Adjournment

Motioned by Christina, seconded by Michelle, the meeting adjourned at 7:48pm