

**Set Rep Meeting - School of Business**

Agenda

Date: Nov 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Chair:** Christian Colquhoun

**Staff:** Carly Watson, Club Program Coordinator

**Guests Speakers:** Madeline Adams, Publications Assistant

Karl Chen, Event Manager for BCIT Marketing Association

Leelah Dawson, Dean School of Business

**Meeting Agenda**

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2. **Leelah Dawson – Dean, School of Business**
3. **New Business**
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6. **Meeting Adjournment**

**Christian calls the meeting to order – 5:43pm**

**1. Madeline – LINK magazine – 5:43pm**

- Madeline introduces herself and lets the students know about the projects they're looking for student assistance on at LINK.
- Looking for stories
  - Set reps reach out to students for 'student spotlight'
    - o Each issue (month) the LINK has a feature student
- Maddy opens the floor to suggestions of students to highlight

**Q:** Are you a student?

**A:** No, I work for the student association

For inquiries, story ideas, contribution questions contact her:

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## 2. Leelah Dawson, Dean School of Business – 5:48pm

Christian introduces Leela Dawson – dean of school of business 5:48pm

Leela thanks everyone for stepping up to be set reps. She mentions it's important to go above and beyond in all aspects of life – being a set rep is the first step and is something employers look for on a resume.

She discusses her current projects since becoming the SoB Dean:

- Planning on refurbishing the Telus Theatre next year
- Community – working on creating more of a community among faculty and admin staff. This will make the faculty become more creative and work together to create curriculum and projects.
- Works closely with the Student Association
- Industry ready, student focused – two things she is focusing on.
  - o Student focused: making tests/exam schedules more manageable for students.  
Ex. Not having 3 exams on one single day. Making sure students get the content that they need, but in a manageable manner.
- Ideas for broadcast – adding media to all business programs and more business in media programs
- integrate learning across business

Leelah opens the floor to questions.

**Q:** How do you feel about teachers using online resources to teach their class?

**A:** I would like to see students solve problems by hand.

**Q:** I was wondering if we have any regular observation for instructor when they're teaching class?

**A:** We do have a regular evaluation, but it's not for every instructor every semester. For new teachers it is, but once they've passed probationary period it's every 3 months.

## 3. New Business

### 3.1 Game of Schools – 6:09pm

- o February 3<sup>rd</sup>
- o Tickets - \$10
- o 9:30am – 2pm
- o Battle between all different schools
- o 30 students from each school

**Q:** Is it at 2pm or ends at 2pm?

**A:** No, it's from 9:30am – 2pm.

**Q:** Does it cost anything to participate?

**A:** Yes, it's \$10, but lunch is included.

**Q:** How can you get tickets?

**A:** We haven't organized when they're going on sale but when it does I will send the message out.

### 3.2 Holla Day (Karl Chen) – 6:04pm

Holla Day is the first ever BCIT, multi-campus wide event ever hosted. The event is the clubs hopes to create cohesion among all the schools/programs at BCIT.

Date: December 15<sup>th</sup>

Time: 9pm – 2am

Where: Harbour Event Centre

- Early bird price \$15 until December 4<sup>th</sup>
- General admission price \$20 from December 5 – 15
- First bcit campus wide event
- DJ, raffle draw prizes and more!
- First 100 through the door get a free drink!

Tickets on sale on campus or online: [bcitholladay.eventbrite.com](http://bcitholladay.eventbrite.com)

Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/150683108993418/>

### 3.3 Objective Updates and Call to Action – 6:12pm

Christian updates the Set reps on his Objectives for the year with where he's at.

- Open education resources: Textbook broke campaign – coming up in January, will be looking for volunteers when the day is decided
- Sense of community – Holla Day and other events happening among schools
- Improve set rep program – attendance of 67 people at a set rep meeting last week

### 3.4 Update on Econ Midterm Issue – 6:14pm

- Students arrived to a midterm where not enough tests had been printed out
- 15 students had to wait for extra exams to be printed out, before they could start
- These students didn't receive extra time to make up because they were late
- The initial solution proposed was to increase the mark by 3%
- Decided in the end that students who started late would receive an extra 5% on test score, 2% bonus and 3% because their average was 3% lower than class
- Optional quiz available to add up to a potential 10% onto that test grade

Christian tells the Set Reps this was an ideal resolution of a problem, where the solution was something everyone involved could agree with.

**Q/C:** The issue was resolved very well, but the reason that it happened in the first place was that other students were showing up to test times that weren't their scheduled slots and then when students came for their actual time there weren't enough tests for them.

**C:** Our teacher said that we could go to a different time.

Christian tells the set reps that in order to avoid situations like this, only follow what your teacher had said.

### 3.5 Group Activity – 6:17pm

For this meeting's group activity, I'll be splitting you into groups to talk amongst yourselves about issues you've faced during exams in the past, and issues that may arise this year.

**Study tips:** study in groups, teach other people the material you studied, study early! Don't wait to the last minute

- Study in the library not at home.
- Schedule your study dates.
- Sleep and exercise because it helps clear your mind

#### **Issues from past exams**

- Teachers that teach certain curriculum, but the test didn't reflect that
- Not enough time to finish exams
  - o If you are having that issue speak to your set reps, we had the same problem last year and we spoke to set reps there was a discussion about, it was brought to teachers and then we were able to have the second test shortened by a lot.

#### **Issues arising this year**

- 8am start time for exams is insanely early
- Financial accounting exam was extremely hard, our average was 47% so they cut marks from the bottom, so people would pass
- We had an instructor tell us that she was marking better or worse based on her mood
  - o Take that to advocacy

**Q:** If it snows what resources do people who live in a faraway area and commute have for things like an 8am exam?

**A:** Safetywise app will always tell you if the exam has been pushed or rescheduled. Otherwise most of the time BCIT will be very understanding. Your best resource there would be advocacy.

#### **Christian shows a Ted Talk – 6:32pm**

Basic IQ isn't going to make you successful in life or on tests. The thing that is going to make you do good is your GRIT!

#### **4. Open Forum– 6:37pm**

Christian opens the floor to any questions, comments, concerns or just things the set reps have on their mind and would like to mention.

**Q/C:** I'm wondering about the progress on the food standpoint on campus?

**A:** I was hoping to have more progress for you today, but I can't say anything quite yet. I will have a more announcement soon.

**Q:** I wasn't here last time, so what is the food situation on campus?

**A:** Just that it's terrible and it costs too much.

**Q:** My set has a lot of labs and lectures cancelled next week. We're missing a total of 7 hours of content that we paid for.

**A:** You should talk to your teacher about that. Maybe they can create an optional review class for students. If the teacher isn't at least having office hours during that time you can

bring it to advocacy.

**Q/C:** I personally don't drive, but the parking lot by NE1 has so many teacher parking spots, but no one ever parks there, and students can't find any spots.

**A:** Students have been taking pictures of that lot during the day, every day and we're actively pushing for that to be changed, but at this point no update.

**5. Next Meeting: TBA, 2018.**

**6. Christian Adjourns the Meeting – 6:50pm**