

University of Toronto
Faculty of Information
Master of Information Student Council
Wednesday, June 30th, 2010
Student Lounge, 7th Floor, Claude Bissell Building
7 – 8 pm

Agenda

Present: Jessica Barr, Ryan Nayler, Effie Patelos, Angie McHodgkins, Dana Silk, Carmen Lee, Michael Desjardins, Sarah Shujah, Christine DeLuca, Jill Kwiecien and Jennifer Slater

Regrets: Chris Trainor, Cybil Stephens, Jessica Lawson, Teresa Sine.

Recorder: Jennifer Slater

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm, with quorum established.

1. Approval of Agenda- Carried

2. President's Report- Christine DeLuca

- a. **Museum Studies-**Christine has been in touch with Museum Studies president and their Association will be joining us for the upcoming meet and greet event and Museum students have also RSVP'd for the event.

3. Social Committee's Report- Dana Silk

- a. **Meet and Greet-** Dana has been working on the RSVP's to get an idea of number of attendees. So far roughly 60 people have signed up to attend. Dana mentioned the possibility of an informal pub night event after the meet and greet. With regard to orientation, there have been complications booking the BBQ. It has been shifted to the new date of Wednesday, Sept 8th. The Social Committee will begin working on more orientation events once the meet and greet has passed and BBQ is set up.

4. Tech Fund Report- Michael Desjardins

- a. **Update-** Regarding last year's projects, Michael has checked up on Room 328 and most of it has been set up or is being worked on. He has been talking to Jenna Hartel about how Room 328 can be used for next year. They have developed the idea of using the space as an ethnography/ video lab. 15 new video cameras will be purchased. We will fund 10 and the Inforum will pay for 5. Upcoming funded items include:
 - i. **Ethnographic Research/Video Lab-** Digital recorders, Transcription pedals, Digital Video Cameras, PC Computer for room 328 with large monitor for accessibility, Nvivo qualitative research software, Xsight qualitative research software, iMovie (iLife actually) for current Mac laptops
 - ii. **iPads-** They are planning to purchase 2 iPads since we have previously funded e-reader technologies.
 - iii. **Netbooks-** Joe Cox had suggested purchasing 10 more. Michael stated that this may be a large purchase, and has suggested that we will purchase 4 and, depending on popularity and use, we can consider more.

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b. **Discussion**

iv. **Quotes for Inforum-**

Michael has stated that him and Carmen have discussed this and feel that the funding of furniture may not be pertinent to the Tech Fund mandate, which is to fund technology for student use that the school does not have the budget or tools to otherwise provide.

Jill has asked the amount of funding that we would need to contribute. Christine stated that we could offer any amount that we would feel comfortable contributing.

Michael noted the issue of setting a precedent of funding projects outside of their mandate.

Christine suggested that the Council discuss the project regarding its relevance as it pertains to student space. Michael made the distinction that student spaces, such as the student lounge, have been funded by the Tech Fund, however, there is an essential difference as the Inforum is a Faculty run and funded space.

c. **Vote**

- i. Motion to fund the proposed Ethnographic/ Research Lab- **Carried**
- ii. Motion to provide funding for the Inforum and Group Study Rooms- **Denied**

We have stated that we will consider funding new computers for the study rooms and we will continue to fund tech focused purchases.

5. **New Business**

None.

6. **Adjourn-** 7:47 pm